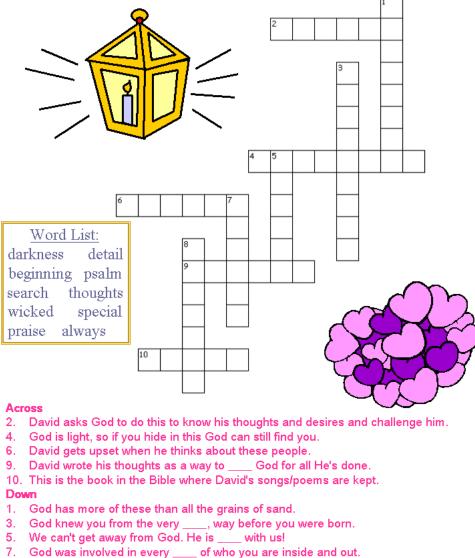
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TEACHER ROTATION	SUNDAYS	WEDNESDAYS
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Child of God Crossword



You were planned and made by God who made you ____ and unique.

If you're on Facebook, be sure to like the church's page at www.facebook.com/ChurchOfChristGonzalesTX to keep up with all the latest happenings.

LAST WEEK'S NUMBERS	
Bible Study	35
ISF (residents)	5
Wednesday Evening	22
Contribution	\$1,748.00
Special Contribution	\$200.00
Weekly Budget	\$3,250.29

NOTES

Church of Christ Hugust 7, 2016

WELCOME, GUESTS! WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE. SO THAT WE MAY GET TO KNOW YOU BETTER, PLEASE FILL OUT A GUEST INFORMATION CARD FROM THE PEW RACK IN FRONT OF YOU AND PLACE IT IN THE COLLECTION PLATE WHEN IT PASSES.

Order of Worship

SONG LEADER: CODY CHRISMON

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

#144—O Worship the King #266—Majesty

OPENING PRAYER

#694—Servant Song #361—Nailed to the Cross

LORD'S SUPPER

OFFERING

#622—*Ring Out the Message*

SERMON: CLAY MASON

#869—We're Marching to Zion

CLOSING PRAYER

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WORSHIP TIMES Sunday Bible Study – 9:30 a.m. Worship Service – 10:30 a.m. Wednesday Midweek – 6 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS Today **Campfire Series Finale** This Week 11-12—Stuff the Bus 13—Hunter Education Class 13—Kings Crossing Teacher Workshop Next Sunday

- Men's Meeting
- **Promotion Sunday**
- Singing in La Grange August
- 15—GISD Convocation Breakfast
- 20—Back-To-School Bash
- 28—Fellowship Meal
- 28—Singing at The Heights

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES Birthdays 7–Lexi Miller, Taylor Glass 8—Hunter Babb **Anniversaries**

10—Kevin & Victoria Johnson 11—Zach & Lauren Babb

LOCAL MINISTER: CLAY MASON

COMMITTEES

Worship & Education Cody Chrismon, Kevin Johnson, Clay Mason

Facilities Zach Babb, Randy Moerbe, Perry Winegeart

Finance & Benevolence Zach Babb, Ross Hendershot, Henry Lind, Clay Mason, **Edwin Weaver**

Clay's Corner

The first four verses of the 17th chapter of Luke's gospel speak about how wrong it is to cause a child to stumble and how often we are to forgive one another. I could write a thousand pages about how I feel about those who harm children. And, I could probably write another thousand or two about the importance extending forgiveness to others has on own well being, not to mention our own salvation.

And then, verses 7-10 are four verses that are kind of hard to swallow sometimes. We think we are worthy of so much more than others think we are. I mean, we're the Ones, right? We deserve a reward, right? I mean, we do this and that and.... Again, I could write another lengthy expose on all the implications of what the Lord said here.

But I won't.

Whv?

Because stuck right in the middle of these two passages are verses 5 and 6. And without them, verses 1-4 and 7-10 have little meaning, and they are the focus of what I desire to say today.

"The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith!' And the Lord said, 'If you had faith like a grain of mustard seed, you could say to this mulberry tree, 'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would obey you.'" - Luke 17:5-6

If the Lord possessed the human characteristic of sarcasm, I would almost think that this is one of those times where He really laid it on. Or maybe, if it wasn't sarcasm, it was disappointment. But either way, I seriously doubt that this statement was made "matter of factly" like so many read it and try to understand it, and in doing so miss the whole brunt of what just transpired.

The apostles, not the disciples, not the father of a young boy possessed by a demon, the apostles asked Jesus for more faith. However it really wasn't posed as a request, but more of a demand. We need more faith. You can give it. So, give us more faith.

And I can almost hear His voice giving life to words that were unspoken but surely must have been felt. "Give you more faith? More faith? Seriously!???! What have you done with what you have? More? Do you have any at all? Let me tell you, if you had any faith at all, even just so small amount as the size of a tiny mustard seed you could speak trees out of the ground and then just whisper it done and they would fly through the air and fall into the sea. Give you more faith? Why? What have you done with what you have?"

And today, today, we ask God for so many things. And sometimes it seems as though our prayers are unanswered. "Why?!?!" we ask. We need more God!!! Give us more faith! Give us more...!!!

And I can still almost hear your disappointed heart, why? "What have you done with what I already gave you?"

I've found myself in the company of many a person who thought more of themselves than they did of both me and everyone else around them. I've been in the company of "Christians" who think they have soooo much faith. I've never challenged that. But I've been tempted a time or two to simply ask, "When was the last time you spoke a tree out of the ground, if you're so holy?'

I think it's time we start using what we have instead of asking for more of something that, at best, we would only use to our own benefit. But, that's just me. I'm still trying to get my first tree out of the ground without using a shovel. So I really don't have much room to talk.

PRAYER LIST

- Lauren Babb (health)
- John Beiler (health)
- Brooke Bertling (Haley Ratliff's friend—breast cancer)
- Jane Brady, Elsie Clements, and Jorja Clements (health)
- **Dawn Clarke** (Shirley Kuchynka's daughter)
- Betty Cox (Brent Barnick's sister—homebound, rheumatoid arthritis)
- **Dixie** (Debbie Faires's mother—Alzheimer's)
- **Leon Giesecke** (Jan Moerbe's father—throat cancer)
- Herbert and Nelle Hahn (health)
- Sandra Jetton (health)

- Debbie Jalufka
- Edward Jungbauer (Moerbes' friend-health)
- Junior and Ada Powell (Sharron Mason's brother-inlaw and sister—health)
- Jocelyn Seals (Hallettsville—cancer)
- **David Taylor** (Codv Chrismon's uncle—cancer)
- Family and Friends of Leo Walls
- Patsy Watson (Victoria Johnson's motherrecovering from surgery)
- Adrienne Zingrich (Susan Barnick's cousin—cancer)

SUMMER CAMPFIRE SERIES FINALE TONIGHT

Grades 6–12 are invited to the Johnsons' house TONIGHT from 6–8 p.m. for the final installment of this summer's campfire series.

Dinner and s'mores will be provided.

Please bring your Bible and a lawn chair.

Invite your friends!

Stuff the Bus School Supply Drive

Stuff the Bus is hosting a school supply drive this Thursday, August 11 and Friday, August 12. The drive will be at the Gonzales Wal-Mart on Thursday, August 11 from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. On Friday, August 12, the drive will be at the Gonzales HEB. also from 8 a.m.-5 p.m. You may drop off supplies in the box in the foyer, or at the stores during the drive.

Hunter Education Class

This Saturday, August 13, Texas Parks and Wildlife will host a Basic Hunter Education Class in the annex beginning at **8 a.m.** The cost is \$15 per student. An information packet is available in the foyer. Registration is required. To register, please contact Clay Mason, e-mail gcoc@gonzaleschurchofchrist.org, or sign up in the fover.

Teachers Workshop

Kings Crossing Church of Christ in Corpus Christi is hosting a Teachers Workshop this Saturday, August 13 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Registration is free and lunch is provided. For more information, please see the flyer on the large bulletin board in the fover.

Monthly Men's Meeting

The men have their monthly meeting next Sunday, August 14 at 8 a.m. at the building.

Area-Wide Singing: La Grange

The La Grange Church of Christ is hosting an areawide singing next Sunday, August 14th at 5:30 p.m. If you would like to lead singing, please let Victoria Johnson know which songs you have selected.

GISD Convocation Chamber Breakfast

Each year, the Chamber of Commerce hosts breakfast for Gonzales ISD teachers, staff and administrators during their annual convocation. Volunteers are needed to help serve breakfast next Monday, August 15 at 8 a.m. at the J.B. Wells Expo Center. Please see Victoria Johnson if you are able to help.

If you have any announcements or prayer requests you wish to have included in the bulletin or to sign up for weekly e-mail updates, please contact Victoria Johnson: 325-518-9205, <u>victoria@gonzaleschurchofchrist.org</u>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Back-to-School Bash

You're invited to our Back to School Bash next Saturday, August 20 from 6-8 p.m. at Lions Park. Hot dogs and chips will be provided. Please bring ice cream to share. Invite your friends and family!

Thank You Note

The congregation received a thank you note from the Leo Walls family. It will be on the large bulletin board in the fover.

Tuesday Morning Men's Prayer Breakfast

All men are invited to the annex each Tuesday morning at **6:20 a.m.** for a time of breakfast, prayer and fellowship.

Sunday Night Small Group

There is a small group that meets in the annex each Sunday evening from 6-7 p.m. The Lord's Supper is available.

Wednesday Evening Meal & Bible Study

Please join us at 5:15 p.m. this Wednesday for dinner in the annex. This week's entrée is pulled pork sandwiches. Anyone who is able is asked to bring sides to share, but please do not let that prevent you from joining us. Classes for all ages follow at 6 p.m.

Volunteers Needed: Wednesday Night Meals

Volunteers are needed to prepare the entrée for meals on Wednesday evenings. If you signed up to prepare a meal. please send your menu to Victoria by Wednesday the week before your turn.

Mark Your Calendars:

August 28

Fellowship Meal

Signing at The Heights, 3:30 p.m.

October 1—Come & Take It Parade

WE'RE MOVING UP!

Please join us next Sunday, August 14, for Promotion Sunday, a special Sunday honoring our children and youth.

Immediately following morning worship, you are invited to a potluck lunch in the annex.

Please bring a dish to share.