



# CHURCH OF CHRIST

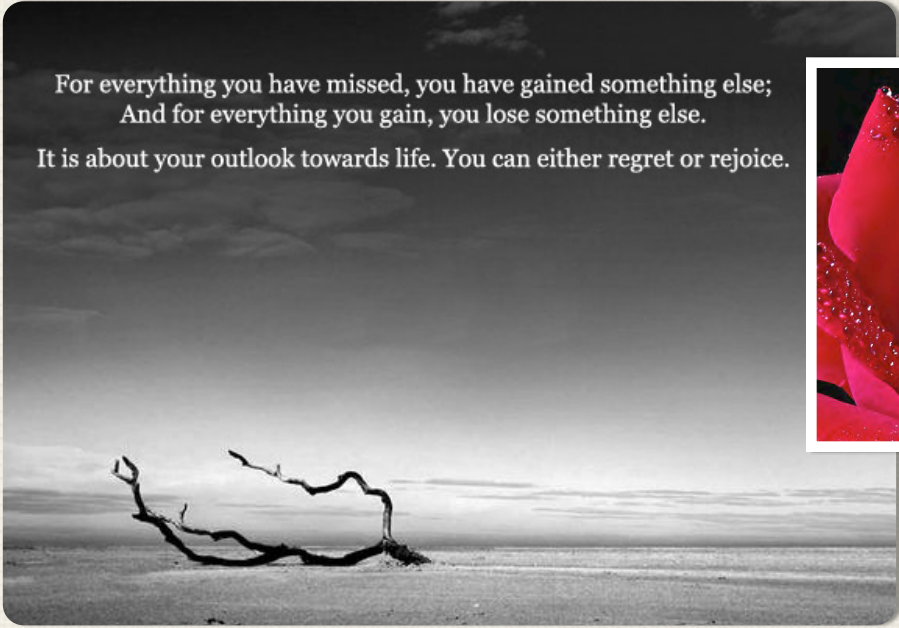


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For everything you have missed, you have gained something else;  
And for everything you gain, you lose something else.  
It is about your outlook towards life. You can either regret or rejoice.



HOW PRICELESS IS YOUR UNFAILING LOVE, O GOD! PEOPLE TAKE REFUGE IN THE SHADOW OF YOUR WINGS.

PSALM 36:7

## A note from our Elders

We are working on getting billboard signs on I-25. Southbound signs will be near the Dr. Cunico signs and the northbound signs will be near Corriente's Ranch or the Martinez family property in Romeroville. (Permission is still pending)

We would also like to encourage members to work with Jason in his efforts on updating our church directory. You will be contacted soon to provide your updated information.

We plan to continue to meet every two weeks. If you have ideas or concerns please contact one of the elders. We will be happy to meet with you. We ask for continued prayers and please know that all of you are in our prayers.

--Paul, Bill, Charlie & Robert



IS THAT YOU, LEONARD?



BABY BOBBY LIKES FRIDAY NIGHT DEVOS TOO!



HUNGRY KAT?

# FRIDAY NIGHT DEVOTIONALS



Donut Race Game



DURING OUR FRIDAY DEVOTIONALS WE DO NOT SKIP OUT ON THE FUN. OUR GOAL FOR THE LAST MONTH AS BEEN TO INVITE NEW PEOPLE TO OUR GROUP AND WE ARE GROWING. JANUARY 21, 2011 WAS PAJAMA NIGHT. OUR LESSON DEALT WITH THE DIFFERENT ATTITUDES A PERSON CAN HAVE AND HOW WE CAN CHANGE OUR ATTITUDE JUST LIKE OUR CLOTHES. THE FEBRUARY 4, 2011 MEETING WAS FOOTBALL NIGHT HOWEVER IT WAS CANCELLED DUE TO WEATHER AND BUSTED PIPES/NO WATER. PLEASE JOIN US FOR THE NEXT DEVOTIONAL, YOU WON'T BE DISAPPOINTED

# Butterfly

**A man found a cocoon of a butterfly. One day a small opening appeared. He sat and watched the butterfly for several hours as it struggled to force its body through that little hole. Then it seemed to stop making any progress. It appeared as if it had gotten as far as it could, and it could go no further.**

**So the man decided to help the butterfly. He took a pair of scissors and snipped off the remaining bit of the cocoon.**

**The butterfly then emerged easily. But it had a swollen body and small, shriveled wings.**

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**"WE WOULDN'T BE HERE IF JESUS DIDN'T DIE ON THE CROSS."**

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**The man continued to watch the butterfly because he expected that, at any moment, the wings would enlarge and expand to be able to support the body, which would contract in time.**

**Neither happened! In fact, the butterfly spent the rest of its life crawling around with a swollen body and shriveled wings. It never was able to fly.**

**What the man, in his kindness and haste, did not understand was that the restricting cocoon and the struggle required for the butterfly to get through the tiny opening were God's way of forcing fluid from the body of the butterfly into its wings so that it would be ready for flight once it achieved its freedom from the cocoon.**

**Sometimes struggles are exactly what we need in our lives. If God allowed us to go through our lives without any obstacles, it would cripple us.**

**We would not be as strong as what we could have been. We could never fly!**



## GABRIELLA

AGE: 11

PARENTS: PHILLIP & GLORIA TAFOYA

Church means everything to me! I put GOD first in my life! I love to go to church and attend bible classes on Wednesday and Sunday. Church is a big part of my life and I love to see all the people that go, we are a family. I especially love to sing and worship GOD!



## JONAH

AGE: 10

PARENTS: ANGELO & OLIVIA ORTIZ

I go to church because I like bible class and we get to learn about God. We wouldn't be here if Jesus didn't die on the cross. I go to church to worship God.



## CHRISTIAN

AGE: 11

PARENTS: DEWI LUJAN & KATHLEEN REED

I think church is a place to learn, sing or pray to God. Ever since I've gone to church, I've learned that you can't give up on your dreams.

Direct your children onto the right path,  
and when they are older, they will not leave it.

## Proverbs 22:6

### SUNDAY MORNING ELEMENTARY

I have kids age 4 to 8. We have been studying "I am God's Child". The characteristics of a christian are being kind, friendly, loving, obedient, patient, thankful, content and happy. We have 1 to 7 kids at a time.  
Please bring your child to bible class.  
--Andy Lou Ulibarri

### WEDNESDAY EVENING PRESCHOOL

The Wednesday night Preschool class has been studying about Jesus. We learned that we are wonderfully made and that we can grow as Jesus did in wisdom, stature and in favor with God and man.  
--Judy Turnbough

### THANK YOU TEACHERS

I dreamed I went to heaven  
And you were there with me  
We walked upon the streets of gold  
Beside the crystal sea  
We heard these angels singing  
Then someone called your name  
You turned and saw this young man  
And he was smiling as he came  
And he said friend you may not know me  
now and then he said, but wait  
You used to teach my Sunday School  
When I was only eight  
And every week you would say a prayer  
Before the class would start  
And one day when you said that prayer  
I asked Jesus in my heart...

### CHORUS

Thank you for giving to the Lord  
I am a life that was changed  
Thank you for giving to the Lord  
I am so glad you gave  
And I know that up in heaven  
You're not supposed to cry  
But I am almost sure  
There were tears in your eyes  
As Jesus took your hand  
And you stood before the Lord  
He said, my child look around you  
For great is your reward!  
"Thank You" by Ray Boltz

### BIBLE CLASS



SUNDAY MORNING PRE-TEEN



SUNDAY MORNING ELEMENTARY



WEDNESDAY NIGHT ELEMENTARY

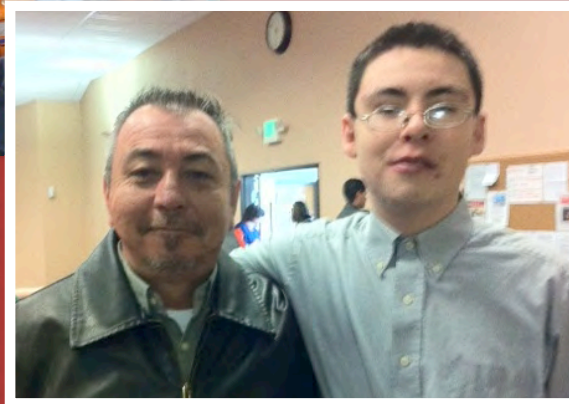


WEDNESDAY NIGHT PRE-TEEN





ISAAC, DAMON  
ANTHONY AND  
JACOB



LEON & DAMIEN

## WELCOME TO THE FAMILY

Many of our members have been involved in the foster parent program. We are proud to announce that Leon and Zelda have adopted Damien and Damon adopted Issac, Anthony & Jacob. Our church family is growing and we are very excited. We look forward to getting to know our newest members.



## WINTER BIRTHDAYS

### DECEMBER

- FRANCES DIMAS 3
- ROBERT ORTIZ 7
- GERMAINE LOVATO 8
- CHRISTIAN MARQUEZ 9
- DORA TALAMANTE 10
- RUDY URIOSTE 23
- HEATHER SANDOVAL 27
- LEONARD JR ROMERO 27
- BEATRIZ GALLEGOS 26

### JANUARY

- BARBARA RAYBURN 6
- ANASOPHIA TAFOYA 6
- HEAVEN LEE LOVATO 6
- ABIGAIL ARAGON 8
- JOE DIMAS 10
- NICOLE CHAVEZ 21
- PHILLIP TAFOYA 30
- NOAH ORTIZ 31

### FEBRUARY

- JONAH ORTIZ 1
- ANNA SERRANO 3
- JACOB ZALDEVAR 3
- BOBBY ORTIZ 5
- CAROLYN HACKER 9
- JUAN MONTANO 9
- ANGELINA VALDEZ 16
- ZELDA GARCIA 16
- ANDREW GARCIA 23
- ANDY LOU ULIBARRI 25
- OLIVIA ORTIZ 26

# Camp Blue Haven Registration

Registration opened on January 15, 2011 at 7:00 PM MST. You can still register by visiting [www.campbluehaven.com](http://www.campbluehaven.com). New campers should register immediately in order to have the best chance at getting a spot as a camper for this upcoming summer of 2011. The

waiting lists are already long. Returning campers have until the end of February 15th to register online and secure the spot we have saved for you. After February 15th, all available spots will be filled. Camper packets will go out in the US mail sometime after February 20th. As of

Sunday February 6, 2011 we have 19 kids registered for camp. This is the most kids our church as ever sent to camp! We want to sincerely thank those who made generous donations that allowed our children to cover registration expenses to attend camp.

## Blanchard Church of Christ

The Blanchard Church of Christ is happy to inform us that they keep on growing. On January 19, 2011 Dora Duran decided to put on Christ. After sharing the Gospel with her for some time brother Eddie Qunitana baptized her into the the Lord's church. The Gospel continues to be taught on Tuesday nights.

The members still continue meet on Sunday morning for worship. The topic they have been studying is, "How to know God better." Please continue to pray for and encourage our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.



## Upcoming Events

### † Spiritual Exploration Youth Rally

April 15-17, 2011

Riverside Church of Christ, Alb, NM

Host families available for housing and food.

Please see Damon if you would like to attend.

### † Camp Blue Haven

2011 Session Dates:

1st: June 5-11

2nd: June 12-24

3rd: June 26-July 2

4th: July 3-15

5th: July 17-23

6th: July 24-Aug 5

### † Area Wide Gathering

Tentative date set for April 2, 2011

The goal is to have members and speakers from other congregations in the area to join is for food, fellowship and fun. We will spend time singing and praying for one another and hearing God's word. The theme for the seminar will be based on Ephesians.

## WINTER FINANCIAL REPORT

### November

**Expenses:**  
\$10,541.07

**Deposits:**  
\$6,657.20

### December

**Expenses:**  
\$4,789.19

**Deposits:**  
\$5,874.25

### January

**Expenses:**  
\$3,969.00

**Deposits:**  
\$6,076.04

### Loan Information

**Balance as of 2.17.11**  
\$185,374.23

**Interest Rate**  
3.75%

**YTD Interest Paid**  
\$603.11