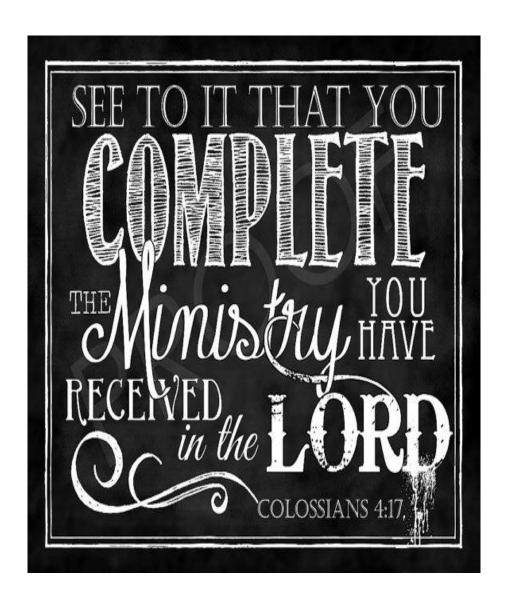
ELIM COVENANT CHURCH August 21, 2016



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WORSHIP CELEBRATION August 21, 2016

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

Helen Keller

GATHERING BEFORE GOD

We are invited into the presence of God!

Please turn your cell phones off Please sign the register book & pass it on.

PRELUDE

SONGS OF PRAISE

Worship Facilitator

Linda Gilmour

HYMN #600

"We Are God's People"

SONG #14 (silver book) "Here Before You, Lord, We Gather" "Wonderful Merciful Savior"

GREETING ONE ANOTHER

HEARING FROM GOD

We give our attention to God by opening our lives to His Word! We invite God's Spirit to take this Word into our lives that we might be formed into the image and likeness of Jesus!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Orlin Johnson

MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH

"Devote yourselves to prayer, being watchful and thankful." (Colossians 4:2)

CHILDREN'S SERMON

(Children dismissed for Children's Church, please for ages 3 thru $5^{\rm th}$ grade only).

TESTIMONY

John Thompson

WORDS FROM GOD

Colossians 4:7-18

Scripture Reader, Juanita Arellanos (Page 1236 or 1167 in the red Bibles)

MESSAGE

"Paul's Team" **Pastor Steve Peterson**

RESPONDING TO GOD

Now that God has spoken to us, it is time for us to speak to Him!

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

OFFERTORY

"Sweet, Sweet Spirit"

Linda Gilmour, Greta Wiborg & Pastor Steve Torie Lauritzson, Accompanist

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

BEING SENT BY GOD

God sends us out into the world that he desperately loves. His presence goes with us. We leave as God's agents of grace and mercy.

BENEDICTION

HEAD USHER

"Surely the Presence of the Lord Is In This Place"

Scripture Readings for the Week

1 Peter 2:5 Sunday **Monday** Matthew 28:20 **Tuesday** John 14:2-3

Wednesday *James 1:5*

Revelation 22:12 **Thursday** Exodus 20:6 **Friday**

Saturday Psalms 62:2-7

TODAY'S GREETERS Pat Hudson & Karen Johnson

Gary Wells Felipe Cantu, Pat Hudson & Sandy Parrott **USHERS**

SOUND SYSTEM **Iosh Parrott** POWER POINT **Dave Christy**

"Paul's Team" Colossians 4:7-18

Key Text: "From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work" (Eph. 4:16)

Key Thought: A core factor in Paul accomplishing such great things for the Lord was his developing such an outstanding team of dedicated coworkers.

- 1) Intro & Context
- 2) Team members:
 - a. Timothy (1:1) "my true son in the faith" (1 Tim. 1:2)
 - b. Tychicus (v. 7) "a dear brother, a faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord"
 - c. Onesimus (v. 9) "who became my son while I was in chains... who is my very heart" (Phm. 10,12)
 - d. Aristarchus (v. 10) "My fellow prisoner"
 - e. Mark (v. 10) From being on the outs w/ Paul: "... he had deserted them in Pamphylia and had not continued with them in the work," causing Barnabas & Paul to separate ways; to being restored to Paul: "... he is helpful to me in my ministry" (2 Tim. 4:11). Also was Peter's co-laborer: "... my son Mark" (1 Pt. 5:13). Mark wrote his gospel account based upon the teaching and preaching of Peter.
 - f. Jesus (Justus) (v. 11) a "fellow worker for the kingdom of God... a comfort to me"
 - g. Epaphras (1:7; 4:12) Planted the church in Colosse; Paul's courier w/ news from/about Colosse; "a faithful minister of Christ on our behalf" (1:7) "... always wrestling in prayer for you" (4:12)
 - h. Luke (v. 14) Authored the gospel of Luke & the book of Acts; "Our dear friend" (4:14) One of Paul's "fellow workers" (Phm. 24), and faithfully stayed by Paul's side when in prison "Only Luke is with me" (2 Tim. 4:11)
 - Demas (v. 14) One of Paul's "fellow workers" (Phm. 24),
 but who later deserted him "because he loved this world"
 (2 Tim. 4:10)

- j. Nympha (v. 15) Hosted a house church in Colosse
- k. Archippus (v. 17) "our fellow soldier" (Phm. 1:2)
- 3) Other members of Paul's team, outside this letter:
 - a. His traveling companions: Barnabas, Silas, Aquilla & Priscilla, Gaius, Marcus, Secundus, Sopater, Tertius, Titus & Trophimus
 - Other co-workers & supporters: Andronicus & Junia, Apphia, Carpus, Epaphroditus, Erastus, Lucius, Lydia, Jason, Onesiphorus, Phebe, Philemon, Tyrannus & Urbanus
- 4) Paul's leadership strengths in team-building
 - a. His <u>ANOINTING</u> (1:1, 25) (cf. Acts 9:15; 19:11-12 [amazing miracles]; Gal. 1:11-12; 2:9; 1 Tim. 1:14) "Paul, an apostle—sent not from men nor by man, but by Jesus Christ and God the Father" (Gal. 1:1)
 - b. His <u>PASSION</u> for the gospel of Jesus Christ (1:24, 29; 2:1) (cf. also 1 Cor. 15:10; 2 Cor. 11:23-27) "You, however, know all about my teaching, my way of life, my purpose, faith, patience, love, endurance, persecutions, sufferings... the persecutions I endured" (2 Tim. 3:10-11)
 - c. His high level of SKILL (winning their admiration)
 - i. As a theologian "Under Gamaliel I was thoroughly trained in the law of our fathers..." (Acts 22:3)
 - ii. In communicating (i.e. teaching, preaching, writing) (cf. Acts 9:22; 24:25; 26:28; 2 Pt. 3:15) "Yet [Paul] grew more and more powerful and baffled the Jews living in Damascus by proving that Jesus is the Christ" (Acts 9:22)
 - d. His high <u>ASPIRATIONS</u> for his students (1:9-12, 22, 27-28; 2:2, 10; 3:3-4) (cf. also 1 Tim. 4:11-15; 6:11-16; 2 Tim. 1:6-7; 2:1-7; Titus 2:7-8) "Do your best to present yourself to God as one approved, a workman who does not need to be ashamed and who correctly handles the word of truth" (2 Tim. 2:15)
 - e. His <u>PRAYERS</u> for his team (1:3,9) (cf. also Rom. 1:9-10; 1 Ths. 3:10; 2 Tim. 1:3; Phm. 4) "I have not stopped giving thanks for you, remembering you in my prayers" (Eph. 1:16)

QUESTIONS FOR REFLECTION

- Are you an active participant in a ministry team?
- Do you & your team members hold each other to high standards of Christian conduct? Are you setting high goals for yourselves?
- Do you pray for your team? Do you have planned blocks of time for intercessory prayer?

PRAISES and PRAYER CONCERNS

Praises: The freedom to worship & our Elim family.

Prayer Concerns: Parents, students and teachers.

Those in Need of God's Strength and Healing:

The family of Joann Potts, Dewey Jacks, Juna Wortz, Arlene Miller, Adolph Laurick, June Riley, Margaret Hasty, Anna Swanson, Marj Nelson, Jay & Judie Stanley, John & Linda Hutchison, Lyle & Maurine Beresford, Ann Seyller, Belva Van Norman, Pennie Knary, Felipe Cantu, Sean & Ashley Cosgrove, families that have lost loved ones, military families, and unspoken concerns.

Dear Father, sometimes I don't feel worthy of encouragement. At those times, I need Your help to see myself as You see me – a unique person, created in Your image. Amen.

Prayer Following Worship

Please feel free to take your burden or praise to one of the Elim Prayer Team members available to pray with you. Team members include: Julie, Linda, Carolyn, Juanita, & Tasha and can be easily found at the back of the sanctuary in the northwest classroom behind the sound system booth.

Monday Evening Prayer Gathering

Each Monday evening at 5:30 p.m. there is a prayer gathering held at Elim. You are encouraged to come and pray with the team members and share your requests/praises.

Prayer Chain

The prayer network is used when special needs arise during the week.

Call Judy at the church 764-6920 Monday thru Thursday
8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. otherwise call or text Tasha Munger

(309) 281-8784 with your request. If no answer, you may leave your

concern on the answer machine and it will be relayed ASAP.

FUNDRAISER FOR

Laundry Outreach

&

Jesus People USA Mission Trip



Ice Cream Social

Following worship

TODAY



Tomorrow – August 22[™] from 3:30 – 6:00 p.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the gathering area. Please give.



We want to thank our Elim family, friends and relatives for all your prayers and words of encouragement during Joann's illness and final passing. Thank you for the many cards, flowers and memorials/donations. Also, special thanks to the ladies who prepared the luncheon for such a large group. Thank you to Pastor Steve for his message and Torie for the beautiful music. We know Joann is looking down upon us just waiting to give us a big hug when we meet in heaven.

With God's blessings to all of you from the Potts family, Rollie, Ken, Rick and Becky.



(Social-Prayerful-Ladies-Always-Seeking-Him)

Attention ladies: the next S.P.L.A.S.H. meeting will be held on Saturday, August 27^{th} from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.



CHIPS 'N SALSA Please join us for the next chips 'n salsa planned for Sunday, August 28th following worship. There is a sign-up sheet – please indicate if you are bringing tortilla chips, salsa or a dessert (or you can bring all 3).

See Cindy Minard.



DAYTIME

Tuesday, September 6th Doors open @ 11:00 -Game starts @ 11:30 a.m. ends @ 2:00 p.m.Bring a sack lunch. \$5.00 per person. Fundraiser for Christmas Shoebox Mailing Fees. There is a sign-up sheet.



WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study group will start up again on Wednesday, September 7th from 5:30-7:00 p.m. They will be studying from Warren Wiersbe's Study Book on Daniel.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - THE BOX IS OUT!! AIMING FOR 88 BOXES!!

Please put donations for Operation Christmas Child (shoebox gifts) in the box or donate \$7.00 for shipping costs. Monetary donations can be given directly to the church office. Next to the donation box in the gathering area is a list of items needed/suggested. Bars soap, pencils, sharpeners, calculators, wash cloths, pocket folders, toothbrushes, coloring books, markers.

LOOKING AHEAD

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| Sun. | Aug. 21 | 9:15 a.m. | Sunday School |
| | _ | 10:30 a.m. | Worship Celebration Service |
| | | 11:45 a.m. | Collect for CF/Youth Hope |
| | | 12 Noon | Ice Cream Social – Missions Fundraiser |
| Mon. | Aug. 22 | 3:30-6:00 p.m. | Elim Blood Drive |
| | | 5:30 p.m. | Prayer Team Gathering |
| | | 6:30 p.m. | CIU – RIC Prayer Meeting |
| Wed. | Aug. 24 | 7:00 a.m. | "Amped" Prayer Gathering |
| | | 5:30 p.m. | Dollar Dinner |
| | | 6:00-7:30 p.m. | SPARK & AXIS |
| | | 7:30-9:00 p.m. | Fusion |
| Sat. | Aug. 27 | 9:00-11:00 am | S.P.L.A.S.H. Meeting |
| Sun. | Aug. 28 | 9:15 a.m. | Sunday School |
| | | 10:30 a.m. | Worship Celebration Service |
| | | 11:45 a.m. | Chips 'N Salsa Afternoon |
| Mon. | Aug. 29 | 5:30 p.m. | Prayer Team Gathering |
| Wed. | Aug. 31 | 7:00 a.m. | "Amped" Prayer Gathering |
| | | 5:30 p.m. | Dollar Dinner |
| | | 6:00-7:30p.m. | SPARK & AXIS |
| 7:30-9:00 p.m. Fusion | | | |
| | August B | <u>irthdays</u> | August Anniversaries |
| | 21 – Dew | ey Jacks | 21 – Jim & Carolyn Carsell |
| 31 – Tabatha Estes | | | |
| | | | September Anniversaries |
| September Birthdays | | | 5 – Don & Jane Peterson |

September Birthdays
3 – Madeline Lumpkin
4 – Lila Ferry

4 – Lua Ferry 4 – Austin Fowler 11 – Judy Martel 11 – Joy Wright 12 – Sylvia Anderson 9 – John & Pam Thompson

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Attendance Last Week Sunday School = 43 Worship = 129 CHILD CARE SCHEDULE

TODAY August 21

Sunday Spark Victoria Fowler (Ashley Parrott)

Sunday Spark Jr. Dora Beth Christy (Lacey Wagner)

Nursery Lori Smith & Diana Wood

NEXT WEEK August 28

Sunday Spark Victoria Fowler (Sandy Parrott)

Sunday Spark Jr. Dora Beth Christy (Rachel Cunningham)

Nursery Ashley Brookhart & Rachel Peterson

MOWING SCHEDULE

August 27 John Clarke & Cecil Grimes September 3 Orlin Johnson & Nick Wagner