



Faith Christian Assembly

September Newsletter



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One of my "pet-peeves" is when I hear people say in a longing tone how much they wish that there was an owner's manual that they could consult to help them through their lives. If only there was something - some reference they could consult about what to do when they don't know what to do. Some source they could consult that might even be able to tell them how they should live their lives, raise their children, conduct business, or how to be more successful in their relationships...their marriages, in life. Well, I have great news! We have access

to exactly that - an owner's manual for life. God in His grace has blessed us with His Word.

Romans 15:4 tells us..."For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope."

There are people who seem to only be interested in reading the New Testament and never turning to the Old Testament. Unfortunately, they are missing out on so much. When the Apostle Paul wrote Romans 15:4, to the church in Rome, he had just

quoted in a previous verse a passage from Psalm 69. It would seem, as he pondered this Scripture, it struck him that in fact the Old Testament was important to our learning and all that it brings to our lives. By skipping over the Old Testament, we do so to our own spiritual peril.

In Acts 20:27, Paul was happy to declare that in his ministry he had, "not shunned to declare...the whole counsel of God." And because he was faithful to preach the whole gospel, Paul regarded himself as innocent if they should be lost.

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Earlene Leming

It's Time for School *by Earlene Leming*

I prayed earnestly for the children as they passed my window wearing new clothes and backpacks. Summer was over. School had begun. I recalled my school days, knowing what they face. God gave me a fresh prayer assignment and a lesson today! Our Heavenly Teacher also provides education for HIS children.

If we say: "Lord, why this... now?" Deuteronomy 32:11 has a unique answer: "As an eagle stirs up its nest..."

The eaglet is not aware of the value of what he is learning. He only knows it is hard. But mother eagle says it is time to fly! She wildly squawks and jumps all around the nest, removing soft feathers and objects, leaving only sticks and stones. This forces the little eaglet to desperately cling to the edge of the nest. She knows he needs balance to fly, and strong talons to find food.

We rarely understand the

value of our education until it is over. Life's difficult situations can be easier when we realize God sees our weak areas. He wants to make us strong. Ask Him, "What do You want me to do today?"

"Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." ~ Joshua 1:9 NKJ

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The Apostle Paul's zeal and boldness is so refreshing in our day. Paul had not been intimidated by fear, by the desire for popularity, or even by the fact that the doctrines of the gospel may have been offensive to people.

"To trifle with Scripture is to deprive yourself of its aid. Reverence it and look up to God with devout gratitude for having

given it to you." ~ Charles Spurgeon

"The promises and comforts of Scripture support the Christian under his trials and enable him to endure them not only patiently but cheerfully." ~ Ellicott

"The Scriptures are written for our use and benefit, as much as for those to whom they were first given. Those are most

learned who are most mighty in the Scriptures. That comfort which springs from the Word of God, is the surest and sweetest, and the greatest stay to hope." ~ Matthew Henry

I want to close with a word of caution about the current times in which we are living.

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September Calendar

SUNDAYS

Service Time:

10:30am

**September 7 — Com-
munion Service**

MONDAYS

Office Closed

TUESDAYS

Church Office Hours

10:00am to 4:00pm

**Please call for ap-
pointment**



WEDNESDAYS

Bible Study: 11:00am

**September 3—Hymn
Sing!**

September 24—

Nutrition for Brain

**Health with Jacqueline
Atwood, R.D.**

THURSDAYS

September 17—1:00pm

Men's Ministry and

Touch of Love Wom-

en's Ministry meeting

FRIDAYS

Church Office Hours

10:00am to 4:00pm

**please call for appoint-
ment**

September 22-23

**Grace International Re-
gional Conference in
Orange, CA (Grace at
the Circle church)**

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We get used to taking advantage of technology for a variety of reasons. But for those who trust AI exclusively for their Bible reading or commentary study, please beware. We must be diligent to be sure we have a trusted source. An article written by John Boyles of Christianity Today revealed the following:

"When I asked ChatGPT, 'How should we interpret the Sermon on the Mount?' ChatGPT responded, 'as a large lan-

guage model trained by OpenAI, I do not have personal beliefs or values, so I cannot offer my own interpretation of the sermon on the mount. I am designed to provide general information and answer questions to the best of my ability, based on the information and knowledge that I have been trained on. I am not capable of personal opinions or interpretations.'"

It is also essential that we are careful with the Bible Translations we trust.

May we be able to say with Job...

"I have not departed from the commandment of His lips

I have treasured the words of His mouth more than my necessary food." Job 23:12 NKJV

Wonderful words of life

Sing them over again to me

Wonderful words of life

Let me more of their beauty
see

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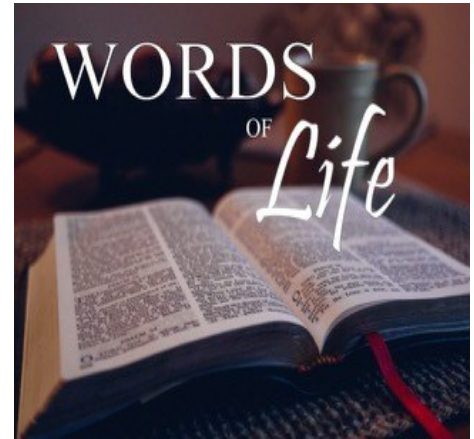
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Wonderful words of life
Words of life and beauty
Teach me faith and duty
Beautiful words, wonderful words
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From the Desk of Pastor Sheri Leming ~ September 1, 2025

September has arrived! We pray you had a wonderful summer and got some beautiful rest in the warm sun! This month our Men's Ministry and Women's Ministry, Touch of Love, will be back to their normal schedule and meet at 1pm September 18.

Grace International is having their Regional Conference this month September 22-23, 2025; in Orange, CA (Grace at the Circle). Please pray for our pastors as they travel for a time of re-

freshing and fellowship.

After our short break, Bible Study resumes this month, the first Wednesday, September 3 at 11am, Gary Leming leads us in a Hymn sing. These are so well loved and well attended. Come and hear the stories behind the hymns. Bible Study resumes September 10 at 11am.

Much thanks to Pastor Sam Rios and Pastor Gwyn Vaughn for ministering in the pulpit during our vacation last month. We always hear wonder-

ful reports of those who are blessed when they preach!

We invite you to join us this first Sunday in September in our 10:30am service as we partake in Holy Communion together. This is the time to partake together, and, in this way, we obey Jesus' command to, "Do this in remembrance of Me."

*Looking forward to Sunday,
Pastor Sheri & Gary
Leming*