



A Few Thoughts from a Shepherd

"This week we focus our attention on all the students, educators, support staff and parents as the new school year begins. I know many of us have different thoughts and opinions as to what we should do and not do during this season. There is a lot of noise out there from all different perspectives and we can become overwhelmed by the number of opinions from all manner of people (some who know what they are talking about and a lot who do not have a clue). Who would have ever thought Facebook and other forms of social media including Talk Shows would become our primary source of knowledge and information? In the midst of all of this noise and bantering we need to pause and lift up our students, our educators, our support workers and our parents. Whether the students and educators are in Kindergarten or working in Graduate degree programs they need our prayers and support more than ever. We cannot take for granted the value of education and knowledge. Let us not lose focus and attention on the Students and Educators in this time of Pandemic. May they beware of God's presence in their lives. May we as a Family of Believers encourage them and take interest in their lives and support them in whatever way possible. May we remember as God's people we are different from the World and show our students, our educators, our education support staff and parents Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness and Self-Control (plus Compassion and Grace) this school year. And it would not hurt if we showed the World and each other the same. Be Safe and Take Care!" Frank Weaver

Prayer Requests:

- ◆ John Ashinhurst—Two of his cultures have come back as mrsa and a bacteria. He will start several new treatments and meds. Please pray that all the treatments will work.
- ◆ Billie Dorries—Pray for Billie as he mourns the loss of his beloved wife, Johna.
- ◆ Quinn & Sheila Britt—Pray specifically for Quinn's heart rate to come down so that his body can begin to heal. Please keep Sheila and their family in your prayers also.
- ◆ Loucretia Fletcher—Pray as she is home resting comfortably on hospice care. Please no calls or visits at this time. Jerry will keep us updated as needed.
- ◆ Praise God! Martha Stone is back home.
- ◆ Norma Medina—Please pray for my cousin, Willie. He was admitted to the hospital in Corpus Christi with Covid 19. He also has heart problems. We are asking for God's wisdom for the doctors, nurses and all involved but especially for God's healing.

Empowering Subjects

Changing the World Like Jesus

If you are interested or would like to know more about Marvin's training program, *Empowering Subjects, Changing the World Like Jesus*, please contact him so he can send you an invitation to the online meeting on Zoom (email: marvin@nwchurch). The first discussion will be Wednesday, September 2nd at 7pm (with a "practice getting on Zoom" at 6 pm).

Vehicle for Cliff and Nkiru Jarrell

The mission committee sent \$5,000 and we raised an additional \$15,000. They bought a 2013 Toyota Hilander with 38,500 miles that looks really good. They wanted to say Thank You to everyone. They have had to use public transportation, and this will really help them.

Church office Phone: 210-688-3002 Email: office@nwchurch.us

Parking Lot Worship—August 30th at 9am



Our deepest sympathy to the family of Johna Dorries. She passed from this world August 15th surrounded by Billie and her family. She knew the end of the story and lived it out with a magnificent love for God. She will greatly be missed by everyone. Please pray for Billie, Trey, and all their family. Details for the memorial are pending at this time.



Drive-In Movie Night August 28th at 8pm

Mark your calendar for a fun night at our own church Drive-In Movie Theater! Free popcorn

