

# Prayer Updates

## THANKSGIVING

"We want to express our thanks for the prayer and care we have received as Nelda recovers from surgery and also for all the wonderful meals from our TLC Sonshine Ministry."  
— Pastor Paul Barton

## JOY & BLESSINGS

We welcome **FOUR** baby girls to our TLC family!

• **Grace Elizabeth Hoy**, born 1/25 to Mike & Dawn (Grace was about 4 weeks early and is still in NICU at Dominican)

• **Mercy Rose Nigh**, born 1/26, to Adam & Rachel, grandparents Steve & Peggy Campbell and Sam & Karla Nigh

• **Nicole Louis Powell**, born 1/26 to John & Lisa, grandparents Guy & Tamara Routley and Joe & Lynda Powell

• **Juliann Marie VanWickler**, born 1/30 to Zek & Danielle, grandparents are Frank & Kathie VanWickler and Stephen & Kathleen Hunt (Danielle was hospitalized 8 weeks before her due date, yet the baby was born perfectly healthy).

## HOSPITALIZED & SURGERIES this past week...

Charles Engles – back problems

Irvin Smith – moved to San Leandro Hospital (recovering from being hit by a car)

Joseph Rojas – NICU, born 1/13 weighing less than 4 pounds, continues to gain weight

Marion Fuhry – lung problems

Ruby Whitlow (age 87, Heather's grandmother) – failing health

**Recent hospitalizations /surgeries:** Dan Cope, Jay Free, Jerry Zamzow, Jeremy Holmes, Joseph Rojas, Len Mayfield, Michelle McCarthy, Rachel Silva, Trudi Jackson

**Hospice care:** Dorothy Thrash

## We want to provide pastoral support...

Please call 465-3395 when someone is hospitalized, scheduled for surgery, becomes a shut-in, or in special need. Prayer support is available through our pastors and numerous prayer groups — call 689-9400. Please pick up a Prayer Update at the Information Desk or Welcome Center.

# Bringing Out THE BEST in Others

HOW TO LEAD LIKE JESUS

# "Everyone's a Coach"

Part 1 • Message by René Schlaepfer  
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## Top 3 Leadership Myths:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_

"Jesus called them together and said, "You know that those who are regarded as rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and their high officials exercise authority over them. Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your **servant**." Mark 10:42-43 (NIV)

## How To Lead Others Like Jesus

**L** \_\_\_\_\_  
"I have given you an **example** to follow. Now do as I have done to you." John 13:15 (NLT)

"Don't lord it over the people assigned to your care, but lead them by your good **example**." 1 Peter 5:3 (NLT)

"...set an **example** for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity." 1 Timothy 4:12 (NIV)

**E** \_\_\_\_\_  
"Go and sell what you own and give the money to the poor, and you'll have treasure in heaven; then come, follow Me." Mark 10:21 (NIV)

"Jesus sent the disciples out with these instructions... 'Go announce the Kingdom of Heaven is near. Heal the sick, raise the dead, cure those with leprosy, and cast out demons.'" Matthew 10:7-8 (NLT)

"Go and make disciples of **all nations**..." Matthew 28:19 (NIV)

**A** \_\_\_\_\_  
"And I tell you that you are **Peter**, and on **this rock** I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it." Matthew 16:18 (NIV)

"Anyone who has faith in Me will do what I have been doing. **He will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father.**" John 14:12 (NIV)

**D** \_\_\_\_\_  
"It was because **you do not have enough faith**," answered Jesus. "I assure you that if you have faith as small as a mustard seed... you could do anything!" Matthew 17:20 (TEV) (See Eph. 4:29)

Key: Affirm the \_\_\_\_\_, correct the \_\_\_\_\_.

## Remember your goal:

"He must become greater; I must become less." John 3:30 (NIV)

(After he is mistaken for a god, Paul says) "Why are you doing this? We too are only men, human like you. We are bringing you good news, telling you to turn from these worthless things to the living God..." Acts 14:15 (NIV) (See 1 Corinthians 2:4)

Lead them \_\_\_\_\_, not \_\_\_\_\_.

# Daily Meditations

Brief daily devotions based on this week's topic

## Monday

Which of the four points from the sermon comes most naturally for you?

Which is the biggest challenge?

If you didn't during the services, write down the names of at least three people you want to build up (we'll be coming back to this list throughout the week!):

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

Read 2 Corinthians 5:16-17. In this passage Paul says he no longer regards people "from a worldly point of view" – rather, he sees them all as new creations in Christ!

Think of the people on your list. Ask God to help you see their potential. Write down one or two promising traits or gifts that each possesses:

Name: Positive Trait:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

*Thank God today that He wants to use you to build others up. Thank Him for the many ways He encourages you. Pray that you'll have eyes to see the opportunities He gives you today. Ask God to give you the words and actions to encourage those around you.*

## Tuesday

Read Joshua 24:14-15. Leadership involves challenging others to a greater vision. This passage is in the form of a challenge to the Israelites. What is the challenge in this passage?

Why do we often need to be challenged to a decision point by a third party? Where do you need to be challenged?

*Talk to God about the areas of your life where you need to be challenged to make a decision. Perhaps you need to make a decision to follow the Lord – for the first time, or as a recommitment. If so, please make your decision for Christ today by praying a prayer like this: "Jesus, I know I need you. I am a sinner. I believe you are who you said you are: God's Son, sent to bear the punishment for my sin and save me. I give you, the resurrected Christ, my life. Amen."*

## Wednesday

Read 1 Thessalonians 5:11-14. One point last weekend was to affirm others – to lead by giving others confidence. List the verbs about encouragement used in this passage.

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## Wednesday (continued)

In what way can you build up the people on your list? Here are some ideas:

- Write a note with specific traits you appreciate in them
- Send a letter describing how they have impacted your life
- Make a phone call and ask how you can pray for them
- Give a gift – something little – that you know they will enjoy
- Drop by for an encouraging visit
- Take them out for a meal or dessert
- Go for a walk together and determine to speak of only positive things

Name: How to encourage them:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.

*Thank God today for the love He has shown you. Thank Him for His mercy and kindness. Pray that you will be bold and creative in your encouragement of others.*

## Thursday

The final point this weekend was that leadership involves counsel and correction. Why is it necessary for a leader to do this? Why not just give positive feedback all the time?

How does 1 Thessalonians 5:14 say to give counsel and correction?

How does this differ from the way you sometimes give advice?

Read Proverbs 10:17, 12:1 & 13:18. What do these verses say about the best way to respond to words of wise correction from others?

*Thank God today that you have the opportunity to be in relationships with others. Ask God to help you have the proper loving attitude when you give counsel; and ask Him to give you an open, gracious and teachable heart when others critique you.*

## Friday

Read Mark 10:42-43. Why is Jesus' teaching about leadership so hard to believe and practice in our culture?

When is it most difficult for you lead by serving?

How can you practice servant leadership today?

*Thank God today for Jesus' example of servant leadership. Ask God to give you His perspective on leadership. Pray that you will be humble in your dealings with others and able to lead by serving.*

## Saturday

*Please finish up any devotions you may have missed and be sure you know the memory verse for this week! Please pray for the services this weekend. Pray that as a church we will work to bring out the best in each other!*



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