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# Gold Canyon

## Church of Christ

September 29, 2024

**Welcome to Gold Canyon Church of Christ!**

**We are so glad you have chosen to  
 worship with us today.**

### Morning Worship Service

**September 29      October 6**

Announce/Prayer	Ralph Ycedo	Tom Bond
Song Leader	Javier Ortiz	Greg Ryznar
Lord's Supper	John Camp	Aron Smith
Bread/Cup	Ralph Ycedo	Tom Bond
Scripture Reading	Aron Smith	Aron Smith
God's Message	Jeff Wealand	Jeff Wealand
Closing Prayer	Jim Boal	Jim Boal

### Evening Worship Service

Announce/Prayer	Postponed until further notice!	
Song Leader		
Lord's Supper		
God's Message		
Closing Prayer		

### Mission Statement:

**Be a loving Christ-centered family, living for God,  
 united in His Spirit. We are committed to lighting  
 the world by boldly preaching and teaching His  
 Word in love, as revealed by our only authority, the  
 Bible.**

### Schedule of Services

**9am Sunday – Bible Class  
 (this service is also live streamed)**

**10am Sunday- Worship Service  
 (this service is also live streamed)**

**5pm Sunday – Worship Service/Bible Study**

### ELDERS

**Jim Boal, Tom Bond, and Ralph Ycedo  
 Minister - Jeff Wealand**

**TIBITS for THOUGHT**  
**THE GIFT OF FRIENDSHIP**

John 15:15 “I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything I learned from my Father I have made known to you.”

A true friend is one of the greatest blessings we might receive in our brief journey on and through this secular world. A true friend is one who is always there for you no matter what is transpiring in your world. He is the one with whom you can share your deepest thoughts, aspirations, dreams and fears without the fear of ridicule or judgement, and he will never divulge them. He is the one who might try to talk you down from making a wrong turn but withholds condemnation when you do make that wrong turn. He is there to help you pick up the pieces after a broken relationship or a bad career move or a disastrous mistake. He is the one who sits with you in your darkest hours of grief, fear and betrayal and celebrates with you the light and joy of the good things of life. He will never disrespect or denigrate you by spewing out unsolicited advice, the junk mail of life. A true friend, many times, knows you better than you know yourself and always displays unconditional love. A true friend is a God given gift that knows no price.

Henri Nouwen captured the essence of friendship when he wrote, “When we honestly ask ourselves which person in our lives means the most to us, we often find that it is those who, instead of giving advice, solutions or cures, have chosen rather to share our pain and touch our wounds with a warm and tender hand. The friend who can be silent with us in a moment of despair or confusion, who can stay with us in an hour of grief and bereavement, who can tolerate not knowing, not curing, not healing and face with us the reality of our powerlessness, that is a friend who cares.”

Jesus promised to send us the Counselor (John 14:26) and by that act He gave us the gift of a perfect friend.... a friend that is always with us... a friend that will never betray us.... a friend that will guide and teach us.... a friend that comforts us in our times of grief.... a friend that helps us develop the beautiful fruit that embodies the Christian lifestyle (Gal 5:22) .... a friend that helps us to grow in the glory of God.... a friend that implores us to reach out to the “least of these” .... a friend that assists us in being a friend to others.... a friend that exhorts us to confront evil.... a friend that urges us to be bold in sharing the Good News. When Jesus called His disciples friends, He made a declarative statement that echoes through the ages. That means that you and I are blessed among all people to enjoy the constant company and the gentle presence of the greatest friend that might ever be imagined. The friendship of the Spirit of God is priceless and beyond comparison. Think about it!

Aron Smith

**Answers** to last week’s trivia questions:

1. You shall not covet.
2. Caesarea Phillippi.
3. 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians.
4. Wasted it.
5. Harvest it.
6. Gideon.
7. Annas.
8. Ruth.
9. Pilate’s wife.
10. Johnathan.
11. By their Love.
12. Miriam.

## GIFT OF GOD'S SPIRIT

Scripture Reading: Luke 11:9-13

Praying, Ephesians 6:17-18

Living, Romans 8:8-11

Walking, Galatians 5:22-25

Loving, Colossians 1:8

...Whoever speaks against the Holy Spirit will not be forgiven, now or in the age to come, make a tree good and its fruit will be good, or make a tree bad and its fruit will be bad, for a tree is known by its fruit ~ Jesus (Matthew 12:32-33e)

## PRAYER REQUESTS

**Barbara's daughter, Terra** having severe migraine headaches and going thru testing to find cause. Keep her family in prayer.

**Marylou and Chris** ask for prayers for **Tim Dunn**, Preacher at Flatrock Church of Christ in Michigan who is undergoing tests to find cause for deteriorating health and for friend **Cathy Montieth** in last stages of cancer.

**Ruth Handley** recovering from knee surgery keep her in prayer.

**Ruth Brightman's daughter Carmella** suffered two strokes.

**Debbie's sister-in-law, Debbie** is home recovering from surgery

**Dee Dee's niece, Jennifer Licano**, scans now show she is cancer free.

Keep **JoAnn Toles and her daughter, Barbara**, in your prayers, they both have ongoing health issues, prayers appreciated.

**Joel and Isaac Ramirez** and **Conner** all recovering from car accidents, keep them in prayer.

## Ongoing prayers for the following members and friends with long term issues:

Jim Boal and his brother Carl, Veronica & family, Kenny Brown, Ellie Evans, Nancy and Daniel Sawyer, Darlene Hobbs, Jeff and Vicenta Jacobs, Kathy McClure's niece Malisa, Donna Carpenter & family, Linda Q's friend Tony, Dee Dee's nieces Jennifer and Shelle, Jeff's sister-in-law, Deborah.

## Neighborhood Outreach Program v

If you are interested in joining the Hands of Kindness team, e-mail Aron at [aronandpeg@aol.com](mailto:aronandpeg@aol.com)

## RYZNARS RUMINATIONS

Have you ever seen the beer commercial "the most interesting man in the world"...well that was just an actor on screen. If you had the time to sit down and talk with Richard Hanna, you'd soon find out he was the real "most interesting man in the world." There's a term the younger generation uses nowadays called "dad lore." Dad lore is when you're sitting on the couch watching tv or something like that and out of nowhere your dad casually mentions he almost played for the Brooklyn Dodgers back in the day. The best part of that example is that's actually something that Richard was able to say. Richard accomplished a lot in the world of radio and sports media, but the way he would just casually drop it into conversations I had with him truly embodies the term dad lore. Something I really respected about Richard was, he was a man with a lot of opinions that he wasn't afraid to share. However the thing about his opinions is they were based on his knowledge of the facts, it was his job his whole career to know the facts. He was a huge advocate for people to do the same, look for the truth in the midst of the fog that's being fed to the public every day. That may be one of the reasons we got along so well, we were both tired of the lies that people are so easily being convinced of. Richard was a man who never looked his age. I remember the first time I found out he was in his 80s, I thought he was making a joke. I just hope that if I make it to 91, I'll look as good as Richard did. I'm going to miss seeing Richard at church on Sundays. He always made a special point to talk with me and remind me I've got my head screwed on right and to keep it that way. As much as I'll miss the moments and conversations with Richard, I know I'll see him again someday, because his desire to seek the truth and do the right thing bled over in his dedication to the Lord. There weren't too many Sundays Richard wasn't at church. If he could make it, he was going to be there. Now Richard gets to be with the Lord every day of the week. If heaven had a radio show, Richard would be God's first choice to host. So now, even though I'm not there in person today, I say see you later to the most interesting man in the world, my friend Richard.

Zach

