

Assignments for Serving

	<i>7/17</i>	<i>7/24</i>
<i>Song leader</i>	<i>Zachary</i>	<i>Zachary</i>
<i>Opening Prayer</i>	<i>Jim</i>	<i>Ron</i>
<i>Lord's Table</i>	<i>Kenny</i>	<i>Robert</i>
	<i>Richard</i>	<i>Richard</i>
<i>Closing Prayer</i>	<i>Raul</i>	<i>Ethan</i>
<i>Announcements</i>	<i>Ron</i>	<i>Jon</i>

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Power of the Tongue
James 3:1-12

Scripture Reading: _____

Bible References: _____

Notes: _____

Sermon Highlights: _____

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elcome members and visitors to the Gilbert church of Christ. Visitors you are our honored guests, please stay after services and get to know us and let us get to know you. Our goal is to worship God in spirit and in truth. If you have any questions or concerns about what is done or said here please feel free to ask any of the men and they will answer your questions.

Prime the Pump

There is a modern day parable about a salesman who, while on his way to an appointment and running late, decided to take a short cut through the desert. It wasn't long before he was out of gas. Now stranded, he began to walk through the desert to his destination. As the heat and thirst began to take its toll, he began to regret taking that short-cut. As he continued his trek, he left behind a trail of discarded items: tie, coat, briefcase, things that didn't seem important anymore. Nearing exhaustion and moving from worry to panic, he stumbled into a deserted town. Hoping to find something to drink, he frantically searched each building, but found nothing. The town had obviously been deserted for quite some time. Just about ready to give up and accept the fact that he probably wasn't going to make it, he saw at the side of one building an old hand pump water well. With desperate hope he frantically pumped the handle. It squeaked and clang in protest, but offered no water, the well was dry. It was then he saw the note attached to the pump. It said, "This well is not dry, it just needs to be primed. Under the rock, next to the pump, you will find a container of water. With this water you can prime the pump and have all the water you want. But don't drink any water in the container, you'll need every bit of it to prime the pump. When your done, fill the container and replace it for the next traveler."

What do you think this man did. He could follow the instructions , or he could drink the water that he now held in his hands. I guess the real question is: will he have enough faith to pour out what he has, for what he needs? I'm afraid, that too many of us try to take care of our own needs rather than trusting in the Lord to take care of us. Wasn't that what the devil tried to get Jesus to do in the wilderness? "Turn these stones into bread," is another way of saying "Jesus, you take care of you" But Jesus trusted God to take care of Him. Shouldn't we as well? We need a faith that will let go of the temporary things we think will satisfy and might actually satisfy for a moment, and trust Jesus with all of our heart, and soul, and mind, and strength
What did the salesman do? Well, he did just what you would expect him to do.



Prayer List

Staggs Family-Keep Janice and Jim in your prayers
Betty and Lisa-Are traveling—pray for safe return
Stanley Family- Health, strength and guidance in issues they face and for the Bruger family
Julie-As she travels to California.
The teachers, students and support staff of Southwest Christian School who are affected by its recent closure
Riding Family- For health
Charley-Continued recovery and to find a job.
One another-Let us keep each other in prayer continually that we might be the salt and the light that God has called us be in our Lord Jesus Christ



Notes of Interest

Reminder—Afternoon service is at 1:30 PM—
Wednesday night service is at 7:00 pm

Valley Wide singing August 13th at North Valley.
Singing begins at 6:30. Refreshments to follow

Almost time for the kids to be back in school. Be watchful and be praying for our children.

Senior's retreat is August 27th at Copper Basin.
The speaker is Larry Watkins of Montezuma. Information is in the foyer.

Copies of the directory are now available.

Thank you for worshipping with us today