

Word of Life Family Prayer List

We Thank the Lord...

- for His gifts of Word and Sacraments, pastors and teachers, direction and example, and His promise to work good through those gifts
• for our guests and all who invited and brought them
• for \$523,870 given to our Therefore Go building fund
• for the blessings and resources He has entrusted to our care and His promise to multiply them to build a bigger heaven and better lives.

We Ask the Lord...

- to inspire and empower us to declare the good news of the Gospel and live the better life of Christian love, to receive His gifts through preaching of the Word, Baptism and the Lord's Supper, to follow the example of the early church as we prepare to extend a Divine Call, to trust in Your promises, and to listen to Him by listening to the one He sends us
• to bless missionary pastor Ninh Huu Nguyen and the people of Vietnamese Lutheran as they reach out to people in Sugarland, TX and beyond
• to bless our attenders, community, state, nation and world
• to bless all leaders with godly wisdom and move them to lead according to His will
• to bless victims of violence, oppression and disaster
• for repentance in America
• for sobriety for those with addictions
• to restore broken marriages, engage unengaged parents, heal broken families, reconcile estranged family members
• for strengthened faith and courage, for family members to be saved (Harter)
• for employment guidance and opportunities for Nancy Murray, Jayme Edwards, Dennis Hatfield
• to bless and protect our deployed troops and their families, especially Matthew Brooks
• for a safe pregnancy and delivery for Joy and Michael Silva (Fennigkoh), Samantha and Jadon Kempers (Stemmermann)
• to grant comfort and peace in their last days to Frances Johnson (Christiansen), Audrey Abel (Mitschke), Bernard Sowinski (Valentine) and grant strength and rest to their families and caregivers
• to bless Cecilia Friesenhahn & her family (Flowers)
• to heal Jean & Neil Craigmile, Suzi Malone, Robert Torres, Carolyn Johnson, Allen Fennigkoh, Audry-Anna Edwards, Denise Bruce, Joyce Givens, Clarice Craigmile (Craigmile), Barbara Bilderback, Erica, Marsha Pargmann, Edna Robbins, Amber Lozano (Dominguez), Omi, Bethany (Dunaway), Daniel Muller (Grossart), Tracy Parks (Hatfield), Baby Hendricks, Madison (Leal), Lee Medicus (Medici), Sandy Doering, Ruthann Stroud, Kim Pfaff, Iris Trahan, Alex Murray, Benny & Lillian Mitschke (Mitschke), Diana Haumesser (Molina), Marianne Powell, Carson (Nightingale), Clayton (Pawelek), Phil (Peterson), Heather Zakarian (Smith), Bud, Riley (Stemmermann), Buster Roque, Beth Roberts, Evan Hance (Stevens), Jeanie Rosenburg, Tonja Brewer (Vallejo), Rita (Wallrich), Walter, Colleen Weissmann (Weissmann), Cindy, Mario (Williams)
• to heal those battling cancer: Ronda Whitaker (Apo), Mark Armstrong (Christiansen), Guy Morgan (Craigmile), Gino Leija, Denise Gonzalez, Betty Ruff (Dominguez), Rhonda Reyes, Kris Frett, Margaret Swartz (Edwards), Shelby Renton (Hatfield), Neva Atkinson (Johnson), Jessie Anderson (Malone), Devin Jackson, Pastor Ken Lieber, Laurine Watson, Kathy Jennings (Mitschke), Maria Molina (Molina), Meredith Powell (Nightingale), Sebastian Hernandez (Paxton), Dave Peterson (Peterson), Chuck Warner II (Pointer), Robyn Tate (Stevens), Adrian Russell (Vallejo), John Gray (Weissmann)
• to help those we now name in our hearts and minds
• to open the hearts of people to the Gospel and to open our ears, hands and mouths to bless them and share Jesus with them.

Please take this home to review and apply this week's LifeLesson and to keep your Word of Life family in your prayers throughout the week. Please keep this list current by sharing updates on your Info slip.

Please complete this slip and place it in the oak box to the right of the door as you leave.

We value relationships. This helps us get better acquainted and helps us better serve you. Thanks!

I/We are:

- 1st 2nd 3rd time Guests Regular attenders

I/We heard about Word of Life

from: _____

I/We would like:

- the pastor to call me
 to request a Stephen Minister
 to be baptized into Jesus
 to attend the next membership course

Adult Name(s) Please Print _____

Youth/Children (grade) _____

Please complete unless our information is current:

Address _____

City, ST Zip _____

Her Email _____

Her Phone _____ Provider _____

His Email _____

His Phone _____ Provider _____

Needs, Questions or Comments _____

Over for Requests/Thanksgivings & RSVP

Word of Life Fellowship

April 7, 2024
Traditional 8:30 am
Contemporary 9:45 am
Contemporary 11:00 am

213 Coy Lane

Cibolo, Texas 78108

210-566-2237

www.WordofLife4u.com

BetterLife@WordofLife4u.com

Building a bigger heaven & better lives!

LifeLesson Notes for:

Divine Call

Pastor Ken Mitschke

_____ us for important roles, for intimate connection with Him, to declare the good news of the Gospel, and to live the better life of Christian love.

1 Peter 2:9 (GW) - However, you are chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, people who belong to God. You were chosen to tell about the excellent qualities of God, who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light.

_____ faith in us through the preaching of the Word.

Romans 10:17 (ESV) - So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

_____ us to be born again through Baptism.

Titus 3:5 (GW) - He saved us, but not because of anything we had done to gain his approval. Instead, because of his mercy he saved us through the washing in which the Holy Spirit gives us new birth and renewal.

1 Peter 1:3 (GW) - Baptism, which is like that water, now saves you... It saves you through Jesus Christ, who came back from death to life.

_____ us life through the Lord's Supper.

John 6:53-56 (GW) - Jesus told them, "I can guarantee this truth: If you don't eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you don't have the source of life in you. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood have eternal life, and I will bring them back to life on the last day. My flesh is true food, and my blood is true drink. Those who eat my flesh and drink my blood live in me, and I live in them."

Christ _____ the office of _____ with these gifts.

1 Corinthians 4:1 (GW) - People should think of us as servants of Christ and managers who are entrusted with God's mysteries.

_____ has _____ and the Holy Spirit _____ into these offices as gifts to his church.

Ephesians 4:11-12 (GW) - [Christ] also gave apostles, prophets, missionaries, as well as pastors and teachers as gifts to his church. Their purpose is to prepare God's people to serve and to build up the body of Christ.

Acts 20:28 - (NIV) Keep watch over yourselves and all the flock of which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers. Be shepherds of the church of God, which he bought with his own blood.

In a Divine Call, the Lord does the calling but through human means: _____, _____, _____ to the Holy Spirit, _____ and _____:

Acts 1:23-26 (GW) - The disciples determined that two men were qualified. These men were Joseph (who was called Barsabbas and was also known as Justus) and Matthias. Then they prayed, "Lord, you know everyone's thoughts. Show us which of these two you have chosen. Show us who is to take the place of Judas as an apostle, since Judas abandoned his position to go to the place where he belongs." They drew names to choose an apostle. Matthias was chosen and joined the eleven apostles.

Acts 13:1-3 (GW) - Now in the church at Antioch there were prophets and teachers: Barnabas, Simeon called Niger, Lucius of Cyrene, Manaen (who had been brought up with Herod the tetrarch) and Saul. While they were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, "Set apart for me Barnabas and Saul for the work to which I have called them." So after they had fasted and prayed, they placed their hands on them and sent them off.

Acts 14:23 (ESV) - And when they had appointed elders for them in every church, with prayer and fasting they committed them to the Lord in whom they had believed.

_____ for the office of pastor.

Titus 1:6-9 (NIV) - An elder must be blameless, faithful to his wife, a man whose children believe and are not open to the charge of being wild and disobedient. Since an overseer manages God's household, he must be blameless—not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain. Rather, he must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined. He must hold firmly to the trustworthy message as it has been taught, so that he can encourage others by sound doctrine and refute those who oppose it.

Around 1530, Martin Luther expounded the qualities of a good preacher and contrasted those qualities with those of a preacher as the world would have him. First, as the world would have him, six things are necessary to the preacher: (1) He must have a fine accent. (2) He must be learned. (3) He must be eloquent. (4) He must be a handsome person. (5) He must take no money, but have money to give. (6) He must tell people what they like to hear.

And now, the true qualities of the good preacher are: (1) He should be able to teach in a right and orderly way. (2) He should have a good head. (3) He should be able to speak well. (4) He should have a good voice. (5) He should have a good memory. (6) He should know when to stop. (7) He should be sure of his material and be diligent. (8) He should stake body and life, goods and honor in his ministry. (9) He must suffer himself to be vexed and flayed by everybody.

_____ through us or despite us to accomplish His good purpose.

Romans 8:28 (GW) - We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God - those whom he has called according to his plan.

A _____, despite sin-prone human means, is _____.

Luke 10:16 (NIV) - [Jesus said,] "Whoever listens to you listens to me; whoever rejects you rejects me; but whoever rejects me rejects him who sent me."

1 Thessalonians 5:12-13 (ESV) - We ask you, brothers, to respect those who labor among you and are over you in the Lord and admonish you, and to esteem them very highly in love because of their work. Be at peace among yourselves.

Prayer Requests/Thanksgivings:

Confidential - for pastor only

Please **PRINT CLEARLY**

These requests/thanksgivings may be removed:

I want to invite the following people to Word of Life. Please pray for them and me.

RSVP

An Inviting Time

Yes! I'm interested in:

- Finances (improve finances)
- Prepare/Enrich (marriage preparation/enrichment)
- GriefShare (grief group)
- Parenting Course (behavior management)
- Celebrate Recovery (overcome hurts and habits)
- Stephen Ministry (Christian care)
- Fresh Start with God (discovery/membership course)

Name(s) _____

Preferred Contact _____