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A Blessing for Our Fathers

Fathers and grandfathers serve a critical role in the development of a child and in the strength of a family. Your loving, encouraging and reassuring presence brings a peace to children and families that all will be well, not matter what we might face. Your words of godly wisdom light the path for us to see where to go and are stored up in our heart for years to come. Your example in seeking after God and following His ways will become one of our greatest treasures as we look back on our life, with great appreciation for having a dad or husband who served the Lord with all his heart. Your sacrifices are many as you care for your family and we see it; we appreciate it and we love you so very much for the way you show your love for us. On this Father's Day may you know you are completely loved by your Father in Heaven. May His example be one you always strive to emulate and may you have great joy in your heart knowing you are making an eternal impact on those around you.

Lord bless every father and every grandfather with the best of your spiritual blessings today. Let him know he is not alone in the tasks you have given him to provide for and support those under his care. Show him how much you delight in his work, and affirm the value of whatever You have given him to do—both as a father or grandfather and as a child of Yours. Confirm his worth daily so he has no reason to doubt whether he is loved in the eyes of his Heavenly Father. Create in him a deep sense of trust in You, knowing that He can count on You to help him lead and protect those dependent on him. Let him know that every unselfish act of love and encouragement he has offered has been a gift that You receive gladly. Show him how effective the prayers of a godly man really are, and what a difference he has and can make to those around him, no matter how big or small the assignment. Reward him for his faithfulness past, present, and future, assuring him that true success and satisfaction don't lie in his accomplishments or accolades, but in the steadfast, Christ-like character You are forming in him. In Jesus' holy name we pray. Amen.



Proverbs 20:7 NLT

*The godly walk
with integrity;
blessed are
their children
who follow
them.*

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Women's Ministry-Let us Gather Together

Hebrews 10: 24-25 NLT ²⁴ Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. ²⁵ And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.

How good it is to come together with our sisters to share a meal, to pray, to talk and to laugh.

Thank you Shari for hosting our most recent gathering; for your hospitality, for your generosity. We all enjoyed the breakfast at your home. We have more time at these Saturday breakfasts to share our worries, our hopes, the absurd things that happen to all of us and yes, prayers answered. We learn how much we have in common and we strengthen the Body of Christ, we create bonds that are strong when one of us faces a trial.

We do this four or so times each year, we have one scheduled in July and again in September. **The dates are July 13th and September 21st.** We typically begin around 8 am so we are able to still enjoy other things in our day. We would like to have more women host, either in your own home or at the church. For all of us, this is a great way to become better acquainted with one another and hosting brings its own blessings. If you would like to host a Women's Breakfast talk to Pastor Karrie or to me, Karen Breneman. Please know you do not have to make all the food, many others contribute.

If you haven't yet attended one of our ladies' breakfasts please come and check one out if you can. These are open for all ladies, of all ages, and it's truly a wonderful time of fellowship and encouraging one another wherever we are at in life. You are welcome, *always*.

Your sister in Christ,

Karen Breneman

Celebrating-

June Birthdays

Sarinity Pendleton	June 1
Cindy Keunzli	June 21
Peggy Moll	June 22
Pam Price	June 30

Wedding Anniversaries

Connie and Don Hessler	June 3
Sandy and Keith Ebert	June 4
Sam and Skyler Hawley	June 27

Please let Pastor Karrie know if we missed your special days so we can add it to our records. Thank you!



Congrats to Our Graduate!

**Alexis Hawley
Graduates High
School June 2nd.**

We are so very proud of you Lexi and how you have grown into a beautiful, capable, confident young woman ready to step into the next chapter of your life!

God has placed within you a compassionate heart, a wonderful ability to connect with children and elderly, and a boldness to follow wherever He leads you. Be strong and courageous Child and know Your Lord is with you and He is always for you.

Be His light and show His love wherever He places you. Listen to His voice and know He will always guide you on the path that is good and right.

Live out whatever dreams He places in your heart for that is why you are here-to carry out the purpose designed just for you.

*Know you will always have a home to come back to and a family here at Living Gospel Church praying over you, cheering you on.
It's your time to fly Lexi!*

Keep these words close to your heart: Jeremiah 29:11
For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future.



Real Moms. Real Jesus.

Acts 2:42 *They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.*

I am so excited to see our younger moms coming together in their own small group to build friendships, grow in their faith and be a support to one another in this season of life. We can become overwhelmed, exhausted and maybe even feel isolated from the rest of the world as we are consumed with the responsibility of managing our homes and loving our little ones. We are grateful and our hearts are overflowing with love...and it's so good to have someone else to talk to who gets us, and who isn't there to judge us. They are simply there to relate and love. Some of our moms came together and created a time of fellowship that joins them together as well as their children who come and play. *This picture sums up quite well what likely happens at these gatherings.* The bonds that are being formed between sisters and the children are priceless. **These are real moms seeking more of their real Jesus in their lives.**

Britt Sugden shares, "I really think our small group has helped us grow not just as mothers but as women of God. Our children have grown to have great faith based relationship with other kids. We have read and will finish the book next Friday "Why Her" by Nikki Koziar the book talked about jealousy between women. "Her gain is our gain." How fitting that saying is for all of us. The small group helped us form a trust really, to talk about the things that are tough in our lives and be able to accept that other women are in different seasons than us, and that's ok. In June we will be starting a new book, "Girl Wash Your Face." Are you a mom who would you like to join in? Talk with Britt if so!

This is why small group connections are so vital in our faith. We build each other up, we share, relate and strengthen one another. *Get connected!*

Coming Events

June 11-15 Fusion Bible Camp for our youth!

Sunday June 16th– Join us for a Special Father's Day Service

Monday June 17th– Ladies Prayer Group 9 am at church

June 22nd-June 29th Our 2019 Service Team Heads to Constanza, DR

Sunday, June 23rd Guest Speaker, Mike Busch from Kids Alive International

Living Like Jesus– Connecting and Growing Together Through Small Groups.

Tuesdays: 10 am through July– Secrets of Salvation

Wednesdays: Youth Group 6:00 pm, **Secrets of Salvation 7 pm**

Thursdays: Secrets of Salvation 6 pm

Real Moms. Real Jesus. Once per month Thur or Fri. Talk with Britt Sugden for dates and location. *Kids welcome!*

1 John 4:17 (NLT) *And as we live in God, our love grows more perfect. So we will not be afraid on the day of judgment, but we can face him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world.*

Iced Tea With Pastor Karrie

Let's come together on the patio (mine is always available) and encourage each other. You minister to me as much as I minister to you when we connect and pray together.

Please know I am always here to pray with you and lift you up.

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***May God Bless You
and Be Gracious to
You.***

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