

Christian Caller

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As April ends, we look forward to May bringing spring weather. We have had a few days to tease us into believing there are warmer days to come. We may desire warm, dry days but we need to also be thankful for the wet days that are bringing growth to young crops.

Last month, Pastor Samuel had a three-part sermon series that was full of advice, encouragement and action points; Personal Guardrails for Your Life.

We are all familiar with guardrails. They are strategically placed along highways to keep vehicles from straying into dangerous or off-limit areas. The moral guardrail is where we place a reminder to ourselves that there is danger if we continue in that direction. We teach ourselves to listen to the voice inside us saying, "do not do what you are thinking or about to do." It is there to protect us.

Guardrails need to be put in place before they are needed. They need to be statically placed to avoid entering a potentially dangerous area. They are meant to be instructive (a warning) and not destructive.

The biggest influence on where you place your guardrails are your friends. Everyone wants to be accepted. That acceptance leads to trust and being vulnerable to influence. True friends will help you build guardrails that will keep you in God's will.

"Show me your friends and I will show you your future!" Dan Pena.

Some of our human desires are natural and necessary but without guardrails they can become lust. Lust is simply; out-of-control desires and can be in any area of your life. Most think of lust in sexual terms. However, when a desire in any area becomes a priority, it becomes lust.

Matthew 6:21 "Where your treasure is, your heart is also." The heart always follows its treasure or priority.

Place your guardrails to keep you safely on God's path. And put them in place before you need them.

SOUP KITCHEN NEWS

Hats off to the Soup Kitchen volunteers for helping to serve 2100 meals the month of April. It does take several people each serve day to prepare the meal, set up, serve and clean up. Little Caesars Pizza brought their Pizza truck to the Soup Kitchen on April 29th. It was a big hit, over 120 meals were served that night, 30 pizzas. Little Caesars would like to come back quarterly.

The Soup Kitchen could use the following items:

Toilet paper, bic razors, deodorant, lysol wipes, baby wipes, , bread, lunch meat, chocolate chips and M*M's. If you would like to donate these or other items to the Soup Kitchen they accept donations 11-3 Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Or contact either **Melissa, Tony or Julie and one of us would be glad to come pick up the items.**

COFFEE HOUR:

May 5 Pot Luck(Cinco De Mayo)

May 12 Mother's Day Tea

May 19 Myra

May 26 Julie

If you would like to help with coffee hour please talk to Myra, if you would like to be a worship leader please talk to Julie.

BIRTHDAYS

- May 1 Carson Benitez
- May 6 Lita VonKopp
- May 9 Sharon Campbell
- May 9 Judy Stevens
- May 13 Mark Phillips
- May 15 Betty Lou Rockwell
- May 24 Taylar Phillips

WORSHIP LEADER:

Praise in 3D Jon/Nancey Jon/Nancey Jon/Nancey

ANNIVERSARIES May 15 Bob & Sharon Price

MAY EVENTS

- May 5th Praise in 3D will be here during worship. Potluck to follow the service. (Cinco de Mayo) May 7th **Bible Study at 6:00 with Pastor Samuel** May 12th Mother's Day Tea following service May 12th Children are performing a special song May 13th Martha meets at 1:00, Sharon Campbell's May 14th **Bible Study** May 19th **Pentecost (wear Red)** May 21st **Bible Study**
- May 28th Judy Steven's Music Recital



Mission Statement

*To Praise and Worship God

*To foster Faith in Jesus Christ for the purpose of serving all people

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