

# Family Life

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## Tune's Notes

In our daily Bible readings this weekend we have returned to reading the historical narrative of Kings, specifically, the death of David and the rise of his son Solomon. The transfer of power is not pretty and while Solomon is filled with the

wisdom of God, he doesn't use it very well.

David succeeded in uniting all Israel under his kingship. Early in his reign he appointed a High Priest (Abiathar) from the northern part of Israel, and a co-High Priest (Zadok) from the South. The first readers of Samuel and Kings, familiar with the turf wars among the tribes during the days of the Judges, would recognize the wisdom of such a political move.

With Solomon, however, it all comes undone. Solomon removes Abiathar (though not without good reason). Then, he divides Israel into twelve districts whose taxes supply the empire with operating capital. They are overseen by twelve district officers appointed by Solomon. You might think the districts corresponded to the tribal boundaries, but they do not and in fact, do not include Judah (thus apparently making her tax-exempt). Solomon fundamentally took away the ability of the northern tribes to select their own leaders and put the burden of paying for his grandiose projects squarely on the north.

The money from those taxes went primarily for building projects and fortifications in the south, leaving the north more vulnerable. When it came time to pay Hiram, king of Tyre for all the building products he had furnished, Solomon gave him twenty towns *in the north*.

No wonder then when Solomon's son, Rehoboam, became king and promised to continue the policies of his father, the north rebelled and seceded from the kingdom.

When Solomon undertook to bring God glory, he did it in the most human of ways, overlooking a vital interest of God: the unity of His people. The most beautiful temple in the world would not make up for that failing. Here's a point to keep in mind: when God blesses your life, be sure when you *thank* God for the blessing, you do it in a way *God* will appreciate, not just a way *you* believe will bring Him honor.

Love you all.

Mike



## Entertainment vs. Worship

One thing we are all good at is enjoying good entertainment. We talk to our friends and family about good entertainment. We recommend movies, books and

music to people or we tell them what to avoid. Since entertainment is about us all we need to do sit and enjoy.

Worship on the other hand is a different animal. It is something that our society is not used to doing. Worship requires that we become an active participant in the activity. We put our needs, wants and desires aside and focus on our LORD. Worship is not about us; it is about the Father, Son and Holy Spirit!

In Matthew 2:1-12 we find a story that illustrates what we are talking about. Two contrasting characters are present. First we meet the "magi." They have seen a star and want to worship the KING that star announces. Their desire is to present Him with gifts, to bow down and to humble themselves.

Next we meet Herod. On their way to find the KING they encounter King Herod. He also wants to meet this KING. His desire is not to worship Him. Instead, his desire is to stay in power, to be in control and to kill this KING!

So what does this have to do with the tension and conflict between entertainment and worship? Entertainment is about us, about our wants. Worship is not about our wants or us; it is about the Father, Son and Holy Spirit! Herod was focused on his wants and desires. The magi were focused on the KING.

Which are you? Are you here this morning to be entertained by a good song leader and sermon? Or are you here to lift your voices in praise to the LORD? Are you here to pray along with us? Are you here to celebrate the LORD's Supper as a community?

GRACE + PEACE  
AHLB

## Wedding Shower Planned for Laura Gallagher June 3

Laura Gallagher will be honored with a **Wedding Shower** on Sunday, June 3, immediately following the morning assembly. This will be a luncheon, so all Falls Church members are invited.

**Candy Thie** is lead hostess, with **Martha Ashley, Nicki Barrett, Sally Dasher, Mary Ann Kincaid, Yvonne May, Catherine McDaniel, Denise Rachel** and **Peggy Williams**. Yvonne and Martha will collect for the group gift.

During the shower, each family will be asked to sign a "quilt square" which later will be combined into a quilt for the new couple. Candy adds that those who cannot attend the shower but would like to include a square should contact her.

For the luncheon, each family is requested to bring a platter of sandwiches OR a plate of *hors d'oeuvres* or finger foods. Dessert will be provided by hostesses.



**The Food Pantry REALLY Needs:**  
**Crackers**  
**Macaroni**  
**Non-Refrigerated Milk**



Two of our Elders are available after the morning assembly in room **221** on the main level to meet with anyone who would like prayer for special concerns.

## Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes Meeting Scheduled for Today

A meeting is set for today for those who are involved with **Lads to Leaders/Leaderettes** and also for those who would like to become involved or to learn about the program.

The meeting will review the recent L2L experience, to plan for the future and improve the program for Falls Church students.

The group will join the luncheon in the Fellowship Hall with the Missions Committee and Group 6, and then adjourn to Room 123 for their meeting.



If you missed the special collection for **Camp WaMaVa** last Sunday, you make turn in your check today to any of the Elders or to Perry May. Make out your check to Camp WaMaVa not to Falls Church.

## Group 3 Plans Game Night June 2

**Agape Group 3 - Westfield Woods** under **Rachel & Richard Bowles** - will host a **Game Night** from 4 to 8 pm on Saturday, June 2, at the home of Group Coordinator **Ann Ford**. Pizza will be the main course for dinner at about 6 pm.

What to bring:

1. Your favorite game
2. Money for pizza - \$5/person or \$10/family
3. A snack food or dessert to share

RSVP to Rachel so tables can be set up accordingly.

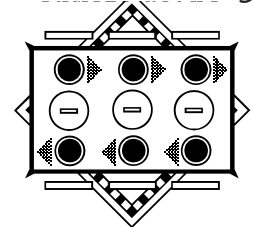
## Wednesday Night Out Takes Summer Slow-Down

After this coming Wednesday, May 30, the highly popular and amazingly successful **Wednesday Night Out** will take a bit of a break.

For June and July, it will go to every other Wednesday. It will go off the calendar totally in August. This is according to Chief Cook and Bottle Washer **Monica Tune** and her resourceful assistants **Yvonne May & Catherine McDaniel!**

The dates when WNO **WILL** be held are June 13 and 27 and July 11 and 25.

*Wednesday*



*Night Out*

## Long Time Missionaries Pedro & Mireya Batres Will Be Guests at Falls Church Today for Joint Luncheon With Missions Committee and Agape Group 6

The **Missions Committee** and **Agape Group 6** are hosting a joint luncheon today in honor of special guests **Pedro and Mireya Batres**. The luncheon will be held in the Fellowship Hall. Group 6 is Potomac Acres under the direction of **Vickie Witt**, with **Jose and Jackie Arevalo** as group coordinators.

This is definitely a “working” visit for Pedro, who will teach, preach and meet with Hispanic members of the Iglesia de Cristo as well as with English-speaking members. This evening, he will address the *Adoracion en Espanol*, which will meet here at Falls Church. Also known as “Spanish Worship Away,” this program includes all the *Iglesias de Cristo* from area congregations, and always involves a large turn-out when held here, especially with such distinguished guests.

The Falls Church congregation has a very special relationship with Brother Batres and his wife, having supported their work for 38 years, since 1974. A native of El Salvador and a graduate of the Sunset School of Preaching in Lubbock, TX, Pedro began mission work in Nicaragua in 1969 along with other young Salvadorans. There he met Mireya, a native of Nicaragua. She holds a degree in social service.

They were married Nov. 16, 1973, and have four children, Roberto, Ulises, Favio and Marisol, all now grown. Between 1985 and 2000, Pedro and Mireya moved to Quetzaltenango, the second largest city in Guatemala, but returned to Nicaragua in 2000.



Pedro speaking at the Nicaraguan Institute for Biblical Studies



Pedro speaking on radio

for Biblical Studies, where he teaches regularly, and he has a Sunday morning radio program.



Mireya & Pedro Batres

His work isn't restricted to Nicaragua, as he often is called to address conferences or seminars in other countries including the United States or to speak at the Baxter



Pedro at Baxter Institute

Institute of Biblical & Cultural Studies in Tegucigalpa, Honduras.

Nicaragua is the largest country in Central America, with 6 million people, but is about the size of the state of New York. It contains the two largest freshwater lakes in Central America, Nicaragua and Managua. It is south of Honduras, north of Costa Rica,



is bordered on the east by the Caribbean and on the west by the Pacific Ocean. It is home to multiple volcanos, including the newest and most active, *Cerro Negro* (Black Hill) which formed in 1850 and has erupted 23 times since then, most

recently in 1999. While located in a less populated area north of Lake Managua, the volcanic ash has been destructive. Due to both natural disasters such as earthquakes, volcanic eruptions and hurricanes, and also to its Civil War from the late 1960's to early 1990's, Nicaragua is a very poor nation in spite of its many natural resources.

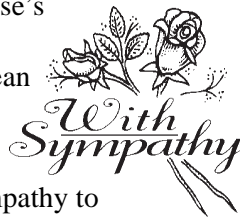


### Prayer Reminders:

Blanca Alvarez, Haldon Arnold, Jason Bates, Donna Barham, Kathy Bowden, Tammy Cowart, Vi Crosby (temp address on board), Eloise Fishback, Winnie & Desiree Flint, The Garrett Family, Joanie Goetzing, Larry Goodrich and his family, Frances & Ed Harris, Diana Kuhn, Joshua McKay, his mother Dawn & sister Molly, Alma Milligan, Augustino Olango, Jim Petty, Lee, Mariko & Elena Price, Sylvia Sartori, Jeremy Sims, Bess Smith, Candice Spiess, Ellie & Don Thie, Barbara & Harry Thompson, Erica Walker-Chenevert, Roxie Weese, Susan Weese, Charles Welch, Ken & Lesya Yeatman.



We extend our sympathy and prayers to **Eloise Fishback** and her family. Eloise's sister **Jean Doan** passed away May 18 in Manchester, TN. Jean had just celebrated her 85th birthday.



We express our deepest sympathy to long time missionary **Henry Gutierrez** whose mother passed away May 18 in Masaya, Nicaragua.

### Good News:

**Gerri Lilly's** father **Norman Hale** continues to improve slowly but steadily, and is now at home. Gerri notes:

"To the Members here at Falls Church, Thank you for ALL the prayers and the cards and the comments and the support and the love that you have showered on our family during this difficult time. Dad is slowly regaining strength and we know it is due to all the prayers on his behalf. I especially thank the Ladies Bible Class for their involvement on our behalf and Diana Kuhn for faithfully forwarding my messages. Thank you again, Gerri & David Lilly."

### Prayer Requests:

We continue to remember **Mel Kibler** in our prayers as he deals with heart problems that can be treated only with pain medication.

**Kevin Thie** requests prayers on behalf of a co-worker and good friend **Tina Bell**. Tina's father **Clarence Buchanan, Sr.**, 85, is on hospice care as chemotherapy is discontinued. This is especially difficult for Tina's mother **Inez**, 86. We pray for their comfort and strength.

We pray for the safety of loved ones serving in dangerous locations: Shevon Boykins-Saide, Justin Cauthen, Chuck Kerry [his wife Becki May Kerry & daughter Addison in his absence] & Keith Pangle.

### Continuing Concerns

**NOTE:** To keep this list current, names will be published for three weeks then removed unless office is requested to continue.

**Sue Adams**, on maintenance medication (mother of **Erin Adams**, 5/13);  
**Anneliese Alderman**, dementia (mother of **Rob Alderman**, 5/13);  
**Sandra Arevalo**, chemotherapy, & **Doris Williams**, radiation treatment (sister & friend of **Jose Arevalo**, 5/27);  
**Donnie Barham**, recovering from accident (grandson of **Donna Barham**, address on bulletin board, 5/27);  
**Sean**, struggling with pain and side effects from treatment (friend of **Richard & Rachel Bowles**, 5/27);  
**Mary Boyce**, not doing well; **Darlene Walker**, improving but unable to live alone; **Angela Watson**, improving after recent surgery;  
**Vanessa Lovejoy**, continuing radiation for breast cancer; **Will Pegeus**, now able to walk with walker, and his wife **Bobbie** as she cares for him; **Ed Davis**, cancer; **Thomas Garlon**, cancer (friends or relatives of **Erica Walker-Chenevert**, 5/13);  
**Kimmy Campbell**, in remission (friend of **Patti French**, 5/27);  
**John Coffey**, cancer (friend of **Joyce Grigsby**, 5/13);  
**Bridget & John Cooney**, young couple dealing with cancer (friends of **Becky Bates**, 5/27);  
**Tom Cooney**, recovering from surgery & infection (friend of **Crystal Berry**, 5/13);  
**T. J. Daniel**, 12-year-old dealing with Hodgkin's Disease -has required a blood transfusion (son of **Sonya Matthew**, a friend of **Adria Owens**, address on bulletin board, 5/13);  
**Claudia Lopez Espinoza**, chemotherapy (niece of **Ignacio Espinoza**, 5/27);  
**Malcolm Fentress**, seriously ill (brother-in-law of **Paul Smith**, 5/13);  
**Charles Fletcher**, recovering from heart surgery (father of **Erin Peirce**, 5/27);  
**Deloris Freeman**, on dialysis (friend of **Vickie Witt**, 5/13);  
**Joe Gantt**, cancer treatment (brother of **Martha Ashley**, 5/13);  
**Nadine Grigsby**, stroke (mother of **Susan Smith**, 5/13);  
**Helen Harris**, additional foot problems associated with diabetes (mother of **Benita Harris**, 5/20);  
**Christine Henderson**, cancer treatment, and **Rodger Jones**, recovering (friend & father of **Heather Jones**, 5/27);  
**Lynn Huff**, major health issues (mother of **Billie Bohannon & Sylvia Sartori**, 5/27);  
**Megan Jarrell**, concluding cancer treatment (cousin of **Jon Hessling**, 5/20);  
**Heidi Jenkins**, non-Hodgkin's lymphoma (friend of **Wendy Alderman**, 5/13);  
**Joseph**, health problems (friend of **Habtu Zemech**, 5/13);  
**John Kline**, discontinued chemotherapy (brother of **Winnie Flint**, 5/27);  
**Doretha Kreidler & John Whalen**, both in declining health (requests from **Dorothy Eckert**, 5/27);  
**James McCollum**, repeated hospitalizations, and for his wife **Stephanie** as she cares for him; also **Claire Packer**, facing surgery (friends of **Mary Jo Allmond**, 5/20);  
**Adina Parsons**, in rehab after gunshot wounds (cousin of **Adria Owens**, 5/27);  
**Olinda Sarabia**, ill (grandmother of **Omar Fuentes**, 5/27);  
**Mary Stevenson**, recovering from bypass surgery (aunt of **Janet Thie**, 5/20);  
**Bertha Sullivan**, health issues (grandmother of **Jean Doran**, 5/13);  
**Marie Truehart**, treatment for cancer (mother of **Christal Pendergrass**, 5/27, address on board);  
**Frank Tutterow**, heart attack, and **Adam Arthur, 8**, stomach pains (requests from **Alma Milligan**, 5/20);  
**Amy Wassenberg**, cancer (friend of **Jose & Jackie Arevalo**, 5/20);  
**Linda Weatherly**, continuing chemotherapy husband **Joe Deming**

## General Information

### For Children:

❖ An attended nursery and a nursing mother's room -- located adjacent to the Assembly Center -- are available during our assembly.

❖ For ages 2 through pre-kindergarten year, Children's Worship is conducted in rooms 223 and 221. Children are dismissed after communion.

**Recordings:** Recordings of sermons at Falls Church are available for no charge on our web site after about four days. Recordings also are available in CD format for \$5.00 and may be ordered by completing a CD order envelope located in the foyer.

### Assistive Listening System:

Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in our Assembly Center. Our ushers will be happy to supply one of these aids for your convenience upon request.

## Schedule of Services

### Sunday

Bible Classes 9:30 am  
Morning Assembly 10:30 am  
Evening Assembly 6:00 pm

**Tuesday** - Ladies Bible Class 10:15 am  
(October through April)

**Wednesday** Bible Classes 7:15 pm

**Office Hours** 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

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## Nursery Attendants

### May 27, 2012

#### Morning

Tek Chea  
K. T.

#### Evening

Sylvia Sartori

### June 3, 2012

#### Morning

Patti French  
Amy Saxton

#### Evening

Levenie Hughes

## Children's Worship

### May 27, 2012

2/3 Heather Musser, Heather Roelke  
P-K A. Venkatesan, K. Dowdy

### June 3, 2012

2/3 TBA  
P-K TBA

## Elders

Steve Dasher Wayne Doran  
Bill Kincaid Jim Lane  
Oliver McDaniel Kevin Rachel  
Joseph Tucker

## Deacons

Roberto Alvarez Jose Arevalo  
Matt Benskny Ben Bohannon  
Ignacio Espinoza Perry May  
Joshua McKay Scott Mills  
Saul Reyes Kevin Thie  
John Waterston Ken Yeatman  
Habtu Zemech

## Missionaries

Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI  
Pedro & Mireya Batres - Nicaragua  
Clarence & Pam Campbell - South County, RI  
Henry & Rosa Gutierrez - Nicaragua  
Gene & Janice Luna - WBI/Guatemala  
Deanna Meredith - Concepcion, Chile  
Omar & Tana Palafox - Leon, Mexico  
Recardo & Monica Reyes - Cuernavaca, Mex.  
Don & Esther Roarabaugh - Torrington, CT

## Staff

Mike Tune, *Pulpit Minister*  
Josh Byrd, *Youth Minister*  
Mary Ann Kincaid, *Secretary*

## Statistics

### Sunday, May 20, 2012

Bible Study	199
Morning Assembly	327
Evening Assembly	112
Contribution	\$15,315
YTD Average	\$11,418
Budget Goal	\$11,764

### Wednesday, May 23, 2012

Classes & Online 84

## Worship Today, May 27, 2012

Hymn #548

*The Lily of the Valley*

Hymn #484

*You Are My All in All*

Hymn #587

*Sing and Be Happy*

Prayer

Gary Widner

Hymn #318

*O Sacred Head*

Communion/Collection

Jonah Shumate

Bible Reading (1 Thess. 5:12-22)

Jay Truitt

(Children ages 2 through Pre-K dismissed to Children's Worship)

Hymn #155

*Highest Place*

Hymn #396

*No Not One*

Bible Lesson

Mike Tune

Hymn #957

*This World Is Not My Home*

Announcements

Steve Dasher

Introduction of Visitors

Kevin Amores

Prayer

Kevin Amores



Song Leader

Clayton Tune

Ushers

Joshua McKay, John Waterston

### OUR SERVICE THIS EVENING WILL BE AT 5 PM!

Joseph Tucker will lead singing; John Reagan and Jeff Malcolm will lead prayers.

May servers: Brandon Durant, David Lilly, Perry May, Grant Smith, Robert Spiess, Kevin Thie

**Wednesday, May 30**

**Prayer -**

**Song Leader - Clayton Tune**