

Family Life

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Tune's Notes

Here I am with "Uncle Seven."
He comes from a family of ten children and lives in Can Tho, Vietnam. My father found names tough to remember in Vietnam – probably because they are spelled nothing like they sound. Dad simply named all

the members of this family with numbers (Uncle Ten, Mrs. Eight etc.). For some inexplicable reason, the names stuck. Now everyone calls them by their number – kinda like a nickname.

In any case, I received word this morning that Uncle Seven is seriously ill. He lives in and is caretaker for the Church building Dad built along the river in Can Tho. I wish you would remember him in your prayers. His daughter, Nhi, was just baptized a few weeks ago.

Love you all.
Mike



Authority Over Himself Mark 1.35 - .45

Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed.

Simon and his companions went to look for him, and when they found him, they exclaimed: "Everyone is looking for you!"

Jesus replied, "Let us go somewhere else—to the nearby villages—so I can preach there also. That is why I have come." So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons.



Very early in the morning... Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Mark 1:35



Mike is shown here with the man known as Uncle Seven, who is caretaker for the church building in Can Tho. Note the photo on the wall - of Mike's father Tom Tune who began this ministry.

Peer pressure is not something new - even Jesus felt it. The above passage is found at the end of a day when Jesus had healed many. Simon and his companions go looking for Jesus in order for him to do some more healing. The pressure is on Jesus to give the people power over him but he has other plans.

Instead of staying in one place, healing and teaching only the locals, Jesus and His 12 set out to the "nearby villages." His plan is to teach in more places. His plan is to spread the good news about Himself to more people than just one village. So that is what He does. He travels for preaching, teaching and healing.

When Jesus walks away, He is exhibiting power and authority over Himself. The crowd want Jesus to stay put and heal them. The 12 want Jesus to gain popularity by doing what the crowd expects. Later we will see the religious leaders of that time will also exert pressure on Jesus to conform to their ideas. Jesus will have none of it! He has a plan. He has a mission. He has a purpose.

We want Jesus to conform to our expectations too. Instead we need to conform to Jesus' expectations of us.

GRACE + PEACE
John B. Bell

September 7 Is Promotion Sunday & Start of Fall Schedule for Children's Classes

The Fall Schedule for Children's Classes will begin next Sunday, September 7, which also will be Promotion Sunday, according to **Jonah Shumate**, Deacon for Pre-K & Elementary School Education Ministry.

The complete schedule - including age, teachers & room number - will be published next week.

Children should go directly to the class they will attend this year. Class room numbers can be found on the directory in the lobby, or you may inquire of the ushers in the lobby.



Children's Worship is on break during August, but will resume next Sunday, September 7. To learn more about this program or to volunteer your service as a teacher or helper, contact Gayla Keller.



The speaker for Wednesday night, September 3, is Barry Bryson, the minister for the Manassas congregation.

His topic will be "Jesus and the Opposite Sex."

Congregational Prayer Request for the week of August 31:

As summer comes to an end let us continue to pray for all of our family and our visitors who are traveling that they will have safe enjoyable journeys to their destinations.

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.

Next Sunday, September 7, Is Last Chance to Join the Congregational Retreat in Williamsburg Sept. 19-21

Next Sunday, September 7, is your last opportunity to reserve your room for the **Falls Church Congregational Retreat** scheduled for Sept. 19-21 at the Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center. Space is still available.

If you have already reserved your room, then the **FULL PAYMENT IS DUE THAT DATE.**

In addition, if you have registered for any of the special challenge activities, then you must complete and submit your medical release forms by Sept. 7 as well.

The theme this year is "One Another: Love, Serve, Teach, Encourage." Since the emphasis will be on this congregation, the speakers will be members here instead of from somewhere else.

For details about the tentative schedule, or for registration forms, please check the board in the lobby. For questions, contact event organizers **Melissa or Brian Collins or Lesya or Ken Yeatman.**



Family Retreat

Ladies Bible Class Resumes Next Month with Max Lucado's "Life Lessons on Ezra and Nehemiah"

The **Ladies Bible Class** will resume September 16, and this year will include women from the Arlington Congregation, according to **Diana Kuhn**, class facilitator.

All women are invited to join the class which meets on Tuesday at 10:15 am in R. 123. Child care is provided, and the class follows the Fairfax County School schedule for holidays and closings.

Max Lucado's book, *Life Lessons on Ezra and Nehemiah*, will be the text for the class. Diana added that the course will include scripture, inspirational readings, questions to answer, discussions, space for journaling and prayer.

If you have any questions, please contact Diana at 703-486-2469.



Women's Bible Study

Congratulations

It's now official.

Saira Euceda Reyes has been awarded her diploma from Bryant High School!

Although the graduation ceremony was held earlier this month, the actual diplomas had to wait until the final test - namely the writing exam - was graded. A passing score was 400, and she scored 455.

She now plans to use her FOUR scholarships to major in radiology at Northern Virginia Community College. One scholarship was from the Hispanic Leadership Alliance and another from Mount Vernon Lee Chamber of Commerce.

A native of Honduras, she couldn't continue school after the sixth grade since her community didn't have a school. After coming to this country, she was determined



to complete her education, and after six years, she has succeeded.

She achieved a 3.5+ GPA, was consistently listed on the A/B Honor Roll, and has been a member of the National Honor Society for two years. For three years, she has been a member of the Leadership Club, a student organization which assists the school with special events, fund raising and raising support for the ESOL (English as a Second Language) program.

She also participated in the Women's and Girls' Rights Convention at George Washington University earlier this year, and received a 20-hour Internship Award from United Community Ministry last year.

Thank You Note

Dear church family,

We wish to thank you all for your loving support during the weeks leading up to our daughter Jessica's wedding. So many of you gave so generously of your time and talents to make Jessica and Kevin's wedding shower and wedding day special.

We especially want to mention the amazing team of Melissa and Abby Collins and Candy Thie. But in addition to their talents, the church family as a whole really showered our family with love and support, and for that we will be forever grateful.

With much love and gratitude,
Jackie and Jose Arevalo

Alumni News

Taire Thie, the wife of former member **Matthew Thie**, has achieved a recognition that very few people can claim - she has been credited with saving a man's life.

Taire is a Physical Therapist at the University of Michigan Hospital. While working with a patient, she noticed that he was exhibiting signs of distress, and she told him that he must see his doctor immediately or he might die.

Fortunately the man heeded her advice to see his doctor, and that action did save his life.

He wrote to the Hospital to praise Taire - for her alert attention to his health and for her timely advice, and he applauds her for saving his life!

Congratulations to Taire. Even though she is a health care professional, this is well above the "line of duty."

Matthew is the son of Kevin & Janet Thie, brother of Candace Thie, and grandson of Don and Ellie Thie.

Congratulations to former member **Ken Smith** whose first website redesign project for the City of Bryan, TX -- the Bryan Texas Utilities website -- has been named a finalist for "Best Overall Municipal Website" in the nation (populations 85,000 or less) by 3CMA, the national organization for municipal communications and marketing.

Being named a finalist guarantees a finish in the top 3 sites in the nation. He was to find out last Thursday what place his site took, at the 3CMA national conference in Minneapolis.

Ken and Jennifer were members here from February 2009 to March 2013 when they were employed by **The Washington Post**. During that time, Ken also developed his own web site design business, and he still takes care of the website for this congregation.



School Supplies for Baileys Elementary School: Received, Packaged and Delivered

Thanks to you - the members of the Falls Church congregation, the **School Supply Collection for Baileys' Elementary School for 2014** was another success story.

Kevin Thie (shown at right with his red truck) carted a truck stuffed with boxes to the school on Wednesday. There were so many boxes that four boxes had to go into the Yeatman vehicle.

In addition, there are funds which have not yet been used.

The supplies were delivered Wednesday, with a crew that consisted of

Thanks go to **Lisa Byrd** for providing these photos.



Kevin Thie shown with



As you can see, the truck was stuffed with supplies.



September 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Lamentations 4-5 Ezekiel 1 	2 Ezekiel 2-4 	3 Ezekiel 5-7	4 Ezekiel 8-10	5 Ezekiel 11-13	6 Ezekiel 14-17 <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
7 Ezekiel 18-21	8 Ezekiel 22-24	9 Ezekiel 25-27	10 Ezekiel 28-30	11 Ezekiel 31-33	12 Ezekiel 34-36	13 Ezekiel 37-40 <i>Youth Ministry Fall Kick Off, 5:30-7:30 pm</i> <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
14 Ezekiel 41-44 <i>2nd Sunday Potluck Lunch; NO PM ASSEMBLY</i> <i>Missions Cmte. meets</i>	15 Ezekiel 45-47	16 Ezekiel 48; Daniel 1-2 <i>Ladies Bible Class Resumes, 10:15 am</i>	17 Daniel 3-5	18 Daniel 6-8	19 Daniel 9-11 <i>Congregational</i> 	20 Daniel 12 Hosea 1-3 <i>Retreat—9/19-21</i> → <i>Spanish Worship, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
21 Hosea 4-7 <i>Retreat Ends</i> →	22 Hosea 8-10 <i>First Day of Fall</i> 	23 Hosea 11-13 <i>Ladies Bible Class @ 10:15 am</i>	24 Hosea 14 Joel 1-2	25 Joel 3; Amos 1-2	26 Amos 3-5	27 Amos 6-9 <i>Spanish Worship & Dinner, 7-8:30 pm, FH</i>
28 Obadiah 1 Jonah 1-3	29 Jonah 4; Micah 1-2	30 Micah 3-5 <i>Ladies Bible Class @ 10:15 am, with potluck lunch after class</i>				

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, Children's Worship is conducted in rooms 223 & 221. Children are dismissed following communion.

Recordings:

Recordings of sermons at Falls Church are available for no charge on our website after about four days.

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.

Nursery Attendants

August 31, 2014

Morning

Melissa Collins
Calanthia Tucker

Evening

Levenie Hughes

September 7, 2014

Morning

Linda Reagan
TBA

Evening

Levenie Hughes

Worship

August 31, 2014

2/3 CHILDREN'S WORSHIP IS ON
P-K BREAK DURING AUGUST

September 7, 2014

2/3 Schedule is to be
P-K Determined

Worship Today, August 31, 2014

Hymn #794

Unto Thee, O Lord

Hymn #18

Faithful Love

Hymn #155

Highest Place

Prayer

John Hilboldt

Hymn #601

My God and I

Hymn #364

Come, Share the Lord

Communion/Collection

Brian Collins

Hymn #859

When All of God's Singers Get Home

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

Bible Reading (*John 6:1-11*)

Kirk Crews

Bible Lesson

Joseph Tucker

Hymn #290

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Announcements

Wayne Doran

Introduction of Visitors

Joshua McKay

Closing Prayer

Joshua McKay

Song Leader

Clark Richardson

Ushers

Jose Arevalo, Grant Smith



Tonight is a 5th Sunday Night Singing

Mark Dawson and Lee Cassetty will lead prayers.

August servers: Joe Bohannon, Bill Furr,
Calvin Lockhart, Clark Richardson, Mark Shannon

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

7:15 pm

Office Hours

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Contact Information

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Elders

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

Deacons

Roberto Alvarez Jose Arevalo
Ben Bohannon Brian Collins
Ignacio Espinoza Perry May
Joshua McKay John Reagan
Saul Reyes Wilfredo Reyes
Hal Swetnam Jonah Shumate
Kevin Thie John Waterston
Ken Yeatman Habtu Zemech

Missionaries

Kevin & Deanna Amores, Concepción, Chile
Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI
Pedro & Mireya Batres, Nicaragua
Henry & Rosa Gutierrez, Nicaragua
Gene & Janice Luna, WBI/Guatemala
Recardo & Monica Reyes, Cuernavaca, MX
Don & Esther Roarabaugh, Torrington, CT
Mike Tune, Amazing Grace International
Jay & Piera Young, Italy & Ukraine
Habtu Zemech, My Neighbors, Ethiopia

Staff

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

Statistics

Sunday, August 24, 2014

Bible Study 181
Morning Assembly 301
Evening Assembly 106
Contribution \$ 8,475
YTD Average \$12,264
Budget Goal \$12,709

Wednesday, August 27, 2014

Classes & Online 82

Wednesday, September 3, 2014

Prayer - Perry May

Song Leader - Joseph Tucker