

# Family Life

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## Next Wednesday Night Out Set for June 14

The next **Wednesday Night Out** dinner is coming up next Wednesday, June 14, from 6-7 pm.

The dinner will feature omelettes, pancakes, bacon, yogurt parfaits and drinks. The cost is the same - \$4 per adult and \$2 per child, but no more than \$20 per family.

**THERE IS A SIGN UP SHEET IN THE LOBBY. THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT SO THAT THE CHEF KNOWS HOW MUCH FOOD TO PREPARE!!!!**



## Our June Fellowship Dinner Will Be a Catered Dinner Following Our Annual "Senior Sunday" on June 18 After the Evening Service

Our traditional "2nd Sunday Fellowship" for June has been deferred one week - to June 18. It will take place after the evening service when we will honor our sole graduating senior for 2017.

In order to make this a more distinguished occasion, **this dinner will be catered!** Therefore, all YOU have to bring is yourself!

This is the perfect opportunity to bring gifts to the graduate if you wish. She plans to attend the University of Mary Washington in Fredericksburg, VA, this fall.

And as usual, all assistance in setting up and cleaning up is greatly appreciated.



Mark your calendars now for the annual **Independence Day Picnic** which will be held at the Bluemont Park Pavilion on July 4. Greg & Keisha Citizen, John & Linda Reagan and Daniel & Lindsay Williams are directing the event this year. More details will follow!

## Card Collection Underway for ; June 28 Deadline

Falls Church members have a chance to send their greetings to our brother who is deployed for several months.

**Janice McDaniel** is organizing a "card collection" so any card will do - funny, animal-loving, holiday, cards that saying "just thinking of you," Independence Day, etc. You can even send "belated" birthday cards.

In short, the idea is to let him know that we're thinking of - and praying for - him! The deadline for bringing in the cards is Wednesday, June 28.



June 3, 2017

Dear Christian friends and Supporters of our mission.

Greetings in the name of the Savior. Here's a small update to you all. On June 1, we returned safely from our missions in Italy. We have both come down with a bad cold and accompanying cough since our return, but this almost always happens after long hours of flight from Italy. Thank you for your prayers on our behalf. God bless you all. We'll be publishing a detailed report to you all once we are well enough to do it.

The Lord's and your servants,  
*James "Jay" & Piera Young*

## Central Agape Group Plans Trip to Wolf Trap, Invites Other Groups to Join

The **Central Agape Group** invites all Falls Church members to join them for an excursion to Wolf Trap [Wolf Trap National Park for the Performing Arts] on **June 24** for the performance of **jazz singer and pianist Diana Krall**.

The group has lawn tickets and plans to share a picnic dinner. Please let **Janice McDaniel** know if you plan to join them.



## Pedro & Mireya Batres, Nicaragua

*Pedro & Mireya Batres* have served in the mission fields since

1969. He is a native of El Salvador and a graduate of the Sunset School of Preaching in Lubbock, TX. His wife Mireya, a native of Nicaragua, holds a degree in social service. They worked in Nicaragua until moving to Guatemala in 1985, returning to Nicaragua in 2000.

He is an evangelist in Managua, the capital city, and the surrounding areas, plus he is a popular guest speaker at special programs such as seminars, retreats and workshops. Mireya is a popular guest lecturer at women's events, especially pertaining to marriage and the family.



During the Encounter, the preachers who attend will have wonderful opportunities to develop Christian friendship. We hope to have 400 persons, and I am asking for your prayers for this edifying and annual Encounter.

In addition, I am including a poster [See below] about our 50 years of the Nicaraguan Church of Christ. In January 1969, the Nicaraguan and Salvadorean Missionary team of four preachers and their families planted the Church of our Lord.

Fourteen preachers, including me, are planning a celebration set for July 20, 2019! As many as 10,000 or more Christians will come together to praise the Lord and celebrate His church. And Falls Church has a close relationship to the history of the church in this region. You will have more news about this important Christian project.

Fraternally in Jesus,

*Pedro Salvador Batres*

Below are two recent letters - one regarding the Preachers Encounter in September and the other about the 2019 celebration of the 50th anniversary of the Nicaraguan Church of Christ

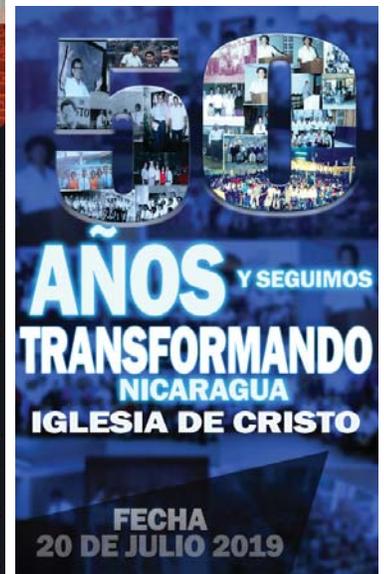
May 2, 2017

Dear brethren in Falls Church Church of Christ,

Through this newsletter, I am sending my sincerest regards to all of you, and I trust in our Lord, that all of you are doing well at the present time.

I am working with my co-workers for our XVIII Preachers Encounter in Managua, set for Sept. 15, 2017. [See flyer at right].

Our brother **Rex Morgan** will present three important subjects related to influence of technology. Our goal is to be ready against the wrong use of cell phones, the internet and bad messages. Also, what is the correct manner to use these tools? The local preachers and local Christian leaders are very interested in these themes.



If you have been paying any attention to the news lately you know we live in a world that is broken.

This brokenness can be traced back to ourselves and our own evil desires. Early in the story of Genesis we find our first act of rebellion against the LORD. The Serpent tempts us to do the one thing the LORD told us not to do. When we rebelled we decided to be our own gods rather than submit to the one true god - the LORD. By becoming our own gods we failed and the ripple effects of that failure can still be felt today. As the story of Genesis unfolds we see the LORD putting limits on the amount of evil and darkness we can do. We know that there is an ultimate end to the amount of evil, darkness and sin we can do.

We often wonder what answer the LORD has for the evil we do.

Moving to the end of the Bible we find the final answer to our evil in this world. That answer is the slaughtered LAMB. In a world that values power and strength to solve problems, the LORD answers them in what seems like weakness and death. It only seems this way.

The slaughtered LAMB is not dead but alive. The slaughtered LAMB is described as the Lion of Judah. The slaughtered LAMB is the victorious LORD and SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.

If this sounds big and beyond us, it is not. We are the people who follow the LAMB. We are the people who as our world moves farther into darkness and destruction, we move into the light and victory.

By living as a followers of JESUS CHRIST we help to make this world a better place. By remaining faithful we will also be victorious.

GRACE + PEACE  
*John Bell*

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## *Coming Up*

The **2nd Annual Hispanic Ladies Day** is scheduled for July 15 from 9 am to 2 pm here at Falls Church. The guest speaker will be **Linda Henry**. She and her husband **Calvin** have served as missionaries in Latin American since 1977. They have worked as church planters in Costa Rica and Colombia, and helped begin the Spanish language ministry of the Impact Church in Houston, TX. Calvin served as president of the Baxter Institute in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, and both of them have extensive experience in church planting and Christian Education.

Our annual **Vacation Bible School here at Falls Church** is planned for August 11-12. Kelly Shumate is once again in the lead role, but would welcome planning and implementation assistance. ***In short, some help would be good!***  
***Volunteer now and avoid the rush!***

## 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.

**June 11, 2017**

**June 18, 2017**

### Nursery Attendants

#### Morning

Lisa Swetnam

Calanthia Tucker

#### Evening

Janice McDaniel

#### Morning

Sophia Habtu

Patricia Woods

#### Evening

Janice McDaniel

### Children's Worship (Ages 2 through Pre-K, R. 222)

Gayla Keller, Casey Waterston

Abby Smith, Jessica Arevalo

## Worship Today, June 11, 2017

*Hymn #612*

*His Yoke Is Easy*

*Hymn #609*

*I'm Not Ashamed to Own My Lord*

Prayer

Jose Arevalo

*Hymn #594*

*Live for Jesus*

*Hymn #386*

*He Loves Me*

Communion/Collection

Mark Dawson

*Hymn #616*

*The Way of the Cross*

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

Scripture Reading (*John 8:1-11*)

Beni Venkatesan

Bible Lesson

Mike Tune

*Hymn #599*

*On and On We Walk Together*

Announcements

Steve Dasher

Introduction of Visitors/Closing Prayer

Jonah Shumate

Song Leader

Joseph Tucker

Ushers

John Reagan, Mark Ward

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Bill Kincaid will lead singing this evening;

Hal Swetnam & Jerry Williams will lead the prayers.

Servers: Matt Bensky, Austin Byrd, Bill Furr,

Tom Griggs, Jeff Malcolm, Sam Swetnam

## 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

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Steve Dasher

Wayne Doran

Bill Kincaid

Jim Lane

Oliver McDaniel

Joseph Tucker

## Deacons

Roberto Alvarez

Jose Arevalo

Ben Bohannon

Ignacio Espinoza

John Reagan

Saul Reyes

Wilfredo Reyes

Jonah Shumate

Hal Swetnam

Kevin Thie

John Waterston

Ken Yeatman

Habtu Zemech

## Missionaries

Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI

Pedro & Mireya Batres, Nicaragua

Henry & Rosa Gutierrez, Nicaragua

Gene & Janice Luna, WBI/Guatemala

Jesus & Abigail Sosa, Mexico City, MX

Mike Tune, Amazing Grace International

Deonté Watkins, Blacksburg, VA Tech

Jay & Piera Young, Italy & Ukraine

Habtu Zemech, My Neighbors, Ethiopia

## Staff

Mike Tune, *Pulpit Minister*

Josh Byrd, *Youth Minister*

Mary Ann Kincaid, *Secretary*

Kelly Shumate, *Secretary*

## Statistics

### Sunday, June 4, 2017

Bible Study 205

Morning Assembly 312

Evening Assembly 84

Contribution \$16,446

YTD Average \$12,722

Budget Goal \$12,758

### Wednesday, June 7, 2017

Classes & Online 79

**Wednesday, June 14**

**Prayer - Wayne Doran**

**Song Leader - Clark Richardson**