



Thoughts on Homelessness



Introduction. Our hearts go out to people truly in need.

The scriptures teach, "The righteous considereth the cause of the poor but the wicked regardeth not to know it" (Prov. 29: 7). The "Good Samaritan" had compassion on one in need (Luke 10: 34). "Whoso stopped his ears at the cry of the poor," wrote the wise man, "he also shall cry himself, but shall not be heard" (Prov. 21: 13). Moreover, the scriptures plainly teach giving to those in need as means and opportunity are present (Eph. 4: 28; 1 John 3: 17-18).

The scriptures give qualifications for helping others. God has assigned man the responsibility of working and providing for himself and those in his care (Gen. 3: 19; 1 Tim. 5: 8). Paul wrote, "... if any would not work, neither should he eat" (2 Thess. 3: 10). Children and grandchildren are to take care of their needy parents and grandparents (1 Tim. 5: 4-8, 16). The scriptures teach, "He becometh poor that dealeth with a slack hand..." (Prov. 10: 4).

The case of the homeless. The plain truth is that most of the homeless in America today do not meet Biblical requirements for financial assistance. The vast majority are alcoholics and drug addicts. As an article in the Denver Post observed relative to most of the homeless, "Those folks do not want to be sober, get jobs or apartments, get well, or take showers. Actually, they have jobs - panhandling for booze" (Sunday, January 1, 1995, Jann Scott).

Conclusion. In answer to our question, I am reminded of a sign I recently observed. A "homeless" person was soliciting or panhandling using a sign which read: "I ain't lying, I just want a beer." Regardless of the abuse, we must be cautious that we do not neglect one really in need. The Christian is to "visit the fatherless and the widows in their affliction..." (Jas. 1: 27).





Order of Worship

Reminder: Prayer Requests can be submitted via the "chat" feature on Zoom during the service.

Songleader - Jeremiah Darden
Welcome & Announcements
Opening Prayer

Song # 957 -
[This World Is Not My Home](#)

Song # 453 - [Love Lifted Me](#)

Lord's Supper
Contribution

Kids 4 Kids
Bible Hour

Prayer Requests

Song # 324 -
[Alas! and Did My Savior Bleed?](#)

Scripture Reading -
Galatians 5:22-26

Sermon by:
Darryl Darden

"The Fruit of the Spirit is
Kindness and Goodness"

Song of Invitation:
Song # 909 -
[There's a Fountain Free](#)

Song # 959 -
[Just a Little Talk with Jesus](#)

Closing Prayer

This Week's

Schedule of Events

** (In person & Zoom)

Building Lock Up:
Jon Lee

****9:00 a.m. - Bible Class**

****10:00 a.m. -
Sunday Worship**

****10:00 a.m. - En Linea Servicio de
Adoracion (via Facebook Live)**



Monday, _
September 2, 2024



**Office Closed
in observance
of
Labor Day.**

**7:00 p.m. -
Spanish Night
of Prayer (Zoom)**



Wednesday, _
September 4, 2024

Bible Study on Zoom

**7:00 p.m. - Bible Study
Jeremiah Baker presents
"The Faith that Endures"**



**7:00 p.m. -
En Linea
Clase Biblica**

Save the Date



**Area Wide Singing
September 29th
Adelanto COC**

September

**This
Week's
Birthday's**



**3rd - Joshua Cimuchowski
4th - Aurora Beck
7th - Billy Reddington**



**Nina Sutton has
a change of
address.
Please contact
her or the office
for the new
address.
Please update
your directory.**



**Victor Valley
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PRESENTS

**FRIENDS & FAMILY
WEEKEND**

Acts 2:38



Please join us!

**Special Guests:
Clay Johnson
Dr. Jason Darden
Terry Davis**

RSVP 760-949-3386

**September
13-15**

**Fri. 7 PM-9 PM
Sat. 10 AM-1 PM
Sun. 9 AM-2 PM**



Prayer Requests

Please pray for our church leaders;
our congregation; the homeless,
and the veterans. Also for our country's
leaders, our troops; and the future of
our country.

Shut-Ins

Barbara Tidwell; Mattie McCarthy;
Sandy Wooten; and Shirley Fales.

Continual Prayers

The Ahumada family; Anthony
Avalos; Anthony Hale Jr.; Charlie &
LaVonne Powell; Chris Lopez; Felicia
Ganaway; Gennie Lorenz; Hosia Ford;
Ida Crawford; Marie Guess; and
Melanie Gammage.

General

Anthony Avalos; Cindy Tutton's
children and grandchildren;
Jake Baca's lady and her family;
Jeremy F.; and the congregation.

Health

Bart Antista; the Bliss' granddaughter,
Dakota's friend, Eva; Brandy; Cindy
Tutton's son, Tony; Claudia Beck's
mother; Coleen White's friend, Slater
(4-year-old boy); the Crawford's;
Debbie Owens; Flow; Gay Cullison;
Gennie Lorenz; James Avalos; Jean
Strealy; Kasie Schow; Marilyn Owens;
Maty;
Pat Rose; Ray Hines; and Rose.

Thanksgiving

Claudia Beck and Eva Wityczak.

Traveling

Cindy Tutton and Tony & Lynn Rose.

For Their Loss

Tom Libang and his family with
the loss of his grandmother.

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Eric Cimuchowski – Involvement Minister

Darryl Darden – Pulpit Minister

Carlos Orrala – Spanish Minister

Deacons

Benjamin Lopez - Spanish Ministry

Craig Beck - Security

TBA - Benevolence

TBA - Greeters & Ushers

Chris Schow - Interior Bldg. Maint.

TBA - Men's Ministry, Disaster Relief

Mark Gruwell - Teens

Ministries & Coordinators

Audio Visual/Zoom

Jake Tess & Tim Gramling

AVPAC/Lucerne Valley

Johnny Latham

Building Décor

Tonja Patton

Calling Ministry

Carolyn Richardson &
Eva Wityczak

Call Out Ministry

M. Basnight; E. Cimuchowski;
T. Rose; & S. Suba

Song Leading, Singing

Jeremiah Darden

Children's Bible Hour

Claudia Beck &
Ga' Brielle Darden

Grief Support

Strech Suba

Historian

Kasie Schow

Kitchen

Pauletta Hobson

Ladies' Ministry

Kim Cimuchowski

Military

Pauletta Hobson &
Leisa Pond

Bulletin Mailouts

Marilyn Owens

Worship Coordinator

Jeff Najera

Savior's Kids

Jake & Danelle Tess

Teacher's Workroom

Nina Sutton

Youth Group

Mark & Renee Gruwell

Bernadett Gramling - Office Manager

Erica Lee - Bookkeeper

Staff

Andrea Barahona - Janitorial

Billy Caldwell - Auditorium Seating

Last Week's Statistics

Financial

Contribution 8/25/24	\$	2,949.02
Contribution 8/18/24	\$	2,634.86
Special Contributions	\$	392.00
Y.T.D. Contribution	\$	25,864.05
Teen Fund	\$	5,146.96
Mission Fund	\$	3,002.82
Scholarship Fund	\$	1,141.09
Kids 4 Kids	\$	92.00

Attendance

A.M. Bible Class	N/A
A.M. Worship	
In Person	139
Via Zoom	29
Wed. P.M. Bible Class	N/A
Mid Week Bible Studies	N/A