

Babies

Graysyn Wade Lea Brown

Graysyn Wade Lea Brown, son of Jeff Brown and Tabitha Wacker of Selden, was born Saturday, Jan. 26, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 9 pounds, 4 ounces and measured 21 inches.

Siblings Hannah, Ethan, Brynne and Layton welcomed him home. Grandparents are Mike and Tracy Pickett of Beloit, Shelly Pruet, Colby, and Terry and Julie Brown of Hoxie.

Serenity Christine Burris

Serenity Christine Burris, daughter of Scott and Beverly Burris of Goodland, was born Thursday, Jan. 24, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces and measured 19 3/4 inches.

Sisters Madison, McKennize and Noelle and brother Brock welcomed her home. Grandparents are Ricky and Christy Burris of Hill City and Gary and Brenda Fisher of Goodland.

Jaida Brooke Cersovsky

Jaida Brooke Cersovsky, daughter of Lloyd and Nicole Cersovsky of Colby, was born Thursday, Jan. 24, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 8 pounds, 7 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches.

and brother Caleb welcomed her home. Grandparents are Tom and Margaret Karlin and Lloyd Sr. and Cindy Cersovsky, all of Colby. Great-grandmothers are Peggy Saddler of Colby and Thelma Karlin of Hays.

Juliette Katherine Couch

Juliette Katherine Couch, daughter of Clifton and Traci Couch of Goodland, was born Monday, Jan. 21, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 8 pounds, 1 ounce and measured 20 3/4 inches.

Sisters Hannah and Reagan welcomed her home. Grandparents are Kathy Mitchell, Tallahassee, Fla., Robin and David Couch, Tallahassee and Ted and Penny Tingdale, Dothan, Ala.

Kimberly Janet Alcalá Gonzalez

Kimberly Janet Alcalá Gonzalez, daughter of Norma and Santos Alcalá of Atwood, was born Thursday, Jan. 24, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She

weighed 6 pounds, 14 ounces and measured 18 3/4 inches. Grandparents are Sebastian and Irma Gonzalez of Atwood.

Jonathan Adaiiah Ortiz

Jonathan Adaiiah Ortiz, son of Janeth Otero and Matthew Ortiz of Hoxie, was born Friday, Jan. 25, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. He weighed 6

pounds, 1 ounce and measured 22 inches. Grandparents are Ana Cruz of Hoxie and Maria and Rene Otero of Lynwood, Calif.

Josephine 'Josie' Grace Schemm

Josephine "Josie" Grace Schemm, daughter of Jesse and Rachel Schemm of Goodland, was born Sunday, Jan. 6, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 9 pounds, 1 ounce and measured 20 inches.

Sisters Tanya and Sarah and brother Paul welcomed her home. Grandparents are Darrel and Sandy Schemm of Wallace and Bennie and Deborah Tester of Holt, Mo.

Olivia Michelle Scott

Olivia Michelle Scott, daughter of Justin and Allison Scott of Wallace, was born Friday, Jan. 11, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 6 pounds, 12 ounces and measured 19 1/2 inches.

Sisters Erika, Jasmine and Evelyn welcomed her home. Grandparents are Kathy and Kent Foster, Russell, Daniel and Marilyn Ballentine, Wallace, and Dennis and Christine Corbin, Norton.

Kristine Ariellah Shay

Kristine Ariellah Shay, daughter of Ryan and Diane Shay of St. Francis, was born Sunday, Jan. 13, 2013, at Citizens Medical Center in Colby. She weighed 8 pounds, 10 ounces and measured 20 inches.

Rhett, Ronan and Ryder, and sister Kaileyanne, welcomed their new sister home. Grandparents are Joe and Charlene Kramer of Brewster and Rodney and Kay Shay of St. Francis. Great-grandmother is Margaret Shay of St. Francis.

Christian love must go beyond conforming to the community



W.G. Romine II

From the Pulpit

I have been serving the Lord since 1978 and have been connected to many different denominations and freestyle houses of worship. So please know that the following observation is made through much experience.

Many believers have unique forms of worship as they express their love for God. The love doctrine is not new as we cycle through the phases of life. However, many in the church have moved it past the guidelines of the word of God.

There is little difference between today's liberal believers and the free love movement of the 1960s. If those claiming Christ were to be truthful, the same ones attending our churches also practice premarital sex, adultery, free love and assorted drug use including marijuana. All the while, our love doctrines keep us from speaking a word against them for fear of offending a fellow believer. Is there any difference between us and them?

My observation is that those of the Christian faith are, above all things, most religious. One overwhelming fact is that the quest for love supersedes all other forms of worship and service before the Lord. The church of North America has largely transformed the God of the universe into a spiritual

sugar daddy.

Over the past 35 years I have seen and participated, in part, in the transformation of God's people to conform to the passive wishes of their unsaved, unregenerated communities, instead of fulfilling the biblical command to be made conformable to his will.

The scriptures teach us, "If any man be in Christ, he is a new creation. Old things have passed away, behold, all things are become new. And all things are of God, who has reconciled us to himself by Jesus Christ, and has given to us the ministry of reconciliation."

The primary prayer of many believers is, "Bless me Lord I pray." Our focus has been on loving each other in spite of our personal convictions through an upbringing of clear Bible training, strong preaching and continued church attendance. We have become a generation of conformity!

Despite common belief, being good is not good enough. When

there is no difference between good and God, there is no need for God. It's easier to celebrate the given holidays after the fashion of this fallen world, than to uphold the standards of our biblical roots.

It is in the best interests of the church to reverse the bold statement of President Obama during his first term: "America is not a Christian nation..."

February is the month those who are love-struck find ways to celebrate the object of their love and affection. How does the Lord, who is the lover of our soul, factor into our celebrations? Those of us who represent the gospel in the midst of a darkened world share in a different mission to spread his light and love in this season of passion. We are challenged to communicate his love toward those who are unlovable.

The kingdom of God operates on a totally different principle than that of this natural world. I call it the principle of inversion. Jesus said, "What is it for you to love those who love you? Even the unbeliever does that." Our love is measured by a different ruler.

This season, we who claim Christ should find ways to com-

bine another celebrated holiday, Random Acts of Kindness, with Valentine's Day and brighten the day of someone else for which Christ died.

The scriptures tell us, "God commended his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." He sent his only begotten son into the world to die for humanity while we were as far from righteousness as light is from dark. The Bible says, "the just for the unjust."

We still have time to make a difference in our world. Your next act of righteousness could transform your neighborhood allowing the love of God to pierce the darkness in someone's life.

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Heart Month begins today

February is American Heart Month, drawing attention to heart disease, America's No. 1 killer.

Strides are being taken through research and education to raise awareness of risk factors and to decrease death rates.

Appropriately kicked off on National Wear Red Day today, the American Heart Association and its Go Red For Women movement urge everyone to support the fight

against heart disease in women by wearing red.

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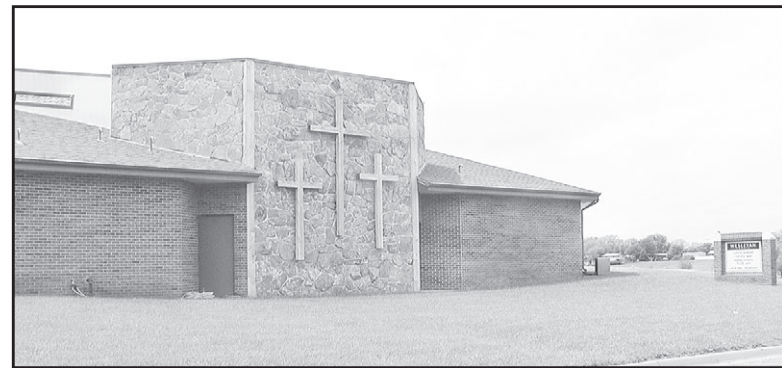
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