

The joys of living life in an exciting week

What an incredible week it has been and as I write this we are only three days into it. This week started on Saturday!

It consisted of High School graduation (What a special group of students that walked that platform. There is definitely some incredible young men that walked the platform. Young ladies too, but I was just privileged to be around the guys more because of weights and football!)

The weekend began with the privilege of speaking at the baccalaureate service before graduation. It truly is an honor to have someone give you time from their day and say I am here speak to me. What a responsibility.

We did the graduation deal and



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the receptions. That was fun and the food was good, but God is really good!

Then Sunday morning came! I love them, and not because I am a preacher, but because it is a day that all of creation waited for ever sense that deal in the Garden of Eden.

The presence of God was amongst us in a very powerful way. It wasn't that there was anything different or out of the ordinary in the service, but it was very evident that He was

there. I love that we He graces us with His presence don't you?

There is nothing more satisfying than God!

There are counterfeits, but you always have to out do the last one. You can't outdo God! Life is good, and God is really good.

Sunday night came and with it a prayer service that was refreshing and uplifting. I don't know about you, but I love the fact that something happens when you pray that doesn't if you don't.

Please understand I am not trying to draw attention to us, but to remind us that God is good, and is

doing some really neat things in our midst. That just isn't with Calvary but in other churches in our community. I want to encourage you to get connected to a church that is about the Word of God, and is doing the Word of God.

I love what the Psalmist says, "Your Word is a lamp unto my feet, and I light unto my path (Ps 119:105)." I love to hear what is happening at other churches in town. Lives that are being touched, people stepping closer to Christ, love reaching out, and many other things.

If my memory serves me right there is a powerful passage of Scripture that declares, "They overcame the enemy by the blood of the lamb (what Jesus did at Calvary), and by

the word of their testimony (what Jesus did in their life)." You can find that in Revelations 12:11. It is good reading. No I mean it is really good reading!

It may seem like I have rambled quite a bit today, but I hope you see the thread woven throughout this column. I hope you don't think that I have wasted your time and haven't said anything. Here is what I know, and here is what I hope you have understood. God is good. He is so good!

Let me leave you with a quote by Rich Hansen today, and encourage you to make sure your bowl is right side up. "God's reality in our world is like gently falling rain.

We each have a bowl in our hearts and minds in which we can easily

catch God's reality — if we just hold it before us.

But it makes all the difference in the world whether our bowl is turned upwards — or downwards. A person without guile will turn their bowl upwards — ready to receive the truth about God if God really exists."

May you sense the love of God, the call of God, and the reality of His presence in your life today, and this weekend! Live to love, and love to live!

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Customer service is very important. It's one way small businesses can compete with the big stores.

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1. Connect with your customers. Be glad to see them. Have a genuine desire to help them.
 2. Discover what they want. By asking questions and paying attention to the answers, you can discover a lot about your customers.
 3. Do your best to help them.
 4. Follow-up.
 5. Thank them.
- Follow these steps with every customer, and your level of customer service will greatly increase.



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District Traffic
The following fines have been paid in the Sherman County District Court. All ages are at the time of the ticket.

Nov. 14, 2003: Stacy L. Spornitz, 28, Olathe, \$195 for speeding.

Aug. 18, 2005: Love Lester, 22, Lancaster, Pa., \$139 for speeding, 89/70.

Jan. 4, 2007: Zane L. Mccosker, 19, Fort Riley, \$416 for driving while suspended, first conviction.

Aug. 23: Marvin I. Henry Jr., 22, Calumet City, Ill., \$132 for speeding.

Nov. 21: Shane L. Bacon, 38, Brighton, Colo., \$165 for speeding.

Nov. 22: Philip A. Fralick, 26, Colorado Springs, \$144 for speeding, 73/55.

Nov. 30: Spencer L. Melson, 26,

Fort Pierce, Fla., \$166 for speeding.

Dec. 15: Darin B. Blair, 22, Gilmer, Texas, \$126 for driving on the wrong side of the road.

Jan. 12: Kenneth R. Hitchcock, 65, Burlington, \$219 for speeding, 82/55.

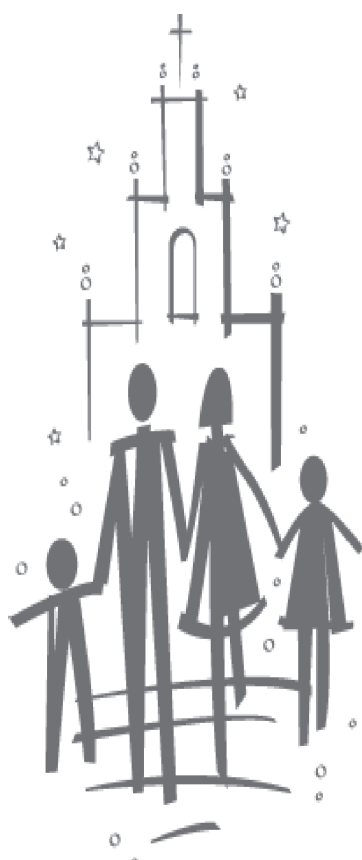
Jan. 20: Maria D. Arredondo, 53, Independence, Mo., \$126 for speeding, 85/70.

Jan. 23: Scotty D. Potter, 34, Norwood, Mo., \$166 for violating motor carrier safety rules and regulations, expired medical card.

Jan. 24: Trevor A. Didriksen, 21, Mesquite, N.V., \$156 for speeding.

Jan. 27: Ismael G. Torres, 39, El Paso, Texas, \$166 for violating motor carrier safety rules and regulations, over 70 hours.

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Calvary Gospel Church
Pastor: Steve Rains, Ben Coats, youth pastor
Fourth & College • 890-3605
Sunday: Kid's Church: 10:30 am
Morning Service: 10:30 am
Evening Service: 5:00 p.m.
Wednesday: Royal Rangers Missionettes 6:30 p.m.
Adult mid-week service: 7:00 p.m.
Youth @ the Rock House: 7:00 p.m.
Small Group Ministries meets throughout the week.
www.calvarygospel.net

Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Pastor: Father Norbert Dlabal
307 W. 13th • 890-7205
Sacrament of Reconciliation:
4:30-5 pm Saturday or by appointment
Mass Schedule:
Saturday: 6 pm, **Sunday:** 10:30 am
Spanish Mass:
Sunday: 12:30 pm

Word of Life
A Foursquare Church
10th & Clark • 899-5250
Pastor: John Coumerilh
Associate Pastor: Ben Coumerilh
Sunday: Worship Celebration and Kids' Church: 10:30 am
Life Groups - call for times and locations
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Pastor: Perry Baird
890-3375
Sunday: Worship Service: 9 a.m.
Sunday School: 10 a.m.
Evening Service: 6 p.m.

Bible Baptist Church
Pastor: Clifford Middlebrooks
Fifth & Broadway
890-7368
Sunday: Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Morning Service: 10 a.m.
Evening Service: 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday: Evening Bible Study: 7 p.m.

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints
1200 15th Street • Burlington, CO
(719) 346-7984
Sacrament Meeting: 10 a.m.
Sunday School: 11:15 a.m.
Priesthood/Relief Society: 12 a.m.

Iglesia Del Dios Vivo
La Luz Del Mundo
Spanish Speaking Church
Minister: Esteban Ortiz B.
1601 Texas • 899-5275
Daily Prayer: Sunday thru Saturday: 5a.m. & 6 p.m.
Sunday: Sunday School: 10 a.m.

United Methodist Church
Brewster:
Pastor: Dorine Chambers
Worship Service: 10:45 a.m. CST
Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. CST
Winona:
Minister: Sheryl Johnson
Worship Service: 9 a.m. CST
Sunday School: 10:15 am CST

First Christian Church
(Disciples of Christ)
Pastor: Rev. Ted Amos
Eighth & Arcade • 890-5233
Sunday: Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:15 a.m.
Activities: Junior High & High School Youth Groups, Adult Bible Study, Choir, Men's and Women's Groups, Devotions Study, Monthly Fellowship
Special Notice: Handicap Accessible, Hearing Assistance Equipment and Infant and Toddler Nurseries Available

Kanorado United Methodist Church
Pastor: Leonard Cox
399-2468
Sunday: Sunday School: 9 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:15 a.m.

Church of the Nazarene
Pastor: Bob Willis
Third & Caldwell
899-2080 or 899-3797
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:50 a.m.
Evening Service: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: Evening Service: 7 p.m.

First United Methodist Church
1116 Sherman 899-3631
Pastor: Rev. Kasey Crosby
Saturday: Worship: 5:30 p.m.
Sunday: Adult Classes: 9:15 a.m.
Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Wednesday Nite Live
5:45 - 6:45 p.m. Simple Supper "Free will Offering
6:30 - 7:30 p.m. Classes for all ages

Goodland Bible Church
109 Willow Road • 899-6400
Pastor: Chad DeJong
Sunday: Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship: 10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship: 6 p.m.
Wednesday: AWANA (Winter) and prayer: 7 p.m.

First Baptist Church
Pastor: Travis Blake
Bateman's Funeral Home, 211 E. 11th
890-3450
Sunday: Sunday School for all ages: 9:30 a.m. (Child care provided)
Morning Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Thursday: Bible study 9:30 a.m.
Wheatridge Center

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
13th & Center
Church 890-2115 or Rectory 890-6969
Priest: Father Hal Lycett
Holy Eucharist: 10:00 a.m. Sunday
10:00 a.m. Thursday
Morning Prayer: Daily, 8 a.m. Thursday and Sunday
For emergencies 890-6969

Harvest Evangelical Free Church
104 E. Hwy. 24 • 890-7918
Pastor: Brian Fugleberg
Sunday: Worship: 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 9:30 a.m.
Wednesday: Junior high 6:30 p.m. at Fugleberg's, 708 Washington Senior high 6:30 p.m. at church

Seventh Day Adventist Church
1160 Cattletrail
Pastor: Mike Larson
Saturday: Sabbath School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service: 11 a.m.

Emmanuel Lutheran Church
13th & Sherman • 890-6161
Sunday: Christian education/fellowship: 10:15 a.m.
Worship Service: 9 a.m.
Vacation Bible School July 14-18
Light Supper at 5:30. Program for all ages 6

Church of Christ
401 Caldwell
890-6185
Sunday: Bible Study: 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:45 a.m.
Wednesday: Bible Study: 7 p.m.

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