

## Upcoming Events

**Business Meeting: June 14**

**Ladies Bible Class: June 14**

**Father's Day: June 21**

"Statement of Information" due to State Secretary

Congregational Meeting: Financial Report

Mid-course Review: Saturday Meeting 2021

**Panera Bread Open Bible Study: TBD**

## Love

*"Love is patient, love is kind and is not jealous; love does not brag and is not arrogant, does not act unbecomingly; it does not seek its own, is not provoked, does not take into account a wrong suffered, does not rejoice in unrighteousness, but rejoices with the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things." 1 Corinthians 13:4-7*

## June Birthdays

9 Debbie Pescador 12 Celina Perales

## June Anniversaries

5 Kurt & Debbie Hoffman 9 Sue Tanner

11 Marcos & Celina Perales

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*"Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility of mind regard one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus." Philippians 2:3-5*

## The Mind of Christ

By David R. Ferguson

I have always admired those individuals who demonstrate great intellect. Wouldn't it be fascinating to understand the complexities of the cosmos, from the tiniest quark, to the furthest and remotest quasar, in the same manner as Albert Einstein or Stephen Hawking did? Or wouldn't you have liked to witness in person Thomas Jefferson and Alexander Hamilton as they debated the role the Federal government should have in the lives of the People? Or how intriguing would it have been to sit at the feet of Socrates, Plato and Aristotle, giving ear to the philosophical discussions taking place in ancient Athens! As interesting as all these men seem to be, there is One Whose wisdom and intellect puts all others to shame, and that is our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Regardless of the circumstances He faced, whether it was from one of the groups seeking to trip Him up such as the Pharisees and the Sadducees, or even when He was being confronted and tempted by the Great Adversary, satan himself, Jesus was always able to face them all by leaning upon the word of God and saying, *"It is written."*

### Regular Meeting Times

Sunday.....9:45 a.m.

Sunday.....10:45 a.m.

Sunday.....6:00 p.m.

Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

**Preacher:**  
(Vacant)

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We, too, can gain in wisdom as Christians by following the precepts of Christ, even to the point of having the mind of Christ: *"For who has known the mind of the Lord, that he should instruct Him? But we have the mind of Christ"* (1 Corinthians 2:16). We have the mind of Christ by engaging in a study of His word. Not only will we have the mind of Christ, we will have eternal life: *"Truly, truly, I say unto you, if a man keep My word, he shall never see death"* (John 8:51). Paul also wrote to Timothy, saying, *"Give diligence to present yourself approved unto God, a workman that needs not to be ashamed, handling aright the word of truth"* (2 Timothy 2:15).

By spending time in the word of God, and focusing on His Son and *"whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honorable, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things,"* (Philippians 4:8), we will be able to then *"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; in all wisdom teaching and admonishing one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts unto God"* (Colossians 3:16).

May the Lord bless us in our studies!

## **Which Lives Matter?**

By Johnny Hester

Why should there be any debate over which lives matter? That question was settled two thousand years ago by the Lord Jesus Christ when He declared: *"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved"* (John 3:16-17). The church was divinely commissioned to *"go into all the world and preach the gospel to*

*the whole creation"* (Mark 16:15). We must necessarily infer from this that God wants us to spread the good news that all people (red, yellow, black, and white) matter.

Church, if we are not irresistibly motivated to make this truth known to our world, it just may be that we have not yet come to understand the depth and riches of the love of Christ. The apostle Paul stated, *"For the love of Christ compels us, because we judge thus: that if One died for all, then all died; and He died for all, that those who live should live no longer for themselves, but for Him who died for them and rose again"* (2 Corinthians 5:14-15).

A related question: Do the lives of babies matter? Reflexively we answer definitively and correctly—"Yes!" But what if the baby is still within the womb of his or her mother—an embryo, a zygote, having not yet even developed a form that resembles a human infant? Well, the Holy Spirit clearly answered that question through the Psalmist as David praised God for His love in Psalm 139:

*"13 For You created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother's womb.*

*14 I praise You because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Your works are wonderful, I know that full well.*

*15 My frame was not hidden from You when I was made in the secret place. When I was woven together in the depths of the earth*

*16 Your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in Your book before one of them came to be."* (NIV)

All lives matter—those still in the womb, newborns who are severely handicapped, those who are aged and infirm who have come to depend totally upon the care of others in order for their lives to continue. May we, as *"the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth"* (1 Timothy 3:15), issue a clarion call to this dark, sin-sick world: "All Lives Matter!"