

# CHURCH OF GOD FOOTPRINTS



## Schedule for May

Greeter: Charlene Campbell

1	Quarterly Carry-in Dinner April, May and June birthdays and Anniversaries	
4	Feed the Youth Donna Jordan	5:30pm
5	World Day of Prayer	Noon
7	Men's Breakfast	8:00am
8	Mother's Day	
10	Ladies' Group	7:00pm
10	Men's Bible Study	7:00pm
11	Board of Trustees Meeting	8:00pm
14	Wedding Shower	2:00pm
22	Welcome Reception For Associate Pastor	2:00pm
30	Memorial Day	

## May Anniversaries

11	Roger and Lillie Burnidge
14	Ronald and Teresa Rader
20	Martin and Paula Appleton

## May Birthdays

7	Arleen Thorne
8	Mary Schmitt
10	Kay Loges
12	Braxton Fisher
16	Norman Lancaster
19	Weta Litton
20	Breckin Willyard
22	Louise Prigmore

## World Day of Prayer

World Day of Prayer will be observed on May 5 at Noon on the courthouse lawn. Please come and join our community in prayer for our country and the world in general.



## National Day of Prayer

May this be the day and the hour that we know with certainty that we've been in your presence.

## Pastor's Corner

### Using What God Has Given Us

Romans 12:4 For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members don not all have the same function, 5 so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. 6 We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; 7 if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; 8 if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

Sometimes in our mind we have a picture of what a Christian should look like. We have an idea of the proper conduct. We think we know how Christians should act and talk. We have a list of do's and don'ts. Certainly the scripture does hold up certain things as standards for the Christian. However, each of us is unique. Good news! We do not have to try to be like anyone else. God made us who we are and god gave each of us our own set of abilities.

The passage above urges us to use whatever gifts we have for the good of the body of Christ (the church) and also in service to those around us. We should not look at someone else and be envious of their gift or work. Nor should we try to be something we are not. All of us are important and all of us have something to offer in the kingdom of God. In fact Paul argues in another place that the body would not be complete and would not function well if any part were missing. One part helps the others. Each part compliments the others to be a healthy and productive body.

Thank God for the differences. Not one of us is so self sufficient that we do not need help. And none of us can do all that needs to be done alone. God fills in the gaps with other people. It is so much better to know we are not alone. It is an encouragement to know that the load of the church will be shared by others doing what God has equipped them to do.

Instead of competing with each other or judging what others do, we should encourage and cheer each other on. We should celebrate each accomplishment in God's work as a team effort that fulfills God's plan and furthers His kingdom. There is plenty of work to go around. God's work is never done. Paul encouraged the Galatians with these words, "And let us not be weary in well doing; for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."

Pastor Bob Brown

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### Wedding Shower

On May 14 there will be a Wedding Shower for Jacob Carter and Valerie Venosdel. It will be in the fellowship hall from 2:00pm to 4:00 pm.

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### Welcome Reception

A Welcome Reception for our new associate pastor, Nathan Braudrick and his family will be held May 22. It will be from 2:00pm to 4:00pm in the fellowship hall.

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"When I stand before God at the end of my life, I would hope that I would not have a single bit of talent left and could say, 'I used everything you gave me.'" Erma Bombeck