

CPC This Week

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LEARNING TOGETHER

ARE YOU GASSED UP?

By Tom Stein

Have you seen the commercial where the guy wins free gas for a year, and he shows up at a gas station with all his friends, toting gas cans, in the hope that he can pick it all up at once? You know you can't do that. That's why high gas prices are so frustrating and painful - you can stock up on some things, but not gas.

I wonder if the Christian life is like this. If you are a genuine Christian, you want to grow in godliness. Don't you ever wish you could just "gas up" today and get all the holiness you need for the rest of your life? You could just be loaded with all the Word of God you will ever need, all the prayer you will ever need, and all the everything you will ever need.

It does not work that way, does it? I can't say, "I won't worry ever again." Or, "I have now put my angry temper behind me - for good." Or, "From now on, I will always be willing to tell people about Jesus."

Just as we need to "gas up" vehicles on a regular basis, we need the "fuel" of the so-called spiritual disciplines. We need some every day. Life will get in the way, but we do what is important to us, and if we see the "gas" of God's grace as vital, we will put aside other priorities and preferences to get it.

How are you doing with this? Are you running on fumes, or are you being refueled by listening to God in the Word, speaking to God in prayer, and doing both in regular, gathered worship? If you drive your car too long between fill-ups, your tank will run dry and you will be stranded.

Do you consistently have the gas you need for following Jesus?

**THIS SUNDAY'S SERMON TEXT:
GENESIS 2:18-24**

**FEBRUARY VERSES TO MEMORIZE:
1 CORINTHIANS 13:4-7**

LIFE TOGETHER

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Amanda Nelson, as she prepares to return to China.

Please pray for the completion of the process of granting her visa!

**CHOIR -
WOMEN
ONLY
TONIGHT
AT 7 PM!**

**THIS SUNDAY...
CLUB 4-5-6 WILL MEET RIGHT
AFTER SUNDAY SCHOOL!
LUNCH PROVIDED!**

**MEN'S BREAKFAST
THIS SATURDAY - 7:30
CONTACT THE CHURCH
OFFICE IF YOU'RE
COMING!**

HELPING HAITI

**If you would like to contribute to the work of Gladys Thomas in Haiti in the wake of the recent earthquake, here is the address:
USFCH, PO Box 521171, Tulsa, OK 74152-1171
All monies go directly to Haiti to meet the needs.**

**PRAYING FOR THE
PERSECUTED
CHURCH:
LAOS**

**VOICE OF THE
MARTYRS REPORTS
DOZENS OF
CHRISTIANS
EXPELLED FROM
THEIR HOMES.**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

**2/18 - Ruth Williamson
2/20 - Andrew Stein
2/20 - Kim Gray
2/20 - Lynda Loyd
2/22 - Diane Angilella**

THIS WEEK'S FRIENDLY REMINDER...

If you bring your cell phone to church, please turn it off before you enter worship.