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# Heaven Rules

## Grandparenting Seminar This Saturday, January 20

### GRANDPARENTING WITH GRACE

9am-2pm, lunch provided

What does the Bible say about the role of a grandparent? Saturday's *free* seminar, *Grandparenting with Grace* offers insight for today's grandparents.



Doors open at 8:30 for sign-in and coffee.

- 9:00 Welcome/Prayer
- 9:20 Session One
- 10:30 Break
- 10:45 Session Two
- 11:45 Lunch
- 12:45 Session Three
- 1:45 Closing Comments / Q&A

**PLEASE SIGN UP IN THE LOBBY OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE BY NOON THIS WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 17** so we know how many workbooks and lunches to prepare.

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**New Ministry**

*Widows of Wonder*

We desire to bring honor and glory to God by compassionately encouraging widows, both new and experienced, to be victorious and fruitful in their walk with the Lord. Contact Bendy Payne for further information.

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## Fellowship Lunch TODAY



CPF holds a fellowship lunch monthly, generally on the second Sunday of the month. It's potluck and we have some great cooks who supply delicious dishes. Please join us whether or not you were able to supply a dish. We meet in the Fellowship Hall (first floor of the Education Building) after Life Groups today.

Giving to Date to the  
**Lottie Moon Christmas Offering**  
for International Missions

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**\$21,146<sup>00</sup>**  
*Thank you!*

You may give to this offering throughout the year. Just mark it for "LMCO" or "Christmas Missions."

## MISSION TEAM

### MEETS THIS TUESDAY

**January 16, 6:30PM, Fellowship Hall**

All mission-minded members are invited to attend a Mission Team meeting **this Tuesday, January 16**, at 6:30PM in the Fellowship Hall.

We'll be doing a bit of re-organization and talking about fund allocations. Your input is appreciated. Per our bylaws, only members of CPF can vote in team meetings.

See back page for info on giving online.

**Children's Church** (4 years through 5th grade) dismisses from the sanctuary following the music portion of the worship service.



Age-appropriate Life Groups for Babies through 12th grade meet at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Most meet on the 2nd floor of the Education Building.

## CPF Adult Groups meeting weekly

| Day   | Time     | Topic/Group                        | Leader             | Location        |
|-------|----------|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Sun   | 10:30 am | Adult Coed— <i>Mark</i>            | Steve Pettit       | Rm. 7           |
|       | 10:30 am | Adult Coed— <i>Revelation</i>      | Stoney Stone       | Sanctuary       |
|       | 10:30 am | Younger Adult Coed— <i>Hebrews</i> | David Moss         | Basement        |
|       | 10:30 am | Ladies— <i>Mark</i>                | Lois Ann Swineford | Rm. 4           |
| Mon.  | 6:00 pm  | Women — <i>Trusting God</i>        | Sue DeForest       | Room 1          |
| Wed   | 7:00 am  | Men — <i>Minor Prophets</i>        | Ed Moss            | Fellowship Hall |
|       | 9:00 am  | Women — <i>Trusting God</i>        | Sue DeForest       | Room 1          |
| Thurs | 9:30 am  | Prayer Circle (all welcome)        | Eloise Bobbitt     | Bobbitt home    |
|       | 7:00 pm  | Adult Coed— <i>Genesis</i>         | Howard Payne       | Payne home      |

Room numbers are upstairs in the Education Bldg. Fellowship Hall is the downstairs area of the Education Bldg. "Basement" is behind the choir loft—through either wood door to the sides of the stage..

**GIVING INFORMATION:** Our Donation Buckets are by the doors leading to the lobby

Our regular attendees are invited to give online at our website or use our giving app: [Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement](#) available from your mobile app store or **scan the QR for a link to your app store.** You can also give by creating payments through your bank, or simply drop a check (or cash) in an offering bucket as you leave today.

**Giving Note:** The Church Council has authorized "designated giving" for several ministries. Your gift designation is the highest priority. However, in accordance with IRS/governmental regulations, CPF retains discretion over the use of all gifts..



# Heaven Rules

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**Romans 5:1** Therefore having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

<sup>2</sup> through whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we exult in hope of the glory of God.

<sup>3</sup> And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance;

<sup>4</sup> and perseverance, proven character; and proven character, hope;

<sup>5</sup> and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

<sup>6</sup> For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

<sup>7</sup> For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die.

<sup>8</sup> But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

<sup>9</sup> Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath *of God* through Him.

<sup>10</sup> For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

**John 14:1** "Let not your heart be troubled; believe in God, believe also in Me.

<sup>2</sup> "In My Father's house are many dwelling places; if it were not so, I would have told you; for I go to prepare a place for you.

<sup>3</sup> "And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.

<sup>4</sup> "And you know the way where I am going."

<sup>5</sup> Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, how do we know the way?"

<sup>6</sup> Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but through Me.

**Philippians 4:4** Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice!

<sup>5</sup> Let your forbearing *spirit* be known to all men. The Lord is near.

<sup>6</sup> Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

<sup>7</sup> And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, shall guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

<sup>8</sup> Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is of good repute, if there is any excellence and if anything worthy of praise, let your mind dwell on these things.

<sup>9</sup> The things you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, practice these things; and the God of peace shall be with you.

**John 9:1** And as He passed by, He saw a man blind from birth.

<sup>2</sup> And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he should be born blind?"

<sup>3</sup> Jesus answered, "*It was* neither *that* this man sinned, nor his parents; but *it was* in order that the works of God might be displayed in him.

**2 Corinthians 4:6** ...God, who said, "Light shall shine out of darkness," is the One who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ.

<sup>7</sup> But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the surpassing greatness of the power may be of God and not from ourselves;

<sup>8</sup> *we are* afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not despairing;

<sup>9</sup> persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed;

<sup>10</sup> always carrying about in the body the dying of Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body.

<sup>11</sup> For we who live are constantly being delivered over to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh.

<sup>12</sup> So death works in us, but life in you.

<sup>13</sup> But having the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed, therefore I spoke," we also believe, therefore also we speak;

<sup>14</sup> knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and will present us with you.

<sup>15</sup> For all things *are* for your sakes, that the grace which is spreading to more and more people may cause the giving of thanks to abound to the glory of God.

<sup>16</sup> Therefore we do not lose heart, but though our outer man is decaying, yet our inner man is being renewed day by day.

<sup>17</sup> For momentary, light affliction is producing for us an eternal weight of glory far beyond all comparison,

<sup>18</sup> while we look not at the things which are seen, but at the things which are not seen; for the things which are seen are temporal, but the things which are not seen are eternal.

**5:1** For we know that if the earthly tent which is our house is torn down, we have a building from God, a house not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

<sup>2</sup> For indeed in this *house* we groan, longing to be clothed with our dwelling from heaven;

<sup>3</sup> inasmuch as we, having put it on, shall not be found naked.

<sup>4</sup> For indeed while we are in this tent, we groan, being burdened, because we do not want to be unclothed, but to be clothed, in order that what is mortal may be swallowed up by life.

<sup>5</sup> Now He who prepared us for this very purpose is God, who gave to us the Spirit as a pledge.

<sup>6</sup> Therefore, being always of good courage, and knowing that while we are at home in the body we are absent from the Lord--

<sup>7</sup> for we walk by faith, not by sight--

<sup>8</sup> we are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be at home with the Lord.

<sup>9</sup> Therefore also we have as our ambition, whether at home or absent, to be pleasing to Him.