# PRAYER UPDATE

#### **HOSPITALIZED & SURGERIES**

Steven Adams partial paralysis, diagnosis unknown Ron Berry Bay Area hospital for a valve replacement John Wagner testing Wayne Elliston procedure Gordon Aumiller brain surgery Susann Rogberg LaVars - cancer testing, Stanford Danielle Crile cracked ribs

### **RECENT SURGERIES OR HOSPITALIZATIONS**

Dave Staffa, Ethan Pope, Liz Bishop, Matthew Brunetti, Ron Denevi, Coraly Hanson, David Hacker, Bernice Bergman, Deborah Kaesemeyer, Ernest Randolph, Harriet Duzet, Deanie Badertcher, Kathy Kritikos, Ron Frazier, Ruth Sutherland, Susan Rymer, Ron Denevi

### **HOSPICE CARE**

John Burton, Elizabeth Harrell, Charleen VanVeldhuizen

### **HOME WITH THE LORD**

**John Krom** Please pray for our dear staff member, Gloria Krom whose husband passed away unexpectedly. John faithfully served at TLC for decades. A memorial will be held at TLC Sunday at 2:30pm.

**Fred Jones** On December 28th, he was promoted to heaven. Fred was an attendee and served as a Saturday night greeter. A memorial will be held January 21 at 10am.

A complete prayer list is available at the information desk.





# JANUARY 18 & 19 RENÉ SCHLAEPFER

"But the **fruit of the Spirit** is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control."

Galatians 5:22,23a

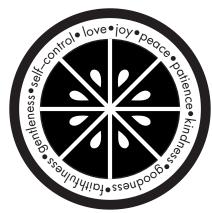
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This section adapted from "How To Change", Tim Keller, sermon preached at Redeemer Presbyterian Church, New York

2. THE ORGANIC PROCESS OF CHRISTIAN CHANGE
FROM THE DEAD PAST
"Those who belong to Christ Jesus have <b>crucified the flesh</b> with its passions and desires." Galatians 5:24
THE LIVING SPIRIT
"Since we live by the Spirit, let us <b>keep in step with the Spirit</b> ." Galatians 5:25
"keep in step":,
"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you <b>abide in me</b> and I in you, <b>you will bear much fruit</b> ; apart from me you can do nothing."  John 15:5
BOTTOM LINE:
Blessed is the person like a tree planted by streams of water, yielding its

Blessed is the person... like a tree planted by streams of water, yielding its fruit in season... Psalm 1:3

# **NEW SERIES STARTS IN 2 WEEKS:**



How to center on God in a loud, distracting world.

### **DAILY MEDITATIONS**

#### THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE

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#### **MONDAY**

What stood out to you from this past weekend's message? Read Galatians 5:16-26. How have you gradually seen change in your life? What aspect of the fruit of the Spirit has grown in your life? (Ask loved ones for their opinion!) Thank God for the growth He has given you! Ask Him for growth where you're weak.

### **TUESDAY**

Read Matthew 7:15-20. Jesus said you'll know if teachers are true or false by their *fruit*, not their *gifts*. How is this different from the way most people evaluate teachers? Why is it important for us to remember this? Pray for your leaders today. Pray for discernment about the teachers you follow.

#### **WEDNESDAY**

John 15:1-17. In what ways is the Father a gardener? What did Jesus say the branches need to do to bear fruit? How can you do this today? What command did Jesus give his disciples? How can you do this today? Spend time now just thinking of Jesus and His love for you. This is one way to abide or remain in Him!

### **THURSDAY**

Read Psalm 1. In what ways is a person who avoids sin and delights in God's law like a stream planted by a stream? What can you do to avoid the desert and stay by the stream today? Spend some time in prayer listening to God's voice. He loves you! This is one way to live next to His stream.

### **FRIDAY**

Read Galatians 5:16-26 again. Review: In what ways do the characteristics of the fruit of the Spirit grow on people like fruit grows? What can you do this weekend to nurture the growth of the fruit of the Spirit in your life? Ask the Father, the gardener, to grow the fruit of the Spirit in your life!

# **SATURDAY**

Please pray for the services this weekend as we begin our fun and important World Outreach Week! Reaching out to the world was the final commission Jesus gave His followers, and that's what this week is all about! If you haven't yet, sign up to meet a missionary at a home dessert next week!