

# PRAYER UPDATE

## HOSPITALIZED & SURGERIES this past week

**Dave Lavars** had a major stroke Wednesday morning and is at Stanford Hospital. Please pray for his wife Suzanne during this very difficult time.

**Ethan Pope (age 6)** leukemia treatment, LPCH Stanford Day Hospital, Mondays and Wednesdays. Please keep the family in your prayers.

**Linda Lawrence** had surgery on 4/17. Please pray for a successful recovery.

**Liz Bishop** Please pray for a quick recovery and ongoing healing from her recent surgeries.

**Ruth Sutherland** 4th hospitalization since November. Pray for wisdom for the doctor, for diagnosis and treatment and new ways to nourish her body.

## HOSPICE

**Elizabeth Harrell**

## HOME WITH THE LORD

**Doris Johnson** a long time member entered the presence of the Lord last Sunday evening (one day following her 90th birthday!). No service is planned at her request.

**Stanley Mount** the oldest retired fireman in the county stepped into glory on 4/14. Please pray for Stanley's entire family, including Kathy and Paul Rigor, Pam and Erik Hanson and Kari Rigor. A celebration of Stanley's life will be held on Saturday, May 10th at 11 am.

**Donald Joslin** raised up his hands as he met his Savior in heaven! Donald was 91 years old and a prayer warrior to many. He loved this church and would bring cookies every Saturday night for the "coffee" table.

**A complete prayer list is available at the information desk.**



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## RESURRECTION-FUELED PEOPLE

APRIL 19 & 20 // RENÉ SCHLAEPFER

**He is risen** from the dead, just as he said. Matthew 28:6 NLT

## FOUR CHARACTERISTICS OF RESURRECTION-FUELED PEOPLE:

### CHARACTERISTIC #1: \_\_\_\_\_

THEY TAKE GOD-HONORING RISKS!

(The rulers) were greatly disturbed because the apostles were teaching the people, **proclaiming in Jesus the resurrection of the dead**. They seized Peter and John... Acts 4:2,3

When they saw **the courage of Peter and John** and realized that they were unschooled, ordinary men, they were astonished and they took note that these men had been with Jesus. Acts 4:13

(Peter and John) "...we cannot help speaking about **what we have seen and heard**." Acts 4:20

## CHARACTERISTIC #2: \_\_\_\_\_

### THEY UNLEASH COMPASSION!

Selling their possessions and goods, they gave to anyone as he had need.  
Acts 2:45

All the believers were one in heart and mind... they shared everything they had. With great power the apostles continued to testify to the **resurrection** of the Lord Jesus. And God's grace was so powerfully at work in them all that there were no needy persons among them.  
Acts 4:32-34

## CHARACTERISTIC #3: \_\_\_\_\_

### THEY'RE KNOWN FOR WHAT THEY'RE FOR, NOT WHAT THEY'RE AGAINST!

(Paul said) "I stand on trial because of the **hope** of the **resurrection** of the dead." Acts 23:6

For what I received I passed on to you as of **first importance**: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, that he was buried, that **he was raised** on the third day according to the Scriptures...  
1 Corinthians 15:3,4

## CHARACTERISTIC #4: \_\_\_\_\_

### THEY BELIEVE GOD HAS BETTER DAYS AHEAD!

The Spirit of God, who **raised Jesus from the dead**, lives in you. And **just as God raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies** by this same Spirit living within you. Romans 8:11

"Resurrections work best in \_\_\_\_\_." – Ray Johnston

If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and **believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead**, you will be saved.  
Romans 10:9 NLT

#### Sources

Adam Hamilton, *24 Hours That Changed The World* (Abingdon: 2009)  
Ray Johnston, *The Hope Quotient* (Thomas Nelson: 2014)

## DAILY MEDITATIONS

Brief Scripture readings and prayers based on this weekend's message

### MONDAY

Read Acts 4:1-22. Would you classify yourself as bold or cautious? What impresses you about this story? Why do you think the resurrection of Jesus turned Peter and John from fearful men into men of courage? How can it have the same effect on you? *Thank you Heavenly Father that you raised Jesus from the dead - and promise resurrection to all those who trust in Him! May that promise help me take God-honoring risks!*

### TUESDAY

Read Acts 4:32-37. What characterizes the believers in these verses? Why would the resurrection have made them suddenly more generous? How can it have the same effect on you? Look for ways to show compassion today. *Thank you God for being generous with me! Let the promise of the resurrection – the new heaven and new earth – help me cling less closely to my possessions, and share them more enthusiastically!*

### WEDNESDAY

Read 1 Corinthians 15:1-11. Why do you think Paul has to remind the Corinthians of the gospel? What part of Christ's ministry does Paul emphasize most when he reminds them of the gospel? Why is it so easy to be distracted from this central focus? Why do you think he stresses Christ's appearances? Where you be now if not for the "grace of God"? *Thank you Lord for your grace. Thank you for the power and promise of the resurrection! Help me to always make it central to my faith.*

### THURSDAY

What is the difference between hope and wishful thinking? How does the resurrection of Jesus give hope? Read Romans 8:11,18-25. Paul says the same Spirit that raised Jesus will give life to you – this means two things: You get power to live now, and a promise you'll live in the future! *Thank you Father for the hope I have in you! Thank you for demonstrating the glory in store for me through the raising Christ from the dead!*

### FRIDAY

Read 1 Cor. 15:51-58. What is the most comforting thing for you here as you consider the reality of your own death? *Write out a prayer of thanks to God for what the resurrection means to you.*

### SATURDAY

Read 2 Timothy 1:7-10. This weekend we begin a series in Book of Second Timothy! You'll learn how to grow strong in God's grace. You'll discover how to thrive when times are tough! *Heavenly Father, please bless the church this weekend as we gather to worship and learn. Encourage us with your Word.*