

or demonstrate support. Good dads are not the source of all knowledge, they are a place to process the challenges you face with a supportive observer. Your dad may be a blue collar, work with his hands kind of guy, while you are a bookish intellectual, but he can still be present for you. Your world may be filled with oil cans, nail aprons, and grease guns, while his world was research models, computers, and technical journals, but he can listen for your pain and support your struggle.

Having lots in common isn't the criteria for a good dad. In fact, good dads are often launching platforms for children to move in an entirely different direction. While I am speaking of dads in this little article, it is important to note, it isn't about dads at all. It isn't gender specific, age gap limited, or even bloodline necessary. Being present in the lives of others on a consistent basis is the key feature needed.

Single moms do it, grandparents, uncles, aunts, and neighbors down the street. Great school teachers, effective elders, caring ministers and vital Bible class teachers have exactly the same power to make a difference.

Availability limits interaction, but the key to availability is the desire to be present. Sometimes it is the rehearsal of an event weeks later to determine effectiveness or challenges. Sometimes it is the phone call just before it happens, a pat on the back or a whispered "you've got this."

It isn't so much the "big thing" as it is the "everything". The opportunity to be influential is earned in the consistent presence that happens in the day to day events of life. So, find that one and be there.

Grace and Peace,

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Where belonging to God means belonging to each other.



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Good dads take you hunting, fishing, play catch with you, and work on cars with you. Unfortunately, there are a lot of people who buy into that notion. The problem is that it eliminates some good dads from being recognized. You see, good dads may or may not do those things. They may give you outdoor adventures or challenge and refine your athleticism. Or good dads may spend time with you in a kitchen, or do homework with you, or teach you a trade.

The key to being a good dad isn't the event one engages in, or the style of life that is chosen. It is the involvement in life. Good dads are present when challenges come to observe your process for addressing the challenge while offering support and encouragement while doing it.

Good dads may not agree with your choices, but they stay present to gather up the pieces when their foresight proves true. In fact how mistakes are corrected and repaired is very much a characteristic of good dads.

It doesn't take much of a dad to notice after a choice results in disaster to observe that the choice was a bad one. "Why did you do something so stupid?" That isn't a very helpful observation. Pointing out mistakes, criticizing errors, and endless comparisons to other siblings doesn't inspire growth, understanding

SUNDAY: Leisure Homestead Service—9:30 am
 Bible Study for all ages—10:00 am
 Worship Service—10:45 am
 Afternoon Service—1:15 pm

WEDNESDAY: Adult Bible Study—7:30 pm
 Youth Group—7:30 pm (@ Carl's)

ELDERS: Richard Breensing, Teddy Gingrich, Loyd Ratts,
 Terry Sallee, George Shelton

DEACONS: Jerry Kinnamon, Jon Mansel

TREASURER: Richard Breensing

WORSHIP ORDER FOR JUNE 19, 2016

SONG LEADER: Gary Hornbaker
 GATHERING SONG: No. 155—Highest Place
 WELCOME: Tom Turner
 SCRIPTURE READING: Psalm 117 (Ned Marks)
 SONGS: No. 608—He Gave Me a Song
 No. 613—Hold to God's Unchanging Hand
 No. 15—Step by Step
 No. 778—Be with Me, Lord (vs 1, 2, 4)
 PRAYER: Richard Breensing
 SONG: No. 325—Boundless Love
 COMMUNION: Tom Turner
 Ben Sizemore
 Jon Mansel
 Orrin Feril
 MEMORY WORK: Carl Feril
 SONG: No. 976—I Shall Not Be Moved
 LESSON: Carl Feril (*Children's Bible Hour*)
 SONG: No. 915—Trust and Obey (vs 1)
 PRAYER: Jerry Kinnamon

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WELCOME VISITORS

We are pleased you have joined us in worship and hope that you will come again! Please stay for our potluck lunch today.

SILVER MAPLE CAMP

These are the summer youth sessions scheduled.
 Scholarships are available—see Tom or Richard.

- June 15 & July 13 (Day Camp: Ages 6-8)
- July 10-16 (Junior Camp/Session 1: Ages 9-13)
- July 17-23 (Senior Camp/Session 2: Ages 13-18)
- July 24-30 (Group Camp/Session 3: Ages 9-18)

Go to www.silvermaplecamp.com to register.

Ladies—mark your calendar for September 23-24 for the Women's Retreat at SMC. The Salina Church of Christ is hosting this event and the guest speaker will be Lynn Dearing from Nashville, TN.



Chase Mansel—June 20
Natalie Lippoldt—June 23

PRAYER REQUESTS

Glennys Sallabedra (Tom's mother)
Fred Johnson—eye slowly improving
Marilyn Sprawka (Don Rujan's sister) - cancer
Jenny Walker (Carol's sister)
Gary Hornbaker
Marci Klug (Joe & Lisa's daughter)—high risk pregnancy
Annie Kent (Lupe Hudson's niece) - cancer
Alex Garcia (neighbor of Stan & Orvalee) - brain cyst
Brent Monroe (Joy Monroe's grandson; Marilyn's great-grandson)
Sharon Goode Ames—lung cancer
Ty Hewitt (Baylee Sizemore's cousin) - leukemia is in remission
Pati Waters Risley—stroke; rehabilitating at home
Roger Dick—ongoing cancer treatments
John Laudick (Marla's brother-in-law)
Jonathan Batten – cancer
Theo Birkett (Tara's mother)
Eldon Ivy (Marilyn's brother) – health concerns
Jim Soukup (Gingrich's son-in-law [Shari's husband])
Myron Breensing (Richard's father) – Leisure Homestead
Bonnie Guthrie (Kay's mother) – Leisure Homestead
Laura Wyatt—Kenwood Plaza
Vic & Phyllis Staub – Kenwood Plaza

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