



Cultivating an attitude of gratitude #2 of 2:

Thanksgiving is now over and I hope that everyone was able to ponder what they were thankful for – actually we should do this on a regular basis and not just once per year. Here are some things to implement into your life to help you cultivate an attitude of gratitude and thanksgiving.

- 1. Pray prayers of thankfulness throughout your day (pause and thank God for things you notice)
- 2. When struggling to be thankful, discipline yourself to write down ten things you can be thankful for right now.
- 3. Keep a thanksgiving journal where you write down five things every day, and then praise God for them in prayer.
- 4. Start your morning with a prayer of thanksgiving.
- 5. Remember to praise God for things he's done in the lives of others (and tell them, too).
- 6. Tell others of what God has done in your life and why you're thankful.
- 7. Open your eyes to even the "small" things you can be thankful for.
- 8. Seek accountability from a friend by sharing what you're thankful for with each other.

There are many other things you could try, but these are a start. Some of the most godly people I know are people who are thankful. They radiate God's love and encourage others to remember His goodness and grace in our own lives.

The truth is none of us can have a thankful heart without the help of the indwelling Spirit who sanctifies us. As we rely on him to help us cultivate thankfulness, we also cultivate hearts that treasure Jesus above all things. With each thankful prayer, we open our often hard hearts and closed eyes to behold God's goodness, faithfulness, mercy, love, care, sustenance, provision, and grace in our lives. As we whisper "thank you" to our gracious Father, our hearts settle into contentment and joy. Our lives preach to the world that God is faithful.

In Our Prayers

Thomas Pruitt
Juanita (Abby's Mother)
Tim Taylor
Pam Aldrich
Dennis Rosenbaum
Nolan Adams

Terry Sallee
Danielle Harmon
Crystal Emery (Gloria's mom)
Enrique Lira
Linda Guthrie
Pam, Leanne, Barbara

Saul Moncada (Abby's brother)
Cella Lemberger (Jessica's Aunt)
Rory Burke (Marilyn's gr. nephew)
Mabel Morien (Jessica's grandma)
Joyce Miller
Kay Kinnamon

Upcoming Events

Wednesday Night Bible Hour and Ladies Bible Class [Wednesday]

There will be Wednesday night Bible Hour at 6 PM Wednesday. There will also be ladies Bible Class on Wednesday morning at 9:30 AM.

Youth Group [Tonight]

There will be youth group tonight here at the building.

Potluck [Next Sunday]

We will have our monthly potluck fellowship meal next Sunday immediately following services. Make plans to join us!

Save the Date:

December 14 - Young Family Ministry (St. John)
January 11 - Young Family Ministry (Stafford)
February 8 - Young Family Ministry (St. John)
March 8 - Young Family Ministry (Stafford)

Birthdays

Joy Sallee - December 1



Worship Order

Welcome Table & Greeters: Richard & Shelly Brensing

Song Leader: Stan Aldrich

Sound System: Zoey Carter

Gathering: #63 - I Will Call Upon the Lord

Welcome: Orrin Feril

Scripture Reading: Landon Marks (Philippians 3:13-14)

Song: #574 - Oh, How I Love Jesus

Song: #337 - Hallelujah, What a Savior!

Communion: Chris Stott (Zach Marks, Jayce Feril, Hunter Marks)

Song: #539 - Higher Ground

Lesson #1: Zeb Carter

Shepherd's Prayer: Carl Feril

Song: #827 - Sweet Hour of Prayer

Lesson #2: Zeb Carter

Song: #934 - Softly and Tenderly (vs. 1)

Closing Prayer: JW Like



Giving Link

Sundays: Bible classes for all ages @ 10:00 am
Worship service for everyone @ 11:00 am
Elders: Tom Turner, Richard Brensing, Terry Sallee, Carl Feril
Deacons: Jerry Kinnamon, Chris Mansel, Orrin Feril, Zachary Marks
Minister: Zeborah Carter