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*A Great Place To Grow in Christ*  
*For the Entire Family*

<b>Sunday April 19, 2015</b>
<b>This Weeks Events</b>
<b>Today:</b> 10:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Bible 101</i> —Pastor Coale 11:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Revive us Again</i> —Pastor Coale 11:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Jr. Church</i> —Pastor Saloum 6:00PM: (Grange)— <i>Advanced Bible (How to Pray)</i> —Pastor Coale
<b>Upcoming Events</b>
<b>May 3, 2015:</b> 2:00PM: (Fir Lane)— <i>SHUT IN SAINTS</i> —Matthew Coale
<b>May 6, 2015:</b> 7:00PM: (Pastors House)— <i>Discovery Group</i> —Pastor
<b>May 17, 2015:</b> <b>All interested in helping in this years VBS are invited</b> 12:30PM: (Pastors House)— <i>VBS Planning Meeting</i> —Pastor (Light lunch provided)
<b>July 5, 2015:</b> NOON: (Grange)— <i>CHURCH PICNIC</i> —
<b>August 17-19, 2015:</b> 9:00AM-NOON: (Grange)— <i>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</i> —
<b>October 18, 2015:</b> <a href="http://russells2mexico.com">http://russells2mexico.com</a> 10:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Missionary to Mexico</i> —Adam Russell Family 11:00AM: (Grange)— <i>Missionary to Mexico</i> —Adam Russell Family NOON: (Grange)— <i>Meet the Missionary POTLUCK</i> —
<b>September 11-14, 2016:</b> EVANGELISTIC MEETINGS— <i>SAM GIPP</i>

**People need love the most when they deserve it the least.**

**-Pastor**

# *Surprising Love of God*

By Rev. Ron Coale, Pastor

Jesus said, "As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love." (John 15:9). Paul said it's the love of Christ that constrains us (2 Corinthians 5:14) and that nothing will ever be able to separate us from the love of God (Romans 8:38-39).

It is surprising that God loves us. In fact, it is surprising that he loves us at all. There is nothing in us that merits God's love. We are full of sin, yet He loves us. His attraction to us is unexplainable. It makes no sense that God would love us, yet He does. In fact, The Bible tells us that He died for us; the ungodly (Rom. 5:6).

We discriminate in who we will congregate with and who we will stay away from. Most people congregate with people who like them. They don't make friends with people who find them contemptible. If they like someone, they will make friends with them. Likewise, people who like them become their friends as well. Although we discriminate, God does not. Whereas we are attracted to people who like us, God is attracted to all men. His love is meant for everyone, and for the Christian who loves God, we naturally go to Him when we want to be with a friend.

I am a dog person. Some people are cat people and that's okay, but I am a dog person. I have always had dogs. I love dogs. I love every dog I have ever had, but some stand out in my memory.

CC Rider is one that I have not gotten over. She was a dog that I loved much. God used CC Rider to teach me much about my relationship with Him. Rather, I should say that God used the relationship that CC Rider and I had to teach me.

I loved her from the moment I got her. She was the runt of the litter. When I chose her, the owner of the puppies said, "Are you sure you want the runt? There are plenty others to choose from." I was attracted to her from the beginning, and she was attracted to me. We spent every minute together.

I had just gotten out of the Navy and was in between jobs. I couldn't go home (Panama Canal Zone) because Jimmy Carter gave it away, so I just stayed in Bremerton, WA. I had no friends except CC Rider. She slept with me, ate with me, went on job interviews with me. Everywhere I went, she went too! When I ate,

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Hello, I hope each of you are doing well. I am reminded of the adage which says, God is good, all the time and all the time, God is good. God has in deed shown Himself strong in the past weeks, especially on Sundays.

First, I want to communicate about Palm Sunday which was on March 29th. Pastor Claudian asked me to preach for the Sunday service, to which I gladly accepted. I preached from Matthew 21, Mark 11, Luke 19 and John 12 which were the passages which spoke on Palm Sunday. It was a blessing to communicate the truth of God's Word. Each Sunday a man, Kakuru, drives my family to church. Though I have invited him in the past he always refuses because he is Muslim. However, because I was preaching this week, he agreed to stay and hear my message. Outwardly Kakuru did not make any decisions but certainly God is working in his life. Please pray with me for Kakuru.

The following Sunday was Easter or Resurrection Sunday. This Sunday was an amazing time. Many people from Mbarara go to the village but many living in Kampala come to Mbarara.. Pastor Claudian preached a great message about the resurrection. Again, I am reminded that God's grace transcends cultures and people groups. God wants to use any person to bring honor to Him. It was a blessing to remember the Resurrection of Christ our King. Also, pray more would know about how Christ defeated death.

One week after Resurrection was interesting to me. At 6:30 I went on a run with a friend. Because at 6:20 it is too dark to run we leave at 6:30, when it is just light enough. I was amazed to see many people already dressed for church, actually walking to services. I asked my friend why they were out so early, he said it was because they had far to walk for church. Perhaps, this group represents people searching for truth or even this represents people thoughtlessly following religion. Either way, my prayer is for them to discover the true message of Christ. Please pray the Ugandans will know Christ.

As always it is my privilege to serve the Ugandans and share with them the love of Christ. The longer we serve the more we see how great God is. Also, I am thankful for the prayers and support provided which allow me to serve. Have a great week and God bless!

# THE MULLERS

*Missionaries to The Yucatán Peninsula, Mexico*

Greetings to our faithful partners, may the Lord continue to bless you,

The word of God says, Who hath despised the day of small things? That verse has helped me to ponder our new beginnings here in Corona. The work is so much smaller and the tendency to get impatient and desire the Lord to Hurry, so that we can get to some “real” ministry is great. But we are reminded that beginnings are an extremely important time that lays the foundation for what we will build up later on.



Early on in working here we had to really change our speeds to accommodate the differences of approaches to ministry.

We have been asked many times What do you think the differences are in ministering in Mexico and in ministering here in the states amongst Hispanics? To be truthful, we are still not sure although we can point out a few things. There is a “hurriedness” to the Hispanic culture here that does not exist in other Latino countries. I suppose that is a result of American culture influencing them. So we have seen that at times makes it difficult to meet people who are not constantly watching their watches.

We had planned a trip to Mexico for the final week of March and so on the 28th we flew out of Tijuana to our old “stomping grounds”. We actually went out to our very first area of ministry where we labored with a national pastor Victor Cu for 2 years.

Pastor Tim Shanks and his wife Rebecca, with Liz and I all spent a week working some Bible Clubs with Pastor Victor. We also had the wonderful opportunity to visit some very rural and small villages where Pastor Shanks was invited to preach while I translated. Very few Americans ever get to see this side of Mexico and we all had a very fruitful and blessed time.



There were 7 VBS clubs all going simultaneously, and we worked in one village called Suc Tuc about 20 miles from Victor’s church. It resulted in over 100 kids coming with several moms as well and all heard the gospel clearly every day. Meanwhile, every night we were driven to a small village for a church service where Pastor Shanks was asked to preach. His messages were well received and several people gave testimony to the fact the Lord convicted them to a course of action in their Christian lives. There were a few baptisms and a few who indicated they got saved. Praise the Lord for His faithfulness to His word!

Back in Corona, our service was led by brother Felipe who gave the message and brother Gilberto led the music for the congregation. I am so thankful that even at this early stage, God has sent some men who will stand with me in this work.



We ask that prayer continue to be made for us here in Corona, souls would be saved, Christ above all magnified and that we as His servants would be sensitive to His will, and that wisdom be given us to learn the nuances of this American/Hispanic culture that we might better minister the gospel here.

God bless

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she ate the same foods I ate. If I went into a store, she went with me stuffed in my coat with her head popping out the front. She got the name "Rider" because when I would ride on a motorcycle, she would sit between my legs and ride with me. I always wanted her companionship and she was always there to give it.

When I got my first job in Bremerton (working at Pacific Northwest Bell), I couldn't take her to work with me. I would have to leave her behind for the first time ever. When I walked out of the yard, she was standing there at the gate whining because she couldn't go. When I would come home, there she would be, exactly where I left her. She was still looking out the gate for me to

return to her.

God used that to show me how I should be with Him. I should love Him as much as CC Rider loved me. Whenever He left me to go to work, I should be waiting for Him (Psalm 25:5). I should be right there when He returned. I should love Him so much that I could not be distracted to do anything else but wait for Him.

The day God revealed this to me I thought, "God, please let me be that way with you. Let me always wait for you like CC Rider does for me."

Like me and CC Rider, I have walked with God for so long that He has become my friend. I don't know why he wants to be with me, but I know I want to be with

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## **BIBLE COMPARISON**

	<b>King James Authorized Version</b>	<b>New International Version</b>	<b>American Standard Version</b>	<b>1890 Darby Bible</b>	<b>NEW WORLD Translation</b>
<b>Galatians 3:1</b>	O foolish Galatians, who hath bewitched you, <u>that ye should not obey the truth</u> , before whose eyes Jesus Christ hath been evidently set forth, crucified among you?  [Textus Receptus]	You foolish Galatians! Who has bewitched you? Before your very eyes Jesus Christ was clearly portrayed as crucified.  [LXX]	O foolish Galatians, who did bewitch you, before whose eyes Jesus Christ was openly set forth crucified?  [LXX]	O senseless Galatians, who has bewitched you; to whom, as before your very eyes, Jesus Christ has been portrayed, crucified <i>among you</i> ?  [LXX]	O senseless Galatians! Who has brought you under this evil influence, you who had Jesus Christ openly portrayed before you as nailed to the stake?  [LXX]
<p>I guess someone wanted to remove the truth from this verse. The KJV tells us that we should obey the truth. Jesus is the truth (John 14:6). All other translations don't tell us what to obey. They certainly omitted that we should obey Jesus Christ. Why would anyone do that? No wonder we have a whole generation of Christians obeying their "feelings" instead of the Bible.</p> <p><i>2 Timothy 2:15 Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth</i></p>					

## PRAYER REQUESTS

607.	Pastor	Souls saved in Shelton.
629.	Matt	Gregson Family Finances.
680.	Matt	Savings Account (Building fund) to reach —(\$10,000).
685.	Dee P.	Dee's brother Duane (a proud atheist) salvation.
755.	Regina	Grace Baptist Church to grow in membership.
763.	Sally	Brother Nathan called to preach. Strength & direction.
775.	Sally	Mom (Charity) strength to finish nursing program.
796.	Regina	Strength for God's will in her life.
803.	Dee P.	Improved church attendance for her family.
822.	Regina	Personal Health.
845.	Regina	John Berger (93) health/strength to continue preaching.
849.	Sally	Jonny seeks God's will in making decisions for future.
865.	Dee P.	Son Joseph's health problems & depression.
867.	Dee P.	Family members to read KJB daily.
918.	Rich	Church finances
955.	Lori S.	Son (Phil Gosline) has lymphoma
971.	Sally	Robyn (Co-worker) having marriage problems.
972.	Jeanine	Protection from Ebola for family workers in the health field.
973.	Dee	Protection for Stephanie working as a nurse.
975.	Dee P.	Brother-in-law George stage 4 terminal lung cancer
976.	Dee P.	Our Christian men to grow as spiritual leaders in our homes, churches and communities.
977.	Regina	Comfort for John Rodius. Wife passed away.
978.	Regina	Healing for John Rodius. Just got out of surgery.

### *What the Bible says about LOVE*

- *Ps 26:8 LORD, I have loved the habitation of thy house, and the place where thine honour dwelleth.*
- *Amos 5:15 Hate the evil, and love the good, and establish judgment in the gate: it may be that the LORD God of hosts will be gracious unto the remnant of Joseph.*
- *John 15:13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.*

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Him. I feel comfortable with Him. I talk to Him, pal around with Him, go places with Him, and want to be with Him everywhere He goes. I want to be in His coat when He goes into the grocery store. I feel protected and comfortable with Him.

He has loved me, and this taught me how to love Him back (1 John 4:19). On my own I would never even know how to love. If you think about it, what really is love? It is a difficult thing to explain, but God not only explains it in 1 Corinthians 13, but he exemplifies it with His relationship towards us. Having

that relationship opens our eyes to what love really is.

Before I met God, I was a mean and terrible person. I am still mean and terrible, but I know how to love now. I am loved, and I love back. I love someone and they love back. It is contagious because without being loved, we don't even know how to love in the first place.

God loved me by dying for me (John 15:13) when I was His enemy. After being with Him and examining that wonderful scenario, I have learned to love. In fact, it is overwhelming to contemplate the love of God.~

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