



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

<b>July 9, 2017</b>
<b>This Weeks Events</b>
<b>Today:</b> 10:00AM: (Grange)—MISSIONARY TO GREENLAND—J.R. Wright Family 11:00AM: (Grange)—MISSIONARY TO GREENLAND—J.R. Wright Family NOON: (Grange)—MEET THE MISSIONARY BBQ/POTLUCK—Dee Coale 6:00PM: (Grange)—Advanced Bible: Temptation—Pastor
<b>Upcoming Events</b>
<b>August 6, 2017:</b> 2:00PM: (Fir Lane)—Shut In Saints—Matthew Coale

## ***Picnic/Missionary***

**TODAY** we are going to have a “Meet the missionary” potluck and Annual GBC Picnic combined into one day.

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME!**

We will be able to meet the missionary by listening to him present his field of Greenland. We will hear him preach and then we will have a bbq picnic on the Grange grounds. As always, the church will provide the “dogs” and “burgers.” There will be a sign-up sheet for other things to bring so that our picnic can be complete.

I hope that you will plan on this event (July 9th) and bring your friends/family as well. They are welcome to join us. We always have a good time of fellowship.



# THE IMPORTANCE OF A GODLY HERITAGE

A close-up photograph of several vibrant red tulips in full bloom, set against a blurred green background. The flowers are the central focus of the header image.

*“But tell me now, if you did care for the salvation of souls, would you not think it rather too commonplace a matter to begin with boys and girls?”  
– Charles H. Spurgeon*

Evangelism starts in our homes. Children must be redeemed from the curse of sin by the precious blood of Jesus, and mothers must be committed to this task of evangelism – the task of rearing children in a Godly home, showing their children their need for a Savior, and forming them for the glory of Christ. A home filled with encounters of the love of God is the most beautiful picture of redemption and grace because it’s one of the most counter-cultural ways one can live. As we pursue the fight for religious liberty in society, let us not forget the task God has set for us: to share the good news of Christ’s resurrection beginning in our home.

So how does one go about sharing the Good News in their homes? Here are some thoughts to consider:

- **Mothers must model discipleship to Christ in their homes.** How do you deal with stress? How do you deal with your own vices such as selfishness? How do you deal with mundanity, vanity, and meaninglessness? Do you trust in God in all things? Do you lean on your own understanding or on God’s truth and His promises? Mothers must model what they believe.



- **Mothers must model discipleship to Christ by living by His Word.** We must also model discipleship by addressing heart issues with our children (See Hebrews 3:12). It's not enough to address bad behavior in our children if we're not also providing formative instruction and addressing their need for a Savior to fix their sin problem. It's not too early to begin praying with your toddler or preschooler to God to help them with their sin problem. It's also not too late to point your adult child to the saving grace of Christ Jesus. No one is too far from God's love. Even if you feel like you've failed your children in their early years, you can pray that God redeem what you feel you may have made a mess of.
- **Finally, help your children see the Gospel in all things.** Work with them to develop a Christian worldview. How do you do this? One action step you can take is to provide formative instruction. Don't wait until your child has done something wrong to provide instruction. Teach your children the truth while doing the daily things of life – as you wash dishes, drive them to soccer practice, or shoot hoops in the backyard. For example, the Bible instructs us to “love one another.” Ask your child what it looks like to love others and what you as a family can do to love others.

Scripture promises that if we “train up a child in the way he should go... when he is old, he will not depart from it.” (See Proverbs 22:6). We need the Lord's help to accomplish this most important task set before us. May we saturate ourselves and our children in prayer that He will accomplish His good and perfect will in our lives.



...*But more importantly, training....*

## Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School brings children to church that might not otherwise come. Most of these children lack homes that love God and VBS provides a safe and fun place to learn about Jesus. These children, who may come from broken homes or may not even have a mother, get the opportunity to be loved by Godly men and women who desire to share the good news of Jesus Christ.

Scripture instructs us to love the “least of these,” and Christ himself said to bring the children unto Him. With that in mind, here are some legal tips to consider as you plan your church's VBS:

1. **Contact your church's insurance agent to ensure that providing a VBS is covered by your current policy.**
2. **Conduct background checks on all VBS volunteers. If someone has been charged or convicted of crime that involves children or harming another person, don't allow them to volunteer and work with children. Maintain these background checks in your record system permanently.**

3. **Take daily attendance** of who attends VBS. Maintain these records permanently.
4. **Train your volunteers.** Discuss signs of child abuse and the mandatory duty to report known or suspected child abuse. Make a record of this training and keep those records permanently.
5. **Supervise.** No volunteer should ever have the impression that they could potentially have time alone with any child. Create great visibility – both by having doors and windows open and also have your pastors walk the halls and classrooms frequently.

If you have any questions about best practices to implement as you plan your Vacation Bible School please contact our ministry for assistance.

## Congratulations

### 35 years of Faithful Service

#### Attorney Charlotte A. Cover

As a legal missionary, Attorney Cover has assisted over 75,000 churches, ministry leaders, and various other Christians facing legal trouble for faith issues.

Her tireless efforts for the Lord have helped her overcome tremendous obstacles, including last year's kidney transplant.

We are so thankful for her years of serving the Lord, and we are privileged to stand alongside her.



A church in Alabama was making transportation plans for their annual Vacation Bible School. Not knowing whether the church was required to provide the transportation or if the volunteers could use their personal vehicles, the church contacted the Christian Law Association for help.

Our attorney explained that when a church authorizes a volunteer to pick anyone up for a church sponsored activity, they are essentially agreeing to be responsible for the actions of that volunteer.

If your church has a transportation ministry please allow our attorneys the honor of helping you navigate the church's responsibilities. Contact our office today.



**CLA Attorney Charlotte A. Cover**



**Dr. David C. Gibbs, Jr. with his grandson, Josiah Gibbs**

that you have a group that is praying for you and that you have a legal advocate should you need us. One of the most critical things that any Christian can do is pray. Keep us in prayer as we help those who need legal assistance. Also be in prayer for the many outreach ministries across the country such as Vacation Bible School.

SUFFER THE LITTLE CHILDREN TO COME UNTO ME, AND FORBID THEM NOT: FOR OF SUCH IS THE KINGDOM OF GOD. MATTHEW 10:14

## AMERICA

During this month, we rejoice in the ability to legally help families in America. Our ministry receives thousands of calls each year regarding Christian education issues, and it is our privilege to help families as they educate their children how the Lord leads them.

This summer, as you speak out for Christ and train your children in a Biblical way, remember



**CLA staff Seth and Lauren Haught with their daughter, Blaire (and congratulations for a new little one on the way). We are so happy for them!**

## ABOUT THE CHRISTIAN LAW ASSOCIATION

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*CLA serves through the following ways:*

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- Intercessory prayer ministry for requests sent to the ministry offices

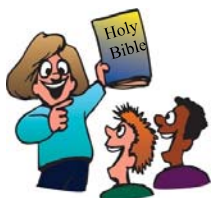


**Mrs. Glorianne Gibbs with her grandson, Matthew Gibbs, Jr.**

**LIKE US ON FACEBOOK THIS MONTH AND RECEIVE A FREE RESOURCE!**

# PRAYER REQUESTS

607.	Pastor	Souls saved in Shelton.
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 influence & membership.
763.	Sally	Brother Nathan called to preach. Strength & direction.
803.	Dee P.	Improved church attendance for her family.
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.
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.
1013.	Duane K.	Ben's Salvation.
1017.	Kail	Friends healing from stroke.
1018.	Kail	Friend Zach is in lockup.
1023.	Pastor	Regina's health and recovery.
1024.	Pastor	Larry's successful surgery and recovery.
1027.	Pastor	Sister Regina needs encouragement.
1030.	Machen	6 year old Azreal's brain tumor surgery.
1033.	Pastor	Bud Ludlow-Traveling mercies and cancer treatment.
1034.	Sally	Mr. Johnson recovery from stroke.
1035.	Pastor	Lori Sylvia– terminal
1036.	Don Tripp	Charles' trip to Mexico. Protection and souls saved.
1037.	Don Tripp	His pastors healing from hashimoto's disease.
1038.	Machin	Ariel Marrero diagnosis for cause of pain.
1039.	Duane	Azriel's comfort/strength for undergoing chemo.
1040.	Kail	Nancy and Jim have a restful vacation.
1041.	Kail	Friend in hospital with eye problem.
1042.	Anna	Son has a safe trip.



Children's Church and nursery services are available for every service.

