

### Prices We Pay

In this day and time of run-away inflation one is very price conscious. Whether one is buying groceries, gas, etc., the bottom line is if one is going to obtain the commodity desired one will have to "pay the price~" This is also true in the spiritual realm. One should not expect something for nothing. Notice some prices one has to pay in the spiritual realm:

**Price for Pardon** - While salvation may not cost money there is a great price behind it. It cost God his only begotten Son (John 3:16), it cost Jesus His life (Titus 2: 14), shed His blood (I Pet. 1:18,19). It costs us the price of obedience (Heb. 5:8,9) to do God's will. Believe (Jno. 8:24) Repent (Lk. 13:3) Confess (Matt. 10:32,33) and be baptized (Gal. 3:27; Mk.16:16).

**Price for Greatness** - In God's sight it is to serve (Matt. 20:27). Greatness is not derived from office, position, or uniform but from service. It is not enough to wear the name Christian.

**Price for Friends** - One who is friendly has friends (Prov. 18:24). Must be unselfish (Phil. v. 4). Treat others as you would want to be treated (Matt. 7:12).

**Price for Financial Security** - One must work to have (Eph. 4:28; II Thess. 3:10). Be thrifty (Luke 15: 13; Prov. 18:9).

**Price for Knowledge** - It is not like when people were inspired (Jn. 14:26; I Cor. 12:7-11). One must study (II Tim. 2:15). Many want knowledge but don't study. Must pay the price.

**Price for Spiritual Strength** - Requirements similar to physical strength. Must have good (I Pet. 2:2), exercise (I Tim. 4:7), and time (Heb. 5:12). Many want strength but, again, won't pay the price.

**Price for Heaven** - After obeying the Gospel, "abide in Christ" (Jn. 15:6), "live in Christ" (Phil 1:21) and "die in Christ" (Rev. 14:13). A person cannot have every- thing. One can have heaven but at the expense of giving up the love of the world (I Jn. 1:15-17) or one can have the world at the expense of giving up heaven (Matt. 16:26). ~ Ray Peters

### Kennewick Church of Christ

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### Meeting Times::

Sunday Bible Study 9:30 am

Wednesday Night Bible Study 7:00 pm

Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 am

Sunday Night Worship 6:00 pm

### Elders:

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### Minister:

Open Congregational meeting – 2nd Sunday at 5:00 pm. All are welcome

Attendance 08/25 66

Budget \$2400.33

Contribution 08/18 N/A

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<b>Keep These Dates in Mind</b>	<b>August Birthdays and Anniversaries</b>	
08/10 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship 08/11 Open Congregation Meeting 500p 09/01 First Sunday Potluck 09/08 Open Congregation Meeting 500p 09/14 Men's Breakfast and Fellowship	Debbie Bolt 8/8 Danny Mendoza 8/13 Clarence & Melinda Botts 8/13 Ron & Ila Stephens 8/13 Maddison Reeser 8/18 Eric Calzadillas 8/19 Bill & Fran Henniger 8/19	Merry Bunker 8/22 Harvey & Lynette Jones 8/25 Sue Minor 8/25 Eddie Petross 8/28 Bonnie Johnson 8/28 Barbara Oldham 8/31

**Today's Speaker:**  
**Danny Mendoza**

**Speakers scheduled for this month:**

- 9/1 – Clarence Botts
- 9/8 – Al Lindsay
- 9/15 – Tom Mendoza
- 9/22 – Joe Botts
- 9/29 – Leonard Peters

<b>Bible Studies</b>		
<b>Adult Bible Classes</b> Sunday am.–Genesis Wed pm – Shadows & Types in the O.T.	<b>Youth Classes</b> Classroom Wing <b>Teen Class</b> - Teen Room	<b>Ladies Class</b>  Recessed for Summer



**Issues (ongoing):** Karen McBurney, Shirley Childers, Marji Lindholm, Marilyn Davis, Eunice Petros, Tami Pennington, Karen McBurney's father and brother, .

Continued Prayers have been requested for **Tammy Pennington**. She is facing a third brain surgery for a vein transplant deep within her brain. This surgery is much more serious than the last two. Also, her father **John Berg** has a growth on his esophagus which is scheduled to be biopsied for cancer.

We are beginning the process of updating the directory. We would like for you to bring in a picture you wish to be used, or send it digitally to [lynsue22002@hotmail.com](mailto:lynsue22002@hotmail.com). If you don't have a picture, I will be glad to take one of your family.

**Our Ministries**

**Mountain States Children's Home**

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world. (James 1:27)

**Peru Ministry** – Oscar and Anna Maria in Peru

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the son and of the Holy Spirit

**Food Pantry** - Our food pantry is located in the small room next to the library.

"Whoever is generous to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will repay him for his deed." (Proverbs 19:17)

**Austin and Kennadie McCrickard** – Bear Valley Bible Institute

"And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ. (Ephesians 4:11-12)

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