

**Friday, January 12, 2018**

***Please stand for the Pledge of Allegiance. "I pledge allegiance..."***

Good morning everyone! Today's passage is Ezekiel 36:26-27, "I will also give you a new heart, and I will put a new spirit within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you a heart of flesh. I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and you shall keep my ordinances, and do them." This passage of Scripture is pointing to the day when people would no longer have to live a life separate from God. They would no longer have to try and figure out what the Lord desired from a distance because God promised to give them a new heart and put His own Spirit within them. Of course this promise was fulfilled when Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, came into the world and made a way for each one of us to receive the free gift of salvation. Because of Jesus' death, burial, and resurrection, we no longer have to live with a cold heart of stone because He has given us a new heart. There is no greater gift that He could give. May we be aware of the abiding presence of God that lives in us today and have a heart of thanksgiving to God for giving us the precious gift of a new heart and His own Spirit!

**Let's Pray...**

Sign up with Megan McSheffrey for the Spikeball Tournament on Saturday, January 20th, from 10 am -12 pm. The team fee is \$14. This is part of Megan's senior project to benefit the Calvary Chapel Bible College in Ensenada, Mexico.

Ruth Culbertson is selling original CDs in the office for \$5 each. Her senior project is to help reach those in China who long to hear the Good News! Every dollar you donate means one more Bible in a person's hands. So even if you don't care for music, stop by the office and donate a few dollars. Your donation, however small, could radically change the lives of new believers in China!

There will be a baseball interest meeting during lunch next Tuesday the 16th and a golf meeting during lunch next Thursday the 18th.

**In Sports:** Today, boys and girls teams will play Ocosta here in our gym, and it's Senior Night so be sure to come out to celebrate with our seniors. Have a great day!

Powerlifting team is selling discount cards, the cost is \$20. The discount card is good all year with discounts for IHop, Izzy's, Denny's, and more.