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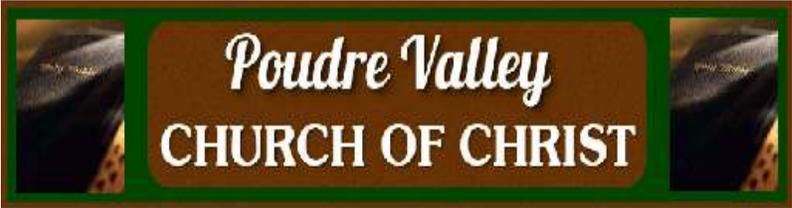
**Support Letter  
AUGUST 2022**



126 West Harvard St., Suite 6  
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**Assembly Times**

Sunday  
Bible Class.....9:30 A.M.  
Worship Assembly.....10:30 A.M.



August 30, 2022

**Oaks West church of Christ  
c/o The Elders  
P. O. Box 675  
Burnet, TX 78611**

Dear Brethren,

We are so very thankful to our heavenly Father for loving and caring brothers and sisters in Christ who continue to supply our needs on a monthly basis. The apostle Paul was mindful of the brethren in Philippi who also made sure that he was supported in his work as a preacher of the gospel of Christ. He wrote to them saying, *"Nevertheless you have done well that you shared in my distress. Now you Philippians know also that in the beginning of the gospel, when I departed from Macedonia, no church shared with me concerning giving and receiving but you only. For even in Thessalonica you sent aid once and again for my necessities. Not that I seek the gift, but I seek the fruit that abounds to your account."* (Philippians 4:14-17). I too seek that fruit which abounds to your account! You are so precious and my family and I are blessed to have your congregation supporting me in the work of seeking others to share the gospel of Christ with. You are in my prayers on a regular basis.

The hot days of Summer are over and the beautiful, crisp days of Autumn are right around the corner. I am looking forward to the cooler days. I have just about run out of all my neighborhood handouts and will be making and printing off some new material to give to the residents in our neighborhood and the surrounding neighborhoods in the Spring. For the most part, it is good to see things returning back to normal here in Colorado and in most other places.

## FAMILY NEWS

Everyone in our family is doing well. My wife **Malinda** has felt so much better this month after staying off a few different grains that may have been the cause of her stomach issues lately. She spent one day doing some shopping with our two daughters. She was so glad to be able to get out for the whole day and feel good the whole time. **Kristin** has returned back to her job's office location on a regular basis. Her and many others have been working from home most of the time. She enjoys her job working for the Poudre School District and living in her apartment. **Caleb** really likes his job and the people he works with at the accounting firm. He took his second of four CPA tests on August 8<sup>th</sup> and found out on the 22<sup>nd</sup> that he passed it! He has to pass all four of the tests within an 18 month window. He is scheduled for his 3<sup>rd</sup> test in late September. He is trying hard to be able to get these tests all completed this year. **Kaleena** began her new college semester on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, doing it on-line through Colorado Christian University. She also started her teaching observation with the kindergarten class at Heritage Christian Academy this month. She will be helping and observing this class for four hours, twice a week, over the next 16 weeks. Malinda and I are truly blessed to have children enjoying what they do, but most of all that they are very faithful and dedicated Christians first and foremost.

## POUDRE VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

As mentioned earlier, I have given out just about all my handouts, and am going to be printing out some more to be able to give out to as many people as I can over the Spring and Summer months next year. I have found that this year most people do not want to take any time to visit with me. I have also found that most of the homes in every neighborhood has a "no soliciting" sign clearly marked by their front door. For the most part, people do not want someone knocking on their door and in many cases don't even want someone to talk to them. I think people have taken this isolation thing to a whole new level! What I can do, even though I know that most every home has a door camera, is to leave some Bible literature at their front door. Jesus came to this world "...to seek and to save that which was lost" (Luke 19:10). As His faithful followers, we also have an obligation to make sure that we are striving to save the lost.

We had our annual gospel meeting with **Allen Greeley** from Phoenix, Arizona over the weekend of August 5-7. He preached for us on Friday night, Saturday morning and afternoon, and then again three times on Sunday. His theme was centered on "Jesus, the Lamb of God." It was an outstanding series of lessons. The lessons are on our website and are available to download and listen to. Here is the link you can use: <https://www.poudrevalleychurchofchrist.org/gospel-meetings> Unfortunately, we did not have very many visitors, at least not as many as we have had in the past. We had four visitors on Saturday and we had about 12 visitors on Sunday. I have noticed a trend in

most places, that there are not as many visitors at gospel meetings, whether from the local community or from area congregations. However, the meeting was primarily for our local congregation and we were very edified by Allen's lessons. He presented the lessons in an easy to understand way so all could make proper application in our lives.

I still have three active **Bible correspondence courses** going on right now. I am expecting that at least one, possibly two, will complete their course in September. We are continuing in our adult Bible class book entitled "**Christians in a Secular Age.**" We did not have the class on August 7<sup>th</sup> due to our gospel meeting but have picked up with lesson 11 on the 14<sup>th</sup> and should complete this lesson on "The Family" on September 4<sup>th</sup>. All of our brethren are doing a good job in their preparation for each class and the questions and comments that are made during our class time together.

## MY SCHEDULED PREACHING TRIPS

I do not have any meetings scheduled for the remainder of 2022 through 2024. Please let me know if you want me to hold a meeting anytime in the future.

**August 3-8, 2025:** Singing River church of Christ, Florence, Alabama  
Evangelists: Frank Richey and Colby Junkin

## SERMONS

During the month of **AUGUST** the following sermons were preached:

Bible Class	August 7	Gospel Meeting (Allen Greeley)
Worship	August 7	Gospel Meeting (Allen Greeley)
Bible Class	August 14	Christians in a Secular Age
Worship	August 14	<b>Cakes Not Turned</b>
Bible Class	August 21	Christians in a Secular Age
Worship	August 21	<b>Victory Through Christ</b>
Bible Class	August 28	Christians in a Secular Age
Worship	August 28	<b>Open Minds</b>

## FINANCIAL SUPPORT

As I mentioned in last month's support letter, I will be losing **\$400.00** in monthly support from the Adoue Street church of Christ in Alvin, TX in December 2022. I am still in the process of trying to replace this projected loss. I have been in touch with a few congregations but have not yet been able to get this replaced. Please contact me if you know of a congregation who may be able to replace some or all of this projected loss.

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## CLOSING

The beautiful fall colors will be here before you know it. The leaves will begin turning in many areas of Colorado around mid-September. It is so beautiful here during the fall months. If you are planning a trip out this way please plan on visiting us at the Poudre Valley church of Christ. Even though we are small in number, you will receive a very warm, loving, and caring greeting! But wherever you are this fall, enjoy the colors and the change of season, and give God the praise and glory.

May our wonderful God of heaven bless you richly in all things. Remember, that *"whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him"* (Colossians 3:17).

In His Service,

Richie Thetford, Evangelist  
Poudre Valley church of Christ  
**Enclosed:** August 2022 Bulletins

**Bible study sites**

[www.thetfordcountry.com](http://www.thetfordcountry.com)

[rthetford.blogspot.com](http://rthetford.blogspot.com)

Poudre Valley church of Christ

[www.poudrevalleychurchofchrist.org](http://www.poudrevalleychurchofchrist.org)

My financial support for **AUGUST** was as follows:

Cedar Park church of Christ, Cedar Park, TX	\$1,200.00
North 32nd Street church of Christ, Paducah, KY	\$1,150.00
Westview church of Christ, Hartselle, AL	\$800.00
Poudre Valley church of Christ, Fort Collins, CO	\$600.00
Twin City church of Christ, College Station, TX	\$500.00
Adoue Street church of Christ, Alvin, TX	\$400.00 (support ends December 2022)
Green Meadow church of Christ, San Angelo, TX	\$400.00
College View church of Christ, Florence, AL	\$300.00
Oaks West church of Christ, Burnet, TX	\$300.00
West Mason church of Christ, Mason, OH	\$300.00
South Fayetteville church of Christ, Fayetteville, TN	\$300.00
Singing River church of Christ, Florence, AL	\$300.00
Olsen Park church of Christ, Amarillo, TX	\$150.00
<b>Total Support</b>	<b>\$6,700.00</b>