

**SOMBRA DEL MONTE CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
**THE SHADOW NEWSLETTER**  
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From the Pastor

As an avid fly fisherman, I know that it is not how much the fly rod costs, what kind of boots and waders one wears, or not even how well-tied one's flies are that catches the most

fish. A good angler knows as much about fish and their feeding habits as he or she does about rods, gear, and flies. A good angler knows where fish lie to eat, where they lie for safety, and what they eat. In short, the good angler considers the fish's needs first and foremost if they are to catch them.

Now let's not push my fly fishing analogies too far, but only to the point that we must understand that it is not the size of the church, the color of the pews, the hymn book, the music, creeds, theologies or other such things that bring people into a relationship with God. Every human on this planet needs to feel grounded in a meaning that gives meaning to all other meanings they seek to give their life. Every human being needs to be needed and valued in positive and affirming ways. This, I think, is a major portion of the Church's mission - helping people find grounding, ultimate meaning in God's life giving, hope filling, and meaningful ways of life in a caring community of others. ~Pastor Logan

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- John Towne, 8-1
- Jan Blackwell, 8-5
- Tom Johnston, 8-7
- Maya Blunt, 8-8
- Connie Parker, 8-8
- Tamara Curnow, 8-12
- Zoe Knorr, 8-12
- Floyd Braaten, 8-15
- Matthew Sena, 8-15
- Kay Deniston, 8-26



Bob & Bobbie Bailey, 8-1  
*(Happy 43rd Anniversary!)*

Bob & Connie Parker, 8-5

Jeff & Elizabeth Thomsen, 8-24  
*(Happy 49th Anniversary!)*



**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Breakfast with the Young At Heart Choir**  
 Saturday, August 5, 8:30-11:30am  
 Heights First Church of the Nazarene  
 8401 Paseo Del Norte NE

Live music and breakfast (scrambled eggs, sausage, gravy & biscuits) To purchase tickets, call 858-3009. \$12.00 (11 & up), \$7.00 (ages 3-10) [www.yahchoir.org](http://www.yahchoir.org)

The **Christian Women's Fellowship** will have their monthly potluck lunch and meeting on Wednesday, August 9, at noon.

The **Christian Men's Fellowship** will have their monthly breakfast meeting on Saturday, August 12, at 8:00am at Vic's Daily Café (3600 Osuna).

**THIS 'N THAT**

The **Christian Women's Fellowship** is currently collecting school supplies for children in need. Supplies will be collected through September. **New Mexico Tax Free Weekend will be August 4-6.**



The CWF also collects soup labels, Box Tops for Education, and used greeting cards throughout the year. A green donation box is located in the church office. Thank you!



The Sanctuary flowers for Sunday, July 30, are in celebration of Fred & Maxine Shoemaker's 73rd wedding anniversary!

*WE ARE PRAYING FOR...*

Prayers for John Towne's cousin, Bob Irwin, who suffered a heart attack and has other complications.

August 14 is the first day of public school. Please pray for students, teachers, and support staff. Drive slowly and watch for students on the roads and in school zones.

**Ongoing Prayer Concerns:** Charlene Bacchus (Floyd Braaten's sister-in-law), Nancy Baker, Fred Butzon (friend of the Gales), Lonny Centers (friend of the Hackneys), Joanne Colvin, Linda Miles, Susan Sawyer & Bill Slough (Charlie Hays' friends), Fred Shoemaker, Jack Towne (John Towne's brother), and Jeff & Elizabeth Thomsen

Our shut-ins are:  
**June Johnston, Abigail McVeety,**  
**and Corinne Wagner**

