

**SOMBRA DEL MONTE CHRISTIAN CHURCH**  
**THE SHADOW NEWSLETTER**  
**OCTOBER 2018**



**Winning is Everything**

Given that sports from t-ball to the "pros", all though I do not know what they profess in order to be called professionals, has become such big business, it appears the element of character building in sports, if there ever was one, has gone the way of the dinosaurs. I come from the school of thought that says participation in competitive sports reveals character not builds it.

Nearly every week we have some exposé and scandal involving sports figures, organizations, or booster clubs. To most of us these athletes appear to get off with a slap on the wrist.

Fans, owners, and player organizations come up with all sorts of rationalizations, justifications, mitigations, and extenuations for their players' behaviors, especially if they are high scoring or Most Valuable Players. They even play the "Christian" card - they repented so we must forgive them all umpteen times.

Folks, we the people, our viewership, patronage, and support validate such people, their behaviors, their organizations, owners, and fan base. Sadly, these sports figures and their behaviors are the prevailing and socially reinforced paradigms for the youth of the nation. "Point your kids in the right direction - when they're old they won't be lost." (Prov. 22:6, The Message.) **~Pastor Logan**

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 Dorothy Beckner, 10-18  
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 Kayley Guay, 10-29  
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**Sermon Scriptures for October**

October 7	Mark 10:2-16
October 14	Mark 10:17-31
October 21	Mark 10:35-45
October 28	Mark 10:46-52

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Church Women United Retreat**

Friday, October 5, at 9:00am  
 Shepherd of the Valley Presbyterian Church  
 1801 Montano Rd. NW

The theme of the retreat is: "Fill My Cup, Lord" and will be led by Rev. Dr. Pam Rowley, Senior Pastor at St. John's United Methodist Church. Everyone is welcome to join us for a time of reflection, spiritual growth and reassurance. For more information, contact Amy Costales at 867-4207.

The **Christian Women's Fellowship** will have their monthly potluck lunch and meeting on Wednesday, October 10, at noon.

The **Christian Men's Fellowship** will have their monthly breakfast meeting on Saturday, October 13, at 8:00am at Vic's Daily Café (3600 Osuna).

**WE ARE PRAYING FOR...**

Alysa Berry (John Towne's granddaughter), Leon Parrish, Susan Sawyer & Bill Slough (Charlie Hays' friends), and Fred Shoemaker

Our shut-ins are: **Joanne Colvin and Abigail McVeety**

**THIS 'N THAT**

**IMPORTANT:** The Church Board is currently looking at the slate of officers for the coming year. If you would like to serve in any position, please contact Floyd Braaten at 505-293-8596 or 505-385-3726. We are actively pursuing new members to help guide our church for the future. All of our present officers are doing great jobs and will be asked to continue, but some of us would like to have a rest.

**2019 Stewardship Appeal:**

We are in the process of developing the annual church budget. We ask that you complete the Estimate of Giving form provided in the bulletin and turn it in by **October 1**. Thank you!



**Ministry Chairs:** Please turn in your 2019 budget estimates **no later than Monday, October 1**. Thank you!

The **Christian Women's Fellowship** will be collecting non-perishable items in October and November for **The Storehouse**. Items most needed are canned soups and stews, canned fish and meat, peanut butter, and baby food. They also accept dog and cat food to assist their furry friends. Please put your donations in the green box in the church office. Thank you for your generosity!