

NORTH MACARTHUR CHURCH OF CHRIST



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Welcome Mel and Becky Latorre

We are glad to welcome to the ministry staff at North MacArthur Mel, Becky, Alyah (5), and Lucas (3) Latorre. Most of the members who have been at North MacArthur for a while know the Latorres since our relationship with them goes back eight years. Mel and Becky came to us while looking for support to go on the mission field to Curitiba, Brazil. A relationship was formed when Mel and Becky spent a few months with the congregation before departing to the mission field.



ELDERS

Bill Crain
Shorty Huber
Garry Looper
Fred Rhodes*
Kelly White
Charles Williams
(*Chairman for May)

MINISTERS

Tim Lewis ♦ Mel Latorre
Fred Rhodes ♦ Charles L. Williams
Ty Hale ♦ Gary Rollins

A WARM WELCOME AWAITS YOU AT ALL THESE SERVICES

Sunday:

Bible School9:00 A.M.

Worship10:00 A.M.

Evening Worship5:00 P.M.

Wednesday:

Bible Classes7:00 P.M.

Personal Bible studies are available
during Bible study hours or by
appointment.

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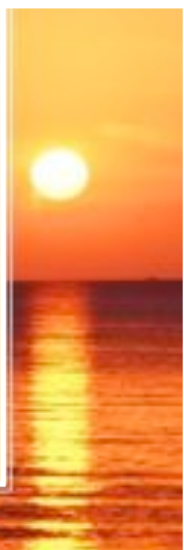
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While in Brazil, Mel and Becky worked with the family ministry of the Curitiba congregation, preaching and teaching, conducting bible studies and personal studies, and helping with the preacher training school. Mel believes a lot of what they did in Brazil translates well to the congregation here because “people need God no matter where you are.” Mel has been charged by the elders to help in the ministries of youth and family for the North MacArthur congregation. Both Mel and Becky are looking forward to building new relationships with the youth of this congregation and their parents. This is a key point of emphasis for them as they begin their work. Mel commented that their time in Brazil and Clinton has prepared them well for adapting to new situations, a new church, and learning to join an existing team of ministers, deacons, and parents.

What are some of the qualities that Mel and Becky will bring to the Youth and Family Ministry? First and foremost: **experience**. Over eleven years of working full-time in the church will be a blessing to all the families here because they have dealt with struggles and challenges that many of us face. In addition, their time working with youth and families has prepared them to learn how to earn the trust of young people and maintain it. There is only one way to gain the trust of young people and that is by showing interest in them and spending time with them; Mel and Becky are very committed to this aspect of ministry. Furthermore, Becky is looking forward to developing relationships as she enjoys pouring her heart into people. A final quality that Mel and Becky both bring to their ministry is their desire to work and be a part of the North MacArthur family. They earnestly desired to be here because of their many years of experience with the members of this congregation. They are excited to call this congregation home! Please help all the staff, elders, and deacons in welcoming the Latorre family to North MacArthur.

Let us draw
near ... with
a sincere
heart in full
assurance of
faith ... Let
us hold
unswervingly
to the hope
we profess.

Hebrews 10:22-23





North MacArthur CHURCH CALENDAR

TODAY *Mother's Day*

Chris Miller will give an update on the work in New Zealand at our 5:00 pm worship.



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Mr. & Mrs. Gary Duane Manning

request

The Honour of Your Presence at the Marriage of Their Daughter

Kelsey Ann

to

Beau James

Burton

Son of Ms. Micheula Jane Fletchall

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Patrick Burton Saturday,

the Twenty-First of May

Two Thousand Eleven

Six o'clock in the evening North MacArthur Church of Christ

Reception to Follow

May 9

Evening with Chris & Melinda Miller

- 5:30 - 8:00 p.m. in the small auditorium
- Please bring: sandwiches for 6-10, chips/pop, green salad/pasta salad, or a dessert
- Please sign up Today on the North information table.

May 15

BK Sunday- Next week is our regularly scheduled BK Sunday. The noon meal will be hosted by the *Hale, Hampton* and *Bryan* groups. Leaders, your call sheets are in the boxes outside of room 110.



AWTG Volleyball Tournament at Tecumseh- Vans will leave at 9:00 a.m. We will worship with the Tecumseh church. Lunch will be provided and volleyball during the afternoon. Vans will be back in time for evening worship at North Mac.

May 18

Wednesday Night Meal- Hamburgers & Hotdogs



May 22

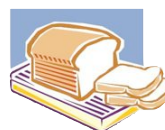


There will be a baby boy shower in honor of Natalie Greenroyd on Sunday, May 22nd from 2:00-3:30 in the afternoon at the home of Leslie Davis. Natalie is registered at Target and Babies 'R Us.

May 30

Memorial Day, church office closed

Nursery Duty
Jenny Rogers &
Deanna Hermes



Bread Ministry Helpers
BK Groups
Tonight (5/8) - Hankins
Next Week (5/15) - Landes

Response

We were very pleased to see **Rondell, Kelly and Kaidance Thomas**



Encourage one another and build up each other...
1 Thessalonians 5:11, NRSV

come forward this past Sunday. The desire to respond has been building in the Thomas family for quite some time, but the distractions of life kept getting in the way. Rondell has encountered some medical issues that have helped remove some of these distractions from his and Kelly's path. The desire to serve God has always been there, but now they have determined not to let anything keep them from this most important goal. In fact, they offered the following statement when they responded: "We want to rededicate our lives to God. We ask for prayers to become closer in our walk with God." What a great example Rondell and Kelly have set for us in desire and in practice as they have been at every service and Bible class since making their decision to grow

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closer to God. Please continue to encourage them as they strive to grow in their relationship with God.

If you would like to make a contribution to help with disaster relief efforts for victims of recent tornadoes in Alabama please make checks out to the North MacArthur church of Christ and give them to any of our elders. All contributions will be sent to congregations in the affected areas and will be dispersed responsibly by trusted church leaders.



Family News & Information

Sympathy

We want to extend our sympathy to *Pat Southerland* and her family on the loss of her father, *Bill Mosley*. The services were held Friday in Sulpher Springs, Texas.

We also want to express our sympathy to *Garry Looper* and his family on the loss of his brother, *Stan Looper*. The services were held Thursday in Sentinel, OK.

Thank You

"To our friends and staff at North MacArthur, thank you so much for the prayers, cards, meal at the church and expressions of sympathy at the loss of my mother April 15, 2011 and Garry's mother December 10, 2010. We have felt the love and caring from all of you in our North MacArthur family."

*-In Christian Love,
Mary Lee Looper &
the Family of Jean Hale*

New Address

Garry & Mary Lee Looper
6111 County Road 3605
Ada, OK 74820
Garry- (405) 204-1660
Mary Lee- (405) 816-6104



**Men To Serve
Sunday Evening**
Announcements..... Fred Rhodes
Opening Prayer..... Gary Smith
Song Leader..... Ryan Haggerty
Scripture Reading..... Chief Gower
Lord's Table..... Dale Marshall
Josh Marshall
Closing Prayer..... Kenny Butler
To Lock Up(May 8-11)..... Robert Canan

Mel & Becky Latorre
Alyah & Lucas
*cards are available in pews



Adult Bible Classes will study
"The Christian's Relationships" -Romans
12:1-21

THOSE WITH IMMEDIATE CONCERNS WE HAVE THE PRIVILEGE TO PRAY FOR:

OUR ILL AT THE TIME OF PRINTING (5-5)

- 🕯 Emma has gone home to her Dallas apartment! She is also not requiring any oxygen support! She will go back at the end of May to evaluate her heart again. Please pray for her to stay infection and virus free and to continue to grow and gain weight.
- 🕯 Please continue to remember Eulalia Cawood, who is still in the hospital and not doing well.
- 🕯 Also remember Josh Marshall, who leaves for Cincinnati on Sunday and is scheduled for surgery on Wednesday, May 11th.
- 🕯 Myra Fleming fell last week and re-injured her back, and is undergoing physical therapy.
- 🕯 Also remember Roy Burt, who broke his collar bone last week.
- 🕯 J'Nevlyne Schrock hit her head last week and has a concussion.

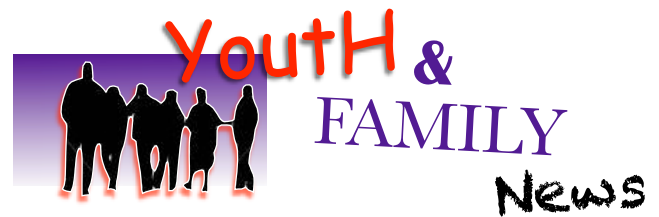
CONTINUE TO REMEMBER: Addyson Hood; Karen Hardy; Kristy Duarte's sister, Barbie Hills; Cynthia Helmuth; Jeff Bennett's father, Richard Bennett; Pat Danley's son, Scott; Martha Thomason's parents, Eugene & Evelyn Perry; Jane Harbert's daughter-in-law, Janet Harbert; Mary Ann Williams' niece, Rumer Austin; Kaye Parrott's friend, Gary Cooper; Diana Williams' father, John Martin; Dara Robison's sister, Jamie Feroli; Jane Taylor's friend, Kathy Taylor

OUR SHUT-INS: George Pruitt, Dimples Aldridge, Carl Stevens, Mamaw Gower; Dick & Kitty Welch; Wilda Copeland

OUR MILITARY: Wayne and Joy Johnson's grandson, Casey Johnson; Weona Wilcox's grandson, Nathan Phillips; Bob & Diana Williams' son, Jonathan Williams; Brad & Heather Bush's son, Jordan Bush; Jeff Findley; Andrew Akard; Mark Kopf's son-in-law Cameron Witte; Clint Thompson; Anthony Wakefield; Kristen Dixon's brother-in-law

Our Missionaries		
Indonesia Colin McKee & native preacher	Tanzania George Jensen	New Zealand Chris Miller

Attendance 5/1/11:	
Bible Class	379
Worship	543
Giving: \$19,958	
Contribution Report	
May 1, 2011	
Budget needs:	
through 5/1/11 (\$17,980 x 18*)	\$323,640
Contribution: through 5/1/11	\$343,104
	+19,464
*Does not include mission Sunday	
Mission (October '10):	
Total Purposed	29,050
Total Given to Date	25,318



Dear Church Family,

It's amazing how fast time goes by. It's difficult to believe how quickly this transitional year has come to an end. Not too long ago, well actually about 8 years ago, Becky and I packed all our bags and moved to an unfamiliar and distant place called Curitiba. Everything was new, exciting and at the same time challenging. What was once a dream to do mission work turned into reality, and it was made possible due to your partnership and support. God did great things in Brazil through our partnership.

Now we look towards the future as we have been given the privilege of being a full time part of this ministry. As the Youth and Family minister we will strive to honor the trust given us by you, the Elders, the staff, the families and especially the youth of this congregation. We do not look at this as a job, but as a God given opportunity to service in His Kingdom. We know that God will do great things in this congregation through our new founded partnership.

We have a very special place in our hearts for this church family. We love you and look forward to getting to know you even better over time. We consider ourselves blessed and privileged to be apart of this congregation.

Sincerely,

Mel & Becky Latorre

Order of Worship
Sunday, May 8, 2011

Announcements..... Fred Rhodes

Prayer..... Tim Jones

Song Leader..... Larry Thomason

Song #121, "Come, Let Us All Unite to Sing"

Song #722, "Let the Beauty of Jesus Be Seen"

Song #186, "Christ, We Do All Adore Thee"

Lord's Supper..... Scott Hankins

Giving as We Have Promised

Song #570, "A Beautiful Life"

Song #843, "God Give Us Christian Homes"

Scripture Reading..... Dave Fuller

1 Peter 3:1-6

Sermon..... Tim Lewis

Song #915, "Trust and Obey"

Song #744, "God's Family"

Closing Prayer..... David Brotherton