

Los Altos Church of Christ

*"...being of the same mind, maintaining the same love,
united in spirit, intent on one purpose." Philippians 2:2*

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*****Masks are no longer required at our worship services! *****

This Sunday...Karma

Back in the seventies, John Lennon warned us that "Instant Karma" was going to get us. Will it? Does what goes around really come around? This week Gene Appel explores that mystical, Hindu concept of Karma.



Wednesday Night Fellowship... Dinner at Terrie's 6:30...video 7:00, "God's Heart For You."

PRAYERS *Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7*

- John Harper's father, Grady, passed away

Continue to pray for Lu...Christine's mother...the Gordon family...John and Jennifer... Walter Grove...Pancho's brother Don... Tim's reco very... Roger Townsend... Berry... Jeff's mother... Jene's hand... Allen Sawyers...The Britton Family ... Barbara... Gwen and her son Caleb... Emmy Creswick... City of Children... Healing Hands International... Japhet's work in Zimbabwe...and New Hope Uganda.

Thoughts for the week...

Start by doing what's necessary; then do what's possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible. - Francis of Assisi

Time For a Laugh

A painter was hired to paint the exterior of a church. His practice was to thin the paint so that he could make a larger profit. As he was painting the church a torrential rain began to all and it washed all the paint off. Then, as quickly as the rain began, it ended and the sun came out. As the painter gazed at the sky, he heard a voice from above saying: "Repaint! Go and thin no more."

The Open Window

By Tom Norvell

Well-intentioned encouragers often say, “When God closes one door, he always opens another.” An alternate version: “When God closes a door, he opens a window.” A less optimistic response: “Unless you’re me. Then he closes all doors, bars all windows, and sets the house on fire.”

I admit I’m not a fan of the first two statements. Regardless of the hopeful truths, they convey they often seem shallow in the darkness of a crisis. My reality is that all three sentiments might resonate in our hearts on any given day in any given week.

Life hits hard, and nothing makes sense anymore. We have more questions than answers, and our dreams are fading. We struggle to maintain a hopeful attitude. We can’t find the open door, an open window, and it feels like the house is on fire.

We put it all in God’s hands and trust Him to do what is best. At least we try to. But the uncertainty is suffocating. The silence of God drives us crazy. We wish, we hope, and we pray. We long for the open door, and we search for the open window, and we wait.

So, what do we do while we wait? What can we do? We do what we have always done. We turn to the Creator of life to strengthen us, guide us, and sustain us. We rely on the truth in words like these to get through the day.

I will lead the blind by ways they have not known,
along unfamiliar paths I will guide them;
I will turn the darkness into light before them
and make the rough places smooth.
These are the things I will do;
I will not forsake them. (Isaiah 42:16, NIV)

When we cannot see the path through the unknown ways, He will provide the light. He is the open window. He will not forsake us. Hold on to Him.