

**Prayer needs:**

**Public safety:** Please pray for the safety & well-being of our law enforcement, healthcare workers, grocery, pharmacy & restaurant employees, for everyone still required to work away from home. **LEOs from our church family:** Caleb Hutchison, Ryan White, Nikk Wood, Erich Teuton, Shauna Wetzel

**Education:** Please pray for all our educators, students and parents.

**Health:** Our friends battling cancer: Lisa Sanders (friend of Linda St. John); Stephanie Bryant (friend of Markland's); Cheryl Smith; Drew Hennessy (friend of Stacy Wood); Kris N. (Adienne Robertson's brother); Craig Cook (Karen Warner's brother-in-law); John McMullen (Karen Warner's friend); Marty East (Ryan's father); Bob Turner (Rusty Turner's father); Kim Henson; Betty Patton (Terri Wainscott's mother); Riley (10 y/o son of Vicki Tarrence's cousin), leukemia; Steve Cox (brother-in-law of Karen Anderson/Donna Keith); Col. Allen; Jim Glaser (Kathleen's brother); Jim Ervin (Mike's brother); Camy Quiggins (niece of Chad & Terri Dow)

**Other health concerns:** Jason Webster (Joyce Anderson's s-i-l); Theresa & Steve (Sharron B's sister & b-i-l), COVID; Tony Roberts (Meshelle's husband), stroke; Jimmy Chambers, back; Sharron Barger; Terry Walker; Kenny Anderson; Ray & Marge Monticue; Rusty Turner; Mike & Anne Basey; Vicki Hollowell; Betty Carter (Karen Turner's mother); Alexander Chambers; Mark Shields (brother-in-law of Mitch & Shauna Wetzel); Bryan Phillips (friend of Query's), stroke; Kathryn Anderson (Rob & Becca's daughter), Lyme disease; Wendy Mader; Crystal Wyatt; Mike Barger; Grace Pendleton

**Healthy pregnancies:** Mary & Matt Beckwith; Cassie & Rob Hoene; Rebecca & Ethan Chesser (expecting 4)

**Military:** Iain Ramsay, Ft. Leonard Wood; Phillip Morrow; Chris Erb; Jessica Parmer, in Colorado; Shane Hickman (Linda St. John's nephew), in Idaho; Nick Hickman (Linda St. John's nephew), in Colorado. Please keep all our military service people and their families in prayer.

\*Please keep Pastor Bill, Pastor Ryan, Diana and our elders (Wayne Akerson, Jeff Carlson and David Robertson) in prayer as they make ongoing decisions for OVCF.

**Sympathy:** We extend our sympathy to the family of Sharron Davenport (she was Christine Chambers & Jannette Hollandsworth's grandmother). She passed away this week following a long illness.

**Weekly statistics: December 27, 2020**

**Attendance: 3**

**Christmas Eve service: 18**

**Roots youth group: no meeting, Christmas break**

**General Fund: \$1,082.65 (online giving figure only)**

**Building Fund: \$112,225**

**Owen Valley Christian Fellowship**

**January 3, 2021**

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**Our mission:**

To connect people to Jesus

**Our vision:**

Be passionate pursuers of Christ

Be models of truth and love

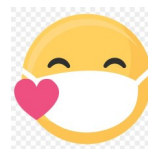
Be involved in our community



**Today, Sunday, Jan. 3.**

**Please join us at 10:45 AM via Facebook and YouTube.**

**We hope to resume our two, in-person services on Jan. 10.**



**Our masked service is cancelled TODAY, Sunday, Jan. 3.**

**We hope to offer this the first Sunday of February.**

**We are collecting goody bags for the Cape Mount school children in Liberia this month. We will provide lists for your convenience. Examples are soap/washcloth, toys, school supplies, toothbrush, comb/brush, books, chapstick, flashlight & batteries, coloring books, crayons. PLEASE put all items in a 1-2 gallon ziploc-type bag. Please contact Erin Pendleton if you have any questions (pendu1998@gmail.com or 812-821-4987)**



**Thank you to everyone who donated food or funds for our Christmas food care packages! We assembled more than 50 bags that were given to 16 families in our community! We were also able to give families a Babb's Supermarket gift card for groceries! You all are amazing!**



Per the OVCF leaders: **Effective 1/10/21**



- We will meet in person & limit our capacity.
- We encourage you to wear a face mask and ask you to practice social distancing.
- If you feel ill, have concerns, or are considered at high risk, please join us via our Facebook page or group or on YouTube! We will be assessing what is best for OVCF on a regular basis and keep you informed!

Can you help with running our live stream? We need your help!



See Pastor Ryan for more info.

Online giving is an option! You may visit

<https://ovchristianfellowship.churchcenter.com/giving> to give via a bank account or

debit card. You will receive full tax credit for your giving. The system charges OVCF a small fee for processing.



If you have not created an account,

please take advantage of the OVCF subscription to Right Now Media! It's free and has many resources from Bible studies and videos to children's features! Scan the code or text RightNow OVCF to 41411.

### No meeting on January 3

At this time we plan to continue children's church, but we are reviewing this action regularly in response to COVID-19. If we decide to make any changes we will announce them here.

(Our children's programs for ages Preschool-6th grade meet at 10:45! We also offer an unstaffed nursery for parent use. Please feel free to bring your own toys. :))



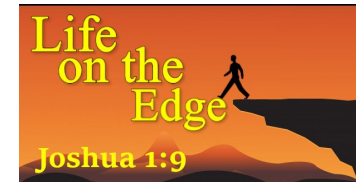
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2021 THEME: Life on the Edge

Series: Life Matters

Title: Same Old, Same Old

Scripture: Eccl. 1:1-11



## **I. LET ME INTRODUCE YOU**

Over the past few years, diagnoses of major depression have skyrocketed, rising 33% from 2013-2016. The percentage of Americans who experience stress is 20 points higher than the global average.

Why study Ecclesiastes?

1. Helps us ask the same questions people are asking today that they asked back then.
2. Helps us worship the (\_\_\_\_\_).
3. Helps us live for God and (\_\_\_\_\_).
4. Helps us to be honest about the (\_\_\_\_\_).

## **II. THE RIGHT PERSPECTIVE**

The word vanity in the Hebrew refers to a breath or a vapor.

The word gain (v.3) means profit or advantage.

Three closing thoughts:

- 1) The constant lure of something better (\_\_\_\_\_) (so we think) robs us of joy we are (\_\_\_\_\_).
- 2) The desire to escape it often covers up the realization there are (\_\_\_\_\_).
- 3) If God is left out, the future is (\_\_\_\_\_).

Theme: Life on the Edge / Series: Life Matters Title: Striving after Wind- Eccl. 1:12-18