

Lemoore church of Christ

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Moving Ahead into the Unknown

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When the children of God were about to cross the Jordan river and take possession of Canaan under the leadership of Joshua, they were heading into the unknown. So, God gave Joshua these words of assurance: "Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." (Josh. 1:9). We are always headed into the unknown. These words can be an inspiration and comfort to us, as well.

As we forge ahead into the uncertain future, let us remember:

- We need to rely on our abilities ("Be strong")
- We need to be brave ("and of good courage")
- We need to step in faith ("do not be afraid")
- We need to be optimistic ("nor be dismayed")
- We need to remember that God is with us ("for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go")

What lies ahead for each of our lives? Who knows? God knows! And He will help and guide us if we trust in Him. Knowing that, we should step into tomorrow with much confidence, hope, faith, and courage.

Five Minutes with God: This week:

Sunday	Day 341	Mark 15:42-47
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Monday	Day 342	Luke 23:50-56
Tuesday	Day 343	John 19:38-42
Wednesday	Day 344	Matthew 27:62-66
Thursday	Day 345	Matthew 28:1-8
Friday	Day 346	Mark 16:1-8
Saturday	Day 347	Luke 24:1-12

Prayer List:

<u>Ann Banks, Lorie Witt's mother</u> home now <u>Jim, Whitney's son,</u> acute ocular myasthenia gravis

John Moore recovering but awake and talking The family of Miguel Banda, brother of Madera minister Ezequiel Banda, passed away- COVID. Sandy, friend of Cheryl Crain, had surgery Gary Cole recovering from knee replacement Whitney Broaddus

<u>Dennis Chamberlain</u> recovering from surgery <u>Raquel Lopez</u> fractured her arm.

<u>Gary Curtis</u> recovering from eye surgery <u>Mike Souza</u> recovering from back surgery <u>Eula Rhoads</u>

Alice's sister, Ruth, recovering from surgery Betty Standridge problems with feet/legs Kerri Hodgson's brother Don hypothermia Megan, Garth's Brother-in-law's niece, cancer Michael Davis, from Springville congregation is very ill.

<u>Kim Cargill, Stephanie Tischmacher's stepmom</u> <u>Doug Standridge</u>

Red and Marjory Cooper

<u>Janet Billington</u> radiation for liver cancer <u>Len Cargill, Stephanie Tischmacher's dad,</u> Achilles surgery

Meryl Wamhoff, friend of Lisa Butts, ongoing chemo

<u>Gary Radcliff, Garth's father</u>, started chemo <u>Linda Frye</u>, Cancer

Bill Fox, co-worker of Frank Baldwin,

<u>Angie and Tito Cano</u>- Tito on maintenance meds

<u>Bart Massey, friend of Dixie Blair</u>, stomach cancer

<u>Casey Case</u> Jr ongoing oncology treatment Our Mission Work:

- First Responders
- Preachers in Nicaragua
- Agape Village
- Crossover Ministry
- City of Children
- Manuelito's Children's Home
- Church of Christ Disaster relief Fund
- World Christian Broadcasting