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BE ONE!

Recently making a typo (which is not a rare thing), I was duly reminded of the huge difference one letter can make. Intending to type “brother” I left out the “r” and typed “bother”.

As I consider relationships within God’s family, do I view any brothers as a bother or continually as a brother. Also, what most characterizes my own life: a bother or a brother?

When Cain became angry with his brother Abel due to his offering not being acceptable while his brothers was (Genesis 4:3-5), the Lord God spoke to Cain to dissuade his anger and warn him of the rule it desired to have over him. (Gen. 4:6-7) Unfortunately, Cain allowed the door to open to his sin and killed his brother.(Gen 4:8) We then read,
“Then the Lord said to Cain, “Where is Abel your brother?” He said, “I do not know; am I my brother’s keeper?”” (Genesis 4:9 ESV)

Is that what Cain thought of the relationship? Those are words which seem to imply no sense of any concern or responsibility in the relationship at all. In consideration of this, it has been noted that bees need keepers while brothers need brothers. We could include in this the notion that sisters also need brothers and sisters; those who share a genuine interest and concern about their life (i.e. Romans 15:1-2; Philippians 2:3-4; Galatians 6:2) and the need for us each to be that kind of brother and sister.

So, “r” we a “bother” or a “brother” or a sister? May the manner in which we are connected to one another both glorify God and bring the blessing of mutual benefit!

Have a great day BEING WHAT GOD’S FAMILY NEEDS!

- Carl Hanson

*Just a
thought...*

“This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.”

1 John 3:16 (NIV)

Our Prayer List

- Pray for Gary Chasteen's nephew Sean who may have to have his leg removed due to an infection.
- Pray for Gary and Barb's granddaughter Rachel who had to have their dog put down due to cancer.
- Oilda Harris's daughter Frances Vega, works for a cruise ship company. Oilda hasn't heard from her in 4 weeks. Please pray that Frances is okay and will be in contact with Oilda very soon.
- Pray for the Byrd family after the recent passing of Barbara Byrd.
- Prayers for Nancy Armenta and upcoming appointments to determine what the treatment will be.
- Continue to pray for Brooke' Armenta's healing.
- Pray for continued healing of Jon Powless' foot.
- For all those who are struggling for many different reasons, pray for them to find peace.
- Pray for safety for all of the fire fighters who are battling fires in our local communities.
- Pray for our ministries, the SLT and our church.
- From Sarah Benjamin:

We found out recently that Isaac's breathing problems were due to vocal cord dysfunction (VCD), and not asthma. This is treated through breathing techniques. If he can breathe through his nose while he is running, then he doesn't have difficulty breathing.

This past weekend Isaac qualified for three events at Nationals. He will be running the steeplechase, the 1500, and the 3000.

Nationals will be in Eugene, OR during the last week in July. Please pray for Isaac that God's will would be done and that he would continue to overcome the breathing difficulties.



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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAKOYw7JOR9ZIQ then click on the desired video.
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Sunday Worship for July 23, 2023 (10:30 am – 12:00 – noon) (Children are dismissed for Children's Church after communion) Watch live-stream or after our worship time: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URAKOYw7JOR9ZIQ					
Speaker: Trent Herbert	Singing Bob McDaniel	Scripture: Trent Herbert	Prayer: Jim Snead	Communion: Cisco Velez	Offering: Fuzzy Volpitta
July Servers – Brian Bungart Nio Velez Elijah Herbert Terry Bratcher					
9:30 am Adult Class: Auditorium Led by Trent Herbert			Children Class: Downstairs Two Classes: children and pre-teen		
Call Laura Fry or the Church Office (360-876-2604) for Zoom Meeting ID					
Men's Fellowship Downstairs Fellowship Room Tuesdays - 10:00 am			Ladies in the Word Upstairs Overflow Room Tuesdays - 10:00 am		
Bible Class & Prayer Colossians (in person or on Zoom) Wednesdays: 5:00 - 6:00 pm			Ladies Prayer Group LaDonna's home Thursdays 10:00 am		
Port Orchard Church of Christ 4135 Carr Lane SE Port Orchard, WA 98366 360-876-2604 - churchpococ@gmail.com			July 16, 2023 - Tithes & Offerings – \$ 6,250.00		
			If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. Gary Chasteen (cell) 360-731-4104		
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Communion and Tithes & Offerings

The bread and fruit of the vine will be served during our communion time. You also have the option to pick up your communion supplies as you enter the auditorium. It contains both the juice and the bread.

There are also a few options for giving your tithes & offerings:

- 1) The collection box is in the foyer at the entrance to the auditorium.
- 2) Online bill-pay with your bank or credit union. Your bank will mail your check for you.
- 3) Mail your tithe/offering check directly to the Church address below. We have a lock mailbox.

Happy Birthday!

July: Peggy Hall – 19, Sharon McDaniel – 23, Luke Orser – 25, Trent Herbert – 27

August: Tanya Howard – 1, Elijah Herbert – 2, Winnie Wilson – 2, Thias David – 12, Terry Bratcher – 17, Connie Greer – 20, Hanna Herbert – 22, Dave Snypp – 25, Shirley Olson – 30

Safe Thus Far

[Click here for recording](https://youtu.be/hwSgy5rC3cQ)
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1. On this day of calm re - flec - tion, We lift up our hearts in praise;
2. Now we see the work a - round us: Walk - ing worth - y of Your call;
3. Down the path that lies be - fore us Mor - tal eyes may not yet see;

We are here by Your pro - tec - tion, Guid - ed safe - ly through our days.
Opp - or - tun - i - ties sur - round us; Serv - ing You de - mands our all.
Yet Your prom - i - ses re - store us: Where You are, there we shall be.

Look - ing back, we see Your bless - ing Through the years Your care has spanned;
Blessed with know - ledge, skill, and trea - sure, We will work with strength re - newed;
So where - ev - er You may take us, You our guide, our Morn - ing Star,

Lord, Your love, be - yond ex - press - ing, Brought us here - by grace we stand.
Tak - ing joy in Your good plea - sure, We com - mit our works to You.
We know You will not for - sake us; You have led us safe thus far.