

# Port Orchard Church of Christ

Jesus is Lifted

Jesus is Lived

Jesus is Lord



## El Progreso, Honduras

“Honduras is a country that is hurting; a people pleading for help; a land stricken with poverty; a country of over seven million people who are threatened daily with disease and death from their water, food, and poor sanitation; where over fifty percent of its population is below the poverty line; and where over three hundred thousand children under the age of sixteen live on the streets.

For many of these children, their inescapable feelings of starvation are forgotten by taking drugs, but only for a moment. 12,000 children die each year, thirty-six each day, of diseases that could have been prevented. What’s more devastating than all of this is that hundreds of these people are on their way to hell. There is a country who needs our help; the country of Honduras.

We’ve partnered with Missionary Pastor Matt Goins in El Progreso, Honduras, to create Team Honduras. On the 10 acres of land we have purchased, we have built a church building as well as the first Hope of Honduras Children’s Home Cottage.

The Lord called John and Rachelle Gardner, along with their four children, to be the house parents for Hope of Honduras Children’s Home. John & Rachelle have the desire to see the children of Honduras come to a saving knowledge of

Jesus Christ while providing them with a home and meeting their daily needs.”

**So how did it all start...?**

### Hope Children’s Home in Tampa

“Founded in 1968, Hope Children’s Home has rescued nearly 5,000 children between the ages of infant to 18 years of age. Most of these children have been discarded, abused, unwanted, or orphaned although some of the children have simply come out of a situation where a parent just needed help.”<sup>2</sup>

“Hope Children’s Home receives no State or Federal funding and is entirely supported by churches, private individuals, clubs, and organizations. The faith that we exercise each and every day for our needs is a faith that is passed on to the children as they see God’s faithful hand of provision.”<sup>2</sup>

“For 40 years, Hope Children’s Home has taken children in and tried to make a difference in their very impressionable lives. We feel that God has called us to help rebuild the broken lives of these children and to build the bridge, when possible, between home, parent, and child. The rewards of our  
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# Welcome Guests

We are so glad that you decided to visit Port Orchard Church of Christ this morning! Since you took this step to join us for worship, we would like to extend to you a warm welcome. Wherever you are this morning, as we lift worship to God, we pray that you are able to leave feeling uplifted, convicted, or encouraged in your faith.

We seek to worship God like the first century church did, with a sense of awe and with a fear of the Lord. Some things we do might seem old fashioned or traditional, but we want you to know that at its core, it is for the praise of God's glory.

You are not required to do anything weird or ostentatious. We hope that you feel free to join us in worshipping God to the

best of your abilities. If you have any specific needs, we have a ministry staff that would love to connect with you. Ask the people sitting around you for names of the ministry staff and to point them out!

Once again, we are so happy to have you here worshipping with us and we hope this is a chance to worship God in a deep and meaningful way.

## Save the Dates!

**Saturday 07/07**    *Deacons' Meeting*  
8:00 am

**Sunday 07/08**    *Congregational*  
**After Services**    *Meeting, Village*  
                                  *Vote, & Potluck*

**Wednes 07/11**    *Pray, Pray, & Pray*  
6:00-7:00 pm    *John 14:12-13*



## Serving July 1, 2018:

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## Port Orchard News and Events

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### Sunday Preview

James Greer will be giving the sermon this Sunday. Service begins at 10:45. We hope to see you here!

### Happy Birthday!

If you see these folks, wish them a happy birthday!

**July--**Brett Hollmann-05, Yvonne Lawrence-16, Roy Vaughn-16, Rick Bell-19, Peggy Hall-19, Dale Sanders-19, Chanda Hanson-21, Les Lewis-21, Sharon McDaniel-23, Luke Orser-25, & Trent Herbert-27

### Last Sunday

Bob McDaniel shared a sermon with us last Sunday. If you missed his message, please visit the church website at [pococ.weebly.com](http://pococ.weebly.com) to listen.

### Supply Bags

There are more supply bags for the homeless in the basket in the foyer. There is also a cup there for donations to the cause.

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Prayer Leader: Ken Reinke

Scripture Reader: James Greer

Offering Thoughts: Wayne Hammock

Communion Meditation: Dave Snypp

Servers: Roger Taylor/David Lawrence

Ushers: Terry Bratcher/Brandon Karn

Greeters: Paula & Sarah Hill

Prayer Partners: Darrell & Laura Fry

Sound: Dale Sanders

Slides/Lighting: Dale Sanders

Communion Prep: Rick Velasco

Communion Cleanup: Keagle Family

Song Leader: Darrell Fry

Children's 9:30 Teacher: Kelli Keagle

Youth Worship: Laura Fry

Preaching: James Greer

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John and Rachelle Gardner, and their four children: House parents at Hope of Honduras Children's Home



### **Manger Scene Fund Garage Sale**

To have a successful garage sale, donated stuff is needed.

Please donate usable stuff. Not usable:

- No big exercise equipment.
- No old TVs or stereo equipment
- No badly stained, excessively used, excessively dirty, badly damaged, unworkable or broken, has an odor or appears to be unsafe stuff
- No items that go against church values or standards

The church garage is available for storage. If you need assistance moving items, see or call Barbara Chasteen or Rick Velasco.

### **HelpLine FoodBank Nursery**

The HelpLine FoodBank Nursery is in need of volunteers to water the plants in their greenhouse on Sunday afternoons from now through the end of August. The summer is hot and the plants they sell to help fund their operations are in need of assistance on Sundays when no one else is there to water them. Tim Blair is coordinating teams to take turns doing this work. He can be contacted at (360) 801-0012. The HelpLine FoodBank is the primary source of food for those in need in our county. For more information about the nursery, visit <https://skhelpline.org/oleahs-plant-produce-patch/>

## **Our Prayer List**

### **Healing:**

Daniel Tillman, Ernie Ashcraft, Wendy Cochran, Bret Blankenship, Clyde Griffin, DeLoris Lawler, Dorothy Fletcher, Charlotte Hahn, Runell Mason, David Latham

All Those Friends & Relatives Undergoing Treatments for Cancer

### **Encouragement:**

Gary & Barbara Chasteen & Family, Kyle Wyatt, Our Number who Cannot Attend Services, TCVFFT

### **Travelling:**

Paula & Sarah Hill

### **Other:**

For those in our neighborhood who are afraid of the possible Tiny Cabin Village, 2018 Graduates, Our children, church, nation, President Trump and ministries.

That God will bless our deacons with wisdom in reaching the many decisions they are entrusted with.

Direction of our congregation.

**June 24, 2018**

Worship: 90

Class: 47

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labor are the thousands of young people across the country who are now productive adults raising their own children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.”<sup>2</sup>

“Hope Christian School is also located on our property and is accredited by the state of Florida, providing a private, quality, Christian education to each of our children including a well-rounded sports program. Our school program begins in our Nursery through the 12th grade. Over 90% of the students who graduate from Hope Christian School will continue to college.”<sup>2</sup>

Along the way there have been many trials and Satan has tried to damage the work being done but they have survived and when the call came to do this work in Honduras they pressed on and the first cottage was built in 2011.

And while all of this was going on God was working on the future of the Honduras team:

Darrell and Laura Fry's granddaughter Rachele Tilman met John Gardner at

Cascade Christian College in Portland over 10 years ago. Drawn together by a similar quirky sense of humor and love of the Lord their relationship developed quickly. John told her early on you need to know I plan to go work in an orphanage probably in Africa and Rachele took that dream on with him. They married and after a short time in Texas John joined the Air Force and they saw quite a bit of the world. The dream never left them. They were stationed in Florida. July 2014 they were asked to be chaperones for the church youth group mission to Honduras to work at Hope Children's Home. It was there that they felt the call to become involved in this ministry and work with Hope Children's Home. John still needed to finish out his service time but they made contact with Hope's home campus in Tampa. They went through the interview process and by the time John was out of the military they had sold most of their

furnishings and belongings and made the move to Tampa in July 2015.

They received training in every aspect and eventually became house parents at one of the Tampa cottages. It was an amazing time and now they had 4 children of their own along with about 16 others.

Always working toward the goal they eventually entered language school and arrived in Honduras January 2018.

There have been lots of adventures; some would call them obstacles but Rachele and John see them as opportunities to see God's hand in blessing the work with these precious children.

*<sup>1</sup>Quoted text taken from <http://www.hopeofhonduras.org/about-us/> (Access Date: 06/28/2018)*

*<sup>2</sup>Quoted texts taken from <http://www.hopechildrenshome.org/about-hope-childrens-home/> (Access Date: 06/28/2018)*

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