

Please complete this slip and place it in the oak box to the right of the door as you leave.

We value relationships. This helps us get better acquainted and helps us better serve you. Thanks!

I/We are:

☐ 1<sup>st</sup> ☐ 2<sup>nd</sup> ☐ 3<sup>rd</sup> time Guests ☐ Regular attenders

I/We heard about Word of Life

from: \_\_\_\_\_

I/We would like to know more about:

- ☐ believing in Jesus  
☐ being baptized into Jesus  
☐ following Jesus  
☐ helping at Word of Life  
☐ serving in the community

Adult Name(s) *Please Print*

Youth/Children (grade)

Please complete unless our information is current:

Address

City, ST Zip

Her Email

Her Phone

His Email

His Phone

Needs, Questions or Comments

Over for Requests/Thanksgivings & RSVP

## Word of Life Family Prayer List

### We Thank the Lord...

- for giving us the words to say, for inspiring and empowering us to share our compelling stories of what He has done for us
- for our guests and all who invited and brought them
- for \$513,870 given to our *Therefore Go* building fund
- for **Dave Christiansen** not needing a pacemaker
- for healing Patty Coffey, Reno Engel (**Dominguez**)
- for Frances Johnson's successful move to Arizona (**Christiansen**)
- for the blessings and resources God has entrusted to our care and His promise to multiply them to build a bigger heaven and better lives.

### We Ask the Lord...

- to inspire and empower us to begin with prayer, to listen to the people around us, to share meals with them and share our story of life before Jesus, of how Jesus became important in our lives and our lives since Jesus
- to bless missionary pastor Evelio Cruz and the people of Outreach as they reach out to people in Leander, TX and beyond
- to bless our attenders, community, state, nation and world
- to bless all leaders with godly wisdom and guide them to lead according to His will
- to bless victims of violence, oppression and disaster, especially war victims
- for sobriety for those with addictions
- to restore broken marriages, engage unengaged parents, heal broken families, reconcile estranged family members
- for employment opportunities for **Jayme Edwards, Dennis & Liam Hatfield**
- to bless **Christina Carey's** mission work in Laredo
- for healing, companionship and a return to faith for Kseniia
- for teamwork in the workplace
- to bless and protect our deployed troops and their families, especially **Matthew Brooks**
- for a safe pregnancy and delivery for Joy and Michael Silva (**Fennigkoh**), Trinity and Logan Neahring (**Leal**)
- to grant comfort and peace in their last days to Charlene Simms (**Stevens**), Bernard Sowinski (**Valentine**) and grant strength and rest to their families and caregivers
- for the family and friends of Gerald Coleman, Vincent Sorrentino Jr., (**Mitschke**) as they mourn their loss
- to bless Cecilia Friesenhahn & her family (**Flowers**)
- to heal **R.D. Latimer, Mary Flowers, Comonek James, Suzi Malone, Peggy Myers, Denise Bruce, Neil & Jean Craigmile, Joyce Givens, Patty Stevens, Paul Krish (Akrige), Clarice Craigmile (Craigmile), Mary Pargmann, Erica, Levon, Amber Lozano, Annaliese Schultz (Dominguez), Omi, Bethany (Dunaway), Daniel Muller (Grossart), Cheryl Fields, Tracy Parks (Hatfield), Leonard Mitschke, Mike Baksic, Iris Trahan, Alex Murray, Benny & Lillian Mitschke, Pastors Don Black, Walter Dube, David Goeke (Mitschke), Baby Zayn (Molina), Clayton (Pawelek), Phil (Peterson), David Rubel (Rubel), Heather Zakarian (Smith), Lori Sticka (Stafford), Bud, Riley (Stemmermann), Beth Roberts, Kay Jay, Evan Hance (Stevens), Jeanie Rosenburg, Tonja Brewer (Vallejo), Rita (Wallrich), Walter, Colleen Weissmann (Weissmann), Eric Hairston, Rhonda (Williams)**
- to heal those battling cancer: Linda Sue Southard (**Apao**), Janice Tolin (**Bruce**), Monica Mann (**Christiansen**), Guy Morgan (**Craigmile**), Betty Ruff (**Dominguez**), Rhonda Reyes, Kris Frett, Margaret Swartz (**Edwards**), James Maina, Shelby Renton (**Hatfield**), Pastors Ken Lieber & Wayne Graumann, Laurine Watson, Kathy Jennings (**Mitschke**), Phyllis Thompson, Maria Molina (**Molina**), Meredith Powell (**Nightingale**), Dave Peterson (**Peterson**), James Corbin (**Stevens**), Adrian Russell (**Vallejo**), Terry Walker (**Wagner**)
- to help those we now name in our hearts and minds
- to open the hearts of people to the Gospel and to open our ears, hands and mouths to bless them and share Jesus with them.

Please take this home so you may review and apply this week's LifeLesson and keep your Word of Life family in your prayers throughout the week.  
 Please keep this list current by sharing updates on your Info slip.

## Word of Life Fellowship

Building a bigger heaven & better lives!

How to BLESS Your Neighbor

# Story

Pastor Ken Mitschke

Our mission: To join Jesus in building a bigger heaven and better lives.

\_\_\_\_\_ Practices

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“Preach the Gospel at all times. When necessary, use words.” - Fake St. Francis of Assisi quote

To bless the world and help people experience better and eternal life in Christ, words are \_\_\_\_\_.

Why are we reluctant to share our story?

1. “I don’t have what it takes.”

I will \_\_\_\_\_ have all the answers to people’s most challenging questions.

But what I have is better: I have the \_\_\_\_\_ of God!

Matthew 10:19b-20 (GW) – [Jesus said,] “Don’t worry about what to say or how to say it. When the time comes, you will be given what to say. Indeed, you’re not the ones who will be speaking. The Spirit of your Father will be speaking through you.”

2. “I don’t want to impose my beliefs on people.”

You’ve seen the stereotypes, angry Christians with real or digital bullhorns trying to jam their views down people’s throats. If that’s what you’re afraid of, good!

Be afraid - and \_\_\_\_\_ DO THAT!

“Christianity is one beggar telling another beggar where he found bread.” - D.T. Niles

Romans 10:17 (NIV) - Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ.

Romans 10:14b (NLT) - How can they believe in him if they have never heard about him? And how can they hear about him unless someone tells them?

And how can they hear about him unless \_\_\_\_\_ tells them?

Your story is compelling, not imposing, because it’s \_\_\_\_\_ of God’s love for you in Jesus.

3. “Sharing my story makes me feel uncomfortable.”

Are you really going to let your feelings stop you from sharing words which could make the difference in the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of your friend? While the discomfort is real, the nervousness and awkwardness are worth it considering the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

#### A blind man tells his story.

1. Life \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus

John 9:1 (GW) - As Jesus walked along, he saw a man who had been born blind.

2. How Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ Important

John 9:11 (GW) - He replied, “The man people call Jesus mixed some spit with dirt, smeared it on my eyes, and told me, ‘Go to Siloam, and wash it off.’ So I went there, washed it off, and received my sight.”

3. Life \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus

John 9:25b (GW) – “I used to be blind, but now I can see.”

#### Jesus inspires and empowers me to share my story.

**1. My life before Jesus.** – What was life like before you met Jesus or before He became important to you?

**2. How Jesus became important in my life.** – Did a friend or family member invite you to church? Did an experience seem to make Jesus more important to you?

**3. My life since Jesus.** – What difference has Jesus made in your life in good times and in hard times?

“Speak to them the great mercy of God... Sometimes people are helped by your telling of your own lamentable past.” – Francis Xavier

Tips for writing and sharing your story:

\_\_\_\_\_ God for help.

Be \_\_\_\_\_.

Be \_\_\_\_\_.

\_\_\_\_\_ out loud and \_\_\_\_\_.

1 Peter 3:15 (NIV) - Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have.

Your story has \_\_\_\_\_ too. Be bold. Ask God for an opportunity to share it. Wake up ready to put the BLESS practices into action every day and bless others.

#### Prayer Requests/Thanksgivings:

☐ Confidential - for pastor only

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These requests/thanksgivings may be removed:

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I want to invite the following people to Word of Life. Please pray for them and me.

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## RSVP

## Remembrance of the Faithful Departed

On Sunday, Nov. 5, we'll celebrate the victory Christ has won for all who have preceded us to heaven. Please **CLEARLY PRINT** the names of your Christian family members and close friends who've died in the past 12 months and are now with Christ in paradise.

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Name(s)

Email