



A new report by the Pew Research Center says only 51 percent of adults in the United States are currently married. Compared to 1960, when 72 percent of all adults ages 18 and older were married, this represents a new low for the U.S. Other adult living arrangements, including cohabitation, single-person households and single parenthood, have all grown more prevalent in recent decades.

As followers of the Lord Jesus Christ, may we who are married unselfishly commit ourselves to honor our marriage vows and set an example of righteous living in our homes. And may all of us show uncommon love and compassion to those among us who are unmarried, orphaned, widowed, or living in single-parent households.

If you know of someone who has been recently divorced or separated, reach out to them in the love of Jesus and pray for them in their presence. They will appreciate your prayer for them and will be encouraged by the way you care. This will be a proactive way you can make a difference in someone else's life.

~ Submitted by Steve Richardson

SHORT TERM MISSION UPDATE.....

Please continue to pray for the Fourth Memorial short term mission team that left this morning, January 5th, and will be returning January 28th after three weeks of ministry in Chiang Mai, Thailand. Following the past four months of preparation and training, this team will be working at TLC, a Christian coffee house college ministry outreach to university students from Chaing Mai University. Our team will work in a children's ministry during the daytime and hold English lessons in the evening with additional college ministry activities on the weekends. Pray for the team as they make the necessary adjustments to the time and environment, begin their ministry following three days of training last weekend, and that God will work in and through them over the next three weeks. Their prayer is to be used by God sharing the gospel of Christ being flexible to meet the needs of those whom they work among. Team members include Karen Altmeyer (Lead), Corinne Clayton and Emily Altmeyer.

DONATION TO RIVERVIEW

Riverview Bible Camp had a Bob-Cat, (heavy machinery), donated to camp on December 31. What a blessing for us to have a tool like that for working around camp. Thank you!
Tim Mason, Director of Riverview Bible Camp

THANK YOU

Thank you all who prayed, made meals, sent cards, made phone calls of encouragement and in many ways supported Neil and I in the passing of my mother, June Dalzell. We appreciate everything and are very blessed to be part of the body of Christ. (from Carol Anderson)

BLANKETS AND COAT DRIVE

- Warm blankets or winter coats are being collected for the homeless of Spokane,
- please bring your items and place them in the designated barrel in the foyer.
- If you have any questions, please contact Richard Thrower at 703-7239.

Event Center:

Please mark your calendars for these upcoming events in January 2012.



Women's Bible Studies Begin

Tuesday - January 10 - 9:30 am
Wednesday - January 11 - 6:15 pm

Talk Time / International Student Ministry

Friday - January 13 - 6:00 pm

Security Training Course

Saturday - January 21 - 11:00 am

Walk for Life / March for Life

Sunday - January 22 - 2:00 to 4:00 pm

Baptism

Sunday - January 29 (During the Worship Service)
If interested, please contact Pastor Steve Richardson

Annual Business Lunch/Meeting

Sunday - January 29 - 12:15 pm to 2:30 pm