

Family Life

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Tune's Notes

We have guests in our worship assembly every Sunday, but *today*, Easter Sunday, always brings us more than usual. I'm glad you've come today.

Matthew brought his account of Jesus' life to an end with these words.

After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb. There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men. The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.

In our gathering every Sunday we remember, on the day of His resurrection, the event of His death. But we must be careful. This must never be a gathering of the "Jesus Memorial Society" to remember, as Robert Stein writes, our "departed hero." For there is no tomb to serve as a shrine; no mausoleum to visit, no monument where his followers might read memories of the time when he was alive. Jesus, after all, unlike all other religious figures of history, is not dead. He is alive! The empty tomb, then and now, proclaims He is Alive! And today, He continues to live in the hearts and lives of his followers who, empowered by His Spirit, must rejoice. He's Alive! Must proclaim, "He's alive." And must give evidence of this great truth in daily, bold righteous living.

Christ the Lord is risen today. Hallelujah!
Let sons of men and angels say: Hallelujah!
Raise your joys and triumphs high! Hallelujah!
Sing, you heavens, and earth reply, Hallelujah!*

Love you all.

Mike

*From John Wesley: "Christ the Lord Is Risen Today."

Welcome to Omar and Tana Palafox

Omar and **Tana Palafox** are special guests today. Falls Church is one of the congregations which support their church-planting mission work in Leon, Mexico. Leon, which has about 1 million people, was founded in 1576, and its formal name is *Leon de los Aldamas*. It is located on the bank of Rio Torbio, 5,000 feet above sea level, and is located in the central part of the country in the state of Guanajuato.

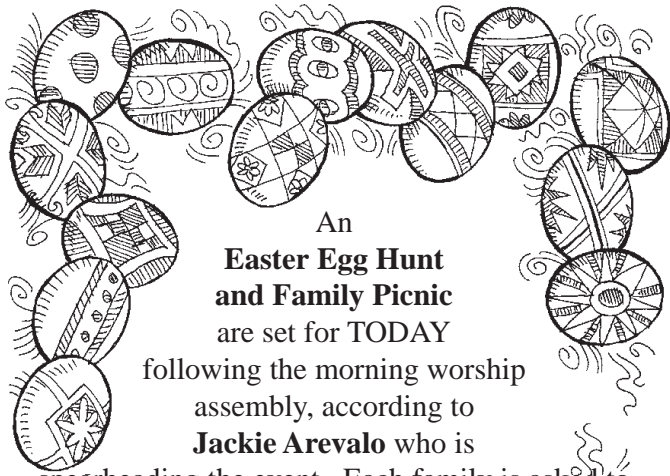
Omar is a native of Guadalajara, Mexico. He and Tana met in 1995 in the Adventures in Missions (AIM) apprentice program, including work with the Quito (Ecuador) Norte Church of Christ for two years. They enrolled in SIBI, where they earned degrees in Bible and Ministry. Omar then attended Lubbock Christian University, where he earned a B. S. in Bible then an M.S. in Ministry and Bible.

Tana was born in Torrance, CA. She has two B. A. degrees from Texas Tech, one in Spanish and the other in Arts Education, and she also holds a masters degree in education from the University of Phoenix. She has spoken at women's retreats and meetings, has taught English to women and children, and has taught public speaking to women in Ecuador and Peru as well as to women AIM students.

They were married April 17, 1998. Their daughter Emma was born June 28, 2003, before beginning work in Leon, while their son, Maicah, was born May 7, 2006, in Leon.

Omar has worked in Peru, Bolivia and Ecuador, and earlier this year, he spent a month in mission work in India. He has helped train AIM workers preparing to go to Brazil, Mexico, Japan and the USA; both Omar & Tana served an internship in Farmington, CT, with a Spanish-speaking congregation; and he has taught in the correspondence and internet program for the World Bible School.





An
**Easter Egg Hunt
and Family Picnic**
are set for TODAY

following the morning worship assembly, according to **Jackie Arevalo** who is spearheading the event. Each family is asked to bring lunch for yourselves plus one dozen (or so) plastic Easter eggs **filled** with candy - but **NO PEANUTS OR PEANUT BUTTER CANDY!** During the picnic, some kind souls will hide the eggs, after which the children will start hunting - with the youngest children going first. **BE SURE TO BRING A BASKET OR SACK AND YOUR CAMERA!** And yes, the Palafox family does plan to join this event!

Dana Bensusky announces that anyone who would like another opportunity to make a “**brag tag**” like those which were made during the Ladies Lock-In last weekend, will have that chance TODAY during the picnic and egg hunt! Dana will have all the materials plus the laminator to make the tag. All YOU have to bring is a photo which can be as small as 2 x 3 in.

Benita Harris will participate in the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer, set for April 30-May 1 in Washington, DC. She undertook this event as a personal tribute to her aunt, **Gwyndolyn Reynolds**, who passed away last weekend due to cancer, and also to her cousin **Ethel Lewis** who is a survivor. Anyone who wishes to contribute to her fund raising effort may go to info.dc@avonwalk.org



Mr. and Mrs. Kevin Rachel
and
Mr. and Mrs. James Brownlee
request the honour of your presence
at the marriage of their children

Melissa Claire
and
William Taylor

Saturday, the seventh of May
Two thousand eleven
at half past six o'clock in the evening

*Reception immediately
following*

The **Ladies Bible Class** will meet Tuesday, April 26, for the final spring session, after which the class will recess until next fall.

As customary, this last class will include an end-of-season luncheon. The class meets at 10:15 am in Room 123. Visitors are welcome!



Women's Bible Study

A message from the Elders

Recently there have been acts of abuse of supplies and vandalism in the Teacher's Resource Room (Room 304). This room is normally kept locked so these acts were probably done by someone with access to a key. We ask that everyone who has a key not allow any child, including a teenager, to use the key except under direct supervision. We ask that parents maintain knowledge of their children's activities and not allow them to roam unsupervised through the building. We ask teachers to alert parents to any children who may not be in class even though they were present during class time. We ask ushers to alert parents to any children who leave the worship assembly and go anywhere other than the restroom. And most importantly, we ask everyone to respect the church property – it is the Lord's.

Album to Honor Leva Schaf

The Women's Bible Class is preparing a Memorial Album in honor of **Leva Schaf**, who passed away Feb. 13. The album will consist of short notes from her friends describing some incident, conversation or humorous occurrence involving Leva. Anyone else in the congregation who would like to contribute to this book is highly welcome.

Please bring in your signed notes by April 30. This will allow sufficient time to organize and make the album to be presented to Leva's family at the time of the funeral in June. You may give your notes to **Ruth Bensky, Teresa Bryan or Mary Ann Kincaid.**

We Remember...



Congratulations to **John Waterston** whose last day with the U. S. Navy was effective April 15. John will begin his new career May 3 as a consultant. The Waterston family is moving soon, but don't worry, they are only moving up the street! They plan to stay here at Falls Church! The new address will be published as soon as the move is official.

AND...

Congratulations to **Mark Shannon**, who ran the entire 26.2 mile Boston Marathon on April 18 in 3.03 hours! **WOW!**

Agape Group 6 Plans Game Night May 7

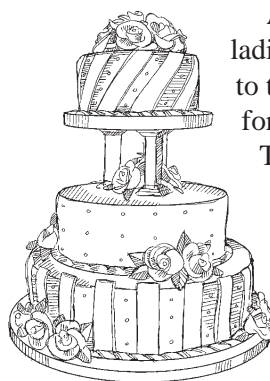
Agape Group 6 - Potomac Acres under the leadership of **Vickie Writt** - will have a Game Night Saturday, May 7, in the Fellowship Hall. The event will run from 6:30 to 8:30 pm.

In addition to the fellowship, this will afford an opportunity to spend time with **Joe & Whitney Fauth** who will move from this area by the end of May.

Members are asked to bring a friend, a favorite snack and a favorite game to play.



Wedding Shower



All Falls Church members - ladies and gentlemen - are invited to the **Wedding Shower** May 22 for **Robert and Candice Spiess.**

The event is scheduled from 4 to 5:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Levenie Hughes is chairing the shower, with hostesses **Teresa Bryan, Sally Dasher, Lynda**

Eubank, Janice McDaniel,

Marilyn McDermott and Staci Shannon. Robert & Candice are registered at Target. Those who wish to participate in a group gift should give their donations to **Levenie, Lynda or Staci.**

Memorial Day Picnic at Camp WaMaVa Is Set for May 28; Supplies Are Needed for Camp Sessions Starting June 25

Camp WaMaVa has issued an invitation to all area church members to attend its annual **Memorial Day**

Picnic set for May 28 at the camp which is located near Front Royal, VA. Maps will be made available at the time. [<http://www.wamava.com/>]

The picnic - which features lunch and activities for everyone from young children to not-so-young adults - is the event that launches the camp season. Each year, in an attempt to hold down costs, the Camp offers area Christians the opportunity to provide some of the supplies that are needed during the summer.

Contributors may deposit the items in a box in the lobby or bring to the picnic. The list includes:

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| paper towels (500 rolls) | toilet paper (1,000 rolls) | large plastic cups (2,000) |
| Clorox/Lysol wipes (100 tubs) | Band-Aids (5 boxes, assorted sizes) | pens (30) |
| pencils (100) | black Sharpies (20) | rolls of masking tape (10) |
| 8.5 x 11 copy paper (5,000 sheets) | thick 55-gallon trash bags (500) | 20 x 20 x 1 air filters (20) |
| hand soap (2 gal) | HP-xx ink cartridges (5 black, 2 color) | brooms (5) |
| scissors (10) | dish cloths (20) | dish towels (30) |
| sponges (30) | vacuum cleaner (used is ok) | |



Prayer Reminders:

Blanca Alvarez, Dot & Haldon Arnold, Stephanie, J. D. & Quan Carter, Ruth Ditto, Maria



Pray
WITHOUT
CEASING

Fielding, Eloise Fishback, Winnie & Desiree Flint, Randall & Ann Ford, Marcia Fuentes, Larry Goodrich, Richard Gunselman, Frances & Ed Harris, Joshua McKay and his mother Dawn McKay, Alma Milligan, Lee, Mariko & Elena Price, Bess Smith, Ellie & Don Thie, Barbara & Harry Thompson, Otto Tune & his parents, Erica Walker-Chenevert, Roxie Weese, Susan Weese, Peggy Williams, Lois Woods & Ken & Lesya Yeatman.

Good News:

Mary Jo Allmond reports that her aunt **Evangeline Angeles**, is much improved.

Lenora Pong, a friend to many people here at Falls Church, continues with chemotherapy and it seems the treatment is going in the right direction.

Lois Woods reports that **Delphia Dennis**, a friend and a former member, is much improved.

Prayer Requests:

Mary Jo Allmond asks for continued prayers for **James McCollum**, the husband of a friend. James is still on pain medication.

Richard Bowles's friend **Sean** has now developed a bacterial infection and has had a severe reaction to an antibiotic. Sean is undergoing aggressive treatment for a failure of his central nervous system.

Ida Goetzinger asks that we pray for her niece **Johanna Goetzinger** who had a brain tumor removed but now has developed a staph infection.

Fran Harris requests prayers for her grandson **David Benson**. After just returning from Afghanistan, David has been injured in a skiing accident in Austria. He was to have surgery last week, after which he will be sent to Bethesda or Walter Reed for an 18 to 24 month recovery.

Eric Hoppis's ward **Blayden** is now in foster care. We pray that Blayden's family situation will work out.

Heather Jones asks for prayers for the family of friends **Daryl & Octavia Walker**. Daryl is scheduled for heart surgery at the Mayo Clinic in Minnesota on Tuesday.

Diana Kuhn will have an injection tomorrow that hopefully will relieve severe back pain. This also may be just the first of multiple injections.

Kim Land will undergo back surgery next Thursday at Fairfax Hospital. We pray with her and **Tom** that this surgery will be successful and permanently relieve disabling pain.

Mallory McCartney requests prayers for **Louise Henderson**, a member at her former congregation in Tallahassee. Louise was rushed to the hospital last week and was not doing well.

Fern Musteen asks for continued prayers for **Carrie Coenen**, who continues chemotherapy prior to a double mastectomy and radiation treatment. She also has developed a rash on her hands. We also pray for Fern and Dennis' daughter **Elizabeth Allison** who is scheduled for the Caesarean birth of her second child on Thursday.

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We express our deepest sympathy to **Benita Harris** and her family on the death of her aunt **Gwyndolyn Reynolds** who passed away April 17 after a long battle with breast cancer.



Prayer Requests - Cont'd.

Abby Smith would like prayers for friends and family affected by the wild fires in Texas. She also requests prayers for her brother **Michael Sage** as he waits for admission to the Border Patrol Academy.

Jency Taliaferro, a former member, has completed chemotherapy and waiting for tests to determine what further treatment she may require. She also fell and broke her hip while visiting her son in California. The only treatment is rest.

Continuing Concerns

NOTE: To keep this list current, names will be published for three weeks then removed unless office is requested to continue.

All those who need employment or have been affected by economic pressures, (4/24);

All who have been affected by the earthquake & tsunami in Japan (4/17);

Anneliese Alderman, dementia (mother of **Rob Alderman**, 4/17);

Ben Barker, on hospice care (former member and close friend, 4/24);

Ann Boike, recovering slowly, and **George Boike**, doing well (sister and father of **Bobbi Moffett**, 4/24);

Kimmy Campbell, completed radiation treatment and preparing for surgery (friend of **Patti French**, 4/17);

Hugh Casey, cancer (stepfather of a friend of **Mandy Smith**, 4/24);

Kerre Corbin, half-way through chemotherapy and doing as well as expected (friend of **Greg & Sally Dalzell**, 4/24);

Nadine Grigsby, recovering from stroke (mother of **Susan Smith**, 4/24);

Lynn Huff, stroke (mother of **Billie Bohannon & Sylvia Sartori**, 4/24);

Kay Keeland, serious health issues (friend of **Beth Nichols**, 4/17);

Nancy Kolodner, cancer (friend of **Martha Ashley**, 4/24);

Glen Olbricht, continuing health issues (friend of **Tom & Kim Land**, 4/17);

Curtis Reeves, cancer (grandfather of **Candice Spiess**, 4/17);

Gilbert "Bud" Richardson, serious health issues (former member, 4/10);

Bertha Sullivan, health issues (grandmother of **Jean Doran**, 4/10);

Ronan Thompson, finishing chemotherapy prior to stem cell transplant (young son of friends of **Mandy & Ben Scandlen**, 4/10);

Linda Weatherby, cancer (friend of **Anna Souza**, 4/17);

Laurie Whiteman, recovering from surgery (friend of **Scott & Susan Rosen**, 4/17);

Carol Wiseman, terminal cancer (friend of **Jim Bates**, 4/24).

We pray for the safety of loved ones serving in dangerous locations: **Shevon Boykins-Saide, Chuck Kerry (plus his wife & daughter Becki (May) & Addison Kerry in his absence), Joseph Mendoza & Ken Yeatman, all in Afghanistan; Jay Stewart, in Iraq.**

General Information

For Children:

❖ An attended nursery and a nursing mother's room -- located adjacent to the Assembly Center -- are available during our assembly.

❖ For ages 2 through pre-kindergarten year, Children's Worship is conducted in rooms 223 and 221. Children are dismissed after communion.

Recordings: Recordings of sermons at Falls Church are available for no charge on our web site after about four days. Recordings also are available in CD format for \$5.00 and may be ordered by completing a CD order envelope located in the foyer.

Assistive Listening System:

Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in our Assembly Center. Our ushers will be happy to supply one of these aids for your convenience upon request.

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Classes	9:30 am
Morning Assembly	10:30 am
Evening Assembly	6:00 pm

Tuesday - Ladies Bible Class 10:15 am
(October through April)

Wednesday Bible Classes 7:30 pm

Office Hours 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

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Nursery Attendants

April 24, 2011

Morning

Lynda Eubank

Catherine McDaniel

Evening

Ida Goetzinger

Levenie Hughes

May 1, 2011

Morning

Becky Bates

Kristine Spraker

Evening

Marilyn McDermett

Children's Worship

April 24, 2011

2/3 Karen Beck, Heather Roelke

P-K A. Venkatesan, K. Dowdy

May 1, 2011

2/3 Heather Musser, Stephanie Carter

P-K Gayla Keller, Misty Marshall

Elders

Joe Bryan

Wayne Doran

Jim Lane

Kevin Rachel

Steve Dasher

Bill Kincaid

Oliver McDaniel

Joseph Tucker

Deacons

Roberto Alvarez

Matt Bensusky

Ignacio Espinoza

Joshua McKay

Saul Reyes

John Waterston

Habtu Zemech

Jose Arevalo

Ben Bohannon

Perry May

Scott Mills

Kevin Thie

Ken Yeatman

Missionaries

Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI

Pedro & Mireya Batres - Nicaragua

Clarence & Pam Campbell - South County, RI

Henry & Rosa Gutierrez - Nicaragua

Gene & Janice Luna - WBI/Guatemala

Deanna Meredith - Concepcion, Chile

Omar & Tana Palafox - Leon, Mexico

Recardo & Monica Reyes - Cuernavaca, Mex.

Don & Esther Roarabaugh - Torrington, CT

Staff

Mike Tune, *Pulpit Minister*

Josh Byrd, *Youth Minister*

Mary Ann Kincaid, *Secretary*

Worship Today, April 24, 2011

<i>Hymn #344</i>	<i>Low in the Grave He Lay</i>
<i>Hymn #96</i>	<i>I Stand in Awe</i>
Prayer	Jerry Williams
<i>Hymn #193</i>	<i>Crown Him with Many Crowns</i>
Communion/Collection	Omar Palafox
<i>Hymn #162</i>	<i>All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name</i>
<i>(Children ages 2 through pre-K dismissed to Children's Worship)</i>	
Bible Reading	Mike Tune
Bible Lesson	Mike Tune
<i>Hymn #345</i>	<i>Christ the Lord Is Risen Today</i>
Announcements	Steve Dasher
Introduction of Visitors	Hal Swetnam
Prayer	Hal Swetnam
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Song Leader	Marty Sims
Ushers	Barry Smith, John Waterston

Joseph Tucker will lead singing this evening; Kevin Thie & Mark Shannon will lead opening & closing prayers.

April servers: Jun Amores, Tom Coate, Geosh Saxton, Grant Smith, Robert Spiess, Mark Ward

Statistics

Sunday, April 17, 2011

Bible Study	205
Morning Assembly	295
Evening Assembly	No Count
Contribution	\$11,500
YTD Average	\$11,696
Budget Goal	\$11,577

Wednesday, April 13, 2011

Classes	No Count
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Wednesday, April 27
Song Leader - John Waterston
Prayer - Don Thie