



The Encourager

The Fire of God

Fire is one of the Old Testament manifestations of God. Hebrews 12:29 says our God is a consuming fire. One of the greatest promises in the Bible is about fire, Matthew 3:8-12 states this promise; in verse 11 John the Baptist said Jesus would baptize us with the Holy Ghost and fire, verse 12 finishes the promise that He will completely purge or cleanse His floor. This is what happens to us as we began to follow the Lord Jesus and we began to pray “Lord make me like you” and He begins to answer by fire and we go through the cleansing process. Fire

in this sense is a very good thing because as the fire intensifies we become purer, consider these verses 1 Peter 1:6-9 verse 7 says our faith is tried by fire so to be found in praise and honor, Job 23:10 says “When He hath tried me I shall come forth as gold” and 1Corinthians 3:13 says in the Judgment every man’s work will be revealed by fire of what sort it is. As we seek God don’t be puzzled by the fiery trial as Peter said but rejoice because we are partaking of Christ’s sufferings and know that in the end

all that is left is that which looks like Christ and is of Christ.

Written by
Pastor Kelly Rumfield

“Wherein ye greatly rejoice, though now for a season, if need be, ye are in heaviness through manifold temptations:

That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth, though it be tried with fire, might be found unto praise and honour and glory at the appearing of Jesus Christ:

Whom having not seen, ye love; in whom, though now ye see him not, yet believing, ye rejoice with joy unspeakable and full of glory:

Receiving the end of your faith, even the salvation of your souls”. 1 Peter 1:6-9

Committed Christian for Life

I would like to take this time to thank everyone who has taken a stand for our most innocent defenseless citizens, the unborn. We will soon have another opportunity to take a stand on Sunday, October 26th 2:30 to 3:30, location will be on Ed Carey between Whataburger and the new Sonic,

The purpose is to pray for our nation, the unborn children and their mommy's, also we want to reach out to mommy's who have gone thru an abortion and to let them know of Jesus Christ's love for them. There will

be signs there to be held and water will be provided. Parking will be along Sesame Street. Please, from the children to teens to adults to seniors speak out and Let the redeemed of the Lord say so !!!!

In Christ Service,
Patty Edwards



Teachers

Nursery: Alicia Alvarez & Ida Perez

2 & 3 year old class Diana Campbell

4 & 5 year old class Arnold & Loraine Campos

1st & 2nd grade Vicky Chapa

3rd & 4th grade Lionel Campbell

5th & 6th grade Eddie Perez

Church Services

Sunday Morning Service 10:00 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service 6:00 p.m.

Generation Impact 6:00 p.m.

Christmas Program Practice 6:00 p.m.

Kid's Church 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

October 2008



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4 <i>Good Samaritan Nursing Home 10:00 a.m.</i>
5	6	7 <i>Flyer Preparation 7:00 p.m.</i>	8	9	10	11 <i>Men's Work Day 8:00 a.m. & Hand Out Flyers 9:00 a.m.</i>
12 <i>Neighborhood Night 5:00 p.m.</i>	13	14	15	16	17	18
	 COLUMBUS DAY					
19	20 <i>Early Voting</i>	21	22	23	24	25
						
26 <i>Communion Life Chain 2:30—3:30 p.m.</i>	27	28	29	30	31	

November 4 General Election: 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM Monday October 20 through Saturday November 1 (excluding Sunday October 26)



Marisol Torres will celebrate her birthday on October 2nd
 Ralph Edwards will celebrate his birthday on October 4th
 Carlos Vento will celebrate his birthday on October 4th
 Lisa Chavez will celebrate his birthday on October 6th
 Hannah Linn will celebrate her 19th birthday on October 10th
 Tzipphorah Campbell will celebrate her 5th birthday on October 14th
 Aaron Hirschmann will celebrate his 11th birthday on October 17th
 Estella Hinojosa will celebrate her birthday on October 18th
 Makayla Mcginnes will celebrate her 5th birthday on October 18th
 Maranda Lee Garza will celebrate her 6th birthday on October 23rd
 Zane Gulliam will celebrate his 3rd birthday on October 27th
 Mia Marie Navarrette will celebrate her 5th birthday on October 27th
 Vicky Chapa will celebrate her birthday on October 30th

Family Fall Festival
 October 12, 2008
 5:00 p.m.
 Entertainment
 Praise and Worship Jason & Nason Rumfield
 5:00 p.m.
 Salute to America songs by Children 5:30 p.m.
 National Anthem by Miriam Perez
 Prayer Lionel Campbell 6:00 p.m.
 Generation Impact 6:30 p.m.
 Lionel & Diana Campbell Children's Ministry
 Roma Peace Kid's Church
 Pastor Kelly Rumfield 7:00 p.m.



Teacher Spot Light — Vicky Chapa



Vicky Chapa will be a new Sunday school teacher for the 1st & 2nd grade classes. She will begin teaching this

month. Vicky directs our children musical programs (Christmas & 4th of July). She also is a member of our Praise & Worship team. Vicky is married to Carlos Chapa and they have four children, Marisol Torres, Carlos Chapa III, Patty and David Chapa and 1st granddaughter Christine Torres.

When were you born again? And give a few words on how you got saved. Looking back, I see so many times that the Lord was calling me from when I was a small child. When I was 13 I went to spend the summer with some cousins who were trying to introduce me to Islam. Within a couple of weeks, the Lord pulled me out of there and I spent the rest of the summer with my brother John in San Antonio. It was there that I became born again. I can not express with words the love, cleansing and wonder I knew when I met Jesus Christ, but I can tell you nothing or no one else compares.

Are you Spirit-Filled (give testimony) and

of how long? I wish I could remember the date I became filled with the Holy Spirit, but I'm not very good at dates. I was told that this was not right, but then I saw the fruits of those that were Spirit filled. I hungered to be as close or closer to the Lord as they were, so I prayed that if this was of God I wanted to be filled. One morning I woke up speaking in tongues, but I wasn't sure that I was as filled. Then Pastor Kelly had an altar call and I went up and knew for sure that I had been filled with the Holy Spirit.

Are you Water Baptized? Yes, Pastor Kelly baptized me and Charlie, Patty and Marisol and my sister Belinda on the same day at Mike and Roma's house.

What prompted you to work in the children's ministry? The Lord has given me a special love and compassion for children. I so enjoy working with them and I love hearing what they have to say. I love explaining the Love of God that is our salvation.

Tell us about your self, what do you enjoy doing? I enjoy spending time with my husband and children. I also enjoy singing and reading. Although I haven't been able to go lately, I love going to revivals and women's ministry events and conferences.

Where were you born and raised; also share with us a most memorable event as a child? I was born at Barksdale Air Force base in Louisiana where my father was stationed and raised in San Benito. My favorite childhood memories are family vacations.

Where are you employed? How long have you been employed at same job? I have worked from the age of 16 until a year and a half ago when we found out that God blessed us with our baby. I stay home with him now and God has provided for our every need. Thank You Jesus!

Why did you choose NWBC for your home church? I was looking for a church, when I attended a wedding at NWBC I heard Pastor Kelly speak about what God intended for marriage to be. I knew that this is where the Truth was. Then Mario and Gizelle's daughters were cheerleaders with my daughter and Gizelle invited me to their church. I then realized it was the same church. We began to attend and I remember being in the kitchen at NWBC one day and an overwhelming feeling came over me that I was in my home. At that time I had never felt at home any where before. Our family was very welcomed and loved here.

Written by Vicky Chapa

Kid's Spot Light— Tzipporah Campbell



Tzipporah Campbell is our spot light kid this month and celebrates her 5th birthday on October 14th. Tzipporah is the daughter of Lionel & Diana Campbell and is sister to Hadassah & Azenath Campbell and grand-niece of Manuela Rodriguez and Estella Hinojosa. Tzipporah is in Pre-K-4 class at Calvary Christian School.

What is your favorite sport? Soccer & Basketball. For the past year Tzipporah has been enrolled in a class that offers tumbling, baton, jazz & cheer lessons.

What is your favorite bible song? Power Lab Songs and all my CD songs

When were you born again and give testimony of your experience? Yes,



one day my Daddy was taking me to school and asked me if I was ready to receive Jesus. I told him yes so we prayed and that is when I became born again.

What is your favorite bible lesson? The story about Peter when he walked on the water.

What are your favorite scriptures or memory verses? "I am fearfully & wonderfully made." Psalm 139:4

What do you want to be when you grow up and why? A doctor. "Because I like to be."

Please share with us any thing else that you would like for us to know about you. Or something the Lord has done for you.

Tzipporah is truly a gift from God to us. After 4 years of trying, 2 miscarriages, and a ton of prayers, the Lord blessed us with Tzipporah. She is a wonderful big sister and a good helper at home (providing sugar and sleep level are normal). It is so hard to believe that she is already going to school and will turn 5 this year. Our prayer for her is that she grows in the things of the Lord and that the Lord will use her mightily for His kingdom. She was dedicated to the Lord on that first day that we found out she was coming.

Written by Diana Campbell

Student Spot Light— Angela Perez



Angela has several relatives in the church. These include her

father, Eddie Perez, her step-mother, Ida Perez, and uncle and aunt, Ray and Rebecca Perez and aunt Lisa Chavez and cousins and her grandparents, Jesse & Irene Perez. Her mother is Alfa Iracheta and step father Adolfo Iracheta.

Angela Perez is a Junior at San Benito High School. She is involved in Student Council and the Criminal

Justice Club. Her favorite sport is basketball and this year she will be participating in Track and Field. After she graduates, she plans to attend college and major in forensic science.

Her most memorable event growing up was her parents' divorce. "Although it may seem like a bad thing, I think it helped me for the good" says Angela.

Angela was born again when she was ten years old. She was talking to her dad one day and he told her the importance and relevance of being saved. She was interested,

and she asked him to pray with her that day. Angela plans to be filled with the Holy Spirit as well. Her favorite Bible lesson is the story of Jonah and the big fish. It has been a favorite since she was little. Her favorite Bible verse is Psalm 59:16. "But I will sing of thy power; yea, I will sing aloud of thy mercy in the morning; for thou hast been my defense and refuge in the day of my trouble."

Written by
Aaron Peace



North Way Fall Family Night 2008



Carlos and I are so excited about Fall Family Night 2008. God has blessed North Way with an opportunity to fellowship and represent him in a family environment. We would like everyone to take part in volunteering to create an atmosphere to get people to find and know Christ. If you always wanted to do something for the Lord and didn't know how, this is the perfect time just to say YES. I have always enjoyed working with everyone at North Way. From the food preparation to entertainment or just being available for a visitor, eve-

ryone has an opportunity to be God's servant. The Lord Jesus Christ has lit a **fire** in my family and I believe that God has great plans for new people and spiritual growth within us. I know that when I serve the lord I receive such a blessing of joy, excitement and an unexplainable spark in me that makes me feel great. I pray that the Lord puts in your heart to participate in this important event at North Way. The Fall Family Night also gives us a chance for all of us to invite our family, friends and that special someone to let them know

where we stand in this world. It gives people insight that Christians can have a great time and love the Lord Jesus Christ in anything that we do. Fall Family night also gives church members time to find out more about each other and make our church family united and strong. Please pray about your involvement. We not only need your help, we really want you there because you and your family are very special to North Way. May God bless you and keep you.

Tanya Vento

Ladies Fellowship

We had our ladies fellowship on September 5th we had 10 ladies attend. Hope Delaunay, Frances Salazar, Jane Delaunay, Janie Garza Alicia Alvarez, Bertha Gutierrez, Kim Kilbourn, Loraine Campos, Lucy Navarrette and Velma Torres. Velma had a drawing for the prizes and several ladies won some very nice gifts. We give **thanks for Velma** for being so

generous with the gifts and also for coordinating the ladies fellowship. Our next fellowship is tentatively for November 7th. The fellowship will be at NWBC the plans for the food will be announced at a later date. Please mark your calendars. We hope to see you at the next ladies fellowship.

Thank You!
THANK YOU! Velma



Thank you! Eddie and Ida Perez for filling in as Leaders for Generation Impact. We appreciate you very much!

TWENTY THINGS TO REMEMBER

1. Faith is the ability to not panic.
2. If you worry, you didn't pray. If you prayed, don't worry.
3. As a child of God, prayer is kinda like calling home every day.
4. Blessed are the flexible, for they shall not be bent out of shape.
5. When we get tangled up in our problems, be still. God wants us to be still so He can untangle the knot.
6. Do the math. Count your blessings.
7. God wants spiritual fruit, not religious nuts.
8. Dear God: I have a problem. It's me.
9. Silence is often misinterpreted, but never misquoted.
10. Laugh every day - it's like inner jogging.
11. The most important things in your home are the people.
12. Growing old is inevitable, growing up is optional.
(Preach it!)
13. There is no key to happiness. The door is always open.
Come on in.
14. A grudge is a heavy thing to carry.
15. He who dies with the most toys is still dead.
16. We do not remember days but moments. Life moves too fast so enjoy your precious moments.
17. Nothing is real to you until you experience it; otherwise it's just hearsay.
18. It's all right to sit on your pity pot every now and again.
Just be sure to flush when you are done.
19. Surviving and living your life successfully requires courage. The goals and dreams you're seeking require courage and risk-taking. Learn from the turtle, it only makes progress when it sticks out its neck.
20. Be more concerned with your character than your reputation.
Your character is what you really are, while your reputation is merely what others think you are. No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting.
Leave gentle fingerprints on the soul of another for the angels to read. I don't want to get to the end of my life and find that I lived just the length of it. I want to have lived the width of it as well.

Exposing the Truth of "Trick-or-Treat"

The Druid priests would go from house to house demanding all sorts of strange foods for their own consumption and to offer later to "Lord Samhain" at "The Festival of Death." If the village people would not give them the foods demanded they would speak a demonic curse over the home, and history claims that someone in that family would die within the year. Thus you have "trick-or-treat"!

The Druids would carry with them a large turnip, which they had hollowed out on the inside and carved a face on the front, to

represent the demonic spirit they depended upon for their power and knowledge. This spirit is called "a familiar spirit". (See Acts 16:16-18) The turnip, lighted by a candle from within, was used as a lantern for the Druids as they went from house to house at night. Now, it was believed by the Druids that their familiar spirit would inhabit these turnips and assist them in carrying out the spells spoken over the homes and lives of those refusing the Druids' demands.

When this practice came to America in the 18th and 19th centuries, turnips weren't that

prominent, but we did have a vegetable native to this country that was soon substituted for the turnips. That's right—the pumpkin. The name given to the spirit which inhabited the turnip was "Jock," and upon arriving in America it became "Jack, who lives in the lantern" or "Jack-O-Lantern".

As you can clearly see, there is NOTHING Christian about Halloween. It is today what it has always been—A day dedicated to the devil.

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Praise on The Hill

Featuring Caedmon's Call and Bethany Dillon

Saturday, October 11, 2008

McKelvey Park, Harlingen

5:30—9:30 p.m.

Free Admission!

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News from the Children's Ministry...We

are so happy to have a new addition to our ministry. Vicky Chapa will be teaching our 1st & 2nd grade class. She will be alternating with Angie Garza. When the need was announced, she quickly answered the call. We pray that the Lord would bless her for her willingness to help.

The children are very busy getting ready for the Christmas program. If your child is interested, please have them at practice on Sunday evenings at 6 pm.



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*"Ye have compassed this mountain long
enough: turn you northward." Deuteronomy 2:3*

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