

Sunday, May 17, 2015

New Artist Featured in The Gathering Center



Check out the beautiful paintings by local artist (and wine-maker) Steve Gamba.

All of his artwork is available for purchase.

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Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

6/1/ | 5-8 PM | \$12 Adults / \$8 Kids
Sammy's in Rifle 412 Park Ave.
Live Music by Lenard Curry Trio

Tickets available at
Sammy's, Base Camp
or online:
www.LiftUp.org



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*Now booking fall weddings &
Christmas Parties!*

May Prayer Focus

Pray for Buan & Theresa Anderson
serving in France.

Help for Nepal Victims

Dunamis International is a Roaring Fork Valley Christian Ministry on the ground in Nepal aiding in relief efforts. Much of the supplies are sitting on the tarmac and not being distributed. Your financial contribution allows for instant use to purchase much needed aid within Nepal.

**Donate online: dunamisworld.org or mail to: Dunamis International
PO Box 1284 Glenwood Springs, CO 81602**

The Orchard Book Club

3rd Monday of the Month | 7-8:30 PM | The Orchard
5/18 - The Case has Altered by Martha Grimes

Open to new members or visitors, whether you have read the book or not. We are a fun loving group with a Christian perspective on fact/fiction, secular/spiritual monthly selections.

Text Paula at (503) 708-7117 or email at planning@hotmail.com



Living Water Healing Ministry

5/26 | 6:00 - 8:00 PM | The Gathering
Center

If you or someone you know needs healing, it would be our honor to pray for you. **Michelle - livingwater@theorchardlife.com**

Growth Group Regional Parties

Friday | May 29 | 6 PM



**This is an opportunity to gather with other
Growth Groups in your area. Please bring a dish to share.**

Home of Brian & Holly Magee - 516 Traver Trail | Robert's, Hill's, Stewart/
Weideman, Fowler Growth Groups

Home of Tom & Linda Flynn - 1873 Panorama Drive | Ayers, Vories, Doug
Self, Jammaron Growth Groups

Home of TBD - Carbondale | Daniel & Amy Self, Cannon, Underwood,
Schaffer

Questions? Contact **Brain Magee - brianmagee@q.com** | **Daniel Self -
daniel@theorchardlife.com** | **Tom Flynn - tomandlindafllynn@gmail.com**

Thank you to everyone who contributed to the Yampah Teen Parent Program on Mother's Day. We collected \$500 that will go a long way toward the funds they need to sustain their program.



Know Relationships, Know Deed; No Relationship, No Deeds James 2:14-26

We've always been told that our salvation is not by our works, but that does not mean that we must not have works that show our salvation. In our time together, we will discover what our deeds are called to be, and how they are not to define what we strive for, but rather where we already are; and also how it is that Jesus exemplified and personified this.

Growth Group Questions:

Explain if you've ever had cold feet before your wedding, a move, or making a big life decision?

Discuss Sunday's message. What did Moses say that stuck out to you?

READ James 2:14 & give your answer to James' question- can your faith with no deeds save you?

READ James 2:14-17 How in our lives do we see brothers/sisters in need but do nothing for them? Why do you agree/disagree with James that "faith by itself, without action, is dead"? Based on this simple passage, on a scale from 1-10, how "alive" is your faith?

READ James 2:18 Explain how James says people will know your faith. Do people see your faith at work?

READ James 2:19 James addresses what many hold to, "I believe there is 'a god' (some divine)." What does James say in this verse that separates "believing there is a divine/god" from following Jesus? List some characteristics that differ between someone who believes there is 'a god' & someone who follows Jesus.

READ James 2:20-25 & discuss these examples of faith & deeds. James is speaking to people who believe that out of faith & deeds, only one is important, he is making a case that BOTH are vital for a thriving spiritual life. How have you believed at times that solely faith or solely works, apart from the other, is all God desires from your life?

READ James 2:26 this is the bottom line; a body without the spirit is lifeless, an empty shell. Such is a faith without deeds; lifeless, an empty shell. Describe a season where your faith felt empty & lifeless?

James says in vs 18, "I will show you my faith by my deeds," a profound truth. If something is true of you inside, what should others be seeing on the outside? Does *your* faith come out in deeds? When was the

Use the SOAP method of Bible Study with the verses below for May 24, 2015

5x5 SOAP

- Day 1: James 4:1-3
- Day 2: James 4:4-6
- Day 3: James 4:7-8
- Day 4: James 4:9-10
- Day 5: James 4:1-10

Notes:

last time you felt this reality at work? Moses said, "Know relationship, know deeds. No relationship, no deeds." Explain this in your own words & how it captures these scriptures.

What are some ways you can adjust how you believe & behave to align with this passage of Scripture? How do you respond & change your lifestyle to honor God in this tension of faith & deeds?

A Note On Funding The Orchard's Vision & Mission

Tithes and offerings of the people committed to the Vision & Mission of The Orchard are what support our Ministry. We do not "pass the plate". Offering boxes are located at both entrances of the auditorium. You can also give by credit/debit card at the Giving Kiosk in the Gathering Center Entrance. You may also give on-line or complete an envelope if you wish to give via credit/debit card.

May Total: \$32,449
May Budget: \$58,577

YTD Received through April 30: \$255,272
YTD Budget: through April 30: \$234,308