

Why Mothers Cry

A little boy asked his mother, "Why are you crying?" "Because I'm a woman," she told him. "I don't understand," he said. His Mom just hugged him and said, "And you never will." Later the little boy asked his father, "Why does mother seem to cry for no reason?" "All women cry for no reason," was all his dad could say. The little boy grew up and became a man, still wondering why women cry. Finally, he put in a call to God. When God got on the phone, he asked, "God, why do women cry so easily?" God said, "When I made the woman, she had to be special. I made her shoulders strong enough to carry the weight of the world, yet gentle enough to give comfort. I gave her an inner strength to endure childbirth and the rejection that many times comes from her children. I gave her a hardness that allows her to keep going when everyone else gives up, and take care of her family through sickness and fatigue without complaining. I gave her the sensitivity to love her children under any and all circumstances, even when her child has hurt her very badly. I gave her strength to carry her husband through his faults and fashioned her from his rib to protect his heart. I gave her wisdom to know that a good husband never hurts his wife, but sometimes tests her strengths and her resolve to stand beside him unfalteringly. And finally, I gave her a tear to shed. This is hers exclusively to use whenever it is needed." "You see my son," said God, "the beauty of a woman is not in the clothes she wears, the figure that she carries, or the way she combs her hair. The beauty of a woman must be seen in her eyes, because that is the doorway to her heart - the place where love resides."

- Author Unknown

Prayers

- **Diane Acock**—health
Lauren Babb's step-mother
- **Larry Acock**
Lauren Babb's father
- **Pauline Alvarez**—health
- **Norma Anderson**—health
Cheryl Pitts' friend
- **Family & friends of Dawn Clarke**
- **Paul Faires**—health
Joyce's son
- **Steven Faires**
- **Justin Gammons**
- **Nelle Hahn**—health
- **Russ Hahn**—health
- **Marilyn Irvin**—health
- **Debbie Jalufka**—health
- **Art Johnson**—health
Paige Mills' grandfather
- **Kerri Johnson**
Paige Mills' mother
- **Curtis Jones, Sr.**—Alzheimer's
- **Curtis Jones, III**—Army
- **Mandy Kasper**—health
Winegearts' daughter
- **Jeanette Laging**—health
- **Sharron Mason**—health
- **Martha McCarter**—health
Lauren Babb's grandmother
- **Ted & Christalina Muniz**—marriage
- **Oretha Pennock**—health
Debbie Fougerat's mother
- **Freeman Pickett**—health
- **Carrie Pitts**—health
Don's mother
- **Don Pitts**—health
- **Sharon Saint**—health
Zach Babb's mother
- **Dana Spradlin**—health
- **Nancy Tuttle**—health
Peggy Walls' sister
- **Susan Williamson**—health
Lauren Babb's mother

Pauline Alvarez requests prayers for her great nephew.

Congratulations to
Priscilla Casper, Perry & Kathy
Winegeart's granddaughter,
who was baptized on Tuesday!

Weekly Events

TUESDAY MORNING

All men are invited to the annex each Tuesday morning at **6:20 a.m.** for a time of breakfast, prayer and fellowship.



By the Numbers

LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Sunday Morning—30

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTION

	LAST WEEK	YTD
Offering	\$3,490	\$36,008
Special	\$300	
Budget	\$2,253	\$40,554
Difference	\$1,837	(-\$4,546)

IF YOU HAVE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS OR PRAYER REQUESTS YOU WISH TO HAVE INCLUDED IN THE BULLETIN, PLEASE CONTACT: VICTORIA JOHNSON AT 325-518-9205 OR VICTORIA@GONZALESCHURCHOFCHRIST.ORG