

## Service Opportunities

Announcements: Ted Wheeler  
Usher: Delbert Leavens

### RECORD

Attendance: **65**

Contribution: \$ 2288.01

**Weekly Budget: \$ 2854.00**

### *Thought for The Day*

"You will find that God's providence is in favor of those that keep His laws, and against those that break them."

*BEECHER*

## Church of Christ of Venice

**4301 SR 776  
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### MORNING SERVICES

Opening Prayer: Mike Weber  
Songs: Merritt Bailey  
Sermon: Tim Simmons  
Closing Prayer: Marty Wingo

### EVENING SERVICES

Opening Prayer: Wayne Vowell  
Songs: Merritt Bailey  
Sermon: Ted Wheeler  
Closing Prayer: Glen Law

### COMMUNION

Kerry Keathley Larry Jenson  
Dick Navarre Joe Austin

# Church of Christ of Venice

"A friendly church, proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ"

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## Go Ye Into All The World

<sup>15</sup> And He said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to every creature. <sup>16</sup> *"He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned.* Mark 16:15-16

From July 27<sup>th</sup> to August 4<sup>th</sup>, Tim Simmons participated in a campaign to Panama, Central America with "Mission International Clinics" resulting in 67 baptisms and 12 restorations. Today Tim will give us his report.



*Tim Simmons conducting a Bible study in Torti, Panama*

Elders  
Delbert Leavens  
Wayne Vowell  
Ted Wheeler

Minister  
Ted Wheeler

Sunday Services  
Bible Study-10:00 am  
Worship-11:00 am  
Evening Worship-6:00 pm

Wednesday  
Bible Study-6:30 pm.

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Outreach:



A SPECIAL WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS!

Please fill out a blue visitor card so that we might have a record of your visit. If needed, there is a nursery available at the rear of the auditorium. Bible classes for all ages are available Sundays at 10:00 am and Wednesdays at 6:30 pm. We hope that you will join us for these studies. Please come and worship with us again soon.

## Design Demands A Designer

by Kyle Butt, M.A.

Sir Isaac Newton was a famous mathematician and scientist who strongly believed in God. The story is told that he had an atheistic friend who did not believe in God. Sir Isaac devised a plan to try to convince his friend that God did exist and had created the Universe. One day, he went to a carpentry shop and asked the owner to make a model of our solar system. This model was to be to scale, intricately painted, and designed to resemble, as closely as possible, the actual solar system.



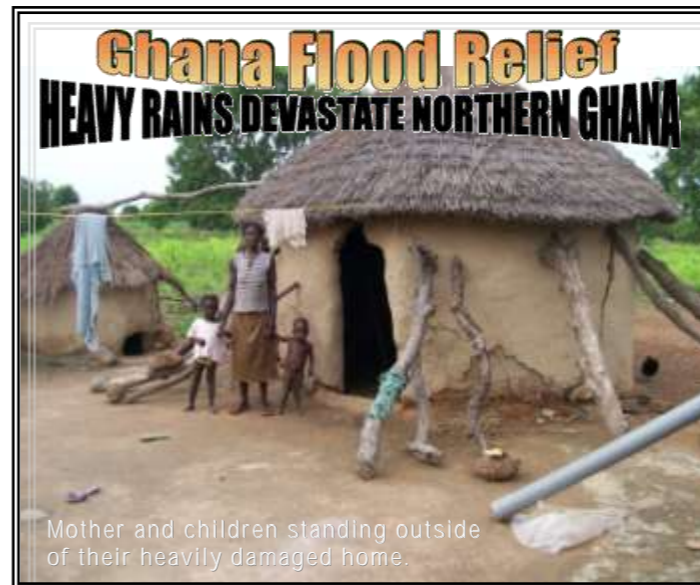
Several weeks later, Sir Isaac picked up the model, paid for it, and placed it in the center of a table in his house. Some time later, his atheist friend came over for a visit. When the friend arrived at Dr. Newton's house, the model of the solar system caught his eye, and he asked Sir Isaac if he could inspect the model more closely. Of course, that was fine with Sir Isaac. As the atheist inspected the model, he stood in awe of the fine craftsmanship and beauty of the various pieces. After

some time, the atheistic friend asked Dr. Newton **who** had crafted this wonderful model of the solar system. Sir Isaac promptly replied that no one had made the model; it just appeared on his table by accident. Confused, the friend repeated the question, and yet Newton stubbornly clung to his answer that the model had just appeared, as it were, "out of thin air." Finally, the friend became upset, and it was at that point that Sir Isaac explained the purpose of his answer. If he could not convince his friend that this crude replica of the solar system had "just happened by accident," how could the friend believe that the real solar system, with all its complexity and design, could have appeared just by time and chance? Point well taken! **Design always demands a Designer.** As a case in point, let us look at one beautiful example of design.

### THE THOUGHT OF DESIGN

Inside your head is an organ that weighs about 3 pounds. Doctors who operate on this organ say that it feels like unbaked bread dough when you touch it or hold it in your hands. But this "doughy" organ we call the brain certainly is not a loaf of bread. On the contrary, it is the most complex "computer" the world has ever known.

The brain is composed of over 10 trillion different cells. These cells work together to send electrical impulses at a rate of 273 miles per hour (393 feet per second). Nerve cells in the body send 2,000 impulses to the brain every second. These impulses come from 130,000 light receptors in the eye, 100,000 hearing receptors in the ears, 3,000 taste buds, and over 500,000 touch spots. As this is happening, the brain does not move, yet it consumes over 25% of the body's oxygen and receives 20% of all the blood that is



pumped from the heart (which is pretty amazing, considering that the brain makes up only about 2% of the body weight of an average man).

And if all these "brainy" abilities don't impress you, consider that the brain serves as the "doctor" for the rest of the body. It produces more than 50 drugs, ranging from painkillers (like endorphin) to antidepressant drugs (like serotonin). In addition, the brain allows you to remember words, smells, pictures, and colors. In fact, the brain is so good at allowing a person to remember information, it has been estimated that it would require 500 sets of encyclopedias to hold the information found in the brain. Let's be honest; if we were walking through the forest one day and found a laptop computer that weighed less than three pounds and yet could perform more complex tasks than any computer on the market, would we say it "just happened by accident?" If we use our brains, we can see that the design found in the brain demands an intelligent Designer.

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## Remember in Prayer

DAVID RIGGENBACH

HELEN WILLIS

RUBY CACY

VALERIE FINLEY

BENNIE HOUSE

BUDDY WARD

CLARENCE RIGGENBACH

FRANK SMALL

IVA & LEM TURNER

PATRICIA FORD

JEANETTE THOMPSON

## TODAY'S SERMONS

Panama Report

*Proverbs 3: 5-6*

Studies in 1 Thessalonians

*1 Thessalonians 4: 1-18*

## Mark Your Calendars

- ✓ **Oct 14: Panama Report**
- ✓ **Oct 18: Booster Banquet @ Florida School of Preaching**
- ✓ **Oct 18: Prayer Breakfast**
- ✓ **Oct 26: Movie @ 6:30 pm**
- ✓ **Oct 27: 90th Birthday Party for Glen Law @ noon**
- ✓ **Oct 28: Song Service - 6:00p**
- ✓ **Nov 4: Ghana Slides / Report**
- ✓ **Nov 4: Fellowship Meal @ noon - Invite a friend**
- ✓ **Nov 16: Wedding Shower for Sandra Kober & Ken Golson**