

**WE EXIST TO GUIDE PEOPLE TOWARD THEIR  
NEXT STEP IN CHRIST.**

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*"Your choice is either God or the world because Satan owns the fence."*

This quote reminded me of a part of my testimony so I thought I would share some of it with you. I got up on a Sunday morning at age 21 and really didn't want to go to church which was my routine. I was wrestling with God, but ended up going. I arrived late. I remember I had on an old polo shirt with a hole in it. I was a mess. I sat in the very back pew, checking the block on my attendance sheet so I could go on with the rest of my day doing other stuff and not feeling guilty about missing church. I can't remember the scripture being preached, but Pastor Rick was talking about riding the fence. He said you can't be a Christian when you are with the Christian friends and then be someone else around those who are not Christians just to fit in. You can't ride the fence.

This was exactly the life I was living. As I sat there, the Holy Spirit began to move in a way I had never experienced. To be honest, I didn't really know what was happening. Everything around me was completely blurred out. I could only see Pastor Rick's face and his eyes were burning a hole through me.

I felt like God was speaking directly to me. I raced to the altar and Pastor Rick helped me pray. I surrendered to God that morning. I had been baptized years earlier with water in the Ohio River, but the baptism I had that morning was different. God showed me His great love and mercy that morning (and many more times since). Thank you, Father. Thank you, Jesus. Thank you, Holy Spirit.

—Brad Turman

Brad and his wife Misty attend RC3 along with their daughters, Taylor & Ryleigh, and their nephew Beau. Brad is the founder of J.B. Turman Engineering.

*Jesus. He supplies strength to the weary. He increases power to the faint.  
He offers escape to the tempted. He sympathizes with the hurting.  
He saves the hopeless. He shields the helpless. He sustains the homeless. He gives purpose to the aimless.  
He gives reason to the meaningless. He gives fulfillment to our emptiness. He gives light in the darkness.  
He gives comfort in our loneliness. He gives fruit in our barrenness.  
He gives heaven to the hopeless. He gives life to the lifeless!*

A beautiful description of Jesus as given by Anne Graham Lotz in her book, [Just Give Me Jesus](#).



**Open to guys of all ages: sons, dads, grandfathers, & friends**

We'll meet in the RC3 gym at **8:30 AM**. Please enter at the blue door from the alley (park in red lot).

Let us know you are coming by registering on the church website or church app (go to events).

[www.roundchurch.net](http://www.roundchurch.net)



Backpacks, notebooks, pens, pencils, and maybe even a new pair of shoes—it all signals that our students are getting ready to go back to school.

**Prayer Champions** for our students are needed. Research shows that adult believers are crucial in passing on a lasting faith to the next generation. By strategically rallying the people of God around the next generation through the catalyst of prayer, we can make a kingdom impact that will last for eternity!

The PFMC offers prayer guides designed to help you pray specifically for your student. It is useful to help you stay the course in praying effectively for the next generation.

If you would like to make a difference in the life of a middle school or high school student, **consider becoming a Prayer Champion**. You can sign up on the website (click news), or sign up under the blue tent in the gym during Connections on Sundays. You will have an opportunity to meet your student at our PFMC Lunch & Launch next month.

**PFMC Lunch & Launch | September 19 @ 12:30 PM**



**Costa Rica Mission Trip Report**

*Did you pray? Did you support financially?* If so, you will not want to miss the Costa Rica mission trip report on **Sunday, August 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Find out how your investment in time (praying) and giving brought dividends of eternal value.



## Legacy

This year my annual summer vacation to Michigan included a Dunlap Family Reunion. Grandma Cotton was a Dunlap, but much of that family had scattered across the country by the time I was born and I'd never gotten to know any of them well and most not at all. That changed on a June Saturday afternoon at the Evergreen Bible Baptist Church, host of the first Dunlap reunion in more than half a century.

My second cousin Rodney's wife Cathy had done a deep dig into the family genealogy and turned the church gymnasium into a Dunlap Museum that included artifacts and a timeline of the family history all the way back to Scotland in the 1600s.

I learned that "Dunlap" means "Fortress at the Bend." We have a family crest, the family motto is "Merito" (Deservedly), and now I even know what the family tartan looks like in case I ever need a proper kilt.

Cathy traced our roots all the way back to a family of Dunlaps that fled Scotland in the mid-1600s because of persecution resulting from the protestant reformation and the king's demand that citizens remain loyal to the Catholic church. They eventually made their way to America.

Among the interesting revelations was that one ancestor, John Dunlap, owned a small print shop in Philadelphia in the 1770s. John won the printing contract for the Second Continental Congress, and on the evening of July 4, 1776, John Adams and Benjamin Franklin delivered to John a hand-written copy of the Declaration of Independence. The Congress had spent two full days making more than 80 alterations to Thomas Jefferson's original draft, which is why we don't celebrate Independence Day on the second of July.

John worked all night to type set, proofread, and correct the text. By daybreak he had printed the first 200 copies of America's founding document. On the morning of July 5, John Hancock dispatched those initial copies to leaders of the thirteen colonies and to the military commanders, including General George Washington. Today, 26 copies of the original Dunlap broadsheets are known to exist. (I wish old John had tucked a few away for his descendants—they're worth about \$10 million apiece!)

Another branch of the family tree revealed that Grandma Cotton's grandmother was a Chambers, from the family of evangelist and author Oswald Chambers ("My Utmost for His Highest"), and Elizabeth Shreve-Chambers, a Quaker poet who traveled the country far and wide in the mid-1800s encouraging Methodist churches to start Sunday School programs.

The Dunlap family tree that they had on display included enough begats to make it our own book of Chronicles. The list includes some recurring themes; farmers, teachers, preachers, and missionaries keep appearing, through more than a dozen generations, right up to the present.

My cousins Bruce and Doug run the Cotton family potato farm. Bruce's wife Kim teaches chemistry at the local high school. My first-cousin-once-removed Max was a preacher. My second cousin, Kelsey, spent a career as a missionary in Russia.

I don't believe it's a coincidence that this runs directly back to a Scottish husband and wife who wouldn't back down to a king who tried to stand between them and God.


*"I, the Lord your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments"* (Exodus 20:5-6).

What sort of legacy are we forming for the generations to follow? sc



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Wave Air Cleaners have now been installed in the church facility.




Little children, let us not love in word or speech but with actions and in truth. 1 John 3:18

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Pray for a bountiful harvest to share with others. If you wish to participate, reach out to Ronda Shockley. [ronda@roundchurch.net](mailto:ronda@roundchurch.net)




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**need prayer?**  
call our 24/7 prayer line  
1-844-99-SHARE (74273)


*"God, make me a person of prayer. Focus my heart and mind on things above. Take my life and radically change it. Take my life captive for Your glory."*

**Sunday Evening Prayer Group Resumes August 1<sup>st</sup>**  
**Meet in the Worship Center @ 5 PM**



**Sundays @ 9:30 & 11:15 AM**

**Children's Choir Resumes August 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 5 PM**



**Awana Club Kick-off is Wednesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 PM**

If you would like to volunteer as a teacher or helper, please reach out to the club Commander, Alan Yates, @ 304.654.3180.



**REFIT with Andrea**  
**Tuesdays & Thursdays**  
**RC3 Gym @ 6 PM**

Fitness for Women of All Ages & All Levels

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