



Nuggets of Treasure

Thrive



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As we begin a new year, we always think of having a fresh start or a new beginning. We often make resolutions about how we will alter our lives and do things differently. Perhaps it is with the way we eat, or maybe we decide to start to exercise, read more, spend more time with family, pray more consistently, be consistent in the Word, and attend church and the list can continue. Usually after a few weeks or days, we fall back to our old ways if we do not rely on the Holy Spirit to give us grace, strength, and wisdom.

People always look forward to a new year starting so they can begin afresh. We do not need to wait for a new year, new month, or new week to start afresh. Every day can be a fresh start. We do not have to carry broken, shattered, damaged pieces of former days, discouragement, or yesterday. We need to think of each day as a new beginning. Every morning, we wake up, and we have a fresh start. We need to keep this in mind as we begin this new year.

So, in 2025, let us be revived and thrive in all areas of our lives, spiritually, emotionally, socially, and physically. We can do this by relying on the Holy Spirit. Reviving means bringing back to life, health, existence, or use. Reviving can mean starting to grow, develop, or become successful. Reviving means becoming active and flourishing again. Have you ever seen a plant perk up (revive) when giving it water when it has any for a while? When we revive someone who has fainted, they become conscious again. Something that is revived is restored, revitalized, renewed, refreshed, and stimulated. Nothing is too hard for God. God had Ezekiel speak to the dry bones and they came to life again. So let us revive the beginning today by the Holy Spirit.

Many believers have fainted in their walk with the Lord, and they need to be revived to become conscious and begin to thrive. They need to be renewed in their minds. They need to refresh in the presence of the Lord. They need to be stimulated by the

Holy Spirit. It is time for believers to thrive. Thrive means to grow vigorously and flourish. It means making progress despite circumstances. It does not matter what circumstances we find ourselves in, we can be revived, and we can thrive in our walk with the Lord. Our walk with the Lord is a lifetime walk; it is not something we just abandon because of circumstances, or hardships. We have the Holy Spirit to help us in every area of our life.

Romans 12:11 (AMP) "Never lag in zeal and earnest endeavor; be aglow and burning with the Spirit, serving the Lord." In the KJV it states, "fervent in the Spirit." Fervent indicates boiling. When water boils it makes bubbles, it is active and hot. Message Bible Romans 12:11- "Don't burn out; keep yourselves fueled and aflame. Be alert servants of the Master, cheerfully expectant.' We should always be on fire serving the Lord. Zeal has to do with being diligent. Its verb form has the sense of "to apply oneself diligently to, to devote oneself to" a task. Spoudē itself means "fervor,

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Upcoming Events 2025

January 1 New Year's Day



January 20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 14 Valentine's Day



February 17 President's Day

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"Faith tells me no matter what lies ahead of me this coming year, God is already there."—Toby Mac

"So great and boundless is God's wisdom that he knows right well how to use evil instruments to do good."—John Calvin

"As well could you expect a plant to grow without air and water as to expect your heart to grow without prayer and faith."—C. H. Spurgeon

"Our respect for God's name and kingdom is judged by our obedience to His will."—Thomas Manton

"When we choose love—that's the choice that leads us into our glorious life!"—Jesse Duplantix

"Your thoughts and words hold power! The Bible reminds us that what we think and speak shapes our joy and peace. Don't let negative thoughts steal your happiness—ask God to help you take control and speak life!"—Joyce Meyer

Birthday Blessings

1/27 Tim McKay

1/29 Cheri Hull



Happy Anniversary

1/25 Mark & Karen Dale



Our Helping Hands Show A Loving Heart

Get involved, find a place to help. We all have something to give. We need greeters, ushers, maintenance, socials, visitations, children, youth, food center, music, socials, driving etc.

VOLUNTEER



Oasis Food Center Update

December 2024

Families: 760
New Families: 39
Total People: 2,846

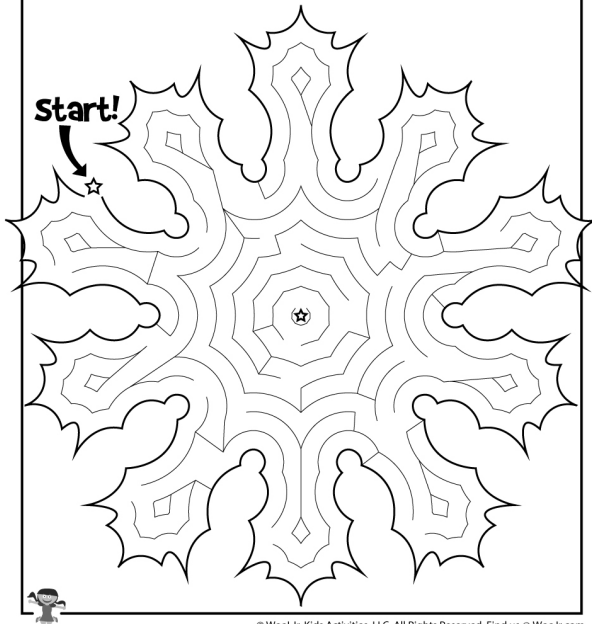
Year to Date 2024 (as of 12/19/24)

Families: 15,594
New Families: 921
Total People: 60,871

Year to Date 2023

Families: 15,676
New Families: 855
Total People: 60,772

Snowflake Maze!



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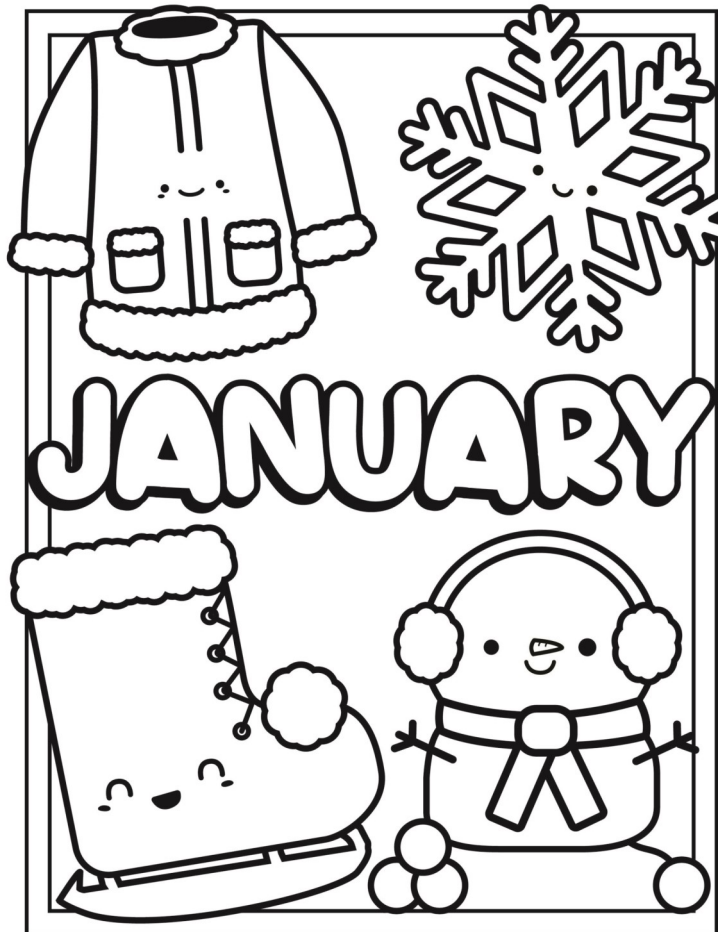


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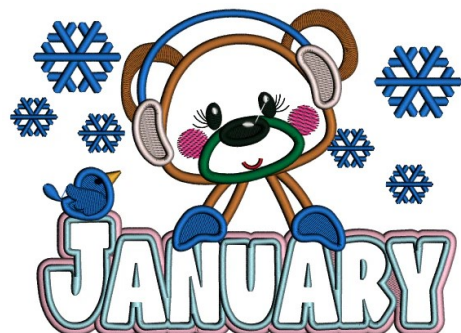
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Sunday Morning
10:30 am





RECIPE CORNER

Lemony Yogurt Pound Cake

Ingredients

- 1 1/2 cups white whole wheat flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/4 teaspoon fine salt
- 3/4 cup sugar
- Finely grated zest of 1 lemon
- 1/2 cup plain lowfat (2-percent) Greek yogurt
- 1/4 cup lowfat (1-percent) milk
- 1/4 cup extra-virgin olive oil
- 1/2 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
- 2 large egg whites
- 1 large egg



Directions

Preheat the oven to 350 degrees F. Coat an 8 1/2- by 4 1/2-inch loaf pan with baking spray. Whisk together the flour, baking powder and salt in a medium bowl. Put the sugar and lemon zest in another bowl and rub the lemon zest into the sugar with your fingers. Add the yogurt, milk, olive oil, vanilla, egg whites and whole egg and vigorously whisk until well blended. Add the flour mixture into the egg mixture and fold until just incorporated. Transfer to the prepared pan. Bake until a cake tester inserted in the center comes out clean, about 50 minutes. Cool in the pan on a wire rack for 5 minutes, and then unmold and cool to room temperature.

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zeal, eagerness, ardor, passion, enthusiasm.

Let this be our goal for 2025 in serving the Lord, on fire, aglow, and burning with the Spirit. We are aglow with the Spirit others will notice. Let's wake up every morning eager and enthusiastic. The Lord wants us to thrive in 2025. We can thrive with the Holy Spirit.

Grow in the Word. Let's thrive (flourish) in love for God and others. Be kind and patient. Be a shining light of God's love in our world, and to those that the Lord brings across our path. Our life should be lived by the Holy Spirit.

Every day we wake up is a day to be aglow, and flourishing. So, in 2025, take advantage of each day. Ephesians 5:16 (AMP) "Making the very most of the time [buying up each opportunity], because the days are evil." We should never waste a day. Make the most of every day.



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Philippians 2:12-13 (AMP)

"Therefore, my dear ones, as you have always obeyed [my suggestions], so now, not only [with the enthusiasm you would show] in my presence but much more because I am absent, work out (cultivate, carry out to the goal, and fully complete) your salvation with reverence and awe and trembling (self-distrust, with serious caution, tenderness of conscience, watchfulness against temptation, timidly shrinking from whatever might offend God and discredit the name of Christ). [Not in your strength] for it is God Who is all the while effectually at work in you [energizing and creating in you the power and desire], both to will and to work for His good pleasure and satisfaction and delight." "Workout" is your salvation. We are to practice in our daily living what Jesus provided through His death, a new life and way of life. Jesus told us He is the way, the truth, and the life. Jesus has provided a new life, a new way of living. By the Holy Spirit, we are enabled to work out our salvation. We are saved but salvation is ongoing in every area of our life. Walking in forgiveness, not being selfish, not being judgmental, not complaining, not gossiping, not taking offense, walking in love, being patient and kind, being givers, showing compassion, and a new way of living have many aspects for us to grow in and live by. Each day: we encounter areas we need to apply and flourish in. This new way is different from what the world teaches.

We are to make active, set in motion, and initiate all that salvation

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encompasses. It should be evident in every area of our lives. These verses are directed toward us as believers, not non-believers. Too often, we are concerned about others' attitudes, actions, and speech but not our own. As truth is revealed to us it is our choice to put into practice in our lives.

We are excited when our child takes their first step, but that is only the beginning. They go on to learn to run, jump, write their name, ride a bike, read, etc. In early learning, we call these milestones. Milestones are emotional, physical, communicative, and cognitive. When we get saved that is our first step and is only the beginning. We are in an ongoing process of growing and transforming into the image of Christ. Philippians 3:12-17 (AMP) "Not that I have now attained [this ideal], or have already been made perfect, but I press on to lay hold of (grasp) and make my own, that for which Christ Jesus (the Messiah) has laid hold of me and made me His own. I do not consider, brethren, that I have captured and made it my own [yet]; but one thing I do [it is my one aspiration]: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal to win the [supreme and heavenly] prize to which God in Christ Jesus is calling us upward. So let those [of us] who are spiritually mature and full-grown have this mind and hold these convictions; and if in any respect you have a different attitude of mind, God will

make that clear to you also. Only let us hold to what we have already attained and walk and order our lives by that. Brethren, together follow my example and observe those who live after the pattern we have set for you." Muller wrote, "Just as a little child is a perfect human being, but still is far from perfect in all his development as man, so the true child of God is also perfect in all parts, although not yet perfect in all the stages of his development in faith." Paul is speaking of further growth. He never wants to be complacent. We should always be open to growing in our walk with the Lord. There are always areas in our life that we need to attend to.

The work of the Holy Spirit in us is continually carried out daily and needs to be carried out throughout our lives. We need to realize that we have not arrived, and our option is to press on. We should never think of stopping, turning back, or being distracted by the past. We should desire for the Holy Spirit to help us to have the nature of Jesus, become mature, and walk in the ways of God not in our effort but by the grace the Holy Spirit provides. Allow the Holy Spirit to reveal the areas we need to be transformed to be more Christ-like and continue to press forward.





JANUARY 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 New Year's Day	2 Feed the Needy 4 pm– 6 pm	3	4
5 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6:30pm Music Prac- tice 7pm Evening Service	6	7	8 Feed the Needy 12 pm– 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	9 Feed the Needy 4 pm– 6 pm	10	11
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