



Nuggets of Treasure



January 2024

“More” in 2024

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As we enter a new year, how will we make this year different from last year or previous years? What are our expectations? Perhaps we are okay with ourselves, thoughts, attitudes, behavior, and speech. The question is, if the Lord searched our hearts, would He be pleased? Do our thoughts, attitudes, behavior, and speech align with the Word of God, His principles, standards, and ways? So, as we begin 2024, let's examine ourselves by the Holy Spirit. Determine to be different with the help of the Holy Spirit. The Word of God guides us as we not only hear the Word but become doers of the Word. James 1:22 (NKJV) "But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves."

So, as we begin 2024, let's have 'MORE" in 2024. More means going further, above and beyond what we usually have been doing. So, we should have an abundance of everything: more love, kindness, patience, compassion, forgiveness, gratefulness, faithfulness, prayer, fellowship with the Lord, being in the Word, and relying on the Holy Spirit.

The 'MORE" in 2024 goes beyond the above list. How do we accomplish "MORE" in our life? First, we need to have a desire and willingness; then, we need to yield to the Holy Spirit and His guidance and control.

We need to walk by the Holy Spirit intentionally; that is how we can have 'MORE" in our lives. Galatians 5:25 (AMP) "If we live by the [Holy] Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit. [If by the Holy Spirit, we have our life in God, let us go forward walking in line, our conduct controlled by the Spirit.]" We have divine enablement by the Holy Spirit. We must rely on that enablement daily. Each step in our walk of life as a believer should conform to the direction of the Holy Spirit. Galatians 5:16 (AMP) "But I say, walk and live [habitually] in the [Holy] Spirit [responsive to and controlled and guided by the Spirit]; then you will certainly not gratify the cravings and desires of the flesh (of human nature without God)." We must always stay open and sensitive to the Holy Spirit.

We can have more as we desire all that the Lord has for us. As we stay open and sensitive to the Holy Spirit, He will guide us to walk in love daily. He will enable us to be more accepting of others. The Holy Spirit will show how others are valuable. He will help us lay aside our desires and put the needs of others ahead of our own. The Holy Spirit will give us a path of showing kindness daily in our words and actions. He will enable us to be a person who quickly forgive and places others back in the right standing even though we have been hurt or not treated correctly. The Holy Spirit will reveal to us all the things in our life that are good and beneficial in our life. As we focus on the good, we will be more and more grateful. As we focus on what we have, we will be grateful. The Holy Spirit will enable us to be faithful in all we do. The Holy Spirit will give us the desire to pray and be in the Word of God, and He will reveal more and more to us as we are.

So, as we enter 2024, decide to want "MORE" in your life. Decide to have more love, patience, kindness, forgiveness,

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**Upcoming Events
2023**

January 1 New Year's Day



January 15 Martin Luther King Jr. Day

February 14 Valentine's Day



February 19 President's Day



"Trust the past to God's mercy, the present to God's love and the future to God's providence."—Augustine

"I am not afraid of tomorrow because I know God is already there."—Toby Mac

"Some are dead; you must rouse them. Some are troubled; you must comfort them. Others are burdened; you must point them to the burden-bearer. Still more are puzzled; you must enlighten them. Still others are careless and indifferent; you must warn and woo them."—C. H. Spurgeon

"Prayer is a sincere, sensible, affectionate pouring out of the soul to God, through Christ, in the strength and assistance of the Spirit, for such things as God has promised."
— John Bunyan

"All the peace and favour of the world cannot calm a troubled heart; but where this peace is which Christ gives, all the trouble and disquiet of the world cannot disturb it."
— Robert Leighton

Birthday Blessings

1/10 Robin Lewis
1/27 Tim McKay



Happy Anniversary

1/25 Mark & Karen Dale

Happy Anniversary



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

November 2023

Families: 1,586
New Families: 81
Total People: 6,007

Year to Date 2023 (as of 12/13/23)

Families: 14,852
New Families: 814
Total People: 57,739

Year to Date 2022

Families: 15,288
New Families: 766
Total People: 60,604

Church Offices

The Administrative Office is not located at the church building.

Ministry Office is at the church by appointment only:
13th & Fillmore, Caldwell, ID
Phone 208-459-6000
FAX 208-459-6600

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Circle items you would like in your hot cocoa:

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- BOOTS
- COAT
- COCOA
- COLD
- FROZEN
- HAT
- ICE
- SCARF
- SLED
- SNOW

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JANUARY

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Bring Your Friends and Join
the Fun at Church!

Sunday Morning
10:30 am





RECIPE CORNER

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compassion, gratefulness, and all God has for us. Decide to yield and allow the Holy Spirit to guide you daily in all that you do. Let's expect extraordinary results from the power of the Holy Spirit.

Chicken Cauliflower "Fried Rice"

Ingredients

- 1 medium head cauliflower, stem removed
- 3 teaspoons canola or vegetable oil
- 2 large eggs, lightly beaten
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- One 1-inch piece fresh ginger, peeled and grated
- 1 cup frozen mixed peas and carrots, thawed
- 1/4 cup thinly sliced scallions
- 1/4 cup plus 2 tablespoons low-sodium soy sauce, plus more for serving, optional
- 2 tablespoons sesame oil
- 2 cooked chicken breasts, diced (I used a rotisserie chicken)



Directions

Cut the cauliflower into chunks. Working in batches, pulse the cauliflower in a food processor until coarse in texture, like rice. This recipe uses about 4 cups of cauliflower rice. If you have any leftover, save it for another use.

Heat a wok or large skillet over medium-high heat. Add 1 teaspoon of the canola oil. Add the eggs and quickly scramble. Transfer the eggs to a plate and set aside. Heat the remaining 2 teaspoons canola oil. Add the garlic and ginger and cook, stirring constantly, about 1 minute. Add the peas and carrots, scallions and cauliflower. Stir-fry until the vegetables are tender, about 5 minutes.

As the vegetables are cooking, whisk the soy sauce and sesame oil together in a small bowl. Stir the sauce and chicken into the cauliflower mixture. Cook an additional minute or 2. Stir the cooked eggs back into the mixture. Serve with hot sauce and additional soy sauce if desired.



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As believers, we are not just to receive Jesus Christ as our savior and remain unchanged. Our way of life, behavior, habits, and standards should change when we accept Christ. As believers, in our walk, we are to become more Christ-like. It is an ever-evolving process. As believers, we are to show Christ to others through our lives and how we act and communicate. We should let our light shine. Ephesians 4:15: "Rather, let our lives lovingly express truth [in all things, speaking truly, dealing truly, living truly]. Enfolded in love, let us grow up in every way and in all things into Him Who is the Head, [even] Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One)." Romans 8:29: "And have clothed yourselves with the new [spiritual self], which is [ever in the process of being] renewed and remolded into [fuller and more perfect knowledge upon] knowledge after the image (the likeness) of Him Who created it." Christ is the source of our growth as believers. He is the source, aim, and goal of our development. Christ is our example in all that we do.

So, it is clear that as we receive Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, we are to have a new way of life. We are to have a different disposition. Our conduct should be by God's will, His ways, methods, principles, and standards. We must con-

Everyday Godly Living

stantly renew and refresh ourselves from God's Word and intimate fellowship with the Lord. We are to become more like Him each day. We should always be changing to become more and more like Him. Romans 12:2: "Do not be conformed to this world (this age), [fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs], but be transformed (changed) by the [entire] renewal of your mind [by its new ideals and its new attitude], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God, even the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect [in His sight for you]." As believers, we should not live according to the world's ways. Our attitudes and values affect our lifestyle. So, we must ask ourselves what values and attitudes align with the Word of God. Do our values and attitudes line up with God's will? The key is allowing the Spirit of God to work in our lives and be willing to submit to what the Lord wants to do. The Holy Spirit is here to help us with our thoughts, attitudes, behavior, and speech.

Ephesians 2:10: "For we are God's [own] handiwork (His workmanship), recreated in Christ Jesus, [born anew] that we may do those good works which God predestined (planned beforehand) for us

[taking paths which He prepared ahead of time], that we should walk in them [living the good life which He prearranged and made ready for us to live]." We are God's workmanship. He is the one who works in us, so we cannot boast that we have done it ourselves. He works in our lives because He has a plan for us. He has something good for each of us to do. Let the Lord have His way in your life.





JANUARY 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
10:30am MW/ Children/Youth	1 New Year's Day	2	3 Feed the Needy 12 pm - 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	4 Feed the Needy 4 pm - 6 pm	5	6
7 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6:30pm Music Prac- tice 7pm Evening Service	8	9	10 Feed the Needy 12 pm - 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	11 Feed the Needy 4 pm - 6 pm	12	13
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21 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6:30pm Music Prac- tice 7pm Evening Service	22	23	24 Feed the Needy 12 pm - 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	25 Feed the Needy 4 pm - 6 pm	26	27
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