

# The Fountain

JANUARY 2023

## Writing our life...with God's help



*A journalist once said you can measure the quality of a piece of writing by the quality of what has been cut. No matter how beautiful or interesting a phrase or sentence is, the piece may be stronger without it.*

*Rabbi Evan Moffic applies this wisdom to life in general. Too often we refuse to let something — a habit, a memory, a process — go, even when it no longer serves us. Thinking of our life as a book, we can cut out, edit or rearrange some pages or sentences to reflect our new learnings and growth.*

*This is not always easy, but we don't have to do it alone. "God is our 'editor-in-chief,'" says Moffic, "and we are part of God's story. [While] God ... gives us free will to decide what to write on the pages of our lives, ... God is always there for conversation and consultation. And God left us a great guidebook called the Bible. Its lessons make our writing shine with truth and beauty." With God's guidance, what will you "write" in the new year?*



**Sunday, January 1, 2023**  
at 10:00am:  
Combined New Year's Day  
Worship Service

*Sunday school classes can  
discuss if they would like to meet  
on New Year's Day.*

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**MARK YOUR CALENDARS  
IMPORTANT PRESENTATION AND MEETING**

Based on the vote of the Cold Springs UMC Administrative Council on November 13<sup>th</sup> we are proceeding into the next phase of discernment regarding the future of the United Methodist Church and the potential for Cold Springs to disaffiliate from it. As part of this next phase a very important presentation will be made to the whole congregation on **January 31, 2023 at 6:30 pm in the church sanctuary.**

This presentation by Reverend Dan Pezet, the District Superintendent of the Western North Carolina Conference of the UMC, will provide you the opportunity to hear directly from church leadership its perspectives on the future of the UMC and, importantly, allow you the opportunity to ask questions of concern to you. This will be the only opportunity to have such a direct discussion with UMC leadership.

Why is this important? You, the congregation of Cold Springs UMC, will have the final say through voting in early 2023 to either stay or disaffiliate from the UMC. This presentation and Q&A session will be helpful for you to make an informed decision on such an important topic.

Looking forward to seeing you there.

Sincerely,  
Path Forward Task Force



## BEANIES FOR CANCER PATIENTS UPDATE

Church family,

On October 14, 80 beanies were delivered to both Albemarle and Concord cancer centers. One week after receiving these beanies, Concord called to tell us that all 80 beanies had been given out. We spent all of our free time crocheting, and Leeann Gainey and I were able to deliver 96 beanies to Concord on November 21! We have now donated 727 crocheted beanies, 80 sewed beanies, and 4 prayer shawls to these two cancer centers.

Thank you to Brenda Maxwell for helping crochet beanies for this ministry. Also, thank you to those of you who sewed beanies (Connie & June and those who helped you). To those of you who continue to support us by making donations of yarn and monetary donations to purchase yarn — thank you so much because we would not be able to make this many beanies without your generous donations.

Please continue to lift these patients in prayer.

Judy Allmon

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## ATTENTION: Parents of HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE SENIORS



**Class of  
2023**

If your child graduated from college in December 2022 or will graduate from high school/college in May/June 2023,

please contact Angela in the church office

[adminassist@coldspringsumc.org](mailto:adminassist@coldspringsumc.org) or 704-782-1811  
or Kelli Moser at [kmoser70@gmail.com](mailto:kmoser70@gmail.com) or 704-796-8700.

## Birthdays

**5**—LeAnne Barnhardt, Mike Daugherty

**8**—Jaxson Love

**9**—Lynne Georgevich

**11**—Yolanda Dunmire

**12**—Grayson Overbay

**17**—Garrett Overbay

**22**—Sara Beaver, Cori Love

**24**—Dustin Barnhardt, Ryley Gray

**28**—Tonya Caldwell, Jayden Hemphill

**31**—Brenda Long



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS  
& ANNIVERSARIES

## Anniversaries

**5**—John & Susan Caton

**9**—Richard & Yolanda Dunmire

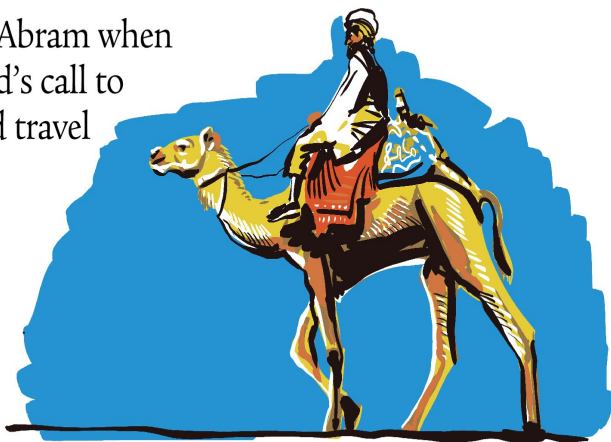


## Bible Quiz



How old was Abram when he followed God's call to leave Haran and travel to a new land?

- A. 25
- B. 50
- C. 75
- D. 100



# Puzzle!

Match the blocks of spaces and letters to complete an NIV Bible verse about an important commitment.



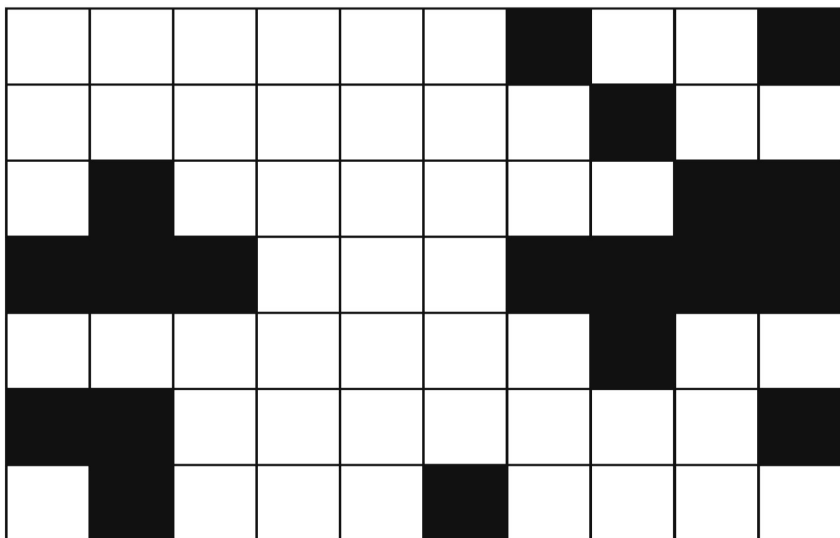
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Answer: Follow my example, as I follow the example of Christ. 1 Cor. 11:1

## Gifts & Memorials

### Needy Fund

In Memory of Bob Helms

By: Nancy Kluttz

In Memory of Ola Sells

By: Johnny & Paula Faggart

By: Nancy Kluttz

### Ministries of Cold Springs UMC

In Memory of Bob Helms

By: Larry & Donna Yencer

By: Metrolina Callers Association

In Memory of Mark Preddy

By: Carolyn Gordon, Johnny Gordon, &  
Johnnette Gordon Preddy

In Memory of Ola Sells

By: Carolyn Gordon, Johnny Gordon, &  
Johnnette Gordon Preddy

By: Gail Porter

By: Ricky & Cynthia Rahme

By: Kenneth & Lenora Barnhardt

In Memory of Vincent Hess

By: Nancy Kluttz

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*Our Christian sympathy is extended to the Jim Sells family upon the death of his mother, Ola Sells, on November 17, 2022. May the Spirit of the Living God continue to guide and direct this family.*



*Cold Springs United Methodist Men Meeting ~ The United Methodist Men will meet on Sunday, January 8, 2023 at 2:00 PM in the Charles Page Sunday School Classroom. We had a good meeting in December and hope all men, of any age, will join us as we try to re-organize this important organization of the church. Please plan to attend on Sunday, January 8 at 2:00 PM. ~Terry Bowers, Vice President UMM*



## Ordering the days

God spoke and created all that exists. He separated and ordered his creation. What did God say about all he made?

*Directions: Write the correct day of creation next to each clue. Then fill in the circled letters in order below to complete Genesis 1:31, NIV.*

<b>FIRST</b>	<b>SECOND</b>	<b>THIRD</b>	<b>FOURTH</b>	<b>FIFTH</b>	<b>SIXTH</b>
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God made wild animals and livestock.

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God said, "Let there be light."

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God gathered the waters under the sky into one place.

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God made a vault to separate the waters and called it "sky."

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God created plants and trees.

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God separated the light from the darkness.

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God made the water teem with living creatures.

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God made the sun and moon.

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God made birds fly above the earth.

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God made stars.

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God created mankind in his own image.

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**God \_aw all tha\_ he \_ad ma\_e, an\_ \_t was ve\_y g\_od.**

GENESIS 1:31, NIV

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YOUNG ADULT  
MINISTRY

*As a ministry to our college-age students attending college (and military), we periodically send gift cards to them to local fast-food restaurants so they can grab a "treat" on us and to let them know we are thinking and praying for them! If you would like to help support this ministry, please mark your contribution "college" and place in the offering plate or send to the church office. Your support is greatly appreciated!*



Check out our website:

[www.coldspringsumc.org](http://www.coldspringsumc.org)



*Online Ministries* tab has links to

 **YouTube**    Worship live @ 8:45am

**facebook**

 **PayPal**    *for online tithes & offerings*



M.Y. Heart's ministry is collecting supplies to make blessing bags for the homeless. These items include such things as pocket Bibles, travel shampoos, conditioners, soap, and other necessities. A green bin is located under the mailboxes in the hallway behind the sanctuary and in the narthex. A list of other items are located on the flyer at these collection bins. If you have questions about this new outreach, email Julie Love at [jaxandcb@yahoo.com](mailto:jaxandcb@yahoo.com). ***Our current needs for fall/winter: cold weather items such as toboggan hats, scarfs, thick socks, thermal underwear or white undershirts for men, gloves, and "hot hands".***



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Kannapolis, NC 28083  
704-305-9752

Betty Talley  
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Concord, NC 28025

*When sending prayer requests via email, please send them to [prayer@coldspringsumc.org](mailto:prayer@coldspringsumc.org) or submit them via the prayer request form on the church website. This will allow requests to still be sent out even when the church office is closed.*



REQUESTS  
— FOR —  
PRAYER



If you have an event/announcement you would like advertised in the newsletter and/or email, please provide information to the church office. The deadline for the newsletter is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month to be included in the following month's newsletter. Events/announcements may also be sent out via church wide email. The office phone #704-782-1811 and the church office email address is [adminassist@coldspringsumc.org](mailto:adminassist@coldspringsumc.org)

If you would like to be added to the church email group, please provide your email address to the office via a note in the offering plate or email/phone call to the church office.

### **Mt. Pleasant Food Ministry's** **Current needs:**

Canned Vegetables, Fresh or Instant Potatoes, Rice or Pasta, Crackers, Flour, and Dried Milk

Non-food items: Laundry Detergent, Shampoo, Face Soap, Toilet Tissue, Deodorant, Toothpaste, Diapers

The basket for donations to this food pantry is located in the hall behind the sanctuary beside the church mailboxes.



# Events At Cold Springs

# January 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
[1] 10:00am Combined Worship Service	[2] Office Closed 6:00pm M Avett's / g - Conf Rm #2	[3]	[4] 9:00am Bible Study - Conf Rm #2	[5] 6:00pm Communal Prayer - Sanctuary	[6]	[7] Scout Hut reserved - Cub Scouts
[8] 2:00pm Scout Hut reserved-Cub Scouts 2:00pm UMM - CPSSC 2:00pm Task Force - Conf Rm #2	[9]	[10] 6:00pm Finance mtg - Conf Rm #3	[11] 9:00am Bible Study - Conf Rm #2	[12]	[13]	[14]
[15] 2:00pm Scout Hut Reserved-Cub Scouts 2:00pm Task Force - Conf Rm #2 5:30pm Adm in Council mtg - KH <i>FOUNTAIN NEWS DUE</i>	[16]	[17]	[18] 9:00am Bible Study - Conf Rm #2	[19]	[20] KH reserved	[21] KH reserved
[22] 2:00pm Scout Hut reserved-Cub Scouts 2:00pm Task Force - Conf Rm #2	[23] 9:00am JOY - KH	[24]	[25] 9:00am Bible Study - Conf Rm #2	[26]	[27] KH reserved	[28] KH reserved
[29] 2:00pm Scout Hut reserved-Cub Scouts 2:00pm Task Force - Conf Rm #2	[30]	[31] 6:30pm Path Forward Informational meeting - Sanctuary				<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <b>Every Sunday:</b>            8:45am Contemporary Worship Service            10:05am Sunday School for ALL ages            11:00am Worship Service            4:00pm UMYF - Youth Room         </div>

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