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Jesus Is Holding You In His Arms So You Won't Be Frightened

By Pastor Don Ginkel

The Solomon Rosenberg family endured life together in a Nazi death camp. Not only were Solomon and his wife imprisoned, but their two children, Jacob and David, and Solomon's aged parents, too.

The first to die in the ovens were the grandparents. They were in their eighties and unable to work the long, grueling hours. Under Nazi policy, since they were unable to "earn" their livelihood in the camp, they forfeited their right to life! Solomon feared the next to go would be David, the youngest, who was slightly crippled. Every morning as members of the family went their separate ways, Solomon feared it might be the last time he would see David.

Upon returning "home" one day, his greatest fear had been realized. David was nowhere to be found. He quickly scanned the crowds of people and saw Jacob huddled in a corner crying.

"Where is David? Did they take David today?" he asked. "Yes," Jacob replied between sobs. "But where is mother? She was well. She could work. Where is she?" Jacob looked at his father with tears flowing from his cheeks.

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"Papa," he said, "they came for David, and he started to cry. And so Mother pleaded to go along, and they let her. I saw them go Papa. Mother was holding David in her arms so that he would not be frightened!"

This earthly story is a picture of what God did in a much greater way when He came to earth. The Baby "wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger" (Luke 2:12) comes for one reason - to die. Not to the ovens of Auschwitz, but to a cross to die for your sins. He comes to hold You in His arms so that when you walk through the valley of death, you will not be frightened (Psalm 23:4).

This is Christmas. He comes to bring life out of death. He opens the doors to heaven. He comes to say, "Do not be afraid. I hold you in My arms." The future is promised. "Heaven is your home!" "Glory to God in the highest..." (Luke 2:14).

BINGO! is the game!
Join us for Fun, Fellowship,
Snacks & Prizes

Wednesday's from 6pm to 8pm

January 11th

January 25th

February 8th

March 1st

March 22nd

March 29th

Schedule is subjected to change

Donations of simple prizes are
welcome.

Questions: Call Sally Trout
734-837-7729

Little Henry

took extra delight in the drum he received for Christmas. When the father arrived home from work, the mother said, "I don't think the man upstairs likes to hear Henry play his drum, but he's certainly subtle about it." "Just what do you mean?" the father asked. "Well," Henry's mother said, "this afternoon he gave Henry a knife and ask him if he knew what was inside the drum."

Random act of kindness

Think of one today that you will do this week. It'll make someone's day and your day, too!

Mt. Hope Preschool News

Thanks to our church and preschool families for bringing in so many toys for the Toys for Tots program!

Thank you for all the prayers and support.

Here are a few reminders:

Jan 9th - 8:30 am – School Resumes

Jan 16th – No School Staff Development

Feb 20th – 21st - No School Mid-Winter Break

March 27th – 31st - Spring Break

Reminder: Registration for 2023-2024 school year will begin in April. Flyers will be out middle of April.





Jan/Feb/Mar Birthdays

January

- 01 - Shawn Stamp
- 01 - Cathy Tavarez
- 13 - Alex Haney
- 17 - Nancy Nolan
- 20 - Claudia Wilson
- 23 - Keri Driscoll
- 24 - Ryan Driscoll
- 26 - Jesse Ladach
- 26 - Jordan Ladach
- 27 - Kevin Brown
- 30 - Linda Panich

February

- 01 - Robert Glover
- 04 - Carolyn Kimbrough
- 05 - Cameron Driscoll
- 07 - Paul Utcai
- 13 - Joshua Haney
- 15 - Sis Hamilton
- 16 - Donna McCall
- 16 - Katrina Rotondo
- 19 - Morgan Hudson
- 21 - Kayla Cox
- 21 - Ken Kosmalski
- 23 - Sandy Cairns
- 26 - Glenn Cairns

March

- 03 - Frank Pignanelli
- 10 - Marie Brown
- 16 - Pat Bates

Jan/Feb/Mar Anniversaries

January

- 30 - Ken & Joyce Kosmalski

February

- 14 - Cheryl Toms & Spouse

Quilting Group

By: Bev Kero & Ruth Pollatz

Another successful year of quilting being blessed by God's Grace to be a blessing to others.

7 -10 ladies meet 3 Thursdays a month to prepare quilts and share food, fun, and fellowship.

Last year many quilts were delivered to Focus Hope in Pontiac where many people in great need go to receive assistance for their physical, mental and spiritual needs. The program gives new direction to the participants and our ladies keep them warm with the quilts.

We also share during quilting a short devotion that bring us closer to our Lord.

Bring something to share as we eat lunch!

Donations of clean used sheets and material are always welcome.

If there is inclement weather, we will contact you.

If you have a question call either Bev Kero (313-330-3057) or Ruth Pollatz (734-306-8720).

Invite your friends and introduce them to the others!

The future dates for quilting are:

January 5, 12, 19

February 2, 16, 23

March 2, 16, 23

All dates are 10am to 2pm

Official Acts

Memorial for Shirley Ripke

General Fund:
Ernest & Dawn Halfacer



February 22, 2023 @ 7pm

An Elderly. . .

woman had just returned home from an evening at a church service when she was startled by an intruder. She caught him in the act of robbing her home of valuables and yelled: "Stop! Acts 2:38!" (Repent and be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven). The burglar stopped in his tracks. The woman calmly called the police and explained what she had done. As the officer cuffed the man to take him in, he asked the burglar, "Why did you just stand there? All the old lady did was yell Scripture at you." "Scripture?" replied the burglar. "She said she had an ax and two 38's!"

Three big words

We often hear people say, "Oh, my God!" We wish they wouldn't say that. However, among the many other things we will say when we get to heaven will be: "OH, MY GOD!"

THANK YOU FROM PASTOR AND RUTH POLLATZ

A special thank you to all the family of Mount Hope for their greetings that were sent and gifts given over Christmas.

Most especially for the opportunity to serve you and continue to build God's Kingdom here at Mount Hope.

Pastor and Ruth are very thankful for each of you as we share God's mission together here in Allen Park.

A BLESSED NEW YEAR TO ALL!!

Stats

Seven out of 10 kids will end up walking away from the church after they turn 18. About five of those seven will return when they have families of their own one day, but two will never come back.

How do we turn this trend around? What is the one thing we can provide that will satisfy our kids and keep them connected to the church? The answer is the Gospel. Heart transformation can only take place when a child experiences the Gospel.

THE WORD WORKS (SAVE THE DATE)

BUILDING AND ETHIC OF BIBLE READING
A CONFERENCE FOR LAITY AND CHURCH
WORKERS TOGETHER FEBRUARY 4, 2023



Christmas Party 2022 With Mt. Hope
Preschool



Youth Christmas Party at Circuit Youth
Group.



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Rainbow of Mount Hope

Reminders

Quilting: Twice a month Thursday at 10:00 am.
See Page 3 for dates

Council Meeting: The second Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm

Elder's Meeting: The second Tuesday of the month at 6:30pm

Service Times

Sunday 9:30 am

*Bible Study -
Right after Service*

Newsletter Deadline for Apr/May/June is Mar 20 at noon

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