



Pastor and First Lady Hackett

QUESTION: "THE FRUIT OF THE HOLY SPIRIT - WHAT IS SELF-CONTROL?"

Answer: The last characteristic listed in Galatians 5:22-23 as a fruit of the Spirit is self-control. The fruit of the Spirit is the change in our character that comes about because of the Holy Spirit's work in us. We do not become a Christian on our own, and we cannot grow on our own. Philippians 2:13 says that "it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure." Every good thing we do is the fruit of the Spirit's work in our lives.

Self-control ("temperance" in the KJV) is, of course, the ability to control oneself. It involves moderation, constraint, and the ability to say "no" to our baser desires and fleshly lusts.

One of the proofs of God's working in our lives is the ability to control our own thoughts, words, and actions. It's not that we are naturally weak-willed. But our fallen nature is under the influence of sin. The Bible calls it being a "slave to sin" (Romans 6:6). One definition of sin is "filling a legitimate need through illegitimate means." Without the power of the Holy Spirit, we are incapable of knowing and choosing how best to meet our needs. Even if we knew what would be best, such as not smoking, another need, like comfort, would take precedence and enslave us again.

When we are saved by Christ's sacrifice, we are free (Galatians 5:1). That liberty includes, among other things, freedom from sin. "Our old self was crucified with him so that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves to sin" (Romans 6:6). Now, as the Spirit gives us self-control, we can refuse sin.

Believers need self-control because the outside world and internal forces still attack (Romans 7:21-25). Like

a vulnerable city, we must have defenses. A wall around an ancient city was designed to keep out the enemy. Judges at the gates determined who should be allowed in and who should remain outside. Soldiers and gates enforced those decisions. In our lives, these defenses might include avoiding close relationships with sinners, meeting with other believers, and meditating on the life-giving Word of God. We don't exhibit self-control if we continually dally with that which would enslave us.

Self-control naturally leads to perseverance (2 Peter 1:6) as we value the long-term good instead of the instant gratification of the world. Self-control is a gift that frees us. It frees us to enjoy the benefits of a healthy body. It frees us to rest in the security of good stewardship. It frees us from a guilty conscience. Self-control restricts the indulgence of our foolish desires, and we find the liberty to love and live as we were meant to.

Article from GotQuestions.org



MARCH = A MONTH FOR JOY!!!

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7	8 Joystene Yarbrough	9 William Toney	10 Shatasia Beason Dianna Arnold	11 George Armstrong	12	13
14 <i>Daylight Savings Time Begins</i> SPRING FORWARD	15	16 Timothy Studdard	17 <i>St. Patrick's Day</i>	18 Tim Burns, Jr.	19 Deonta Burns Laronte Ivory	20 <i>First Day of Spring</i>
21 Walter Ellis, Sr.	22 Mary Montgomery	23 Sebra Brown Nyshawnda Evans Ruby Wilson	24	25 Kwame Adams Glen Smith	26	27 Ella Leslie Patricia Smith Laverne Whitehurst
28 <i>Holy Week Begins - Palm Sunday</i> Nathan Garrison	29 Rick Johnson	30	31 Sarah Brutley Raymond Spalding	 <i>March</i>		

A breath of fresh prayer

Norwegian theologian Ole Hallesby described prayer as simply letting God into our lives. God “knocks,” he said, “not only in the solemn hours of secret prayer” but “in the midst of your daily work, your daily struggles, your daily grind ... when you need him most.”



Prayer, added Hallesby, is as essential to life as air. “As impossible as it is for us to take a breath in the morning large enough to last us until noon, so impossible is it to pray in the morning in such a way as to last us until noon,” he said. “Let your prayers ascend to [God] constantly, audibly or silently, as circumstances throughout the day permit.”



March Dates

- World Day of Prayer, March 5, 2021
- Daylight-Saving Time begins, March 14, 2021
- First day of spring, March 20, 2021
- Holy Week, March 28 – April 4, 2021
- Palm/Passion Sunday, March 28, 2021

NEWS FROM THE PEWS!!!

Celebrating 87 years with Joy



Sister Angela Cooper (Front Row- Center) pictured with celebrants for her 87th Birthday

Praise God for another year of life!!!
 Sis. Angela Cooper. 87th Happy Birthday Drive-By. Given by her daughter Elizabeth and family. Her Birthday was February 12th. The Drive-By took place on Saturday Feb. 13th



Sunday School Lessons At-a-Glance

by Mark S. Hahlen

Quarter At A Glance

They were a combination of preacher, whistleblower, and counselor—they were **the prophets of the Old Testament era**. They warned people who had turned away from the Lord; and they encouraged the faithful to remain faithful. From time to time, they fortified their calls by foretelling the future intent and plans of the sovereign God.

Words of Faithfulness

The lessons of Unit 1 highlight the faithfulness of God, who reveals to his people their need to be faithful to Him. Lesson 1 recounts Moses' foretelling of a prophet whom God would raise up within Israel to speak the Lord's words to them. Israel's necessary response would be to obey the prophet. These words anticipate the line of prophets God would send, culminating in the ultimate prophet, Jesus Christ (see Acts 3:17–26).

The faithfulness of Israel in response to the Lord's faithfulness was on display in the conquest of Jericho, lesson 2. In lesson 3, God shows his faithfulness to Josiah, the king of Judah, who had wisely and humbly consulted a true prophet. The unit's final study, lesson 4, focuses on the faithful prophet Elijah, who courageously confronted Ahab, the king of Israel, for forsaking the Lord in favor of the Baals.

Unit 1: Faithful Prophets

- ☐ **March 7 - Lesson 1** - Moses: Prophet of Deliverance - Deuteronomy 18:15–22
- ☐ **March 14 - Lesson 2** - Joshua: Prophet of Conquest - Joshua 5:13–6:5, 15–16, 20
- ☐ **March 21 - Lesson 3** - Huldah: Prophet of Wisdom - 2 Kings 22:14–20
- ☐ **March 28 - Lesson 4** - Elijah: Prophet of Courage - 1 Kings 18:5–18

We believe that the Sunday School Ministry helps the church in reaching the lost, in edifying the saved, and raising up spiritually healthy disciples for Jesus Christ .

Pastor Hackett

Black History Month 2021

Theme: The Black Family: Representation, Identity, and Diversity

As with most activities at Greater Salem for the past 12 months, The Annual Black History Month observance was significantly different and quite creative. In addition to information on great Black Inventors/inventions, We were treated to information on historical accomplishments of two Greater Sailemites. Pastor Hackett delivered the info on each Sunday in February.

On Sunday, February 21st, we were reintroduced to the late Dorothy Cross Winston, who had the distinction of being the first African-American to be hired by the Kentucky Education Association following the merger of the Black and White organizations.

The NAAA, Notable Kentucky African Americans database reported this fact thusly:

Cross, Dorothy Mae - (1943 - 1996)

Dorothy Cross, was the first African American hired by the Kentucky Education Association (KEA) in Frankfort, KY. The education associations in Kentucky were segregated until May 1956 when the [Kentucky Negro Educational Association \(KNEA\)](#) was subsumed by the [Kentucky Education Association \(KEA\)](#). The KNEA Conference and meetings had been held in Louisville. All of that ended in 1956 when the organization only was subsumed, which did not include the officers, or the members, or the structure, procedures, conferences, or literature. About a decade after KNEA was done away with (1956-1965), the first African American hired by KEA was Dorothy Cross, who at the time was a 22 year old senior at Kentucky State College [now [Kentucky State University](#)]. She was majoring in education, and Dorothy Cross was to serve as editorial assistant and associate editor of the [KEA Journal](#). Cross, from Hopkinsville, KY, was a graduate of Attucks High School, and as a college student was a member of the student council, Alpha Kappa Mu Honorary Society, and Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. She was to start her new job the day after she graduated from Kentucky State College. In 1974, Dorothy Cross was still editor of the *Kentucky School Journal* (formerly the *KEA Journal*) [source: [Gebbie House Magazine Directory](#), 1974]. Dorothy Mae Cross Winston died in 1996.

She was born in Todd County, KY, and was the daughter of Mae Meriwether and John W. Cross [Source: Ancestry]. The family later lived in Hopkinsville, KY. **Dorothy Mae Cross was the wife of LeRoy Winston** and the couple lived in Louisville, KY. For more see "Kentucky Education Assn. hires first Negro," [Jet](#), vol. 28, issue 6 (05/20/1965), p. 14; "Kentucky group hires 1st Negro," [Washington Post Times Herald](#), 05/06/1965, p. A2.; and "Cross-Winston" in the *Courier-Journal*, 05/16/1972, p.19.

Willie Glover

Another historical figure among our GSBC family distinguished himself by providing an outlet for lovers of Gospel music. He is now serving as a Deacon here at Greater Salem. WAVE TV3 did a "Black History Makers" feature story on him on Wednesday, February 23rd.

WAVE3 writer, Phylcia Ashley, provide details as follows:

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (WAVE) - The tunes of a local record store started flowing through the West Louisville community in the 1980s.

Mr. Tees Record Store was the spot for local artists to find their beats and where gospel legends passed through the aisles.

Willie Glover knows almost every tune of the gospel, from Douglas Miller, to his very own as the lead singer of the group Archie Dale and the Tones of Joy.

"We never could come up with a solid hit record," Glover said. In 1985, he opened Mr. Tees Record Store, bringing hits to the shelves to make a living.

"The life of a music store is new music," Glover said. "If you can get new music and get it first, then you can make some money."

The boom of the internet and downloads beat Glover to the punch every time in the late 1990s and early 2000s. That forced him to pack up the vinyls in 2002, but not before inspiring others to find their voices, like WLOU host Krystal Goodner Spratt.

"Everyone knew about Mr. Tees," she said. "We would listen to gospel music, then hear a song on 1240 LOVE and then WLLV. We would travel down there on Broadway and you'd go in there and get the feeling of physically putting your hands on the tapes and albums."

This is the message we must proclaim daily to this world through our faith, by our words and with our deeds of service unto Jesus Christ our Lord.



Glover said for him it's all about the gospel because of its message and its passion. He said it's the music we need for the current times of division in the world, growing crime and lasting pain.

"The answers are not far from us; it's near," Glover said. "It's in our hearts and on our lips, the gospel of Jesus Christ."

Glover said he still feels the cadence and pitch of the gospel legends who inspired him, like Shirley Caesar, Joe Ligon and the Mighty Clouds of Joy.

When it comes to feeling his own spirit, Glover said it never leaves you, adding that he hopes to create music again soon."

Deacon Glover is married to Greater Sailemite Patricia Glover.

HEALTH NOTES FOR MARCH 2021

From the Nurses Ministry

IMPORTANCE OF HEALTH SCREENINGS

Although it's cold outside and we continue in a coronavirus pandemic, it's important to get your health screenings to catch any disease in the early and most treatable stage. Don't put them off because waiting too long can mean more serious complications. Keep in touch with your doctor or nurse practitioner to determine how often you need these screenings to maintain your health .

Screenings for men and women	Screenings for women	Screenings for men
Blood Pressure Cholesterol Colorectal Cancer Dental Exam Diabetes Screening Eye Exam HIV Immunizations Lung Cancer Physical Exam Glaucoma and eye disease	Breast Cancer Cervical Cancer Osteoporosis Screening	Prostate Cancer Testicular Cancer

HAVE A HEALTHY HEART!



During the month of February we celebrated Hearts - Valentines Day and Heart Health Month. Keeping your heart healthy is the key to your overall health. A healthy lifestyle is important at any age, from childhood to older adult. A few key decisions can give your heart that extra attention and lower your odds of a heart attack, heart disease, or stroke.

Eat Heart-Healthy

Certain foods have nutritional superpowers when it comes to your heart. These include fruits like berries and oranges; lean fish like salmon and mackerel; veggies like spinach, carrots, and tomatoes;

nuts and seeds; oats; and beans. Work more of these into your diet, and your heart will be better for it.

Watch the Salt

Your body needs sodium, but as little as 500 milligrams per day is enough. You should have no more than 1,500 per day because too much sodium -- which mostly comes from salt -- can lead to high blood pressure and raise your chances of having a stroke or heart disease. One good way to control how much you're getting is to check the labels on packaged foods.

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(Continued from page 5) **March Health Notes**

Replace Saturated Fats

They can raise your cholesterol and can cause fatty buildup around your arteries. Too much saturated fat can also make them harder and narrower. (Your doctor may call that atherosclerosis.) But a few small substitutions can make a big difference. For example, go with liquid vegetable oils over tropical oils, low-fat dairy products over the full-fat variety, and poultry or beans instead of red meat.

Get Moving

Regular exercise can help slow your heart rate, lower your blood pressure, and help oxygen move through your body. As little as 30 minutes of activity a day can make a big difference. Things like gardening or taking a brisk walk are good, easy options. You don't even have to do the entire 30 minutes at once. Three activities of 10 minutes each work just as well.

Manage other health conditions

Taking care of your heart means taking care of issues that can cause problems for it. Those include diabetes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol, and sleep disorders like sleep apnea. Follow your doctor's treatment plans, and take any medication exactly as prescribed.

Keep an Eye on Your Numbers

Conditions like high blood pressure and diabetes can affect your heart without any noticeable symptoms. And your weight and cholesterol numbers can go up slowly over time. Those affect your heart, too. Get your annual physical. Talk to -- and listen to -- your doctor, especially when it comes to catching early signs of trouble and doing something about them.

More:

Stay a Healthy Weight - Quit Smoking (Or don't start) – Drink in Moderation (Or not at all) – Ease Stress – Sleep well.

Resources: www.cdc.gov; www.webmd.com/healthyaging; www.medlineplus.gov;



Masks Needed ASAP !!!



Greater Salem is participating in the effort to provide required masks for the students of Jefferson County Public Schools as the schools begin to re-open on-site. You can bring your masks for donation to the GSBC and they will be delivered to local school sites such as the Coleridge -Taylor Montessori Academy, Roosevelt-Perry Elementary and Central High Schools. (Kid Sizes to Adult sizes needed)

You can drop off your masks at GSBC, 1009 W Chestnut Street, on Monday through Friday from 10AM–2PM. You can also bring them to Worship Services on Sunday from 11:15AM–12:30PM. Masks will be collected throughout the month of March.

For Details - Contact the Church Office (502-587-8869) and/or Deacon Merrill !!!

News from the Youth and Family Ministry / 6-8 Year Old Class



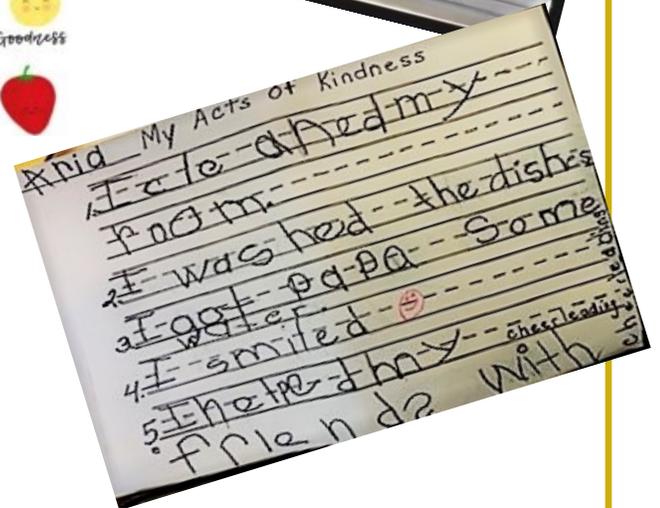
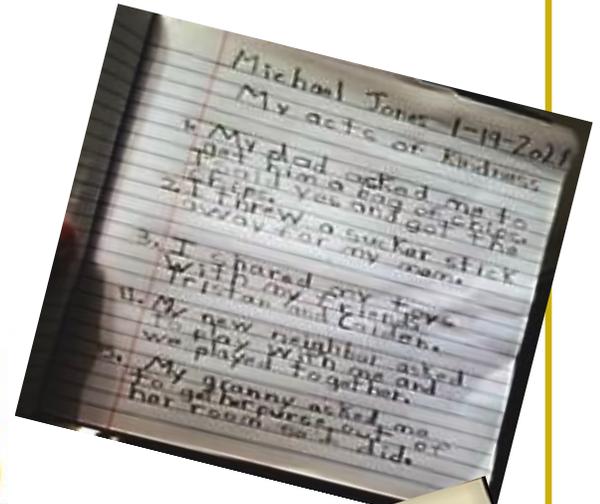
The 6-8 Year Old Bible Study has been studying. "The Fruit of The Spirit" for the month of February and March. Their homework for February was to show 5 ways of Kindness to Family and Friends. **Ephesians 4:32** - And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

MJ- Michael Jones - Acts of Kindness

1. My dad asked me to get him a bag of chips. I said yes and I got the chips.
2. I threw a sucker stick away for my mom.
3. I shared my toys with my friends. Tristan and Caiden.
4. My new neighbor asked to play with me and we played together.
5. My granny (Weddie Pitts) asked me to get her purse out of her room, so I did.

Aria Smith-Turner—Acts of Kindness

1. I cleaned my room.
2. I helped my Great-Great wash the dishes.
3. I got my Papa (Zel Fleming) some water.
4. I smiled Behind my mask.
5. I helped my friends with cheerleading.



We encourage you to join Youth Bible Study every 1st and 2nd Wednesday of each month 7:00-7:30 pm

[https://us05web.zoom.us/j/4825671779?](https://us05web.zoom.us/j/4825671779?pwd=NIhhZ3B1cEFKYXVhYzB3N3lZSzdKUT09)
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Give God a 1/2 hour of your time. 😊 Looking forward to seeing you

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Name Christopher Fleming - Acts of Kindness
Date 2/17/2021

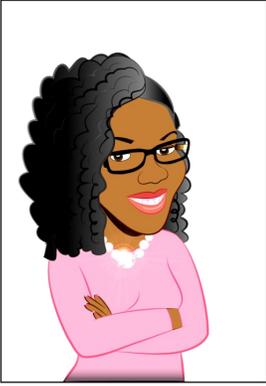
1. Shared my popcorn with my Granny "M"
2. Pulled the chair out for my mom
3. Helped put away the milk in the fridge

of Kindness

Date 2/17/2021

1. Peeled an orange for my Granny "M"
2. Saying please and thank you
3. Carried paper bags to the recycle bin for my mom
4. Took my mom her phone when it was ringing
5. Held the door for my Granny "M". and Said "ladies





Question: "The Fruit of the Holy Spirit – What is patience?"

From Got Questions

Answer: There are two Greek words translated as "patience" in the New Testament. *Hupomonē* means "a remaining under," as when one bears up under a burden. It refers to steadfastness in difficult circumstances.

Makrothumia, which is used in [Galatians 5:22](#), is a compound formed by *makros* ("long") and *thumos* ("passion" or "temper"). "Patience" in [Galatians 5:22](#) literally means "long temper," in the sense of "the ability to hold one's temper for a long time." The KJV translates it "longsuffering." A patient person is able to endure much pain and suffering without complaining. A patient person is slow to anger as he waits for God to provide comfort and punish wrongdoing. Since it is a fruit of the Spirit, we can only possess *makrothumia* through the power and work of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

Patience comes from a position of power. A person may have the ability to take revenge or cause trouble, but patience brings self-restraint and careful thinking. Losing patience is a sign of weakness. We are patient through trying situations out of hope for a coming deliverance; we are patient with a trying person out of compassion. We choose to love that person and want what's best for him.

As the Spirit produces patience in us, He is making us more Christlike. [Second Thessalonians 3:5](#) speaks of the "patience of Christ" (ASV). Christ is even now patiently awaiting the completion of the Father's plan: after Jesus "had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God. Since that time he waits for his enemies to be made his footstool" ([Hebrews 10:12-13](#)). We should be patient, even as He is patient.

God is patient with sinners. [Romans 2:4](#) says that God's patience leads to our repentance. [Romans 9:22](#) points out that only God's patience prevents Him from destroying "the objects of his wrath." Paul glorifies the Lord for His "unlimited patience" that saved him, "the worst of sinners" ([1 Timothy 1:16](#)). Peter highlights the patience of God in [1 Peter 3:20](#), pointing out that God had immense patience with the evil people of Noah's day, delaying judgment as long as possible ([Genesis 6](#)). Today, "our Lord's patience gives people time to be saved" ([2 Peter 3:15](#), NLT).

James urges believers to be patient and not to complain as we wait for Jesus to return. James holds up the prophets as models of patience ([James 5:7-11](#)). The Old Testament prophets ceaselessly spoke God's Word to unheeding and abusive audiences. Jeremiah

was thrown into a cistern ([Jeremiah 38:1-16](#)), Elijah was so worn out from his fight with Jezebel that he wanted to die ([1 Kings 19:1-8](#)), and Daniel was thrown into the lion's den—by a king who was his friend ([Daniel 6:16-28](#)). While God delayed judgment, Noah prophesied of the coming destruction, and in 120 years did not have a single convert ([2 Peter 2:5](#)).

The opposite of patience is agitation, discouragement, and a desire for revenge. God does not want His children to live in agitation but in peace ([John 14:27](#)). He wants to dispel discouragement and replace it with hope and praise ([Psalm 42:5](#)). We are not to avenge ourselves; rather, we are to love others ([Romans 12:19](#); [Leviticus 19:18](#)).

God is patient, and His Spirit produces the fruit of patience in us. When we are patient, we leave room for God to work in our hearts and in our relationships. We lay down our schedule and trust in God's. We thank the Lord for what and whom He's brought into our lives. We let God be God.

<https://www.gotquestions.org/fruit-Holy-Spirit-patience.html>

Submitted by Denise Zellars

9 SERVINGS OF FRUIT FOR THE SPIRIT

BY: Denise L. B. Zellars

If we have real **Peace** then we definitely have faith in the Awesome God — the Prince of Peace, Christ Jesus our Lord.

He provides peace and He won't give us peace without first giving us **Love**. His Love is overwhelming and His Holy Spirit indwells every believer in Him.

We can then boldly proclaim His Gospel Truth with an unfathomable **Joy** within. We therefore hope that everyone can know and experience our Good Lord. He is righteous, holy, comforting, forgiving and patient towards us; He blesses us with love and **Patience** towards one another. We can all experience acts of **Kindness** every day as we share in His **Goodness**. God is our only constant and He blesses us with **Generateness** and enables us to have **Self-Control** when living in this fallen world.

While this world is temporary, His Love is everlasting and His **Faithfulness** endures through all generations (*See Fruit of the Spirit in Galatians 5:22-23, Psalm 117:2 & John 15:1-17*).

Be Encouraged, there is more fruit to come for His elect — our Heavenly Father promises much fruit.

I'm glad....

Blessings,
-Denise

Opportunities to Be in the Presence of God through the Study of His Word, Prayer, and with Regular Worship while maintaining Social Distance!!!

- ⇒ *Sunday Worship services are now streamed online on Facebook live at 11:15 A.M. and then made available for viewing later on the Greater Salem Website: greatersalembaptist.org or the Greater Salem Facebook page.*
- ⇒ *The weekly Bible study led by Pastor Hackett continues on Facebook Live **every Wednesday except the 4th Wednesday** at 6:00 PM and can be viewed later on the Greater Salem website or Facebook Page.*
- ⇒ *Bro. LeRoy Winston & Sis. Rosa Battle will be leading the weekly Wednesday Prayer Service at 12 noon via conference call. The conference call information is as follows: Dial (978) 990-5000 and when prompted enter Access Code: 703263#*
- ⇒ *You can join in with Min. Kern Richardson, Sister Sara Toney and all classes for the weekly Sunday School lesson via conference call at 9:30 AM on Sundays. Just call 978-990-5000 and when prompted enter the access code 721799#*
- ⇒ *Sis. Tanisha Hackett is facilitating the Women's Ministry's Bible Study . They will hold classes via Conference Call. They will meet on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays at 10:15 AM. For Audio only please call 978-990-5000, access code 703263# to be a part of the class. If you'd prefer audio and video go online at <https://join.freeconferencecall.com/tanishahackett> . All women, ages 18 and over, are welcome. If you have questions, please contact Sis. Tanisha Hackett at tanisha.hackett@gmail.com*
- ⇒ *Pastor Hackett and Deacon George Johnson will facilitate Men's Bible Study by Conference call on the 2nd, 3rd, 4th and 5th Saturday of each month at 10:00 AM. The dial-in number is (978) 990-5432—The access code is 3331448#*
- ⇒ *Rev. Hall and Sister Mary Stoddard will be leading the weekly Friday Bible Study via conference call at 11:30 am. The conference call information is as follows: Dial (978) 990-5000 and when prompted enter Access Code: 703263#*
- ⇒ *Tithes and offering can be delivered to the church on weekdays between 10 AM and 2:00 PM. They can be given to the Deacons on duty (587-8869) or placed in the mail slot (after hours). You can also send them to Greater Salem Baptist Church at 1009 W Chestnut Street, Louisville 40203. Call 587-8869 if you need someone to pick-up your tithes and offerings.*
- ⇒ *If you'd like to take the Lord's Supper, you can do so on every first Sunday of the month. It will be served by the Deacons on the parking lot as well as in the Sanctuary. Please drive through to be served. (As always, remember to maintain a proper Social Distance)*
- ⇒ *You can get a paper copy of the GoodNewsLetter via mail by contacting the church at 587-8869 and leave your name and address.*
- ⇒ *Check with Youth Leaders Mona Fleming, Lynn Fleming are leading the 6-8 youth classes on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday. Go to <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/5993844666?pwd=QW9JTGprdzY1OG12aXd0V202UW50dz09> Password: 8420 .*
- ⇒ *For Teens Bible study: Contact Renita Ennels regarding Zoom Meetings at TOPIC: Renita Ennels' Zoom Meeting, Time: 07:00 PM -Join Zoom Meeting at <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4569077761?pwd=WjgveENIMmhNU25nempWRHQzWEZIUT09>, Meeting ID: 456 907 7761 Passcode: JY8LRQ*



PUZZLE

BIRDS IN THE WORD

The Bible mentions many kinds of birds. How many have you seen?

Directions: Unscramble the bird names, using the Bible references and pictures as clues. Then insert the final unscrambled bird name to complete the passage below.

-  VDEO _____ (Genesis 8:8)
-  LWO _____ (Psalm 102:6)
-  GEELA _____ (Isaiah 40:31)
-  TOKRS _____ (Jeremiah 8:7)
-  APROSWRS _____

“Are not five _____ sold for two pennies? Yet not one of them is forgotten by God. ... Don’t be afraid; you are worth more than many _____.”

LUKE 12:6-7, NIV

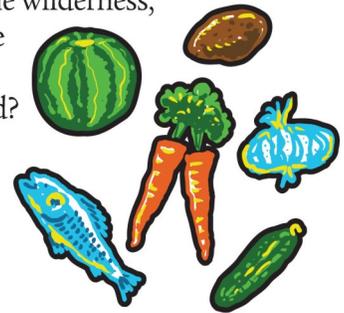
Got any gluten-free vegan options?



Bible Quiz

As the Israelites wandered in the wilderness, they longingly remembered some of the foods they’d had in Egypt. Which foods were not mentioned?

- A. carrots and potatoes
- B. onions and garlic
- C. fish and leeks
- D. melons and cucumbers



Answer: (See Numbers 11:4-6.)



Christian Symbol

CROSS OF TRIUMPH

Also known as the Cross of Victory, this cross symbolizes Christ’s final triumph and his reign throughout the earth. The Cross of Triumph is often depicted atop Jesus’ scepter when he’s shown in his kingly office.



FOR THE BIRDS

Display this recycled craft to care for feathered friends.



What you need:

- Peanut butter or vegetable shortening
- Plastic knife
- Empty toilet paper tube
- Bird seed
- A plate
- String

What you do:

1. Spread peanut butter or vegetable shortening on the tube, covering the entire outside surface.
2. Pour bird seed on a plate and roll the tube in the seeds.
3. Thread string through the tube and tie it to make a loop.
4. Hang the bird feeder outside. When seeds are eaten, coat the roll again.



FROM THE EVANGELISM MINISTRY—SHARE THIS PAGE

After Death, What???

How many times have you looked into a casket, seen the face of the deceased, and listened to the following statements: “He sure has suffered, but he is better off now” or “She is at peace, never to suffer anymore.”?

Dear reader, if the deceased had accepted Christ as Lord and Savior and had been born again, these are correct statements. The Apostle Paul said this of Christians: “therefore we are always confident, knowing that whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: (for we walk by faith, not by sight:). We are confident, I say and willing rather to be absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.” 2nd Corinthians 5: 6 - 8.

However, if the deceased died in a lost spiritual condition, his troubles have just begun. The instant his soul leaves his body, it goes directly to hell to burn forever and ever. “The wicked shall be turned into hell, and all the nations that forget God.” (Psalm 9: 17). The Bible says that hell is a place “where their worm dies not, and the fire is not quenched.” (Mark 9: 48). Listen to the voice of the rich man crying out from hell: “and it came to pass, that the beggar man died, and was carried by the Angels into Abraham’s bosom: the rich man also died, and was buried; and in hell he lifted up his eyes, being in torments, and seeth Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. And he cried and said, Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus, that he may dip the tip of his finger in water, and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.” (Luke 16: 22- 24).

Perhaps someone looked at the face of this rich man as he was prepared for burial, And remarked that he was at peace now, never to suffer anymore. How wrong their statement would have been! As they were saying beautiful words over his body, his soul was screaming from the pits of hell. Suffering does not end at death for a lost person. After 10,000,000 years of eternity, he will still be burning. If you are spiritually lost and die in that condition, then you too will be doomed to a burning hell.

You might wonder what you must do to escape this torment in hell. The answer is the same one that Jesus gave to Nicodemus. “Jesus answered and said unto him, verily, verily, I say unto thee, except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God.” (John 3:3). Just as you were born physically, you must be born spiritually to reach the portals of heaven. “Jesus said unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the father, but by me.” (John 14:6).

You are not promised another day on this earth. Tomorrow might be too late. Now is the time to do something about your lost condition. “...For He saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of Salvation have I succored thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of Salvation ...” (2nd Corinthians 6:2). Right now, while there is still life in your body, will you repent of your sins and call upon Jesus Christ to come into your heart and save your soul? “That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God has raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved ... For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.” (Romans 10: 9, 13). “but as many as received him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name.” (John 1: 12). The decision is yours. Where will your soul be when they are preaching your funeral? Your life might end before another hour passes and your soul will be somewhere for eternity. Will you receive Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior and be confident of everlasting life in heaven?

If you will accept Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior, please pray this prayer with all your heart: “Dear God, I admit I'm a sinner, going to hell. I know that I cannot save myself. I repent of my sins and put my faith in the blood that you shed for me on the cross to pay for all my sins. I now accept you as my savior and trust you to take me to heaven. Thank you for saving me. Amen.”

Submitted by Deacon Marshall Merrill

If you need to talk to someone about this, you can contact the Church office at 502-587-8869 and speak with Deacon Merrill or a member of the Evangelism Team!!!

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ONE HEART AT A TIME - ONE FAMILY AT A TIME**



WHAT HAVE WE LEARNED?

A POEM FOR PALM SUNDAY

Written by Loyd C. Taylor, Sr. (3/29/2015)

They Shouted with Praises, reaching the sky
Pushing and shoving to see Jesus pass by.
Crying, "Hosanna. Hosanna, glory to the King!
He comes to us today, Great Joy He doth bring."

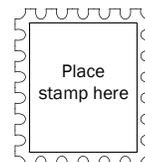
They threw down palm leaves, covering the way.
Making Clear a path for Him to travel that day.
Raising joyful voices, as praises filled the air,
Their day had come, God answered prayer!

But, in a short time they changed their chant,
From joyful noise, to a mob's hate-filled rant.
From Hosanna, hosanna, as when He was praised.
To crucify Him! Crucify Him, as their anger blazed!

In disbelief we might question why they turned?
But Maybe the question is,
"What have we learned?"

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