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FEATURES

- 2 Bedrooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- 2024 Manufactured Home
- 2.81 Acres
- Open concept
- Indoor laundry
- Stainless steel appliances
- 3 car Garage/ Shop
- Two Storage sheds
- Mature oak trees
- Covered front porch
- Not located in a flood zone!

LISTED AT
\$350,000



NEW PRICE

12406 GREEN GULF BLVD.
PUNTA GORDA, FL 33955, MLS# A4677392



FEATURES

- 3 Bedroom
- 2 Bathroom
- 2 car garage
- 2,010 total SQFT
- .22 acre lot
- 2024 CB build
- Furnished
- Well & Septic
- Corner lot
- Near shopping, dining, boating and entertainment

REDUCED TO
\$299,000



9930 SE HOTH RD.
ARCADIA, FL 34266, MLS#A4678911



FEATURES

- 4 Bedrooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- Large shop
- Finished shop
- office breakroom and bathroom
- 10 acres
- Pond
- Chicken coop
- Barn
- Carport
- At the end of the road

LISTED AT
\$699,000



4527 SE HIGHWAY 70.
ARCADIA, FL 34266, MLS#A4667117



FEATURES

- 3 Bedrooms
- 2 Bathrooms
- Bonus room
- 3100+/- Sq Ft
- Exposed beams/ high ceilings
- Terrazzo floors
- Wood burning fireplace
- Dedicated dining room
- 2 car garage + detached shop
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- Newer upgrades & Utility items
- 2022 roof

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Peace River SHOPPER

DeSoto County's Weekly Publication

FEBRUARY 10, 2026

The Arcadia Community Local Distribution Locations

Ace Hardware	DeSoto Memorial Hospital
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Arcadia Discount Liquor	Family Care Medical Center
Arcadia Do-It-Best Hardware	Ft. Ogden Post Office
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- Copy and graphics for ads requiring design: Wednesdays, 5pm
- Classified Ads: Thursdays, 5pm

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20 acres, zoned A-10 (agriculture), previous a blueberry farm. Bonus with the acreage is a 2010 3 BR 2 BA doublewide M-H. This home has a metal roof and brand new central air and heat unit. The kitchen has appliances and a large breakfast bar. There is an adjacent dining area to easily sit 6-8 diners. The bedrooms are split plat with a roomy Primary bedroom with sitting area and a private bath with both a tub and separate shower. Wonderful rear porch that is screened and overlooks the vast acreage. There is already a pond for your animals, a HUGE open pole barn and a nearby "greenhouse" and other storage areas. If, down the road, you might like to build your custom home, this property is TWO 10 acre parcels. Buyer can check with DeSoto County Building dept. for any information for possibility of building on the 2nd lot. Just think, a ready made In-Law home, rental, caretaker etc.

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ARREST REPORT 1/30/26 - 2/5/26

DESOTO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

ANGELES-ASCENCIO, BARTOLOME:
Larc - Other Theft, Fraud-Imperson - False Id Given To Leo

BURNSED, MICHAEL LEE:
Trespassing - Trespass Occupied Structure Or Conveyance

CASTILLO, RICARDO:
Contempt Of Court - Viol Injunction Protection Domestic Violence

COLLINS, AUDREY SAMONE:
Possess Counterfeited - License Plates Etc, Nonmoving Traffic Viol - Fail To Register Motor Veh

DEGOEDE, JESSICA ELIZABETH:
Veh Theft - Grand Theft Of Motor Vehicle, Flee/Elude Police - Flee Elude Leo With Lights Siren Active, Resist Officer - Obstruct Wo Violence, Burgl - Burglary Unoccupied Conveyance Unarmed

FAVORS JR., ALBERT:
House For Other Agency

GARCIA, ANDRES ORDONEZ:
Disorderly Conduct - Affray, Drug Equip-Possess - Drug Equip-Possess: And Or Use

GARRETT, RICHARD LEE:
Dui-Unlaw Bld Alch - Dui Influence Of Alcohol Or Drugs, Dui-Unlaw Bld Alch - Refusal Submit Dui Testing

GORDON, ELIZABETH C:
Failure To Appear - Written Promise To Appear, Battery - Touch Or Strike

HERNANDEZ JR., PEDRO:
Moving Traffic Viol - Operate Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St Conv, Drugs-Possess - Possess Controlled Substance W/O Prescription (X2), Drug Equip-Possess - Drug Equip-Possess: And Or Use, Writ Of Bodily Attachment - Non Criminal Arrest

HODGES, MATHEW LEE:
Larc - Grand Theft 750 Less Than 5K Dols, Burgl - Burglary Of Occupied Dwelling Unarmed, Fraud - False Owner Info Pawn Items Less Than 300 Dols

JONES, WILFRED JERMINE:
Prob Violation - Prob Violation (X2)

MANGANELLI IV, ALFONSO:
Drug Equip-Possess - Drug Equip-Possess: And Or Use

MARTINEZ-VASQUEZ, CESAR HONEY:
Moving Traffic Viol - Operate Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St Conv

MARTINEZ, TAMMIE RENEE:
Aggrav Battery - Aggrav Battery Cause Bodily Harm Or Disability

MCDUFFY, TATIANA LEESHEIKE:
Nonmoving Traffic Viol - Fail To Register Motor Veh

MORAZAN, YEISON:
Disorderly Conduct - Affray

MORAZES, BEAU WILLIAM:
Resist Officer - Obstruct Wo Violence, Possess Forged - Possess 10+ Forged Bank Bill/Check/Draft/Note, Larc - Grand Theft Of Firearm, Possession Of Weapon - Or Ammo By Convicted Fla Felon

PEOPLES, TIMOTHY ALAN:
Resist Officer - Obstruct Wo Violence, Possess Forged - Possess 10+ Forged Bank Bill/Check/Draft/Note, Larc - Grand Theft Of Firearm, Possession Of Weapon - Or Ammo By Convicted Fla Felon

RESENDIZ, PIERSON:
Drugs-Possess - Possess Controlled Substance W/O Prescription, Flee/Elude Police - Flee Elude Leo With Lights Siren Active, Drug Equip-Possess - Drug Equip-Possess: And Or Use

STUCKEY, DAVID LELAND:
Out-Of-County Warrant - Out-Of-County Warrant

TUCKER, KOSINSKI ONTROL:
Prob Violation - Prob Violation

TUMAX-ANDRES, MARCELINO:
Moving Traffic Viol - Driv While Lic Suspend Revocation Equiv Status

VELAZQUEZ-TEHUINTLE, GAUDENCIO:
Moving Traffic Viol - Operate Motor Vehicle W/O Valid Lic 1St Conv

WATSON, RONALD EDWIN:
House For Other Agency

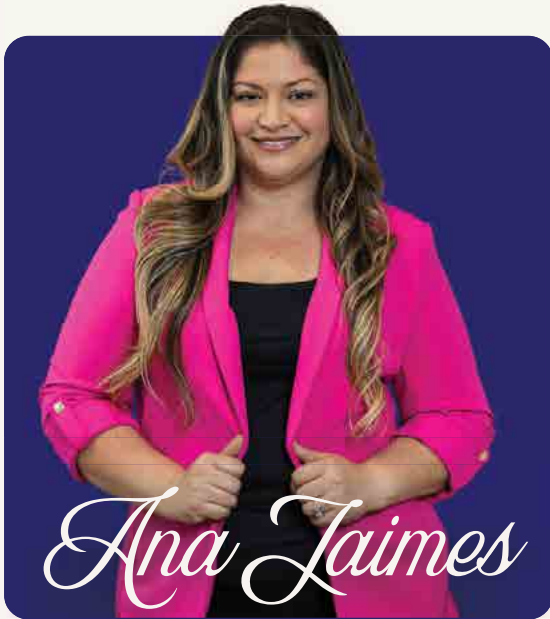
WELLS, STEPHEN JAMES:
Burgl - Burglary Of Occupied Dwelling Unarmed, Damage Prop-Crim Misch - Over 200 Dols Under 1000 Dols

WILLIS, MYLES JAKOB ROBIN:
Drug Equip-Possess - Drug Equip-Possess: And Or Use (X2), Possession Of Weapon - Or Ammo By Convicted Fla Felon



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Ana is a Realtor who proudly serves her community with integrity, hard work, and faith. Her story is one of perseverance, gratitude, and purpose. Guided by her father, whose tireless work ethic helped support Ana and her mother. She began her journey in this country working in the orange groves at just 16 years old. While she deeply respected and honored her father's dedication to agriculture, Ana knew in her heart that she was called to something more.

At a young age, Ana committed herself to learning the language, adapting to new challenges, and pursuing education so she could build the life she envisioned. With a strong work ethic and a genuine love for helping others, she has always been passionate about serving people in any way she can.

In 2019, Ana attended dental school, where she graduated with honors and began a successful career in the dental field. Even then, the dream of becoming a real estate agent never left her heart—it only grew stronger. In 2022, she followed that calling, returned to school once again, and earned her real estate license.

Today, Ana is proud to help members of her community achieve the dream of homeownership. She understands that the journey can sometimes feel challenging or even unreachable, and she is committed to walking alongside her clients every step of the way. When you work with Ana, you can rest assured she will apply her knowledge, dedication, and heart to help you find your dream home.

One of Ana's favorite quotes is, "Dreams do come true."

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FREE Livestock

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- Florida Vehicle Tag Number
- Voter Registration (if applicable)
- Immigration Information (Residency, Passport, etc.)
- School Information where dependent children are registered
- Checking/Savings Account Statement (leave in envelope)
- Paid Utility Bill (with Service Address)
- Death Certificate for Spouse (when applying for widow/widower's exemption)
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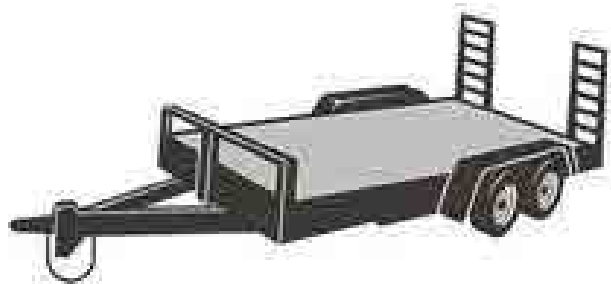
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Cherry Pie For 8 servings

1. Mix flour, salt and sugar in a food processor fitted with steel blade. Scatter butter pieces over flour mixture, tossing to coat butter with a little flour. Cut butter into flour with five 1-second pulses. Add shortening and continue to cut it in until flour is pale yellow and resembles coarse cornmeal with butter bits no larger than small peas, about four more 1-second pulses. Turn mixture into medium bowl.
2. Sprinkle all but 1 tablespoon of the ice water over mixture. With blade of rubber spatula, use folding motion to mix. Press down on dough with broad side of spatula until dough sticks together, adding up to 1 tablespoon of remaining ice water if dough does not come together. Divide dough into two balls, one slightly larger than the other. Flatten each into 4-inch-wide disk. Dust lightly with flour, wrap separately in plastic, and refrigerate at least 30 minutes.
3. Remove dough from refrigerator; let stand at room temperature to soften slightly, about 10 minutes. Heat oven to 400 F. Toss fruit with sugar, lemon juice and zest, spices, almond extract, brandy, and tapioca; let stand for 15 minutes.
4. Roll larger dough disk on lightly floured surface into 12-inch circle, about 1 1/8-inch thick. Transfer and fit dough into 9-inch glass pie pan, leaving dough that overhangs the lip in place. Turn fruit mixture, including juices, into pie shell. Scatter butter pieces over fruit. Refrigerate until ready to top with remaining dough.
5. Roll smaller disk on lightly floured surface into 10-inch circle. Lay over fruit. Trim top and bottom dough edges to 1 1/2-inch beyond pan lip. Tuck this rim of dough underneath itself so that folded edge is flush with pan lip. Flute dough in your own fashion, or press with fork tines to seal. Cut four slits at right angles on dough top to allow steam to escape. If pie dough is very soft, place in freezer for 10 minutes before baking.
6. Place pie on baking sheet; bake until top crust is golden, 20 to 25 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 350 F and continue to bake until juices bubble and crust is golden brown, 30 to 40 minutes longer.
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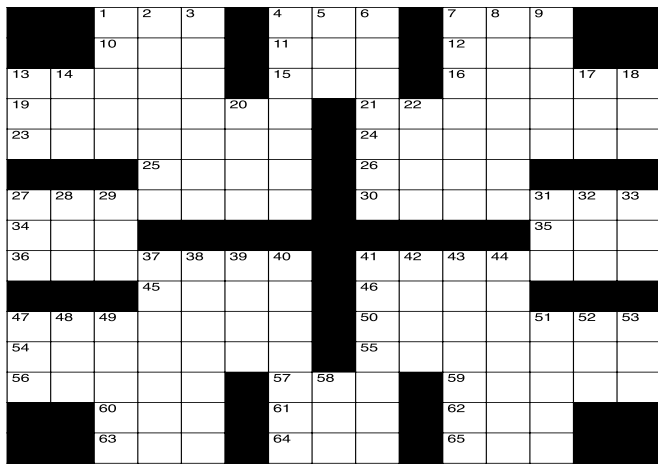
Here's How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

4	9	5	7	3	8	2	1	6
1	9	2	6	4	5	8	7	3
6	8	3	7	1	6	2	5	4
2	7	5	4	3	6	8	1	9
8	4	6	5	2	9	7	3	1
3	1	6	8	9	7	4	2	5
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9	3	6	4	2	8	5	1	7
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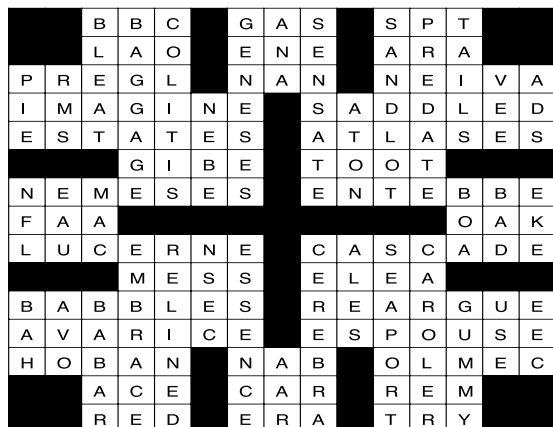
CLUES ACROSS

1. English TV station
4. It fuels cars
7. Where ships dock (abbr.)
10. Indigenous people of Thailand
11. Midway between northeast and east
12. Small Milky Way constellation
13. Fritz __, Austrian chemist
15. A Brit's grandmother
16. Colombian city
19. Visualize
21. Charged
23. People's assets
24. Informative books
25. Jeer
26. You can do it with your horn
27. Agents of your downfall
30. Central Uganda city
34. Supervises flying
35. Type of tree
36. Alfalfa
41. Dishwasher soap brand
45. Hall where military eats
46. Ancient Greek City
47. Speaks incessantly
50. Discuss again
54. Extreme greed
55. Adopt or support
56. Fantasy writer Russell
57. Seize
59. Early Mesoamerican civilization
60. Noted pet detective Ventura
61. Automobile
62. Georgia rockers
63. Color opposite green
64. Amount of time
65. Attempt

CLUES DOWN

1. Sheep sound
2. Some can be emotional
3. Inflammation of colon lining
4. Origins
5. Comedienne Gasteyer
6. Perceived by the senses
7. A place to play ball
8. Occur before
9. Animal body parts
13. Thanksgiving dessert
14. Root mean square (abbr.)
17. 1960s teen idol Bobby
18. Promotional materials
20. One point east of northeast
22. Piers Anthony protagonist
27. Popular sports league
28. Cologne
29. Partner to cheese
31. Constrictor snake
32. Not good
33. Supplement with difficulty
37. Hug with fondness
38. Enforced again
39. Small amount of time (abbr.)
40. Substance
41. Anterior parts of the brain
42. Brews
43. Where ships load cargo
44. Holiday season singer
47. " __ humbug!"
48. Monetary unit of Macao
49. Popular children's book elephant
51. Glutinous
52. Function
53. Old world, new
58. Swiss river

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EVENT

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MEETINGS

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MEETINGS

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BSA Troop 60 meets Monday 6:30 p.m. at 701 W Oak St (Scout House). For boys age 10 to 17. For more information call Scoutmaster Robert Higgins 863-.993-5698

LOST & FOUND

[LOST] Red Hen

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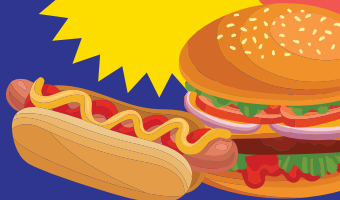
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Answer: Brendan Fraser

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YARD SALES

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WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to business.

L P A O L R Y

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Answer: Payroll



HEARING TEST

WORD SEARCH

E	V	A	O	G	F	A	F	R	E	Q	U	E	N	C	Y	E	H	V	D
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D	L	H	E	A	R	I	N	G	L	O	S	S	Q	A	T	C	E	Y	Y
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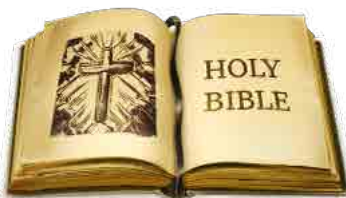
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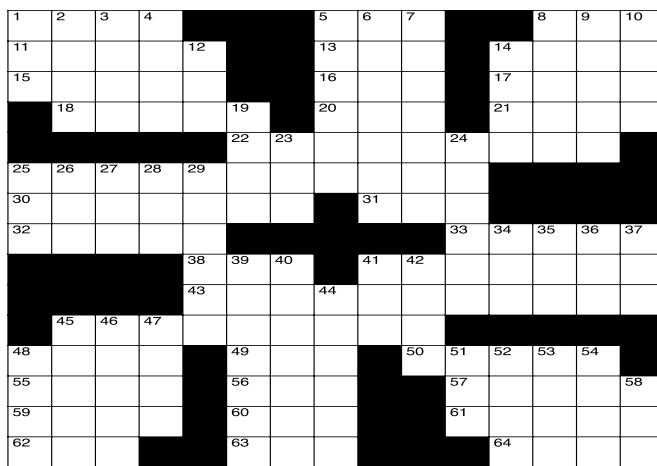


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1. Herring-like fish
5. Perform on stage
8. Soda
11. Small growth
13. In support of
14. Step taken when walking
15. Hollyhocks
16. Returned material authorization (abbr.)
17. Feel pain
18. San Diego ballplayer
20. Inches per minute (abbr.)
21. Fat from a pig's abdomen
22. Create again
25. Honors once more
30. Thin coating of gold
31. Welsh river
32. Japanese novelist Mizumura
33. Husks of corn
38. Green vegetable
41. Showing guilt
43. Soldier
45. Photographers
48. Language spoken in Nigeria
49. Mimic
50. Expressed pleasure
55. Ancient Greek sophist
56. Beverage container
57. Night monkey genus
59. Lace bugs
60. Hogshead (abbr.)
61. Frameworks
62. Keyboard key
63. Greek goddess of the dawn
64. Influential Korean independence figure

CLUES DOWN

1. A place to unwind
2. Helped (archaic)
3. Razorbill genus
4. Bleached
5. Continent
6. Fruit preserved in syrup
7. Impediment to one's freedom
8. Nocturnal rodents
9. Earthy pigment
10. Relieved oneself
12. Golf score
14. Tech hub ___ Alto
19. Sportscaster Andrews
23. Records electric currents
24. Popular Hitchcock film
25. Revolutions per minute
26. NY Giants legend
27. Sports radio host Patrick
28. When you hope to get somewhere
29. French seaport
34. Thai river
35. Rocker's accessory
36. Extra charge
37. Influential American president
39. Pain in the head
40. Great Plains people
41. Consumed
42. Soluble ribonucleic acid
44. Improves
45. Secret clique
46. Behind the stern of a ship
47. Dough made from corn flour
48. Fallow deer
51. Swiss river
52. Grayish white
53. Engrave
54. College's Blue Devils
58. Midway between south and southeast

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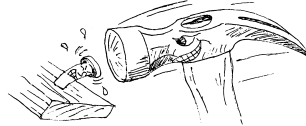
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3	9	7	1	4	8	5	2	6
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7	1	5	8	6	2	9	3	4
9	6	8	4	3	7	2	5	1
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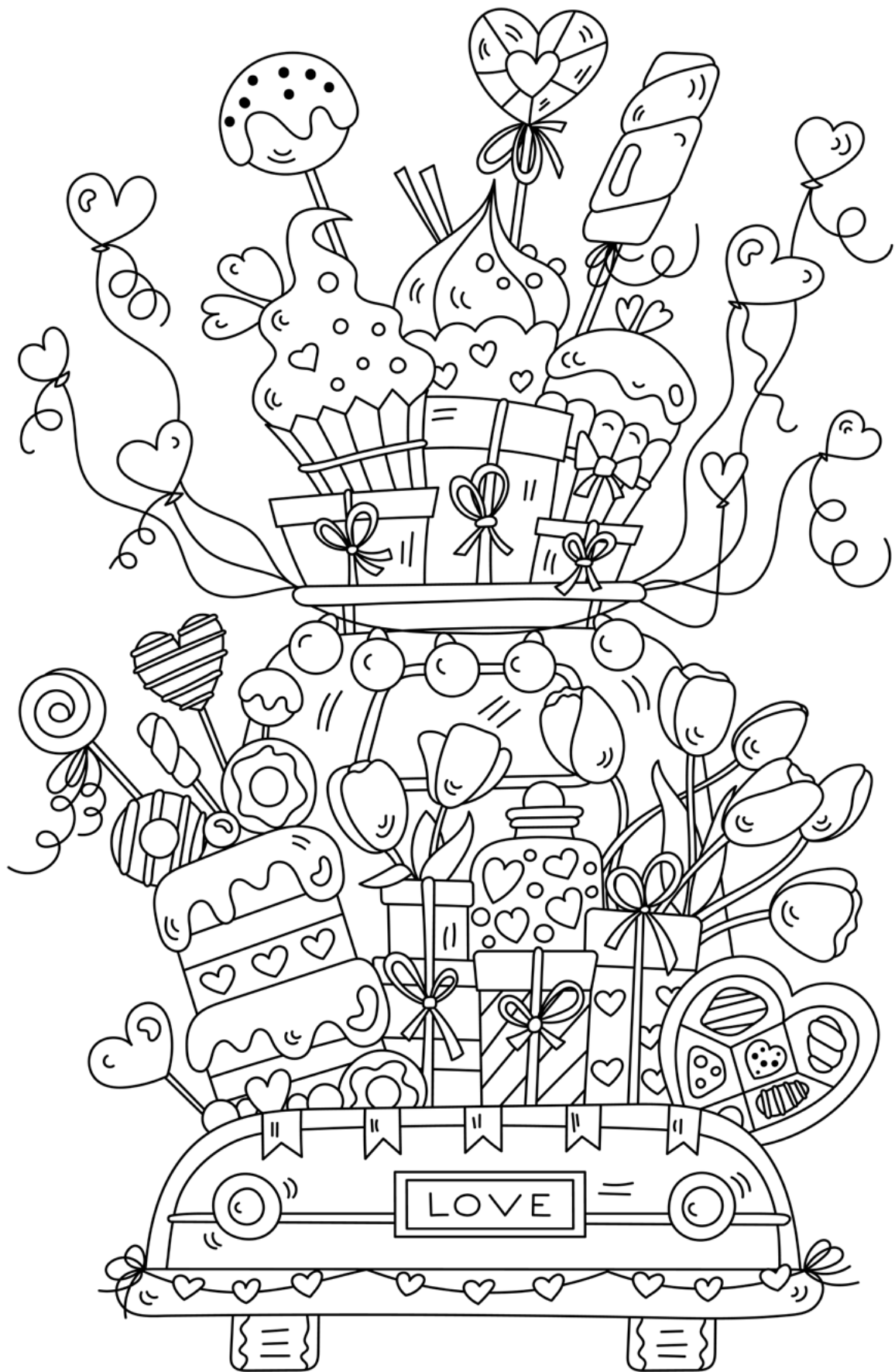
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Answer: Perfect vision

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Chapter 42

It was great to be home. It didn't take me long to realize that God had answered my prayers and got me out of that mess. You know, I was just not that good of a man for God to answer my prayer like that. I guess what the Bible says must be true, that he always loves us and is looking for ways to bring us back. It's funny how I just did not miss Winn Dixie. I took a few months off, and we went on vacation with our best friends Buster and Gail Hughes. Buster bought the old church bus and we took the seats out of it. The night before we left, he worked on the brakes all night. They just would not work. They would only slow you down, not stop you. Guess where we were all going on vacation. The mountains in Tennessee. Yep, mountains. That morning, we all got in that bus and took off, all 10 of us. My wife and I and both boys, Buster and Gail and their three boys and one girl. We had rented a cabin from one of our friends and had to be there in two days. Buster said we could get the brakes to work on the way up for sure. He said that we would stop at one of the rest areas and fix the problem. But guess what? We didn't know what the problem was. Thinking back, I'm not sure that was a good idea at all. Taking off on the interstate and heading for the mountains without good brakes. Well, we took off anyway. We started early, maybe about 3 in the morning or so. The first time we stopped was right after daylight at a rest stop in north Florida. We let everyone out to go to the bathroom and Buster and I started looking at the brakes again. The night before while he had been working on the brakes, he had replaced a one-way valve. After flushing about a half-gallon of brake fluid, we were trying to get the pedal to work instead of just getting hard. We sat down and started talking about what the problem might be. After a few minutes, we decided to check that valve. Yep, that was the problem. As soon as we flipped the valve, everything worked great. Now if we could just get the steering to work a little better. I mean, you could turn the steering wheel almost half way to the right or left before the bus would start to go that way. Crazy huh? Well, it is what it is. We were going on that vacation no matter what. For 6 years now, I had been moved from store to store and never had any time off. We needed this vacation. My family and I needed this vacation. It was going to happen. We were going to have a great time. Everything went as good as it could. We could only go about 55 mph tops on the interstate. So, boy did it take us a long time to get there. But we did. Only we were having a problem finding this place. Remember there were no GPS systems to use. We had to use a map. Yes, a map. We finally arrived, only to find the old cabin was up a very steep grade. Our poor bus just didn't have enough power by itself so, everybody got out of the bus and started pushing it up the grade with Buster giving the old bus as much power as he could and up the grade we went. The cabin was nice and had a small creek running right beside it. Boy did we have fun. One day we hear the boys yelling out back. Our oldest son Terry had jumped on a horse and was riding it all around the woods. How did he know that horse would even let him get on his back? I don't know. The next day everybody starting getting sick. Not bad, just a little stomach ache and throwing up a little. But we all got better and off to Pigeon Forge we went. What a ride. Along those roads at 35 mph and looking over the sides of the mountains wondering if we were going to die or not. Then this big sign saying "where will you spend eternity?" was at the turn of one of those mountains. Why was it put right there??? I remember looking back and seeing all the traffic we were slowing down behind us. We pulled over and I think I counted sixty or so cars behind us. Wow. We were slow. That night we stayed in Pigeon Forge. The next day after a day of fun, we started back. It took us 3 and a half hours to get to Pigeon Forge and 35 minutes to get back. I'm not kidding. Looking back, I just can't imagine how or why we were able to survive all those things. Maybe God had a reason for the whole thing. Maybe God wanted me to be here to talk about all of his mercy. We still go to the Arcadia Church of God on East Oak Street, right behind the big Baptist Church on East 70. You know, kind of between Save-A-Lot and Tractor Supply. Why don't you stop by & go to church with us? I know I will be there to thank God for all his blessings and to thank him for sending Jesus for me. I know this has been about my story but, I wouldn't have a story had it not been for God's mercy and his saving grace. Next week I will tell you about the giant bee hive and why we all got sick. But for now, may God bless you and your family as he has mine...



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