



**Welcome back to
school!**

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For Finding Rest in God

*On God my salvation and my glory rest;
The rock of my strength, my refuge is in God.
Trust in Him at all times, O people;
Pour out your heart before Him;
God is a refuge for us. Psalm 62:7–8*



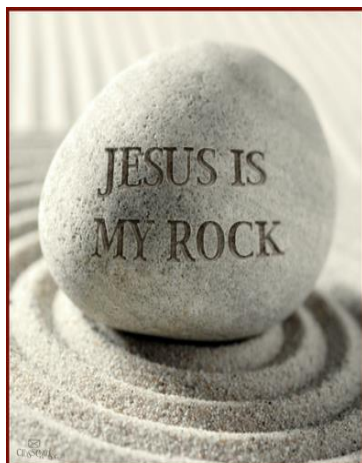
Our Dear Father, we are grateful for the rest that is found in Christ. Our souls were like waves crashing against a shoreline, and our lives were in tumult and disarray, confusion and chaos. And then You rescued us. You brought us forgiveness and relief, and You introduced us to a wonderful four-letter word that has become for us a lifeline for survival: *rest*. Thank You for the peace that accompanies this rest. Thank You for the freedom from worry. Thank You for carrying the weights that we used to carry on our own shoulders, for giving us literally thousands of promises that become ours to claim, to grow in, and to be comforted by.

Father, You have the ability, being who You are, to know each need in each heart, each concern in each mind. So we pause and release to You those things that have plagued us long enough. We give them over to You now. In doing so, we invite the Spirit of God to plow the soil of our souls so the seed of God's Word can be sown, take root, and be watered in time so as to produce spiritual abundance.

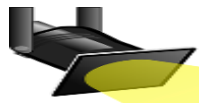
We commit these valued moments to You, resting in You. And may this allow us to be lost in wonder and love and praise. In Jesus's name, amen.

See also Genesis 2:2-3; Joshua 21:44; Psalm 22:2-3; Hebrews 4:9.

by Pastor Chuck Swindoll



NEW MEMBER SPOTLIGHT...

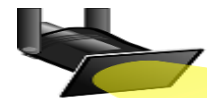


Gary and Jackie Teja

Gary and Jackie moved to Bitely 5 years ago from the Holland/Zeeland area. Prior to that, they lived in Central America for 16 years. (Nicaragua for 8 years & Costa Rica for 8 years.) They have 2 children, Joe & Hillary, and 7 grandchildren.

Gary, one of our missionaries, serves with Multiplication Network Ministries and travels quite frequently. In his free time, he enjoys woodworking & reading.

Jackie serves at Life Resources of Northern Michigan and enjoys sewing, reading, kayaking, and gardening.



John and Polly Byers

John and Polly have been married for 38 years. They have a fur-baby named Thelma.

John grew up in Morley and *Polly* grew up in the Big Rapids' area. They lived in Cedar Springs for 28 years, but moved to the Big Rapids' area in 2016 to help *Polly's* dad, who is 90 years old.

Their hobbies & interests are studying The Word of God, golfing, fishing, baking (John makes wonderful sweets!), reading, hunting, and working around the farm.

The *Byers* own B & J Auto Repair, a small business in Greenville, Michigan. *John* runs the day-to-day operations and *Polly* does the bookkeeping. *Polly* also works full-time as an RN in Oncology Telehealth.

John & Polly also enjoy spending time with family at their cottage on Stoney Lake as much as they can.

welcome

It is so wonderful to welcome these families into our church family!



ALL CHURCH PICNIC

Sunday, August 1, 2021

**Immediately following worship service,
meet at The Broken Wheel Ranch,
8467 Nine Mile Rd, Big Rapids, MI**



*Please bring a dish to share, lawn chairs,
swim suits, and your smiling faces!
Table service, drinks, and meats will be provided.*

**Games, swimming, boat rides, and a lot of activities to enjoy!
Property tours available in an ORV!**

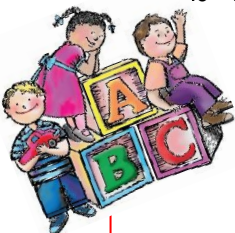
WOODVILLE CHURCH NURSERY SCHEDULE

August

1st Deb Thorne & Polly Byers
8th Adriana Beckwith & Marilyn Davis
15th Sue Walta & Jenna Minor
22nd Lynda Kolehous & Sharen Franklin
29th Nancy Redd & Adriana Beckwith

September

5th Nancy Redd & Teri Hook
12th Carianne Smith & Deb Thorne
19th Jackie Teja & Polly Byers
26th Barb Knight & Brittany Hurlbert



Thank you, ladies, for your service in caring for these little ones.

***If you are unable to serve on the date that you are scheduled
please contact Susan Foust at 231-652-1237 as soon as possible.***

If you would like to serve in our church nursery,
please see Shelly Werner for a Safe Church policy and form.



In this issue: WEATHER

Words of Wisdom from BOB



As previously stated in our last letter, as a young boy I was very curious in my country surroundings and, as with many generations long before me, relied on God's Creation for predicting weather conditions. Here are a few old proverbs passed down through the years.

- Clear full moon, frost soon.
- Three dewless mornings, rain is for sure.
- Dew before midnight, next morning no rain in sight.
- Rainbow in the morning, sailors take warning.
- If a goose honks high, fair weather. If a goose honks low, foul weather.
- Cattle gathering in a tight group in a field means a storm is approaching quickly.
- Thunder during a snowstorm, six months until first frost.
- Ring around the moon at night, rain or snow soon.
- Spiders come down from their web before a rain.
- Ants build their ant hills with steeper walls when rain is coming.
- If the clouds move against the wind, rain will follow.
- When the donkey begins to bray, surely rain will come that day.
- Ash before oak, choke, choke, choke; oak before ash, splash, splash, splash. (Note, this refers to past tense weather conditions.) The timing of when trees start budding is related to the moisture content of the soil. A dry fall and winter means little moisture content of the top soil; however, there could moisture deeper within. Oak trees have deeper tap roots, allowing them to bud before the ash trees because of the shallow root system of the ash. This budding process would be in reverse if the top soil was damp with rain and snow melt.



JUST FOR FUN...

When the wind is in the East, it is good for neither man nor beast. When the wind is from the North, the old folk should not venture forth. When the wind is from the South, it blows the bait in the fish's mouth. When the wind is from the West, it is, of all the winds, the best.



HAVEN OF HOPE

Woodville Community Church
is hosting a ***Marriage Get Away*** at
The Broken Wheel Ranch

October 7-9, 2021

Thursday evening 5-9 p.m.,

Friday 12:30-8:30 p.m., &

Saturday 9:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

This will be an amazing time of growing in your marriage.

Cost is underwritten and is \$199.

Register at www.havenofhopes.com or call 616-693-2925.





August 2021



Sunday

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:00 a.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

11:45 a.m.

3rd Monday

BOARD MEETING

6:00 p.m.

Tuesday

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

7:00 a.m.

Tuesday

WOMEN'S
BIBLE STUDY

9:30 a.m.

Wednesday

NIGHT SERVICE

6:30 p.m.



	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 WORSHIP SERVICE <i>Sunday School</i>	2	3 Men's AM Bible Study Women's Bible Study	4 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	5 Praise Team practice	6	7 Elders' Prayer Time
8 WORSHIP SERVICE <i>Sunday School</i>	9	10 Men's AM Bible Study Women's Bible Study Men's Monthly Night Bible Study	11 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	12 Praise Team practice	13	14 Elders' Prayer Time
15 WORSHIP SERVICE <i>Sunday School</i>	16 Board Meeting	17 Men's AM Bible Study Women's Bible Study	18 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	19 Praise Team practice	20	21 Men's Monthly Breakfast
22 WORSHIP SERVICE <i>Sunday School</i>	23	24 Men's AM Bible Study Women's Bible Study	25 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	26 Praise Team practice	27	28 Elders' Prayer Time
29 WORSHIP SERVICE <i>Sunday School</i>	30	31 Men's AM Bible Study Women's Bible Study				Greeters for August:

August Anniversaries

3rd Don & Susan Foust
 5th Randy & Amanda Hahn
 7th Paul & Pattie Morse
 14th Bill & Sylvia Edwards
 15th Scott & Deb Stevens
 22nd Gary & Jackie Teja
 26th Bill & Sue Walta
 28th Al & Karen White
 28th Bob & Marge Shoemaker
 30th Larry & Joyce Patrick (64 years)

August Birthdays

1st Linda Berkompas
 4th Ken Kacel
 12th Darlene Hahn
 12th Pete Alley
 12th Tim Derks
 16th Jenna Minor
 16th Duke VanderArk
 16th Scott Carter
 19th Kurt Ruiter
 19th Vince Carter
 23rd Betty Sutton
 23rd Sky Pike
 24th Joyce Patrick
 30th Tom Vanlaan

Items on this calendar are subject to change



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AWANA
6:00 PM

NIGHT SERVICE
6:30 p.m.

Happy Anniversary

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Greeters for September: <i>Phil & Chris Rottman</i>			1 WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	2	3	4 Elders' Prayer Time
5 WORSHIP SERVICE No Sunday school	6 LABOR DAY	7 Men's AM Bible Study Women's Bible Study	8 AWANA KICK OFF WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICE	9 Praise Team practice	10	11 Elders' Prayer Time
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September Anniversaries

8th Jason & Ronica Garrod
8th Bill & Amy Hopp
8th Jim & Stacy Edewaard
10th Gary & Renee Frantz
12th John & DaleAnn Dudeck
13th Vic & Linda Berkompas (53 years)
22nd Tim & Renee Cook
27th David & Lynda Kolehouse
30th Storm & Mackenzi Tomasunas

September Birthdays

2nd Ann Workman
6th Barb Atkins
11th Larry Patrick
12th Deb Stevens
20th Dennis Helmus
21st John Dudeck
22nd Nancy Eveland
22nd Polly Byers
26th Dave Yonker
27th Sue Walta



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Food For Thought...

Bacon Potato Salad

Dill pickle and bacon add a whole lot of flavor to this simple potato salad.

Course: Side Dish

Servings: 10 servings

Prep Time 10 min

Cook Time 15 min

Total Time 25 min

Ingredients:

- 3 lb Yukon Gold potatoes, cut into ½ to ¾ inch pieces
- ¾ cup mayonnaise
- 1/3 cup dill pickle relish
- 1/2 tsp dried dill
- 1/2 tsp kosher salt, adjust to taste
- 1/2 tsp freshly ground black pepper, adjust to taste
- 1/2 cup real bacon crumbles, or 5-6 strips bacon, cooked and crumbled
- 6 hard boiled eggs, roughly chopped
- 4 green onions, sliced thin



Instructions:

- Place the potatoes in a large pot and cover with water. Boil over high heat until fork tender, about 10 minutes. Drain and let cool.
- Combine the mayonnaise, dill relish, dill, salt, and pepper in a large mixing bowl. Stir to combine. Add the potatoes, eggs, and bacon to the bowl. Stir to mix well.
- Sprinkle with green onions and stir to combine. Serve immediately or refrigerate until ready to serve. Enjoy!

Root beer Float Freezer Pie

This Root beer float freezer pie is so good! I love making root beer floats and turning it into a pie is super tasty.

Servings: 8 servings

Ingredients

- ¾ C root beer
- 1/2 C milk
- 1 box instant vanilla pudding mix 4 serving size
- 1-2 TBSP root beer extract
- 8 oz Cool Whip thawed
- 1 graham cracker crust prepared

Prep Time 10 mins

Freeze 8 hrs

Total Time 10 mins



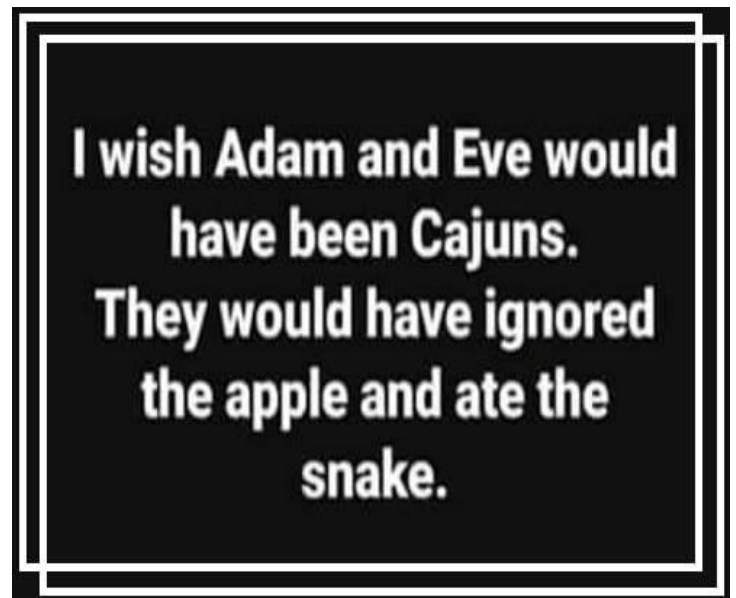
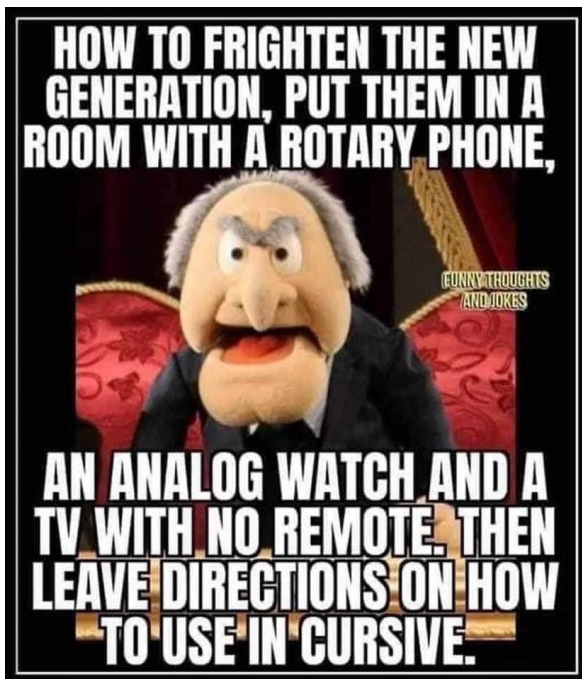
Instructions

- Whisk together the root beer, milk, root beer extract and pudding mix for 2 minutes (or until it thickens).
- Gently add in Cool Whip.
- Continue to stir until all ingredients are thoroughly combined.
- Scoop the mixture into the prepared graham cracker crust.
- Place in the freezer for at least 8 hours (overnight is best).
- Remove from freezer and cut into 8 slices.
- Garnish with whipped cream and cherries.
- Sprinkle crushed root beer barrel candy on the edges of the pie.
- Store pie in freezer.

Garnish:

- Cherries and whipped cream
- Crushed root beer barrel candy

“...A merry heart doeth good like medicine...”



At 3 yrs old we say, "Mommy I love you."

At 14 yrs old we say, "Mom, whatever."

At 16 yrs old we say, "My mom is so annoying!"

At 18 yrs old we say, "I'm leaving this house."

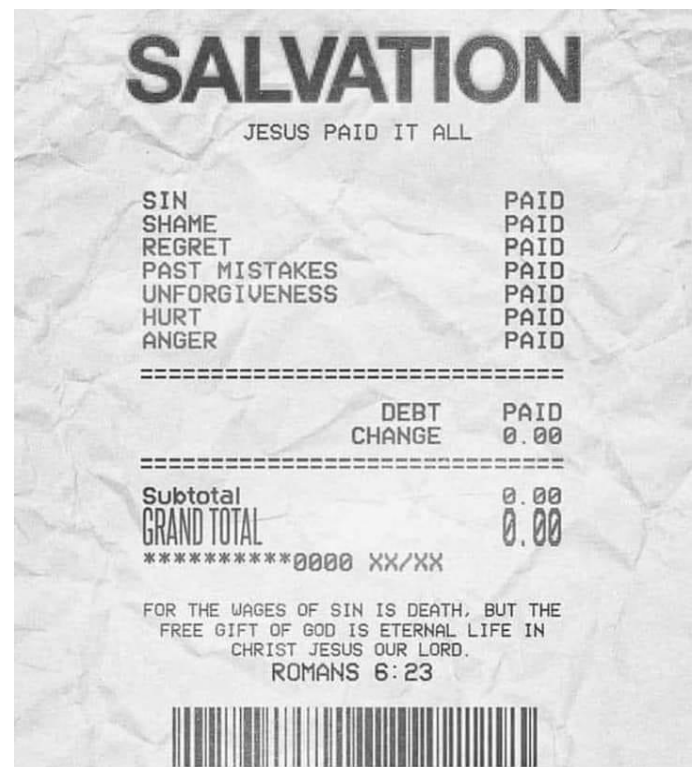
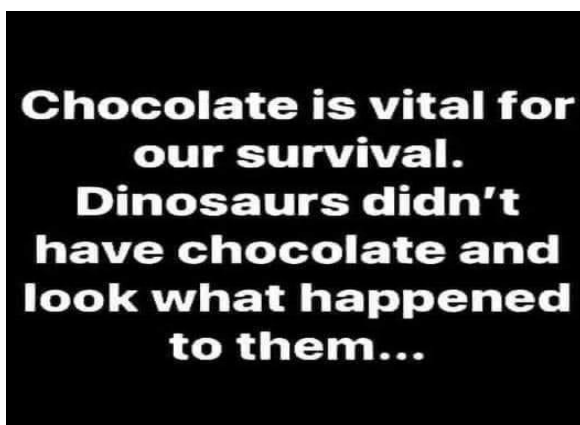
At 21 yrs old we say, "Mom, you were right."

At 30 yrs old we say, "I want to go to Mom's house."

At 50 yrs old we say, "I don't want to lose my mom." 😭😭😭

At 70 yrs old we say, "I would give up everything to have my mom here with me."

You only have one mom. Post this on your wall if you appreciate yours whether she is still here or not. I LOVE MY MaMa! 🥰❤️❤️❤️❤️

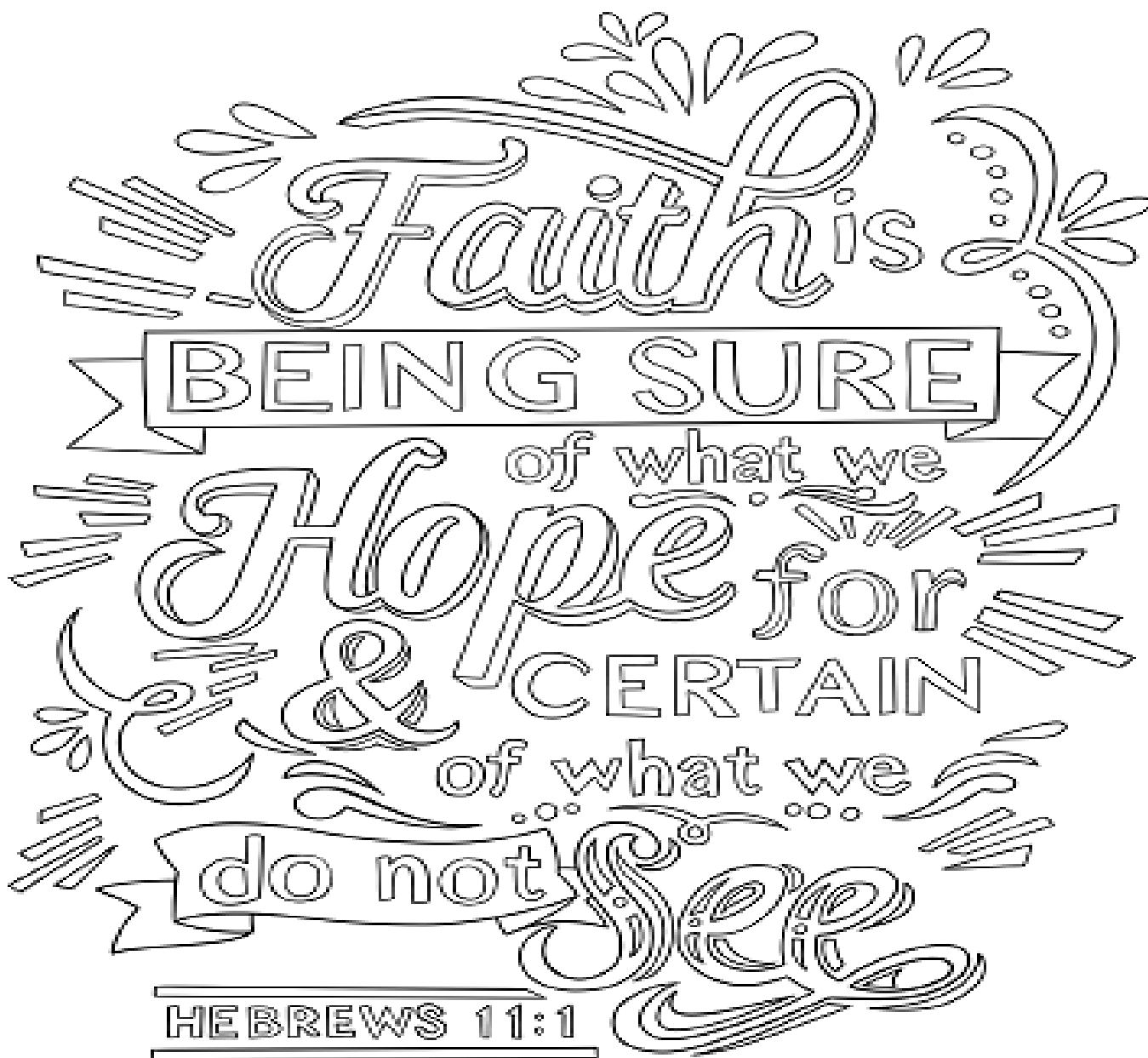


Bible Trivia...

Only two people are said to have never died. The faith of which one of the two is mentioned in Hebrews, chapter 11?

answer on last page

ACTIVITY PAGE



Coloring page for markers or colored pencils.

Answer: **Enoch**

This can be found in Hebrews 11:5-6. Enoch and Elijah are the two who never died, but oddly Enoch was the one mentioned in this chapter. The Bible doesn't say how Enoch was taken; it just says that God took him away and that he was no more. Elijah was taken to Heaven in a chariot of fire in 2 Kings 2. Elisha was called to be a prophet by God through Elijah and, after Elijah was taken, he continued the work of God in Elijah's place.