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JULY NEWSLETTER

Greetings in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ,

Happy Fourth of July

As we celebrate our nation's founding, let us also remember the founding of our Lord who is one of our Founding Fathers. When you go into the beliefs of our Founding Fathers you will find a direct connection to our Savior. Either in their lives or the lives of the authors of the books that they read. This is according to Historian David Barton of Wall Builders. For more information you can go to www.wallbuilders.com.

Notices

We had a Special Board Meeting on the last day of Camp Meeting 2022, and I would like to introduce you to our new ministers: Pamela Shepard, Vilma Perez, Mary Phipps, Sharon Stockton, and Troy Slagle. We also want to welcome Joseph Buretta as a Christian Worker.

Camp Meeting 2023 is coming up in less than a year. Please set your Calendars for June 19-23. This gives you plenty of time to save your money so that you can attend. I am sure that if you come you will be blessed. So plan on coming to Temple, Oklahoma.

Everyone was talking about how nice the fellowship hall looked and the new restroom facilities was a blessing as well.

THE ROVING PULPIT

By: Rob Gragg

Title: Death

My thoughts, while talking to my Heavenly Father, were on the reason people fear death. The Word of God states "that to be absent from the body is to be present with the Lord." So why do we fear death? It is a promotion, which according to Google is "a movement or excitation to action beforehand, not to fear. Jesus went to the depths of earth to get the keys of death, hell, and the grave. So, why then do we fear death? Is it because we are not ready to meet God face to face? Is it that we live our lives in the flesh and not by the Spirit of the living God, or is it

because He is a Holy God, and we are subconsciously afraid that He will not accept us because we have not really lived for Him the way He wants us too?

That is a sobering thought!

I feel it is all of the above. We work out our own salvation in fear and trembling, it is up to each and every individual to strive for holiness and not our own agenda. God does not honor our agenda; He honors those who are willing and obedient to His will. You may be in His permissive will and get by with what you think is ok, however you are only fooling yourself. By doing His will, we lay up treasure in Heaven.

Oh, death where is your sting, oh grave where is your victory? There is none, when your spirit leaves your body. Your body goes to sleep and if you know Jesus as Lord and Savior, your spirit goes to be with Him. What a premonition! To be face to face with the One who made us! To actually be in His Presence is joy unspeakable. So why are you afraid of death?

Evangelist Youth Association (EYA's)

At our camp meeting someone brought it to our attention that our association is missing our youth. Not just the 12–25-year old group. The IFGEA is missing a whole generation of youth. She mentioned that there are very few ministers younger than fifty. We need to pray for those that are twelve to twenty-five or we, as an Association, might just fade away. Please pray and work in your local church to get the people in this age group involved in church, in the ministry and in God.



Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. Hebrews 12:1–2 KJV

These scriptures tell us that we are compressed about by a cloud of witnesses and that we should lay aside every weight that keeps us down. We need to let go and let God take our weight. If we will leave it at his feet, however, don't pick it up and carry it away from the altar. God said if we want to run a race to get the prize, we need to look to Jesus for our own help.

You see we carry shame and guilt of everything that we do wrong. God is wanting us to give Him everything that is weighing us down. So please give it to God and don't go back and pick it up and try to run on.

By Johnny Manners

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Month

24 The LORD bless thee, and keep thee: 25 The LORD make his face shine upon thee, and be gracious unto thee: 26 The LORD lift up his countenance upon thee, and give thee peace.

Numbers 6:24-26 (KJV)

Be sure and wish these fellow workers in the ministry field a Happy Birthday. As we know, we all need a kind word every so often to keep our spirits up so we can do God's work.

Thomas Caffery (10), Royce Casey (10), Oletha Covington (12), Kathren Ferguson (23), Wendell Folsom (11), Eulas Foyil (17), David Payne (30), Mary Simmons (16), Sharon Stockton (9), Benny Waltrip (1), Cheryl Whitby (1), and C.I. Wilson (31)

The spouse of our fellow workers can use an encouraging word as well, so please be sure to let this supporter know that you are praying for her/him as well.

Richard Fox (28), Linday Martin (23), James Shepherd (25), Donna Shockey (25), Gail Wilkins (14), and Lynn Wingrove (20)

We want to recognize those couples that are celebrating anniversaries this month with a special prayer on their day and maybe a kind word.

Tammy & Bob Gunn (92), Toney & Lula Robison (24), and Mary & Duane Simmons (15)



Women of Worth/Helping Hands

I would like you to welcome our new leader, Sister Donna Stephens. She did an excellent job of leading the morning services this year as well as the Women of Worth service. I understand that she already has a volunteer to help her with a ladies retreat sometime between now and next June.



I feel that she will make a good leader and I hear that she has some good ideas from several ladies, so keep her in your prayers.

General Board Meeting & Other Information

August 9th will be our next Board Meeting at Westside Full Gospel Church in White Settlement, Texas at 12:30 PM.

If you are on the 'Ministers wanting to be invited to minister in other churches' list, you might want to consider submitting a short (1/2 typewritten page) for one of the newsletters. We reserve the right to edit material submitted for several factors: length, grammar, spelling, and subject matter. This is not a "soap box," it is however a place for Church News, Revival Announcements, and an outlet for you to let others know more about your preaching style. This is

so that we can get to know more about our fellow workers and spread knowledge of your events held at your church.

C.I. Wilson



Conversation area



Drink station and a sink to pour leftover drink and ice



You can see the Ladies Restroom door.
The men's is behind the drink station.



While Sister Linda Martin was called to the Sanctuary, Brother Troy Slagle filled in for her. Sister Mary Simmons looks on.