Larry's Lines...

The Four Freedoms

We often hear of "the four freedoms": freedom of speech, freedom of religion, freedom from want, and freedom from fear.

The first of these, <u>freedom of speech</u>, is not new in our country. It was written into the Constitution and has flourished throughout the United States as in no other nation. I am thankful that we are free to preach the gospel. We can do it publicly, on the radio, and on the television. We should rejoice and use our freedom. We are not restricted from free expression.

The second liberty, <u>freedom of religion</u>, is likewise an old privilege for us. I rejoice that we have no state church, no one to control our worship or censor our preacher. Church and State are constitutionally separated. I pray that it will remain that way.

The third liberty, the freedom from want, is new. It seeks to give everyone "the right to adequate food, clothing, shelter, medical care, and the right to security." I have a problem with this one because I doubt that it is possible. No nation in history has ever been able to preserve people from poverty, unemployment, or famine. "The poor ye will have with you always." Of course that does not excuse us from ministering to the poor or feeding the hungry. I do believe that God is concerned about their condition and we should too.

The fourth liberty, the freedom from fear, is something I don't think the government can provide. If it cannot prevent a gunman from walking into a school and killing innocent children, how can it possibly control the nations of the world? There will continue to be "wars and rumors of wars...for nations shall rise against nation, kingdom against kingdom." Some fears cannot be removed by a benevolent government.

The real answer is not found in the State, but in the Sovereign. He alone has the power to say, "Fear not."

All of us should follow the example of the psalmist who said, "I sought the Lord, and he answered me, and delivered me from all my fears. Look to him, and be radiant; so your faces shall never be ashamed". (Psalm 34:4-5)

Have a Good Week!

Larry

Welcome

Linda Kick responded to the invitation last Sunday night. Linda felt a need to reconnect with the Lord after a time of separation. We are so pleased that Linda has decided to become a part of our family by placing membership with us. Please pray for Linda as she returns to her walk with the Lord and welcome her into the fold. Linda is the sister of Teena Cobb.

Upcoming Events



There will be a wedding shower for Corissa Lewis and Dylan Clayton, July 21, 2019 at 4:00 downstairs. Corissa and Dylan are registered at Walmart, Target, and Bed Bath and Beyond.

<u>Happy Anniversary</u> July 10th Ronníe & Cynthía Burns

Announcements

Both Honduras Mission Trips are cancelled due to the unrest in Honduras. Other opportunities of mission fields are being considered at this time.

Please do not use push pins when posting items on the bulletin boards, staples work much better and do not tear the fabric. A stapler has been provided for your convenience.

There are **several cards** in the foyer that need to be addressed from our sick list. If you know the person and can get it to them please feel free to take it, otherwise, please provide an address to the office.

The children's "Summer Series" for ages K-6th grade is downstairs on Wednesday nights. This years theme "Digging for the Truth" If you can help with this program in anyway, such as artifacts or information on subject matter, please see David or Contessa Shew.

Take time to sign cards for those who need encouragement. A list of those in need of encouragement that have cards to sign are in the fover.



Happy Birthday

July 8

Lexi Cobb

July 12

Canyon Cobb

Ryan Lee

Kamryn Lee

July 13

Deklen Gardenhire

George Martin

July 14

Darron Mitchell

Pantry Items
Dry Rice and Dry Beans



Jar/Crew

GVBC sign up going on right now and is filling up fast. We are going to Scott Ware/ Jimmy Allen week July 28-Aug

SAVE THE DATE

JAR DAY OF SERVICE! Mark your calendars for July 13th as we come together to help some of those in our congregation.

July 17th

Extreme Refuel with the Witts. More information will be available soon.

July 24th

Birthday Refuel at Sonic with the Johnson's.

New Address

Marc and Christa Wolfe 587 Honey Hill Road Searcy, AR 72143

Those Needing Our Prayers & Visits

Those with recent health issues: Katherine Gobal had a heart attack Sunday night and is in the hospital at WRMC, Mary Ann Goforth (Justin Goforth's mother) had heart surgery on the 20th of June. Jacob House is still having treatments for a tumor on his pituitary gland but the tumor is not responding to treatment and is seeking another coarse of treatment.

Those fighting Cancer: Eddie Thomas, Kim Williams (Megan Bassing's Aunt), Loveta Dean (Phil Curlee's sister), and Carol Edwards (Laura Hughe's sister)

Our Expectant Mother: Kayla Holloway and Hannah Ball

Those who have lost loved ones: The Phillip Sanders/Helen Blackman Family, The Lou Ella Rhine Family and the Doug Milligan/Alan Fortenberry Family.

Shut-Ins who need your continual prayer and consideration!

Oma Leta Smith, Lenore Sutton, Emmett Windham, Shirley Bates, Roger and Shirley Gross, Norma Williams, Roy Howard, Betty Jordan, Genevra Montgomery, Vada Loker and Kendra Phillips.

Remember in Prayer: Our Military Service Men and Women deployed overseas and protecting our country here at home. The leaders of our community, our state, our country and our family's that are traveling this summer.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE MONTH OF July 2019

Lords Table

Matt Johnson
Joe Harriman
George Martin
Josh Fortenberry
Heath Huffmaster

Matthew Goodpasture
JP Bradford
Eric Keeter
Jonathan Martindale
Matt Bassing

Greeters

Matt Johnson Megan Johnson Lisa Martindale Randall Harriman

Jared Cobb Ronnie Burns George Martin

<u>Ushers</u>

Announcements
Virgil Harmon
Chesley Martin

Jared Cobb

Deliver Communion Herb Hughes Prepare Communion

Mary Hutton

Virgil and Connie Harmon

Song Leader
Justin Goforth

If you would like reminders on when you serve, please provide the office with your email address.

THE LORD'S DAY **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

WELCOME

Virgil Harmon

Song Leader **Justin Goforth**

Hymn #

Hymn #

OPENING PRAYER Kevin Murray

Hymn #

Hymn #

COMMUNION SCRIPTURE

Romans 6:8-10 Phil Curlee

Communion Prayer Alan Fortenberry

LORD'S SUPPER

Offering

Hymn #

SERMON SCRIPTURE John 8:31-36 **Chesley Martin**



Invitation Hymn #

Announcements Virgil Harmon

Closing Hymn #

Closing Prayer John Cobb

We are so happy to have you and consider you our honored guest. If we can help you in any way, please

July Events

July 9th

Threads of Love

JAR Movie Night

July 10th

Summer Series Speaker Sabino Rodriguez

July 11-20th

Elder's Meeting

July 13th

Jar Service Project

July 17th

Extreme Refuel

Summer Series Speaker Jeff Grisham

Corissa Lewis/Dylan Clayton Wedding Shower

July 23rd

Threads of Love

July 24th

Birthday Refuel

Summer Series Speaker Bobby Dockery

July 25, 2019

Elder's Meeting

July 28-August 4th

Green Valley Bible Camp

July 28th

Singing Night

July 31st

Singing Night

No Summer Series Speaker

AM Outline

- The desire for religious freedom is what drove the early settlers to America.
- 2. Through their struggles eventually was born this great nation.
- 3. Alexis de Tocqueville on the source of America's Greatness - year 1830.
- . The Constitution of the United States.
- a. All men are created equal. b. Have the right to Life, Liberty and The
- pursuit of happiness. 5. Jesus promises freedom to the Christian. John 8:32
- 6. All men are created equal Galatians 3:28, John 3:16, Matthew 11:28, and John 13:35
- 7. Liberty. Romans 6:16, Matthew 16:24, and Romans 6:17-18
- 8. Pursuit of Happiness. Ecclesiastes 2:3-11 Ecclesiastes 12:13

John 10:10, John 14:6, John 11:25-26 and Revelations 2:10.

COME WORSHIP WITH US

Bíble Class: 9:30 AM

Spríngdale, AR 72762

Eveníng Worshíp: 6:00 F Wednesday: 7:00 P.M.

myers111@hot

Prayer:JP Bradford
Devotional: Sabino Rodriguez
Announcements: Jared Cobb
Closing: David Cherry

Church Office Hou Monday, Tuesdays, & T Wednesday 8:30-6:30

Marco Antonio Herbert Chukw

Friday 8:30 - 2:30

Johnson church of Christ Galatians 5

WELCOME

July 7, 2019