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**TODAY YOUR MEMORY MADE A VISIT
TO MY HEART AND TO MY MIND
AND AS IT DOES MOST EVERYDAY
BROUGHT THOUGHTS...THE LOVING KIND
YOUR VOICE I HEARD I SAW YOUR FACE
FOR A MOMENT YES IT SEEMED
YOU NEVER REALLY LEFT AT ALL
YOU WERE THERE...RIGHT THERE WITH ME
THE LIFE YOU LIVED FOR JESUS
IN MY HEART THAT LIGHT DID SHINE
TODAY YOUR MEMORY MADE A VISIT
TO MY HEART AND TO MY MIND**

WRITTEN BY: BILLY R. DOUGLAS



**ANOTHER YEAR HAS COME & GONE
YET YOUR MEMORY STILL REMAINS
ITS AS STEADFAST AS THE SUN
AND AS FAITHFUL AS THE RAIN
THE MARK YOU MADE UPON MY LIFE
GOES WITH ME EVERY DAY
ITS WITH ME WHEN I PREACH THE WORD
AND WHEN I KNEEL TO PRAY
YOUR VOICE I HEAR IT BECKONS ME
"BE FAITHFUL STRONG AND TRUE
I'LL SEE YOU JUST INSIDE THE GATE
I'M WAITING HERE FOR YOU"**

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Jesus Can Make A Way

On New Years eve we were in the mountains of Virginia at Watch Night Service. The alter was full of Saints and even a sinner came seeking the Lord. The Spirit of the Lord is so precious! Someone asked me, "What are your plans for the coming year?" I just said that I am going to keep living for Jesus, keep believing He is my Healer, my Sanctifier, my Hope, my Coming King, and my Provider. Do I watch the news? Yes. Do I see sorrow? Yes. Do I hear of wars? Yes. Do I see deception in the church, and false teachers? Yes. Do I see signs of the end times? Yes! But, Praise God, I read Matthew 24 and I hear Jesus talking. I also hear Him say, "Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid." Are you walking through a valley where you have never been before? David said, "I will fear no evil". You are only walking through the valley. Trust in your Saviour. Hold to His hand- He knows the way out. Hallelujah! Are you a backslider? I know you are miserable- I once was there, but when I was at the end of my way, I cried out to Jesus and confessed my sin. He restored the joy of His salvation, and filled me with His blessed Holy Spirit and gave me a new song to sing (across much of the world). Dear sinner friend, in the last pages of God's Holy Word, Jesus said to come, and whosoever (that's you), come and drink of the water of life freely. You can't buy it- Jesus paid the price on dark Calvary's hill. Oh, the blood of Jesus that washes white as snow! The Bible says, "Casting all your care upon Him for He careth for you". Praise His Name! This will be a year like no other year in America. Have you committed everything to Jesus?

I know the Lord will make a way for me.

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If I live a holy life, shun the wrong, and do the right,

I know the Lord will make a way for me.

It will be so good to hear Him say, "Well done".

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If I live a holy life, shun the wrong, and do the right,

I know the Lord will make a way for me.

May the blessings of the Lord rest upon
you in this New Year!

Until next time, the Lord bless you,
His Handmaiden, Sister Betty Jean Robinson

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The Church of the Covered Dish



Cousin Leroy



Leroys sister Leona heard at the beauty shop that milk baths would make you beautiful. So she left a note for her milkman Willard to leave 15 gallons of milk. When Willard read the note, he felt there must be a mistake. He thought she probably meant 1.5 gallons, so he knocked on the door to check the order. Leona came to the door, and Willard said, "I found your note to leave 15 gallons of milk. Did you mean 15 gallons or 1.5 gallons?" Lulu said, "I want 15 gallons. I'm going to fill my bathtub up with milk and take a milk bath." Willard rolling his eyes asked, "Oh, alright, would you like it pasteurized?" To which Leona replied, "No, just up to my waist."

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

IF A RABBITS FOOT IS SO LUCKY WHAT IS IT DOING IN YOUR POCKET AND NOT ON THE RABBITS LEG...

WHY DO WE DRIVE ON PARKWAYS AND PARK ON DRIVEWAYS?

Do You Know Me?

A small town prosecuting attorney called his first witness to the stand in a trial--a grandmotherly, elderly woman. He approached her and asked, "Mrs. Jones, do you know me?" She responded, "Why, yes, I do know you Mr. Williams. I've known you since you were a young boy. And frankly, you've been a big disappointment to me. You lie, you cheat on your wife, you manipulate people and talk about them behind their backs. You think you're a rising big shot when you haven't the brains to realize you never will amount to anything more than a two-bit paper pusher. Yes, I know you." The lawyer was stunned. Not knowing what else to do he pointed across the room and asked, "Mrs. Williams, do you know the defense attorney?" She again replied, "Why, yes I do. I've known Mr. Bradley since he was a youngster, too. I used to baby-sit him for his parents. And he, too, has been a real disappointment to me. He's lazy, bigoted, he has a drinking problem. The man can't build a normal relationship with anyone and his law practice is one of the shoddiest in the entire state. Yes, I know him." At this point the judge rapped the courtroom to silence and called both counselors to the bench. In a very quiet voice, he said with menace, "If either of you asks her if she knows me, you'll be in jail for contempt within 5 minutes!"



“Are You Ashamed of Jesus?”

Then saith Jesus unto them, All ye shall be offended because of me this night: for it is written, I will smite the shepherd, and the sheep of the flock shall be scattered abroad. Matthew 26:31

Peter answered and said unto him, Though all men shall be offended because of thee, yet will I never be offended. Jesus said unto him, Verily I say unto thee, That this night, before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. Peter said unto him, Though I should die with thee, yet will I not deny thee. Likewise also said all the disciples. Matthew 26: 33-35

Now Peter sat without in the palace: and a damsel came unto him, saying, Thou also wast with Jesus of Galilee. But he denied before them all, saying, I know not what thou sayest. And when he was gone out into the porch, another maid saw him, and said unto them that were there, This fellow was also with Jesus of Nazareth. And again he denied with an oath, I do not know the man. And after a while came unto him they that stood by, and said to Peter, Surely thou also art one of them; for thy speech bewrayeth thee. Then began he to curse and to swear, saying, I know not the man. And immediately the cock crew. And Peter remembered the word of Jesus, which said unto him, Before the cock crow, thou shalt deny me thrice. And he went out, and wept bitterly. Matthew 26: 69-75

Have you ever been in a situation as a Christian, where when you were around people (family, friends, co-workers, etc...) that you had an opportunity to share with them about Jesus and you did not? Were there people mocking Jesus and you being a Christian joined along with them or didn't stand up for what you believed in? We all at some point in our lives have been guilty of that very thing. We can deny it to people, but God knows! I'm reminded of Simon Peter, how he would never deny Christ. He said he would go to prison for him and would even die for Jesus but would never deny him! Jesus told Simon Peter that he would deny him three times. Of course, I am sure Simon Peter reasoned within himself saying I will never deny him. We later found out that he did as Christ said. We are all guilty of that! Do not try to deny it or sugar coat it to make you feel better. We do not want to be labeled as a "Jesus Freak" or "Religious Nut." I have to tell you what the Bible says concerning that: Mark 8:38 - Whosoever therefore shall be ashamed of me and of my words in this adulterous and sinful generation; of him also shall the Son of man be ashamed, when he cometh in the glory of his Father with the holy angels. Do not take that chance! I tell you beloved, that if we call ourselves, true Born-Again, Children of the King; we should act like it and not be ashamed. We love God when we need him to answer a prayer for us or when something bad happens but when things are good, we act like "Who Are You, Jesus?" We need to repent and confess our sin as Simon Peter did...TRUE REPENTANCE! "DON'T BE AN "IN THE CLOSET" CHRISTIAN...COME OUT OF THE CLOSET AND BE PROUD OF WHO YOU ARE IN JESUS!"

Don't forget that our sermon CD of the month is the message I preached: "Are You Ashamed Of Jesus?"

In The Masters Service, Evangelist Michael W. Heltsley

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Make A Covenant With Our Eyes

Rev. Lindel E. Hinton

I made a covenant with mine eyes; why then should I think upon a maid? Job 31:1

Job made a covenant between his soul and God to control his eyes. We are told that 84% of our life is motivated by our eyes. King David's greatest sin was when he looked upon Bathsheba bathing on the rooftop. When sin had conceived, it brought forth death to many. We learn also in Joshua 7, how Achan said, "When I saw among the spoils a goodly Babylonish garment, and two hundred shekels of silver, and a wedge of gold of fifty shekels weight, then I coveted them, and took them;" How many times have we sinned when we see things and covet them? Let us make a covenant with our eyes so that we may be ready for the soon return of our LORD Jesus Christ.



SALVATION CORNER

We have set aside this corner of THE TRUMPET to show God's Plan of Salvation. If you are unsure where you will go when you die, please listen to what God has said in His Word:

FIRST . . . GOD LOVES YOU! "For God so loved the world that he gave His only Begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have Everlasting Life" Jn. 3:16

SECOND . . . MAN IS A SINNER, AND SIN HAS SEPARATED HIM FROM GOD! "For there is not a just man upon Earth, that doeth good and sinneth not" Eccl. 7:20. "For all have sinned and come short of the Glory of God" Rom. 3:23.

THIRD . . . JESUS CHRIST IS THE ONLY REMEDY FOR SIN! "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God . . ." I Pet. 3:18. "Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under Heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved" Acts 4:12

FOURTH . . . YOU MUST RECEIVE JESUS CHRIST AS YOUR PERSONAL LORD AND SAVIOUR. Jesus calls this experience the "new birth." He told Nicodemus: ". . . Except a man be born again, he cannot see the Kingdom of God" Jn. 3:3.

We invite you now to receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour. "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" Jn. 1:12.

Pray this prayer and mean it with all of your heart:

Dear Lord Jesus, I now realize that I am a sinner. I accept the fact that You died for me on the rugged Cross of Calvary. I now open my heart's door and receive You as Saviour and Lord of my life. Please take Full control of me and help me to be the kind of Christian You want me to be. Amen.

If you prayed this prayer in all sincerity, you are now a Child of God. So that we might rejoice with you, we invite you to fill in the information below and mail it to the address on the back of this newsletter.

TODAY I ACCEPTED JESUS AS MY LORD AND SAVIOUR.

NAME _____
ADDRESS _____
CITY _____
STATE/PROV ZIP _____
DATE OF DECISION _____
AGE _____

Februarys Featured Sermons

I'm Comin' Out Of This Famine Fatter

Broken Vessels

An Appointment You Can't Miss

What Happens When You Die?

Sermons on CD available free upon request

CORNERSTONE
Rev. Billy R Douglas

What Memory Will You Leave Behind?

For none of us liveth to himself, and no man dieth to himself. Romans 14:7

I remember hearing a preacher once tell the story of a man who had been an atheist all of his life. He had even written books on the subject and taught others that there was no God. The preacher went on to say that this man on his death bed came to know the LORD and that there was indeed a God. This man was over heard praying and pleading for God to "please let my influence die with me" knowing that he had convinced many that there was no God and now knowing the truth, the grief and guilt was more than he could bear. Sad to say the man shortly passed away but his influence still remains today. So it is with all of us...long after we are gone our influence will still live on. The choices we made the life that we lived...the influence we had on others will still remain. Stop for a moment, look at your life, the choices you make and ask yourself...what kind of memory or influence will you leave behind? If you don't like the answer to that question...you still have time to do it right!

Harvest Time

Rev. Lindel E. Hinton

To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven: A time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up that which is planted; Ecc 3: 1-2

I saw a farmer gathering or shelling his corn crop yesterday. The good thing is the farmer only planted a few bags of corn but he reaped several truck loads. It's the same with us when we get out of the will of God. We sow a lot of seeds to the flesh, and when they reach the maturity stage we wonder, "LORD, What did I do to deserve this?". We are only reaping what we have sown...same as the farmer. Thank God when we sow to the Spirit we reap life everlasting. We are only promised 70 years here on earth, but we can reap life everlasting if we sow to the Spirit.

Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap. For he that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting. Galatians 6: 7-8



REESIE'S HOLIDAY RECIPES



Banana Puddin'

Ingredients

- 1/3 cup all-purpose flour
- Dash of salt
- 2 1/2 cups 1% low-fat milk
- 1 (14-ounce) can fat-free sweetened condensed milk
- 2 large egg yolks
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 3 cups sliced ripe banana, divided
- 45 reduced-fat vanilla wafers, divided
- 4 large egg whites (at room temperature)
- 1/4 cup sugar

Combine flour and salt in a medium saucepan. Gradually add milks and yolks; stir well. Cook over medium heat 8 minutes or until thick, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; stir in vanilla. Arrange 1 cup banana slices in bottom of a 2-quart baking dish. Spoon one-third of pudding mixture over banana. Arrange 15 wafers on top of pudding. Repeat layers twice, arranging the last 15 wafers around edge of dish. Push cookies into pudding. Beat egg whites at high speed of a mixer until foamy. Gradually add sugar, 1 tablespoon at a time, beating until stiff peaks form. Spread meringue evenly over pudding, sealing to edge of dish. Bake at 325° for 25 minutes or until golden. Banana Pudding may be a bit soupy when you first remove it from the oven. Let cool at least 30 minutes before serving.

Hershey Cake with Cream Cheese Icing

CAKE:

- 1 box Swiss chocolate cake mix
- 1 1/2 cups milk
- 1 cup oil
- 3 eggs
- 1 small box instant vanilla pudding mix

CREAM CHEESE ICING:

- 1 (8 oz.) pkg. cream cheese, room temperature
- 1 cup confectioner's sugar
- 1 (12 oz.) container Cool Whip, thawed
- 3 Hershey bars, slivered

CAKE: Bake at 350 degrees for 20-25 minutes for 3 layers or 25-30 minutes for 2 layers or until cake tests done. Cool slightly then turn out of pans onto racks to cool completely before frosting.

ICING: Combine cream cheese, sugar, and Cool Whip. Mix well. Spread each layer with frosting and sprinkle each layer with the slivered chocolate bar before topping with the next layer. Frost the top and sides of the cake and sprinkle with the slivered chocolate. Refrigerate.

Cheesy Mushroom Soup

Ingredients

- 4 Tablespoons butter
- 1 pound sliced mushrooms
- 1/2 medium sweet onion, chopped
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 3 Tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1-3/4 cups chicken broth
- 1 cup cream, half-and-half, or milk
- 1/8 teaspoon nutmeg
- ground pepper to taste
- 1 cup finely grated Cheddar cheese

In a heavy saucepan, gently saute mushrooms, onions, and salt in the butter until mushrooms have released their liquid and onions are soft. Sprinkle with the flour and stir for 1 minute. Add chicken broth while stirring. Bring to a low boil and simmer for 10 minutes. Stir in cream and return to a simmer. Add Cheddar cheese and stir until melted. Season with freshly ground pepper to taste. Remove from heat and serve.

Home-style Meatloaf

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup ketchup
- 2 teaspoons brown sugar
- 1 teaspoon mustard
- 1 (1 pound) package Original Recipe Sausage Roll
- 1 pound ground beef
- 1/4 cup chopped onion
- 1 egg, beaten
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup uncooked quick oats
- 1/4 teaspoon black pepper

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F. Combine ketchup, brown sugar and mustard in small bowl; set aside. Combine 1/3 cup ketchup mixture and remaining ingredients in large bowl; mix well. Shape mixture into loaf in large shallow baking dish. Bake 1 hour and remove from oven. Pour remaining ketchup mixture over loaf and bake an additional 10 minutes. Let stand 5 minutes before slicing.



The Cookie Jar



Oatmeal Chip Cookies

Ingredients

- 1 (18.25 ounce) package white cake mix
- 1 (3.4 ounce) box instant butterscotch pudding mix
- 2/3 cup rolled oats
- 1/2 cup vegetable oil
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1/4 cup water
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1 cup semisweet chocolate chips

Preheat oven to 350 degrees. Lightly grease cookie sheets. In a large bowl, stir together cake mix, instant pudding, and rolled oats. Add oil, sour cream, water, and vanilla; mix until smooth and well blended. Stir in chocolate chips. Roll dough into 1 1/2 inch balls, and place 2 inches apart on the prepared cookie sheets. Bake for 8 to 10 minutes in the preheated oven. Allow cookies to cool on baking sheet for 5 minutes before transferring to a wire rack to cool completely.

Mexican Fiesta Biscuit Bake

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons margarine or butter
- 1 (16.3 ounce) can Pillsbury(R) Grands!(R) Refrigerated Buttermilk Biscuits
- 1 (10.2 ounce) can Pillsbury(R) Grands!(R) Refrigerated Buttermilk Biscuits
- 1 (16 ounce) jar Thick 'n Chunky Salsa
- 3 cups shredded Monterey Jack cheese
- 1/2 cup chopped green bell pepper
- 1/2 cup sliced green onions
- 1 (2.25 ounce) can sliced ripe olives, drained

Heat oven to 375 degrees. Melt margarine in oven in 13x9-inch (3-quart) glass baking dish or non-aluminum baking pan. Tilt to evenly coat dish. Separate dough into 13 biscuits; cut each biscuit into eighths. Place biscuit pieces in large bowl; toss with 1 3/4 cups salsa. Spoon evenly into margarine-coated dish. Sprinkle with cheese, bell pepper, onions and olives. Bake at 375 degrees for 35 to 45 minutes or until edges are deep golden brown and center is set. Let stand 15 minutes.



Marrow To The Bone

Sister Nancy Willis

The Lord tells us if we will trust in him with all our heart and lean not to our own understanding, acknowledge him direct our paths, depart from evil. It would be health to our navel, and marrow to our bones. Proverbs 3: 5 - 8

Little did I know one night setting in a hotel room in Lexington, hearing a preacher preach this, that a few years later. I would apply this to my life. When people have certain types of cancer they have to have bone marrow. Cancer causes sickness, weakness, it affects your blood, it causes impurities in your body that shouldn't be there. So the bone marrow replaces what the cancer has destroyed. Like cancer SIN also destroys. It eats away at our spiritual man. It brings forth death. The Lord said if we would trust in him, walk in his paths, turn from evil, he would heal us. Give us marrow for our bones, He will take out all the impurities and replace them with pureness, He wants us to be pure and holy, he will replace envy, strife, jealousy, hatred, sadness, and depression, etc. All the things that will destroy you and bring you death,, He will replace with love, charity, gratitude, kindness, compassion, joy, I can't name them all but he will give you life...

IF my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves and pray, seek my face and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. 2 Chronicles 7:14

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And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Genesis 3:15



Prayer List



VOTL PRAYER CHEST

If you would like to send a picture of a loved one or a special prayer request we will place it in our Prayer Chest. Our Prayer Chest sits on the altar at VOTL Tabernacle and we pray over the requests during our services. You can also request a prayer cloth by mail.

And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.
James 5:15

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Doc Prescribed, but the Patient Died

It was only a cold in her head when Mrs. Mosby came to Doc Bradley. The doctor poured out some medicine from his store and told her how often to take it. A few days later he was called to her home, for in those days doctors made housecalls. The cold had settled in her chest. More medicine was prescribed, but the woman died. She could have survived, and it hurt the doctor to know he had prescribed, but the patient did not survive.

A short time after the funeral, the doctor happened to meet Mrs. Mosby's sister and by accident learned that the sick woman had not taken a drop of his medicine, but instead poured it down the sink. The doctor then realized he was not responsible, for the patient had not followed orders.

Obviously the preacher is responsible to prescribe the right medicine. Too many in the church pews listen but do not take the gospel medicine. Only those who listen and follow what is prescribed can expect to find spiritual health.



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When The Sun Doesn't Rise

Pastor Wayne Clabaugh, I

"But thou, O LORD, art a shield for me; my glory, and the lifter up of mine head." Psa 3:3 (KJV)

My Wife and I like to watch the sunrise together. We have found a little spot where the ground is high enough and the view is clear - facing east, and there we sit and watch as the Lord our God comes and paints the sky every morning with His "Glory Brush", and we gasp with every stroke until the sun is so bright that we cannot look upon it anymore. Eyes closed ... it is time for prayer. How I thank God for those breath-taking moments as we say hello to the Father and bless his name for that 15 minutes to half an hour every morning. It's awesome! I'll never forget the first time that the sun didn't come up. It was an overcast and rainy and just a dingy grey. On those kind of days one might ask, "Where are you Lord?" How come you have not risen for me today? I am waiting and yet you are not here. I have never flown in an airplane so I don't know by experience, but my wife always says, beyond those dingy clouds is a silver and golden lining. She tells me of the beauty of the heavens just on the other side of those clouds as the airplane rises just past the drift of those weighty clouds, and I once again gasp in my mind as I picture the awesome glory of it all. Often in the lives of many, the sun doesn't rise. For whatever reason, many aren't even looking for a silver lining let alone a golden one. When they see the dingy clouds, they feel that's all they deserve or at least, that too them is what life is made of. There is no awe, no "Glory Brush" no hope or looking forward to tomorrow's sunrise ... just moving from one day to the next, expecting tomorrow to possibly be worse than today or at least the same ... no hope. Oh my friend if that is you ... The Lord wants so to be your GLORY! He wants so much to be the lifter up of your head and to be your shield throughout all of your troubles. (ref., Psalm 3:3) Imagine the disciples, if you will, there in their storm-tossed boat, ready to capsize and Jesus wasn't there. Imagine that one thief on the cross, ready to believe in a God above and ready to ask forgiveness of his sins in life - as his last dying wish, and Jesus the redeemer, the blessed gift and giver of eternal life, was not there. Imagine if you will, that one fleeting moment in your life as one of your loved ones closed their eyes in death, breathing their last breath in this life, and the presence of the Lord had not been there in that room ... now that would be darkness and that would be an lost feeling of emptiness. But Oh my friend, Listen to David as he tells it like it is this morning. Despite all of your short-comings, despite all of your conditions that would depress or dispirit your sunrise... The Lord wants so to be your GLORY! He wants so much to be the lifter up of your head and to be your shield throughout all of your troubles. (ref., Psalm 3:3) Call on HIM today, and let him shine in your life and let Him break through the clouds and be the lifter up of your head.

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