

Prayer List

Kathy Cleaveland recovering from back surgery done on Tuesday.

Sharon Stewart (friend of Kathy Cleaveland) will be having double mastectomy as treatment for breast cancer on Oct. 19th pray for a successful surgery and speedy recovery

Continual Prayers Health Reasons/Treatment

~ **Marian Johnson (Mandy's grandmother)** tumor.

~ **Kenny Dorrance (Bob Justice's nephew)** throat cancer.

~ **Kathleen Hall** improved health and kidney to work better.

~ **Julie (friend of Sally Guest)** husband, has liver cancer.

~ **Steven Lemm, 55 years old (nephew of Jean & Rudy Kantu)** continues to decline in health, doctors trying new treatments, prayerful he will regain strength.

~ **Christian (Becky Hanna's nephew)** terminal leukemia.

~ **Nick Cureton (nephew to Dale Cureton)** acute leukemia rare type.

~ **Eddie Redman's niece Rose** terminal illness.

~ **Joe Hixenbaugh (Jim Hixenbaugh's brother)** cancer.

Our Shut-ins

Ruth Hague Dwain Oliver
 Danny Jones Marjorie Trammell
 Bill Withers-VA

Facing Into the Gale

The experienced sailor knows that a ship must head into a storm in order to avoid shipwreck. He must keep the ship facing into the gale (see the nautical term, "aloof"). It takes great courage to head into seemingly further trouble, but it is only by facing difficulties head on, that they can be conquered.

There are some things that cannot be avoided and which, if not resisted (1 Peter 5:8-9), will overcome and overwhelm us (1 Timothy 1:18-20). The difficulty with trying to run away from an adversary is that an adversary, like the wind, runs faster, will soon catch up to us, and will soon overcome us (Exodus 14:1-10).

As Christians, let us never turn our back on trouble, but rather face it, and in so doing, become a victor instead of a victim (Exodus 14:13-14, 26-31; cf. Psalm 106:7-12).

By Mike Riley



Things to Know

Nursery/Cry Room

Available at the back of the auditorium

Sunday Evening Assembly

6pm TONIGHT

Breakfast at IHOP

Oct 19th 8am

Baby Shower

Please join us in honoring Annette Lowell (Rick & Patty Pinney's grand-daughter) Sat. Oct 29th at 11am here at the building, lunch will be served. It's a girl! Registered at Target and Walmart. Please RSVP to Patty Pinney.

LTC Yard Sale

Friday Nov 4th at Spencer and Heidi Guest's home. We will be taking donations of items to sell beginning today; you may give you donations to Spencer or Heidi Guest; all proceeds will go toward supporting the kids who compete in Bible Bowl. This year we will travel to Las Cruces NM, Whittier CA, and Mesa AZ to compete over the book of ACTS. We have 10 kids who will be competing this year.

Fillin Crossword

No.2

2 LETTERS

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3 LETTERS

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4 LETTERS

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5 LETTERS

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6 LETTERS

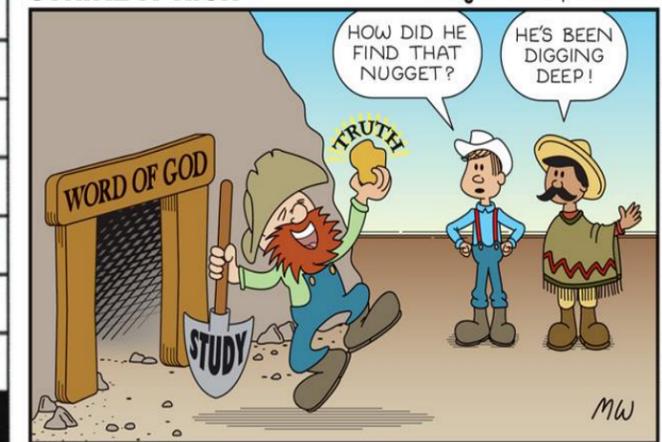
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7 LETTERS

BABYLON
 ETERNAL
 EZEKIEL
 LEPROSY
 NETWORK
 THISTLE

STRIKE IT RICH

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



and if you look for it as for silver and search for it as for hidden treasure, then you will understand the fear of the LORD and find the knowledge of God. - PROVERBS 2:4-5 NIV

Comfort in Hardship

I believe there are two basic human needs that every individual has...forgiveness and comfort. I also believe that only God can completely meet both of those needs. We all sin (Rom. 3:23), and so we all need God's grace. We all suffer, and so we all need the peace that only God can provide (Phil. 4:6-7).

Every Christian needs encouragement at various times throughout this life. We suffer due to family problems, health concerns, natural disasters, spiritual weakness, emotional trials, problems at work, and even difficulties in the church. This is nothing new, for there were problems in the church even during biblical times. In the church at Corinth alone, we read of division, immorality, lawsuits between brethren, incorrect worship practices, abuse of miraculous gifts, lack of love for one another, and misunderstandings concerning the resurrection of Christ and the resurrection of the dead in the last day. Corinth, like most every congregation of God's people, was filled with hurting people. This is why God inspired Paul to give them a lot of encouragement (2 Cor. 1:3-5). They needed to grow stronger and remain stronger and more faithful, and encouragement would do that.

There are people around you who are hurting. We live in a broken, fallen world; thus, no life is free from hardship (Job 5:7). However, what we see in life is not determined by our own vantage point...but rather how we view life. Sometimes the hardships of life beat us down, and it is during those time that we must need to be encouraged (2 Cor. 1:5; John 16:33; 1 Pet. 4:12-13).

Why rejoice when fiery trials come upon us, Peter? Because with those hardships come opportunities to receive God's comfort. Yes, I know that we think that we can do it all ourselves, that we have convinced ourselves that we are invincible, that we think we are self-reliant, that we think that if we obtain enough wealth and possessions we do not have to depend on God, that if we can educate ourselves enough we can determine our own morals, laws, and guidelines so we have no need of the Bible, that if we can be busy enough with programs, plans, and activities, we will have no need of the church...but God knows differently (John 15:5; 2 Cor. 1:9).

Hardships have a way of bringing us to our knees and reminding us of our great need for God's comfort (Heb. 12:7-11). So instead of running away from God during the hard times, let's run TO him (Heb. 4:16; 1 Pet. 5:7).

Zechariah 7:9-10

“Thus has the Lord of hosts said, ‘Dispense true justice and practice kindness and compassion each to his brother; and do not oppress the widow or the orphan, the stranger or the poor; and do not devise evil in your hearts against one another.’”

