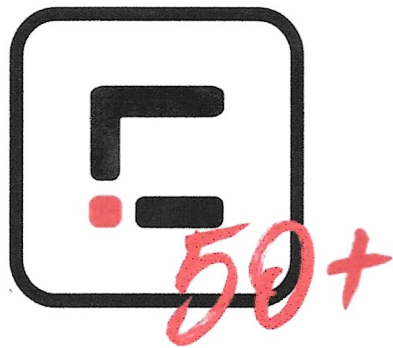




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We are studying Colossians in our table group meetings and recently studied the first part of chapter 3 about the Apostle Paul's instructions to the church in Colosse.

Basically the Apostle Paul writes that since we have been given this new life in Christ Jesus, we should set our affections and thoughts on the things of Christ rather than on the things of this world. For us to put off our old sinful desires and ways and take up the new Way of our Lord Jesus. (Colossians 3) This was good instructions for the church in Colosse back then and it is good instructions for us today.

The problem lies with when we try to serve our Lord Jesus and hang onto to our old sinful ways of the world (ie: the old sinful ways we lived before we accepted our Lord Jesus into our lives.) Our old lives have no connection with our new lives in Christ Jesus!!

Just like the Apostle Paul instructs us, we should clothe ourselves with the attributes of our Lord Jesus. Things like our Lord's tender mercies, humility, gentleness, patience. Making allowances for others mistakes and forgiving one another just as our Lord Jesus has forgiven us. And above all we are to clothe ourselves with the love of our Lord Jesus! For it is by our Lord's love that unite us all together as one body!!

I know we all are aware of these instructions, but it may do us good to read them and ponder and/or meditate over them again.

Our Pastor Jerry is always encouraging us to be a church that loves! For he knows that it is the love of our Lord Jesus that binds our hearts as one!

May our prayer be, Lord bind us together in Your love more and more! When this happens, the petty differences of this world will fade away and our love for one another will grow stronger and stronger to the glory of our Lord! Folks will then see our Lord Jesus in us and be drawn to His love and want to accept Him as we have! Not just as their Savior, but as Lord of their life!! For our Lord Jesus cannot be Savior of our lives if we do not allow Him to become Lord of our lives!!

So may we make Jesus truly Lord of our lives and let His love shine in us and through us for His glory!! With the leading and guidance of the Holy Spirit we can do this!!

With much love, respect, and prayer for you all!!

Bible Trivia

1. What New Testament character was the "voice crying in the wilderness"?
2. What apostle addressed the Pentecost crowd in a loud a voice?
3. What barren woman moved her lips in prayer but made no sound?
4. Who came to Peter late at night and released him from prison?
5. Who had a late-night visit from an angel, who assured him that he would be safe aboard a storm tossed ship?

Upcoming Events

Fifty Plus Montly Mid-Day Meal and Service will be Thursday October 8, 2026 at the church at 11:30AM.

This month in keeping with our Pastor's call to fast, we will be honoring the fast by asking you to please consider bringing some type of salad, fruit, and/or vegetable. Our speaker will be our very own Pastor Jerry. Make plans now to attend and enjoy a time of good fellowship and hear what our Lord speaks through Pastor Jerry! We hope to see you there!

Have an Anniversary or Birthday coming up? Let Cindy know your special date, so we can celebrate with you!!

On a Lighter Side:



It's about your perspective:

An English professor wrote the words, "A woman without her man is nothing" on the blackboard and directed the students to punctuate it correctly.

The men wrote: "A woman, without her man, is nothing."

The women wrote: "A woman: without her, man is nothing."

The Power of Women:

There were 11 people hanging on to a rope that came down from a helicopter. Ten were men and one woman.

They all decided that one person should get off because if they didn't, the rope would break and everyone would die. No one could decide who should go. Finally the woman gave a really touching speech on how she would give up her life to save the others, because women were used to giving up things for their husbands and children and giving in to men.

All of the men started clapping.

Men know women:

Top 10 things men know about women:

- 1.
- 2.
- 3.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
- 8.
- 9.
- 10.

Happy Anniversary to:

Robert & Maria Ruiz - Oct. 1

Prayer Needs:

Shelia and Dave Nickel

Brenda Gomez

Burl and Gayle Ray

Maddy Pfening

Beckett (Joe and Mary Grimes grandson)

Donna Cochran

Renee Frank

Joy Pruett

Ray Beavers

Trivia Answers:

1. John the Baptist (Mark 1:3)
2. Peter (Acts 2:14)
3. Hannah (1 Samuel 1:13)
4. An Angel (Acts 12:6-17)
5. Paul (Acts 27:23-24)

Happy October Birthday to:

Cindy Wrentz - Oct. 2

Thula McCulley - Oct. 3

June Brown - Oct. 4

Jocelyn Juul - Oct. 6

Chris Shepherd Oct. 6

Maria Ruiz - Oct. 15

Melody Allen - Oct. 18

Doug Pady - Oct. 20

Pastor Jerry Frank - Oct. 22

Darla Keener - Oct. 26

Here's a Recipe to Try:

Fig Cake

1 ½ Cup sugar

2 cups flour

1 tsp. baking soda

1 Tablespoon pumpkin pie spice

1 cup vegetable oil

3 eggs

1 cup buttermilk

1 Tablespoon vanilla

1 cup chopped pecans

1 cup fig preserves

Combine all ingredients. Put in a greased tube pan. Bake at 350 for 1 hour and 15 minutes or until knife comes out clean. Cool 10 min. Invert onto cake plate & glaze if desired.

Submitted by Heather Johnson (her Grandmother's recipe)