

Heart to Heart News

Summer 2018

July 5th - Heart to Heart - Auction Night
Fried chicken

July 23rd through July 27th - Vacation Bible School
"Moose on the Loose" camping theme
For kindergarten thru 8th grade

August 2nd - Heart to Heart - Fellowship Night
Sloppy joes with Ruth McClure
& Donna Walden

September 6th - Heart to Heart night currently
subject to change - but it will be good!

September 9th - Anniversary Sunday
The Dixie Melody Boys will have a
concert in the afternoon

Beginning in the coming new year, Ruth Warren has asked to step down from doing the Songs We Love for the newsletter. Anyone interested in taking this project on can contact Ruth or LeuAnna. Ruth will pass on several resource books as well to aid her replacement.

Congratulations to our 2018 Graduates

Josephine Clark - Towpath Trail High School

Alicia Hardesty - Massillon - Washington High School

Leah Koval - Northwest High School

TJKnight - RG Drage Career Technical Center
through Northwest High School

Hannah Knight - Northwest High School

Zach Rohr - Green High School

Heidi Knight - Malone University with a degree in
Business Administration

Holly Knight - Hiram College with a degree in
Psychology

**The Spring 2018 newsletter contained an error - the Friday night RU program new directors are Dan Davis & Dianna Davis.

Secure Hope

God wants his children to have desires and expectations that are motivating as well as enriching. However, some disappointment is inevitable in this fallen world. So how can we determine where to place our hope – and the way to respond if it is not fulfilled?

Hope is secure when it is aligned with the Lord's desires, which are revealed in Scripture. However, many of our expectations are based on wishes or feelings. We long for job promotions, good health, or quick solutions to our problems. Though these are things we want, we have no absolute promise from the Lord that they're part of His will for us.

Disappointment with God can occur whenever our expectations do not coincide with His plan. Even when hope is based on a scriptural promise, the Lord may not fulfill it the way or the time that we expect. We should remember that though God may appear inactive, He is moving beneath the surface, preparing us for the future.

The key to contentment and joy lies in placing all our personal hopes under the umbrella of our ultimate hope in the Lord. God is sovereign and good. He always wants what is best for us and never makes a mistake. His ways are higher than ours and, in many ways, beyond human understanding.

From a limited and fallen perspective, we may be like a 5-year-old who wants candy at every meal. Sometimes God has to dash our hopes in order to give us what He knows best. Ask Him to clarify and direct your desires to coincide with His way. Then rest in His goodness and keep your hope in Him.

Dr. Charles F Stanley
In Touch
Dailey Readings for Devoted Living
June 2018 Edition

Remember

It is health that is real wealth and not pieces of gold and silver.
Live happy in this year and every year!

Consider the following:

Today is the oldest you've ever been, yet the youngest you'll ever be so, enjoy this day while it lasts.

Your kids are becoming you...

Going out is good... Coming home is better!

You forget names... But it's OK because other people forgot they even knew you!!!

You realize you're never going to be really good at anything... especially golf.

The things you used to care to do, you no longer care to do, but you really do care that you don't care to do them anymore.

You sleep better on a lounge chair with the TV blaring than in bed. It's called "pre-sleep".

You miss the days when everything worked with just an "ON" and "OFF" switch.

You tend to use more 4 letter words - "what?", "when?", "what????"

Now that you can afford expensive jewelry, it's not safe to wear it anywhere.

You notice everything they sell in stores is "sleeveless"!!!!

What used to be freckles are now liver spots.

Everybody whispers.

You have 3 sizes of clothes in your closet...2 of which you will never wear.

But Old is good in some things: Old Songs, Old movies, and best of all, OLD FRIENDS!!

It's not what you gather, but what you scatter that tells what kind of life you have lived.

SONGS WE LOVE

submitted by Ruth Warren

A hill with three crosses ---
One hill where a thief died in SIN
One thief died to SIN
A center cross where a Redeemer died FOR SIN

It's thought that the term "Good Friday" came from the term "God's Friday"- the day that Christ went to Golgotha to be crucified for the sins of the world. The Roman cross, intended to be an instrument of cruel death instead became the instrument of new life, new hope for mankind.

Harry Dixon Loes, composer of this hymn (May I interject right here to say that this is one of my top three hymns of all time. I've loved it since a kid-Ruth) was a music teacher at Moody Bible Institute from 1939 until he died in 1965. One day as he was listening to a sermon entitled "Blessed Redeemer", he was inspired to write the melody for this song. He then sent it to Mrs. Avis Christiansen for her to write the words since she was ranked as one of the important gospel hymn writers of the 20th century. These are those beautiful words:

Up Calv'ry's mountain, one dreadful morn,
walked Christ my Savior, weary and worn
facing for sinners death on the cross,
that He might save them from endless loss.

"Father, forgive them," thus did He pray,
e'en while His life-blood flowed fast away;
praying for sinners while in such woe-
no one but Jesus ever loved so.

O how I love Him, Savior and Friend,
How can my praises ever find end!
Thru years unnumbered on Heaven's shore,
my tongue shall praise Him for evermore.

chorus:

Blessed Redeemer, precious Redeemer!
Seems now I see Him on Calvary's tree,
wounded and bleeding, for sinners pleading-
blind and unheeding-dying for me!

Strawberry Shortcake Cheesecake

Prep Time: 0:40

Total Time: 6:40

Yields: 8

Ingredients:

Vanilla cake mix, plus ingredients called for on the box
2 blocks cream cheese, softened to room temperature
3/4 c. powdered sugar
2 c. cold heavy cream
3 c. strawberries, 2 c sliced and the rest left whole

Directions:

Grease an 8" springform pan with cooking spray.
In a large bowl, mix all ingredients for vanilla cake. Pour ½ cup in pan, or enough to coat the bottom of your pan. (Save the rest of the batter for a separate cake or cupcakes!)
Bake until golden and a toothpick comes out dry.
In a large bowl using an electric mixer, beat cream cheese until light and fluffy, 2 minutes. Add sugar to combine, then gradually add cream and beat on high speed until stiff peaks form.
Press the slices of strawberry along the edge of the springform pan, so that the bottoms of the strawberries touch the cake. Place your whole strawberries on the surface of the cake leaving about a ½" between each. Cover with the cheesecake mixture and refrigerate for 5 to 6 hours.

Garnish with more chopped strawberries. Serve.



The Little World of Home

By Garnett Ann Schultz

There is a little world of home
Where loving hearts shall dwell;
'Tis here we find a beauty real
We know and love so well.
It demands the best within us,
For unless we here succeed,
We will ever be a failure.
In all other words or deed.

Within our little world of home,
'Tis hard to be a saint.
For here is where we grumble most
And often voice complaint;
'Tis here we live and work and play.
Where life brings each new test.
The place where hopes and dreams are born
With those we love the best.

Oh, lovely little world of home,
Though trials may oft arise,
We find the miracles of life
Before our very eyes;
'Tis here success must surely come
If we'd succeed at all.
Within the arms of those they love,
So many rise or fall.

Rich thoughts are born, a courage real,
Perhaps a heartache too;
'Tis here we plan a way of life
And cherish dreams come true;
Sweet memories from childhood days
We treasure as our own,
And know that life is dearest in
The little world of home.

Submitted by Brenda Angelo

Church Votes Unanimously To Replace Light Bulb In Foyer

LAKE WAYNOKA, OH—It was sometime during the harvest season that Jeremiah Murphy, a deacon of 30 years at Lake Waynoka First Baptist Church, first noticed the church's foyer area seemed darker than usual.

"I looked on up and seen one of the light bulbs just wasn't twinkling as bright as the others," a solemn Murphy told reporters Tuesday. "I realized right away that this right here is a safety hazard, so, quick as I could, I turned in the paperwork for the issue to be considered for the next business meeting's ballot."

Unfortunately for the church's faithful, that next business meeting ended up being canceled due to snow. "It was a real dark winter," confirmed Murphy.

But, as the saying goes, *let there be light*—because Pastor Matt Abbott was delighted to announce Tuesday that the business meeting had successfully taken place, and the light bulb measure passed unanimously. "We're looking forward to putting our dark days behind us," Abbott declared. "All we've got to do now is pass a vote to create a light bulb committee, elect a committee chair, and then get out of the way and let them do their job."

Amish Broccoli Cauliflower Salad

1 head broccoli, chopped
1 head cauliflower, chopped
1 cup mayonnaise (lite if you want)
1 cup sour cream (lite if you want)
½ cup sugar (artificial equivalent if you want)
½ teaspoon salt
½ pound bacon, fried and crumbled
1 cup shredded cheddar cheese (fat free if you want)

Mix well and serve or refrigerate until ready to eat.

Sherry's Book Corner / Adult Column

Hello ladies!

History! Where would we be without it? I hate to admit it, but I did not pay much attention to my history teacher in school. Now that I am an adult, I love learning about history all over the world. I thought it would be neat to feature books this time since we are so close to the Fourth of July. I sold this book series to my local library. It is called the Mount Rushmore Series. The more our kids know about our heritage the better!

This book is all about President Abraham Lincoln. I like how it started...

Father Abraham. Honest Abe. The Great Emancipator.

I was also the sixteenth president of the United States of America. I liberated the slaves. I saved the Union.

I remember when our kids were in school. I was glad to be a part of their studies. I learned right along with them. I think you will enjoy this picture book that brings this president to life. A super book for a collection of educational materials for your home. As my motto states for my book business... Explore the World, Read a Book!

Until next time, may you and your family have a fun and safe summer!

In Him,
Sherry Kline Bolitho

Title: ABRAHAM

Author: Frank Keating

Paintings by: Mike Wimmer

Publisher: Simon & Schuster Books for Young Readers

Price: \$17.99

Age group: 6-9

Abraham Lincoln was born on February 12, 1809, in Kentucky. The cabin he was born in had a packed-dirt floor with one room and a single window. As he grew older hard work is what he remembered about his childhood. However, hard as he worked, he loved people. All people.

Rich in color, true in its meaning, as you read these pages, you will embrace the man who stood for one people and one land. In full, you will also read the address delivered at the Dedication of the Cemetery at Gettysburg November 19, 1863.

As he stated, "The things I want to know are in books."

Sherry's Book Corner / Children's Column

Hi kids!

Today is the first day of summer! That means it is the longest day of the year. How cool is that? Since the Fourth of July is soon approaching, I thought it might be of interest to you to learn a little more about our flag. You will learn about thirteen-year-old Caroline Pickersgill. She came from a family of the best flag makers. As a matter of fact, she had made George Washington's first flag when he fought during the American Revolutionary War.

Our flag stands for the home of the free and the brave. And whenever you see it flying in the breeze, you should be proud of its meaning. I know you will be doing a lot of fun things during the summer months, but books are also fun under a shady tree when it's too hot for anything else, or for the beach when you want to take a break from swimming!

Until next time, make the most of your summer and have fun!

In Him,
Sherry Kline Bolitho

Children's Book:

Title: Long May She Wave

By: Kristen Fulton

Illustrated by: Holly Berry

Publisher: Simon & Schuster

Price: \$17.99

Age group: 4-8



This is a true story about a young girl and her star-spangled creation. This flag maker and her connection to the iconic symbol of American patriotism became the inspiration for our country's national anthem. Full color illustrations boldly highlight the words and its meaning.

While the author was exploring the National Museum of American History, she looked at a piece of fabric, the stars and stripes, and she knew in her heart it was her next story. If you would like to learn more about Kristen check out her website, kristenfulton.com.

Fun Facts About the Bible You Never Knew

By Robyn Martins

Camp Rules (At least for the Israelites)

If you knock out your slave's tooth, you have to set him free.

Exodus 21:27

If you don't confine your ox that is known for killing people, and your ox kills somebody, you and your ox have to die. This is the final warning.

Exodus 21:29

No eating tendons attached to the hip of an animal. Refer to your camp rule book about what happened to Jacob.

Genesis 32:32

Do not charge interest to a fellow camper. Only charge interest to foreigners.

Deuteronomy 23:20

No tattoos.

Leviticus 19:28

No tripping blind people.

Leviticus 19:14

Please pick up all donkeys and oxen found lying in the road. Let's keep our camp clean.

Deuteronomy 22:4

Don't eat things with wings.

Leviticus 11:23

Mystery

I have observed the power of the watermelon seed. It has the power of drawing from the ground and through itself 200,000 times its weight. When you can tell me how it takes this material and out of it colors an outside surface beyond the imitation of art, and then forms inside of it a white rind and within that again a red heart, thickly inlaid with black seeds, each one of which in turn is capable of drawing through itself 200,00 times its weight – when you can explain to me the mystery of a watermelon, you can ask me to explain the mystery of God.

William Jennings Bryan

My Bible: Lost and Found

God answered my prayer in a way that confirmed He doesn't give us what we ask for, but what we need.

For several months I had been working on my prayer life, grappling with the concept that God knows our needs no matter how we express them. One evening, arriving at church for a midweek meeting, I parked my car, turned off the ignition and reached into the glove compartment for my Bible. But it wasn't there.

Now where have I left it? I wondered. I used to ask the Lord to help me locate things I had lost. Often he had answered.

“Lord, please show me where I've left my Bible.”

Suddenly a picture came to mind: my Bible, lying on the table in the vestibule of the church.

When I walked in, sure enough, there it was. I must have laid it down there while chatting after the Sunday morning service.

“Thank you, Lord!” I said, feeling that old familiar rush of excitement that comes with an immediate answer to prayer.

Just then our pastor's wife came through the door from the sanctuary.

“Linda, I see you've found your Bible,” she said.

“Yes,” I answered. “Right where I left it.”

“Well, no,” she said. “Actually, you left it in the women's lounge. So, I put it there on the table for you.”

I smiled at the wisdom of God. He didn't give me exactly what I had asked for; He gave me what I needed.

by Linda Brees

From - Guideposts online posted on Jun 6, 2018

An Old Church

The walls which now
Are crumbling lime
Could not withstand
The urge of time.

The wood has rotted
On the doors;
Rain has ravished
Roof and floors...

And yet because
Men worshiped here,
Something holy
And austere

Lingers on
And fills the air,
Like echoes
Of a quiet prayer.

Hannah Kahn



When you come to the edge of all the light you know and are about to step off into the darkness of the unknown, FAITH is knowing one of 2 things will happen: there will be something solid to stand on or you will be taught how to fly.

Strength doesn't come from what you can do. It comes from overcoming the things you once thought you couldn't.

Your worst days are never so bad that you are beyond the reach of God's grace. And your best days are never so good that you are beyond the need of God's grace.

No Wonder Jesus Loves the Little Children

When I look at a patch of dandelions, I see a bunch of weeds that are going to take over my yard. My kids see flowers for Mom and blowing white fluff you can wish on.

When I look at a homeless person and he smiles at me, I see a smelly, dirty person who probably wants money, and I look away. My kids see someone smiling at them and they smile back.

When I hear music I love, I know I can't carry a tune and don't have much rhythm, so I sit self-consciously and listen. My kids feel the beat and move to it. They sing out the words. If they don't know them, they make up their own.

When I feel wind on my face, I brace myself against it. I feel it messing up my hair and pulling me back when I walk. My kids close their eyes, spread their arms and fly with it, until they fall to the ground laughing.

When I pray, I say thee and thou and grant me this, give me that. My kids say, "Hi God! Thanks for my toys and my friends. Please keep the bad dreams away tonight. Sorry, I don't want to go to Heaven yet. I would miss my Mommy and Daddy."

When I see a mud puddle, I step around it. I see muddy shoes and clothes and dirty carpets. My kids sit in it. They see dams to build, rivers to cross and worms to play with.

Sometimes I wonder if we are given kids to teach . . . or to learn from.

No wonder Jesus loves the little children!

- Author Unknown -

Answered Prayer

At the end of April, I joined a longtime friend for a little mini vacation. We have been like sisters since sixth grade. Bobbi lives in Atlanta, Georgia so she had a longer drive than I to meet up in Kentucky. We always have a good time catching up with news of our families and old friends plus retelling stories from when we were kids. This year we decided to visit the Creation Museum and the Ark Encounter in Kentucky. They were both amazing places, but the sheer size of the ark was simply awe inspiring. I have friends and family that I can't wait to take there to see it, too.

On the second day, after we had made our way thoroughly through the ark, we made our way around to the rear where they have some dining, gift shops and a petting zoo. We decided to eat there before we left for the day so made our way into Emzara's Kitchen Restaurant. It's a buffet style restaurant so you get the food you want and find a place to sit on your own. The food was good and there was lots of it, by the way! We sat at the end of a table that could seat six. When we were about halfway done eating, another couple of ladies came and sat at the other end of our table. They were very nice, and we quickly stuck up a conversation with them. They had come there from Michigan. Like Bobbi and I, they were both Christians and we had a lot to talk about after seeing all the Ark Encounter had shown to us.

One thing that came up in our conversation was prayer and how God answers it. Bobbi was telling about how her son wanted her bible when she passed because of all the notes she takes in the margins of her bible. The one lady, Mary Newman, told us that she began years ago to put dates in her bible when she prayed for something. In one instance she prayed that her daughter-in-law would find a child to adopt. She had suffered thru a bad experience with cancer as a ten-year-old and wasn't physically able to conceive a child. But she very much wanted a child of her own. So, Mary prayed for her to do just that. She chose Psalm 113:9 – "He maketh the barren woman to keep house, and to be a joyful mother of children. Praise ye the Lord." And as was her custom, she put down the date she prayed over this verse for her daughter-in-law. Not long after that her son and daughter-in-law found a young pregnant girl that didn't want her baby.

The couple wanted to adopt the child as soon as it was born. They went to doctor visits with the mother to be and was aware of everything right through the delivery. It was all going great right up to the time the mother changed her mind and decided to keep her baby. They thought that was the right thing, that the baby really belonged with the birth mother. So, though they were terrible heartbroken, they knew it was the right thing to do so stepped away. Then they got word of another child that was up for adoption, but it wasn't a new baby. He was thirteen months old. That didn't matter at all to the young couple, they were over the moon to take the child. After all the paperwork was processed and settled, Mary had an opportunity to see his birth certificate. She went back to her bible to see what date she had prayed for this child and found that the date she prayed was the exact day this child was born – thirteen months before. God had answered her prayer when she first prayed it, but no one knew that. It took faith, time and patience to see it come to fruition.

God is good, and he always hears our prayers. He may not give you the answer you were looking for but when it's not, it's better. Think of all the things you prayed for that had you received it would have been wrong for you, would have held you back or been harmful to you. Remember the saying, "Be careful what you wish for"? That goes for prayers, too.

LeuAnna Taylor

And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.

Matthew 21:22

And he spake this parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not faint.

Luke 18:1



