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MINISTER'S MESSAGE

(re-printed from June 2017 Cosma's Corner)

For the eyes of the Lord range throughout the earth to strengthen those whose hearts are fully committed to him. 2 Chronicles 16:9a NIV

I hope God's eyes happen upon you!

He is seeking you out with a personal touch. His eyes are ever watching, not to discover what you are doing wrong but what you are doing right. I believe God would rather extend his mercy than his arm of justice. He would rather be a God of grace than a wielder of wrath.

We are challenged in Scripture to seek God which makes the scope of his search more definitive. He has a definitive purpose: he is ready to empower those who already trust Him.

God is not looking for whom He may punish, instead, He is looking for those he may praise who already praise Him with their lives.

These words of hope and promise were spoken to King Asa of Judah some 870 years before Christ; however, because Asa was not fully committed to God at this time he took them as words of derision. He had the prophet Hanani thrown in prison for speaking them, and Asa began the journey of decline for the next 6 years and negated the 35 years of righteous living.

Maybe if he had just realized the personal relationship Christ Jesus had with His Father in Heaven. Maybe if he realized salvation through a Messiah would mean we have access to the same Father as His children. Maybe if he had realized that the Father, whether in word of punishment or praise, is looking to do what is best for His children. Maybe ... just maybe things would look different for the last days of an influential king.

Maybe ... just maybe you should seek the praise of a Father and swallow your pride to accept His instruction. Maybe you should value the relationship you can have with an ever-present, ever-patient, ever-praising Father in Heaven.

Maybe ... Just Maybe ... May it Be ... Amen!

And to you earthly fathers out there who are living for your Heavenly Father ... Keep up the good work. And remember to set your eyes to looking for ways to praise your children and to strengthen them in their commitments to Christ.

Happy Father's Days!!!



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An Encouraging Word

The Bible repeatedly “encourages” Christians to “encourage one another.” How can you tell when someone needs encouragement? The answer is easy, said Chick-fil-A founder Truett Cathy: if they’re breathing! He quipped, “I get a lot of encouragement, but I never got an overdose.”

Offering encouragement is an easy way to have a big impact. In fact, two esteemed Christian writers call encouragers angelic and godly. George MacDonald said, “If, instead of a gem or even a flower, we could cast the gift of a lovely thought into the heart of a friend, that would be giving as the angels give.” And G.K. Chesterton said, “If I can put one touch of rosy sunset into the life of any man or woman, I shall feel that I have worked with
God.”

Who in your life might need an encouraging word today?



- June 2nd ... 8:00 am Trustees Meeting
Allen Jolly will be bringing the message.
- June 9th ... Dave Miller will be bringing the message.
7:00 – 8:30 pm ... Family Vacation Bible School
"Goldfish - Just Keep Swimming Because God is in Control"
Offering to be collected for
Elkhorn Valley Christian Service Camp
Refreshments available following VBS
No Registration Required.
WE WILL NEED COOKIES.
SEE MISSY WITH ANY QUESTIONS
- June 16th ...8:00 am Board Meeting
--- Speaker to be announced---
Father’s Day- Each gentleman present will receive a small gift compliments of the Sunday School Dept.
- June 23rd ... Allen Jolly will be bringing the message.
- June 30th ... Dave Miller will be bringing the message.



- 4th Aubree Hennard
- 7th Tami Dennison
- 8th Emily Shoff
- 12th Cody Opsitnik
- 14th Nita Floor
- 18th Ken Heestand
- 20th Peter Wildman
- 21th Ada Bailey
Eli Fowler
- 27th Hunter Stratton
- 28th Elizabeth Faloba
Ryker Shoff



BEGINNING JUNE 2ND
Our Sunday School classes will be combined and will meet in the sanctuary. We will no longer have Junior Church but Children’s Church will continue. Please continue to be in prayer for our congregation.

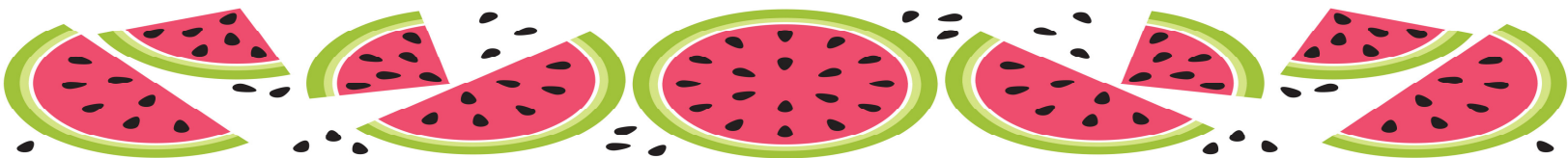


Perfect Attendance (May 2019)

- Gail Lea Phillis
- Brenda Schmidt
- Marty Shinn
- Bob Shinn
- Robin Janofa
- Judy Merriman
- Carl Merriman
- Linda Miller
- Cody Opsitnik

"Thank you to Allen Jolly, Dave Miller, and Don Cooper for speaking with us during the month of May. We appreciate their encouraging words, and are looking forward to hearing from them again soon!

If you know of anyone interested in preaching, please let Cody know to get them on the schedule."



PLEASE PRAY FOR:

**Our Congregation,
Our Nation,
Our Leaders,
Lost Souls,**

Northeast Ohio Bible College;

George Faull (strength);

Steve Singer (blood condition);

Mandy Fitch (dialysis; needs kidney transplant);

Jean Fluharty (sister, health issues);

Tom McKenna (recovering from 2nd brain surgery)

Bob Stein (brother continues to heal);

David Stein (brother, health problems);

June Toalston (Son-in-law's mother, cancer)

Mary Lou and Jim Eberhart (cousins, health problems);

Joan Shoop (health problems)

Jim Webber (heart problems);

Shirley Bartholow (health problems);

Debbie McKinley (breast cancer)

Please be in prayer for **Alma Smith and her family.**

Multiple family members are experiencing serious health problems

Nathaniel Davis (immune system problems, recent hospital stay);

Bill Wiley (health issues);

Elizabeth Thatcher (health problems);

Gladys Laughlin (health problems);

Lynn Schmidt (starting treatments)

SERVING IN THE MILITARY:

Joe Phillis & Family, Fort Benning, GA;

Joel Newburn & Family, back in the USA;

Kyle Stephenson & Family, Germany

OUR SHUT-INS:

Pat Kalbfell, (Essex);

Wanda Huston, (Allay);

Ada Bailey; Nita Floor, (Courtyard);

Nick Cosma, (Crandall)

OUR MISSIONS:

Canton Christian Home,

Elkhorn Valley Christian Service Camp,

Hasten,

Lifeline Christian Mission,

Noah

Family Vacation Bible School

Hosted by Phillips Christian Church

35459 Salem Grange Road

Salem, OH 44460



Sunday, June 9, 2019

7:00pm – 8:30pm

Family Vacation Bible School is for children AND adults of all ages! Plan to attend this evening of **FUN** as we talk about everyone's favorite pet... the **GOLDFISH!** This is a great opportunity to invite your friends and neighbors to come together and learn about God's Word in a **FUN** way.

“Goldfish”

Just Keep Swimming Because God is in Control

The evening will include:

VBS Songs

Mission Moment supporting Elkhorn Valley Christian Service Camp w/ offering

“Keep Swimming” Skit

Games & Activities with prizes

Lesson based on Philippians 4:4-13

Light refreshments to follow in Fellowship Hall

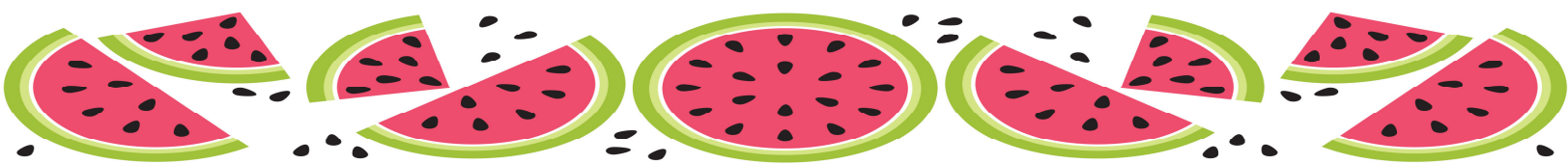
(and of course, lots of **Family Fun!**)

Preregistration is **NOT** required.

Come as you are and bring the whole family & a friend!

For more information, please call the church at 330-332-4467 or visit us online at <http://www.phillipschristian.org> www.phillipschristian.org.

All children must be accompanied by an adult.



PHILLIPS CHRISTIAN CHURCH
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SERVICES:

SUNDAY

9:00 am ... Sunday School

10:00 am ... Worship

ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

www.phillipschristian.org

Puzzle!

Write the names of the parents of these biblical children.
 For help, look up the verses in an NIV Bible.

Joash (<i>2 Kings 11:2</i>)	A _____
Obed (<i>Matthew 1:5</i>)	B _____
Joseph (<i>Genesis 35:22-24</i>)	___ C ___
John the disciple (<i>Matthew 4:21</i>)	___ D ___
John the Baptist (<i>Luke 1:13</i>)	___ E _____
Lo-Ruhamah (<i>Hosea 1:3, 6</i>)	F _____
Jezreel (<i>Hosea 1:2-4</i>)	G _____
Esau (<i>Genesis 25:28</i>)	H _____
David (<i>1 Samuel 16:19</i>)	I _____
Jacob (<i>Genesis 25:28</i>)	J _____
Samuel (<i>1 Samuel 1:19-20</i>)	___ K ___
Gershom (<i>Exodus 2:21-22</i>)	___ L _____
Samuel (<i>1 Samuel 1:19-20</i>)	M _____
Jesse (<i>Matthew 1:5</i>)	___ N ___
Gershom (<i>Exodus 2:21-22</i>)	O _____
Joseph (<i>Genesis 35:23-24</i>)	___ P _____
Isaac (<i>Genesis 21:3</i>)	___ Q _____
John the Baptist (<i>Luke 1:13</i>)	R _____
Jonathan (<i>1 Samuel 14:1</i>)	S _____
Solomon (<i>1 Kings 2:1</i>)	___ T ___
	___ U ___
	___ V ___
	___ W ___
	___ X ___
Jesus (<i>Matthew 1:18</i>)	___ Y ___
Isaiah (<i>Isaiah 1:1</i>)	___ Z ___



FUN IN THE SUN

Enjoy some summer-themed laughter while you lounge!

Seen on a church sign (and appropriate for grilling season):
 "God doesn't make mistakes."

Person approaching a shoreline: "Is this river any good for fish?"

Response: "It must be. I can't get any of them to leave it."

Q: Why do people go to church in the summer?

A: It's prayer-conditioned!

Q: Why was it so hot in the stadium after the game?

A: All the fans left.

Q: While hiking, how can you identify a dogwood tree?

A: By its bark.

Q: What do sheep have on sunny days?

A: A baa-baa-cue!

Answers: Ahaziah, Boaz, Jacob, Zebedee, Zechariah, Gomer, Hosea, Isaac, Jesse, Rebekah, Elkanah, Moses, Hannah, Obed, Zipporah, Rachel, Sarah, Elizabeth, Saul, David, Mary, Amoz