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> 2021 VISION "SEEK THE LORD"

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Christ Came, Died, was Buried, Resurrected, & will Return Sunday 11am Worship Sun. 6pm Zoom Bible Study Wed. 7pm Zoom Bible Study

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#### FELLOWSHIP

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. Acts 2:42

Thirty-five of us spent last weekend in Pigeon Forge at the Challenge Youth Conference. For most of us, it was the single, largest gathering of any kind that we had been to since 36 of us went to CYC last year. Who could have imagined at this time last year what the next 12 months would bring? Limited worship services, bible classes on zoom, non-traditional instruction for schools, no concerts, limited sporting events, quarantines, social distancing, and on and on. CYC 2021 had limited capacity with social distancing, so there were only about half as many people as usual. We still assembled with nearly 3,500 others in our session, for a total of nearly 7,000 Christians coming together to learn, sing and worship.

We so needed a mountain top experience like CYC to bring some of us back together. I saw friends that I had not seen since last CYC. As if I didn't know it before, I realized just how much I missed the connectedness of God's family. The lessons were outstanding. Many of the activities were inspiring and thought-provoking. But, singing with the saints, masks and all, was phenomenal. The family of God coming together from all over the country and uniting in song was moving – "speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord", Eph. 5:19. It reassured me of the importance of the family of God coming together physically, regularly. Seth Godin wrote recently, "Time is priceless. But the moments when we have a chance to connect, to be in sync, to bring out the best in each other – that's time that's worth cherishing." I cherish the time that I

had with the 34 others from Summit, and the thousands of others from all over, at CYC this year.

Let's all cherish the times that we have to come together to sing, to study, to worship and to fellowship.



Daryl, for the elders



As I read these words this morning, I thought of all the painful "nights" in my life that led to eventual triumphs. For King David, his dark nights included danger from his foes (Ps.30:1), disease (Ps.30:2), and near death (Ps.30:3).

The way David triumphed over his difficult "nights" is the same way we must. When David was overwhelmed, he immediately stopped escalating the situation and retreated to cry out to the Lord (Ps.30:6-10).

As a result, David can praise God for rescuing

#### SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE Robert Murphy

We cannot be disciples without discipline. As with anything in life, we cannot succeed at it without some form of discipline. In order to play the guitar well, it takes hours of practice and the hours and development of callouses. In order to learn a language, it takes consistent exposure to that language over a long period of time. In order to be a successful athlete, it takes years of training as well as mental and physical discipline in and out of season.

Our faith is no different. In fact, Paul uses athletic metaphors *because* faith and athletics are similar in this way. Paul, as he encourages Timothy to avoid silly myths and gossip, he encourages him to discipline himself for piety or godliness, "Rather train [gymnazo] yourself for godliness; for while bodily training is of some value, godliness is of value in every way, as it holds promise for the present life and also for the life to come" (1 Tim 4:7, 8; ESV). Even if we train our body so that it is powerful and healthy, it is even more important to train our spiritual him (Ps.30:4-5) and turning his mourning into joy (Ps.30:11-12).

Friend, what do you do when things become "too much"? Do you, like David, retreat to cry out to God? If you do not you will damage your relationships. You will switch from inclusive words like "us", "we", and "ours" to "me" and "I". And your destructive high horse that you will climb on and use to hurt your loved one will be "Criticism, Contempt,

Defensiveness, or Stonewalling" ( $\frac{t.ly}{z529}$ ).

Never forget, "Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning" (Ps.30:5b).



muscles in order that they might endure hardships and the fiery trials of sin.

How are we to train ourselves in godliness/piety? The two most basic spiritual disciplines which serve as the foundation of our relationship with God are (1) Bible intake and (2) prayer. Bible intake does not just mean reading your Bible. It also includes meditating on, memorizing, and studying it in-depth. Likewise, prayer is more than just saying grace before a meal or asking God for stuff. It also entails being honest with God about your spirituality and your emotions, praising God for his deeds, and thanking God for what he has done for vou.

However, we ought to engage in several other spiritual disciplines like service, evangelism, solitude, giving, simplicity, worship, celebration, and fasting. While I hope to teach a class on these spiritual disciplines, next week I will write on the last of these – Fasting – and why it is extremely important for the Lord's people to practice this habitually.

# News, Notes & Announcements...

#### SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS

Plans are underway to resume Sunday morning Bible classes. There will be one adult class and a couple for the kids split into two age groups. If you are interested in teaching, please contact Steve Proctor.

#### PANTRY RESTOCK

Our pantry is low on supplies. Once again, the ladies will purchase all the items needed to assemble the "family food boxes" for distribution. If you would like to help, please mail (or drop off) your donation to the building and be sure to mark it "pantry".

#### SUNDAY AM SERMON:

WEEPING FROM THE WAY PSALM 119:25-32

- HOW SHOULD I DEAL WITH DEPRESSION?
- 1. ADMIT THE P\_\_\_\_\_ PATH, PSALM 119:25
- 2. P\_\_\_\_\_ TO STAY ON HIS PATH, PSALM 119:26-27
- 3. P\_\_\_\_\_ ON HIS PATH, PSALM 119:28-30
- 4. AIM FOR A P\_\_\_\_\_ FROM HIS PATH, PSALM 119:31-32

#### POTTER CHILDREN'S HOME COMMODITY DRIVE

There is a special need for chili seasoning packets, chocolate pop tarts, cream of mushroom soup, kitchen trash bags, and magic erasers (for cleaning), but any non-perishable pantry item is accepted and much appreciated. There is a marked bin in the foyer for donations. Deadline for donations is April 18th.

#### **CONTRIBUTION**

Weekly Budget \$4,815.00 Over/Under: +\$3,747.28 Feb 07, 2020-\$4,147.00 Feb 21, 2020-\$4,290.00

YTD AVG - \$5,231.36

Feb 14, 2020-\$5,590.24 Feb 28, 2021-\$11,990.04



# Summit's Prayer List

Pray for these - Send a card - Make a call - Visit someone - Help with needs - Encourage someone today!

- Amelia Lopez Family (Sam Pearson's 5 yr. old niece) Funeral was on March 3rd
- Ashley Thompson Blood clots in her leg; she is taking medication and will follow up with more tests soon.

Dalys Hill Struggling with high blood pressure

Raye Arroyos (Melissa's mom) Recovering from a mild stroke; fell and fractured two ribs during her recovery

#### COVID

- Cheryl Stockton (Rosy Gray's mom) Home from the hospital; struggling with eating and breathing
- Debbie Glenn (Sharon Hammer's friend) On a ventilator; showing some improvement
- Linda Jones (Rosy Gray's aunt) Home from the hospital; still very ill
- Marshall Hill (Dalys' husband) Recovering at home; very fatigued
- Mike & Laura Adams-Mike is still struggling; Laura is a bit better
- Robin Herald-Recovery is slow
- Cancer
- Bev (Janie Hoskins' sister) Lung cancer
- Dan Read (Dan McNeese's friend) Chemo continues; cancer is stable
- Dave Hammer, Jr (Sharon's son) Cancer is stable.
- Dorothy Whorley (friend of Sharon Hammer's son) Cancer surgery went well; beginning 5 weeks of radiation
- Jamie (Steve Proctor's co-worker) Cancer recurrence
- Sean Timmerding (Sheryl Herald's friend) Brain tumor is stable

- Shellee Jenkins (Melissa Denham's cousin) Beginning chemo after a mastectomy
- Tylene Clark (Sheryl Herald's cousin's wife) Cancer recurrence Long-term Needs
- COVID-healthcare/frontline workers & those who have the virus
- Dan McNeese-pray for a full recovery
- Daniel Skinner (Amanda Robinson's brother) Drug rehab
- Joey Adams-needs a suitable group home
- Julie Skinner (Amanda Robinson's mom) Caring for her parents
  who have dementia
- Kerri Herald-pray for her ability to be independent
- Mandy (Candice's friend) Going through a divorce
- Peggy Holt-recovering from a stroke
- Stephanie Gilliam (Mike Hein's friend) Liver failure
- Tom Smith (former Summit preacher) Recovering at home <u>Shut-In Members</u>
- Clara Downard
- Dana Fuller
- Shirley Holt
- World Bible School Update:

Pray for our 138 active students & 11 active teachers

#### Ongoing Requests

Ben Buchanan-Alaska mission Neville Buchanan-counseling work For our country and our leaders For our members to grow in the Word **Our Community's lost souls** 



