God's Senior Ministry of VPCOG

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"I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus

has also laid hold of me..." (Philippians 3:12b)

Next meeting: Saturday, September 16, 2017 - 11:00 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

At 1975 E. Joe Orr Road, Lynwood, IL 60411

July 1, 2017

My dear brothers-and-sisters-in-Christ (and you are very dear to me),

- June's meeting at my house:
 enjoyed yourselves! The food was plentiful & delicious! The games were fun, and the prizes were wonderful! Speaking of prizes: My daughter discovered that we had not put her prizes out (and they are gorgeous), and I also discovered, because I did not have all my prizes in one place, that I had not put out all of my prizes. This means that we already have a beginning stash of prizes for (God willing) next year!
- ✓ I couldn't have done it without you! I want to thank the following people who made the event so wonderful: Barbara Middleton, Dorothy Coats, Millicent Garcia, Robert & Carol Hillsman (who brought several seniors on the church van), Jean Hudson (my wonderful neighbor), Jearlene Wilkinson (who just jumped in with her great organizational skills), Mary Bradley (my beautiful daughter), Brittany Bradley (my lovely granddaugher), Eric Robinson (my son who watches out for me), Pearlie Woolfolk (another wonderful neighbor), and Mother Laura Cameron & Sis. Johnnie Mae Jackson (for both of you were so generous to me. If I left anyone out, please forgive me.
- Alden-Wentworth Thursday, July 27th 10:30 A.M. 11:30 A.M. If you read last month's newsletter, you know that I was concerned that some of our regular attendees were not there, and I saw them later when I went to visit my cousin. Their demeanor was so different. Well, I did let the activity director know about my concerns. Everyone was there in June, but two of the residents about whom I was concerned still seemed different (at first). During the singing, praying & Bible verse reading, they still seemed distant. Then Min. Ardie Davis brought forth the word, and suddenly, their liveliness came back. It was amazing to watch. When we said our good-byes, the sparkle was still there. I really know now how important our ministry at the home is. I pray that more of you will come out. I know you will be blessed because Jesus said: "...Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world. For I was...sick, and you cared for me. I was in prison, and you visited me."

 Remember: You are always welcome to join us at Alden-Wentworth! (The corner of 69th & Wentworth)

Oswald Chambers wrote in his *My Utmost for His Highest (June 28th)*: "Never choose to be a worker for God, but once <u>God has placed His call on you</u>, woe be to you if you 'turn aside to the right hand or to the left' (Deut. 5:32). *We are not here to work for God because we have chosen to do so, but because God has 'laid hold of' us.* And once He has done so, we never have this thought, 'Well, I'm really not suited for this.'"

I quoted the above because I believe that God has put the following on my heart for His senior ministry:

- A. I want the ministry to pray on the idea of some type of "street ministry." When I say "street ministry," I mean however the Lord defines it for us. Please pray with me and be ready to discuss this when we return in the fall.
- B. I also believe the Lord has put it on my heart for His ministry to have a "Tract" ministry. Again, pray, and let's come together in the fall to see what the Lord has given us.
- C. And, of course, bring whatever *the Lord has laid on your heart* for His ministry!
- Committees: You are not really on vacation for the next two months. Look at the plans you already have which have not been completed and be ready in the fall to report what you have decided. Also, I would really like for us to get involved with CRS (Community Renewal Society) again. The things which you have planned and brought to fruition were wonderful *The Shrine of Christ's Passion*, our lovefest in February, etc. Keep up the good work! I know I'm smiling, and I believe God is, too!
- Dues: Dues are still just \$2.00 per month \$24.00 per year. Benevolence fund: \$5.00 per year

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"A merry heart doeth good like a medicine..." Prov. 17:22a

A man and his wife were driving their RV across country and were nearing a town called Kissimmee. They noted the strange spelling and tried to figure out how to pronounce it.-Kiss-a-me, kis-sa-me, kis-sa-mee. They grew more perplexed as they drove into town. Since they were hungry, they pulled into a place to get something to eat. At the counter, the man said to the waitress, "My wife and I can't seem to be able to figure out how to pronounce this place. Will you tell me where we are and say it very slowly so I can understand?" The waitress looked at him and said, "Buuuuurrrrgerrr Kiiinnnng."

I love you all; I really do,_ Josie

