### I Was Young And Now I'm Old

By Tom Norvell

David says, "I was young and now I am old, yet I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread. They are always generous and lend freely; their children will be a blessing." (Psalm 37:25-26, NIV) Truths I see in these two verses:

Truth #1: I was young and now I am old. That is not a bad thing. That is not a good thing. It is just a thing. It is a part of life. There are many things about being young that makes me glad I am no longer young. There are many things about being old that makes me wish I were still young. There are many things about being old that make me really glad that I am no longer young. The truth is I was young and now I am old.

Truth #2: I have never seen the righteous forsaken or their children begging bread. I have seen righteous people suffering and wondered if they had been forsaken. In my attempts to live a righteous life I have sometimes felt forsaken. I have seen some of the children of some righteous people who have struggled to make a living and struggled to provide for themselves and struggled to find their way through life. I have seen righteous people who felt that they had been forsaken, and their children struggle through life, but later both came to realize that God had walked with them every step of their journey and that He had sustained them even during those dark, frightening, and confusing days.

Truth #3: I have seen the righteous be very generous. Many times in my life I have been the recipient of very generous gifts from very righteous people. I cannot recall meeting a righteous person who was not generous. I have known and know people who have called themselves righteous but were not generous. That makes me question their righteousness. There are times when I think I am living a very righteous life, but discover that I do not feel or act very generous. That makes me question my own righteousness. I feel the most righteous when I am the most generous.

Truth #4: I have known children of righteous people to be a blessing. Not all children are a blessing. Not all children have righteous parents. Not all righteous people have children. I am confident that when righteous people have children they feel blessed by those children. Children of righteous people are blessed to be children of righteous people...maybe that is why they become a blessing.

I was young and now I am old. I have learned many things as I have grown old. Some of the things I have learned I wish I could unlearn. I am thankful for most of what I have learned as I have grown old. I have many more things to learn. I pray that as I grow older the things I have learned and the things I will learn will be transformed into the wisdom of a righteous man.

#### NEWSLETTER

June 25, 2023

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# Schedule of Services

Our current schedule is:

Sunday Bible Class 10:00 AM Sunday AM Worship 11:00 AM La Salle church of Christ

We Meet At 1121 N. Military Rd. Niagara Falls, NY 14304

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We seek to be a place of healing and worship.

Our Website: lasallechurchofchrist.org
Please check the website for bulletins,
House to House Heart to Heart magazine,
and other things.



# We welcome all who are here today.

If you are a visitor we are honored to have you with us. Please fill out a *Visitor Card* (on the back of the pew in front of you). We would like for you to place the *Visitor Card* in one of the receptacles provided at the front and rear of the auditorium.

There will be an opportunity to give but as a visitor it is not expected of you. Thanks.



There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs if you need to care for your infant.



Read God's Word

We offer a **free** Bible Correspondence Course

Please keep cell phones and other noise making devices silent. Thank you.

**Condolences** to family, friends, and loved ones of "Rose" Patak.

Loma "Rose" Patak, 78, of North Tonawanda, NY, passed away peacefully on Thursday, June 15, 2023. She attended here in years past. Please see obituary posted in the back.

**Condolences** to family, friends, and loved ones of Christopher M. Caruana, 35 of Grand Island, NY. Chris was killed in a plane crash near Braley Road in the Town of Porter on Sunday afternoon June 11<sup>th</sup>. He was an acquaintance of Dave Schnell. Please see obituary posted in the back.

**Prayers** In our prayers, let's praise God, recognize His greatness, thank Him for His Son and His blessings.

Please pray as we continue our search for a gospel preacher.

Let's pray for the situation in the Ukraine and surrounding areas.

Let's keep the following in our prayers...

Roger Mapes, Marge Reed, Bill Kinney, Jessica Alcorn, and Frank Marsden.

**Candy Butcher** had quadruple by-pass surgery June 2<sup>nd</sup>. The doctor is optimistic she will make a full recovery. June 9<sup>th</sup> she was transferred to Schoellkoph Health Center for rehab. She is on the first floor, room 6. It was announced last Sunday she can have visitors for short visitation periods.

**Michael & Hope Rice** Let's pray for them as they deal with struggles in their life, and also Hope's mom. Hope announced recently that her mom is here for now and her mom thanks everyone for the prayers.

Carlos & Shawna Martinez Let's pray for them as they deal with struggles in their life.

**Rick Fees** fell while in Florida. Since returning here it's been discovered he has a torn rotator cuff. He is scheduled for surgery July 13<sup>th</sup>.

**Wilma Patterson** is doing fine after recent hernia surgery. She sees the doctor tomorrow concerning that. She is experiencing back problems and will have an epidural on July 5<sup>th</sup>.

**Johnny Martinez**, brother of Carlos Martinez, suffered a stroke May 4<sup>th</sup>.

Let's keep him and his loved ones in our prayers.

**Dan Callari**, from Amherst congregation, is dealing with some health issues.

Marietta McArthur (Ray McArthur's mother). Let's keep her in our prayers as she deals with health issues.

Peter, husband of Denise Garlitz' niece, has colon cancer and is awaiting surgery.

**Brad Kern**, Louella Hopkins' son in law, was taken to Buffalo General the evening of June 12<sup>th</sup> to have a blood clot removed from his leg. He came home from the hospital June 14<sup>th</sup>.

Lisa, Richard Wheeler's sister, is in a rehab facility in Newfane.

Linda, Marge and Nancy's sister in GA, is recovering from a broken shoulder.

Glen Mueller He is the preacher at the Sardinia church of Christ. Let's keep him and Edna in our prayers.

Jewel Klausner, mother in law of Wayne & Sherry Carter's son Jason, is having issues with cancer again.

It was good to see Roger Mapes and also Jessica Alcorn here with us last Sunday after dealing with lengthy health issues. Let's keep them in our prayers as they continue with health issues.

Frank Marsden was with us this past Sunday as well as his daughter Susan Barrett.

Yolanda Davis has moved to Va.

<b>Upcomi</b>	ng Events (Lord willing)	Weekly Budget Amount	\$1,843.00
Jul. 04	Independence Day	Contribution Last Sunday	\$986.00
Jul 09	Potluck	Attendance Last Sunday	49

Jul. 16-22 Camp Agape

**Jul. 16** 

Men's Business Meeting

Jul. 30 Potter Children's Home Financial Reports and Meeting Minutes

Day of Prayer and Giving For Children are posted in the back.

### **Mission Info**

Please check the *Mission Board* in the back.

## Ukraine Relief

John Kachelman, Jr. Cell (901) 626-4538 john@kachelman.com https://kachelman.com For updated reports go to John's website and click on the tab for <u>Mission Work</u>.

## **Philippines**

Caleb Callari with his wife Vanessa and family are doing mission work in the Philippines.

Caleb & Vanessa Callari Email Address: callari.mission@gmail.com

PO Box 0241

Talamban, Cebu City Radio Program ... "Everyday Follower" can be found on YouTube.

Philippines 6000 Do a search on youtube.com for "School of National Evangelism Philippines."

#### Zambia

The LaSalle congregation has been involved in the Zambia mission work for many years. If you would like to help support the Zambian Mission, please place funds in the offering basket marked for Zambia. More information may be found at <a href="https://www.zambiamission.org">www.zambiamission.org</a>

#### Matthew 19:14

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these."

Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary



**July Birthdays** 

July Anniversaries

28 John Nowak

05 Rick & Fran Fees 18 Jeff & Vicki Elder