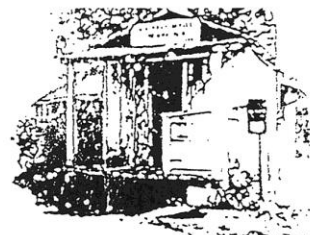




The Acmar Soul Miner

*Searching for wisdom
As for hidden treasures...
For the Lord gives wisdom*



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Patriotism – Meeting God in the Morning

Many of the Founding Fathers of the United States recognized the importance of Christianity and its values in forming a new democratic nation. It would also be critical for the survival and longevity of a free people.

Noah Webster, author of the first American Speller and the first Dictionary said,

"The Christian religion, in its purity, is the basis, or rather the source of all genuine freedom in government ... and I am persuaded that no civil government of a republican form can exist and be durable in which the principles of that religion have not a controlling influence."

John Adams, who assisted Thomas Jefferson in drafting the Declaration of Independence, was a leader in the American Revolution, and 2nd President of the United States from 1792-1801, warned his fellow countrymen in a 1798 speech to the military with these words:

"We have no government armed with power capable of contending with human passions unbridled by morality and religion ... Our Constitution was made only for a moral and religious people. It is wholly inadequate to the government of any other."

James Wilson, Signer of the Constitution and a U.S. Supreme Court Justice, stated,

Human law must rest its authority, ultimately upon the authority of that law which is divine ... Far from being rivals or enemies, religion and law are twin sisters, friends, and mutual assistants. Indeed, these two sciences run into each other."

Stand fast therefore in the liberty by which Christ has made us free ... Galatians 5:1

One of the most important acts of patriotism is spending time with God. We do this through reading Scripture, praying and reflecting.

Ralph Spaulding Cushman was a poet, author, evangelist and pastor in the Methodist Episcopal Church. He lived from 1879-1960. He authored the following poem.

I Met God in the Morning

I met God in the morning,
when the day was at its best.
His presence came like sunrise,
like a glory in my breast.

All day long the presence lingered;
all day long it stayed with me.
We sailed in perfect calmness
over a very troubled sea.

Other ships were blown and battered;
Some ships were sore distressed.
But the winds that seemed to drift them
Brought me to peace and rest.

Then I thought of other mornings
with keen remorse of mind,
When I too had loosed the moorings
with the Presence left behind.

So I think I know the secret –
learned from many a troubled way:
You must seek God in the morning,
If you want His Presence through the day.

July 4, Americans will celebrate Independence as a free governing and worshipping people. Before our celebrations of hot dogs, apple pie and fireworks, let us meet with God.

Meeting with God in the morning will set the course for our day; in the afternoon God will strengthen us to stay the course; in the evening God will sustain us through the night.

Children's Camp



Draw lines to show how many of each object are in the girl's room.



3 4 5 6 7 8



The wisdom of God.
We see it in verses but sometimes we have
to dig to uncover the meaning.

Look Here:
The Lord hears when I pray to Him.
(Psalm 4:3)

Digging In:
On July 4 we celebrate being a free nation.
We have a free government.
Some of the founding fathers said that we
would need to know God.
We know God through the Bible and prayer.
We are free to love God and worship God.

The Acmar Community Quilt

When it's summertime and kids are out of school, many people are thinking of visiting friends and relatives out of town. Sometimes, a visit just isn't possible, but a long letter with news from home can catch your loved ones up on what's happening in your life at that time. This was especially important during WWII. *The Pell City News* always ran a page about the happenings at the Alabama Fuel & Iron Company's communities in Margaret, Acmar, and Overton. The following article from June 24, 1943, reminds us of a letter from home. Anyone who has connections with people from the mining company days will probably see some familiar names.

Acmar News Notes

Corp. Anon Bosworth, Jr, has been visiting his parents, Mr. & Mrs. A.B. Bosworth. PFC Bud Phillips has been to visit his parents, Mr. & Mrs. I.G. Phillips. Alex Lovell, M.P., has returned to camp after a brief visit with friends and family. Elmer Alverson is visiting home. He is with the Navy and is stationed at St. Petersburg, Fla. Staff Sgt. John Bradshaw and family are visiting Acmar and White's Chapel. He is stationed in Shelbyville, Tennessee. All of their friends and relatives are glad to see them again. John Hawkins, Phn 3yc has returned to Portsmouth, Va., after visiting his wife and parents.

We are sorry that for the past week Mrs. June Hyde Douthit has been unable to work because of illness. We all miss her in the store and hope she is back before long.

Mr. & Mrs. H.C. Jinright and Betty Jo are spending their vacation at home this year. Miss Eloise Richey visited friends in Leeds over the weekend. Margie Dean Smith has as her guest Healon Sterrett of West Blocton, Ala.

We all miss Bro. E.C. Johnson, who is running a revival at Red Bay, Ala. He will return home Friday night. During his absence Sunday, his pulpit was filled by Bro.W.H. Ryland of Margaret.

Billie Charles Martin is visiting relatives in Acmar. We are glad to have Mrs. H.H. Nations and son, Horace Jr., back with us after visiting in Miami with Mrs. Nation's daughter, June Nations Lamberth.

We are happy to report that Mr. Marbry Bush is recovering from pneumonia after having to spend two weeks in South Highlands Infirmary.

The people of Acmar are glad to have Mrs. C.W. Martin (Mable White) with us.

Miss Alice Caples has enrolled for the summer course at the University of Alabama. We wish her every success in this course and also the following terms.

We are glad to have with us again Mrs. Henry Hawkins, who returned from California where she has been visiting her son, Henry Jr. Mrs. Frank Weaver and Mrs. George Shepard visited Mrs. Weaver's sister, Mrs. Harold Catherine, of Ensley, recently.


The board of Stewards meeting was held Monday night at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Joe Pitts. Mrs. Evelyn Smith has been visiting her mother for the past week. Her sister, Patty Thompson, returned with Mrs. Smith.

We regret to learn that Mrs. J.W. Gould is in the hospital.

The Howard Johnsons announce the birth of a boy on Sunday morning, June 20th.

We hope very soon to be able to again start our Friday night parties, and that all the young people will try to attend.

July 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
ACMAR UMC WEBSITE	Audio Sermon Podcasts On Website	Soul Miner on the Website in Gallery				1  Shyla Johnson Liz Reeves
2 CHURCH 9 a  Patty Crocker	3  Glenda Mancill	4  INDEPENDENCE DAY	5  MCA 3-5 p White's Chapel	6	7	8
9  CHURCH 9 a	10	11	12 CHURCH SUPPER 6 p  Jackson Wimberly	13 MOODY BINGO 10  Maddie Grace Wilson	14	15
16  CHURCH 9 a	17	18  Laura Carpenter	19 MCA 3-5 p White's Chapel Vicki Siegreest 	20	21  Christopher Champion	22
23  CHURCH 9 a	24	25	26  Rhonda Payton	27	28	29  Astrid Carpenter
30 CHURCH 9 a Sp. Offering Individual & Family Support	31					

Sat., July 1

Isaiah 43:14-21

Soul Food for July

Mon., July 3

Tue., July 4

Wed., July 5

Thur., July 6

Fri., July 7

Sat., July 8

Genesis 24:34-67

Psalms 72

Romans 7:15-25a

Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

Psalms 32:1-11

1 Kings 19:9-16

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Travel 1 mile; Turn right on Acmar Rd.; travel 2 miles;

Left onto Old Acton Rd., Church is on the left

Mon., July 10

Tue., July 11

Wed., July 12

Thur., July 13

Fri., July 14

Sat., July 15

Genesis 25:19-34

Psalms 25

Romans 8:1-11

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Psalms 139:1-14

Matthew 14:22-33



Food for the Soul

Mon., July 24

Tue., July 25

Wed., July 26

Thur., July 27

Fri., July 28

Sat., July 29

Genesis 29:15-28

Psalms 105:1-11, 45b

Romans 8:26-39

Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

Matthew 7:7-11

Philippians 4:4-7

Mon., July 17

Tue., July 18

Wed., July 19

Thur., July 20

Fri., July 21

Sat., July 22

Genesis 28:10-19a

Psalms 139:1-2, 23-24

Romans 8:12-25

Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

1 Peter 5:1-4

Romans 8:18-30

Mon., July 31

Tue., August 1

Wed., August 2

Thur., August 3

Fri., August 4

Sat., August 5

Genesis 32:22-31

Psalms 17:1-7, 15

Romans 9:1-5

Matthew 14:13-21

John 21:15-17

1 Samuel 16:6-13