

On A Daily Basis

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A man, asked recently to describe memories of his college days twenty-five years ago, replied, "A few big moments; many goofs, but, overall, pleasant memories."

Would these words not describe our memories of life generally? As we recall our years, there are always the "big" moments, the emotional "highs," that we love to relish. Then there are the "goofs," the embarrassing occasions that just keep coming back to haunt us. But, through it all, the pleasant memories sufficiently prevail to enable us to feel generally good about life.

But, in reality, success or failure in life is not determined by the "big moments" or "the goofs." We will not be eternally saved on the basis of a few great spiritual achievements or eternally lost on the basis of a few gross mistakes (assuming they have been repented of). Life consists of everyday actions and decisions, and it is these that bring ultimate success or failure, eternal happiness or eternal damnation. "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross daily, and follow Me" (Luke 9:23).

It is one thing to express concern for our children as we talk of their future spirituality and faithfulness. It is quite another to provide on a daily basis a spiritual atmosphere in the home, a good example of godliness and faithfulness, consistent and loving discipline and a love for God and respect for fellowman that are so essential to the training of our children. It's the little impressions that are made day by day that prove to be so decisive.

It is one thing to dream of some day being appointed an elder in the church. It is quite another thing to put forth the effort on a daily basis to learn the scriptures, to develop leadership ability, to grow spiritually, and to live as to gain the confidence of a discerning congregation. One does not qualify for the eldership in one big leap. It comes through daily development.

It is one thing to talk a "good line" on priorities. It is quite another thing to put God first on a daily basis. The devil knows so many ways to test our resolve in these realms. Our intentions are good, but, through his subtlety, he has us selling our souls for a mess of pottage or thirty pieces of silver.

It is one thing to think that we would die for the Lord if our faith were so tested. It is quite another thing truly to live for Him on a daily basis. Egos may be fed on the "big moments," but true spirituality develops through daily prayer, study and meditation.

Our lesson is this. Set your goals for the future, and set them high. But recognize that it's the little, day-by-day moments, the often forgotten moments, accumulated through the years, that truly shape our destiny. Tomorrow's success depends upon the choices and decisions that are made today. Make them with care.

NEWSLETTER

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Schedule of Services

Sunday AM Bible Study	9:45 AM
Sunday AM Worship	11:00 AM
No Sunday PM Service	
Tuesday Ladies' Bible Study	10:00 AM
Wednesday PM Bible Study	7:00 PM

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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) so we may have a record of your visit. Later in the service we will pass around a collection plate. As a visitor you are obviously not expected to give but we would like for you to place the *Visitor Card* in the collection plate. Thanks.

There is a nursery at the rear of the auditorium up the stairs for infant care.

Please keep cell phones and other noise making devices silent during Bible study and worship.



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

Ruth Knepp Let’s keep her in our prayers as she recuperates.

David Alcorn is had tests recently on his kidneys and stomach.

Jenny, Linda Stine’s niece, has been sent to Pittsburgh for cancer treatment.

Karen Porter, Linda & Diane’s sister, recently had rectal surgery for cancer and there was more cancer than anticipated.

Karri and son Rowan. Let’s pray for God to lead her to a place that will nurture and care for her and Rowan.

Judy Chapman, (an acquaintance of Mark Dailey and Carol Jones), let’s pray for her as she deals with the unexpected death of her 19 year old son.

Sterling Randal (17 month old great grandson of a friend of Diane Mellott). They are running tests. He recently stopped using his left leg. He is in a hospital in Hamilton, ONT.

Bryan, Denise Garlitz’ son in law, is having health issues. He was scheduled for a CAT scan recently. He is also not working at the present time.

Louise, Anna Brink’s sister, is having hand issues.

Carl Nalbone, lives in TN and is a longtime friend of Maria Swindlhurst, is being checked for bladder and or kidney cancer.

Nick (friend of Maria Swindlehurst). They can’t find out the cause of his problem and are still investigating. He had stents put in a month ago and they can’t find where the infection is coming from or how to treat it.

Sharron Gantt has a basal cell growth on her lower eye lid. She is having surgery on the 18th. The incision will be left open and covered with a patch until the 21st when she will have reconstruction surgery to close it up.

Let’s pray for members affected by job strikes that it will be over soon.

Let’s pray for children, families, and the staff at **Potter Children’s Home**.

Let’s pray as we continue our preacher search process.

Let’s pray for the congregation in Fenwick, ONT as they do the same.

Upcoming Events *(Lord willing)*

Oct. 14 Columbus Day in U.S. / Thanksgiving in Canada

Oct. 17 Prepare House to House pamphlets for mailout. 10 AM

Oct. 20 Men’s Business Meeting

Nov. 02 Set clocks back one hour before going to bed.

Nov. 03 **Potluck** Groups 4, 5, & 6 to setup and cleanup.



Another issue of House to House / Heart to Heart has arrived and is ready to be mailed to our neighbors. We will be getting together on **Thursday, October 17th at 10AM** here at the church building to prepare the brochures for mailing. Everyone is invited. We hope to see you there!

Classes and Sermon

Sun. AM Adult Bible Study Matthew

Sermon Topic Today: Fan Into Flames

Scripture Reading: 2 Timothy 1:3-6

No Sun. PM Service

Tuesday Ladies’ Bible Study 10 AM

Wed. PM Bible Study 2nd Kings



Serving Today

Announcements Wayne Carter

Song Leader Rodney Jones

Direct Communion Mark Dailey

Serve Rick Fees

Serve Ron Cameron

Serve Richard Wheeler

Clean Trays Diane Mellott

Results of last Sunday’s vote for three trustees.

Charles Bennett, Rodney Jones, Bruce Brink



Ladies *Save the date*

Ladies Holiday Party

Dec. 14th

More info to follow later.



Please join us in congratulating

Zachary and Lisa Hansen

on their recent marriage.

A pot-luck reception will be held

in their honor on

Sunday, November 3rd,

following morning worship.

There will be a Money/Gift Card Tree if you

would like to honor them. They are also

registered at Target and Bed, Bath and Beyond