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COMMUNICATOR

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“Perseverance”

“Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials; knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its perfect result, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.”

James 1:2-4

Researchers in recent years have been studying why some people are more resilient than others. An article in *AARP* magazine cited some of these studies. The article pointed out that resilient people share several qualities. These qualities have relevance to us because they support what the Bible says about how we Christians can persevere in the face of trials. The researchers found these qualities in resilient people:

- 1) They stay connected. The Bible says that we need to be involved in a church (Hebrews 10:23-25), and we need to give attention to genuine fellowship. Support in trials comes from being connected to the Body of Christ.
- 2) They're optimistic. The Biblical equivalent is hope. We Christians know that God is sovereign, and God is good. We can be confident that He has a plan for us that is ultimately good. Whatever happens to us, we know that we are going to heaven and that we can look forward to eternal rewards for faithfulness displayed in our earthly lives.
- 3) They're spiritual. The foundation of our lives is a vertical relationship with the God who is there. The cultivation of that relationship through a regular devotional life contributes to our ability to persevere in the face of trials.
- 4) They're playful. Duke University professor Al Siebert writes in *The Resiliency Advantage*, “Resilient people enjoy themselves like children do. They wonder about things, experiment, and laugh.” Certainly that should also be true of members of the family of God.
- 5) They give back. We call it service. We follow the One who declared, “For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.”
- 6) They pick their battles. Harvard professor Robert Brooks writes in *The Power of Resilience*, “Resilient people tend to focus on things over which they have some influence and not spend time on things they can't control.” The Bible teaches that we have certain responsibilities, but there are other things that are beyond our control and fall into the realm of God's sovereignty.
- 7) They stay healthy. Paul taught that our physical bodies are the temples of the Lord. (1 Corinthians 6:19) That implies a responsibility to maintain them properly.
- 8) They find the silver lining. That also relates to the doctrine of hope, and it ties in with the Biblical concept of learning from our mistakes.

“Let endurance have its perfect result that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.” - Pastor Kurt



We are preparing to bless our community with a 5th Annual Family Fun Fest on Friday, the 26th. It takes hard work from many people to make this night successful, but the effort is well worth it. Last year we had over 300 people in attendance! This would not be possible without many helping hands, and there are many opportunities where you can help! The biggest need for volunteers during the event is in manning the game booths, which are simple to run (promise!). We will also need help with set up the day before and the day of the event, serving the food and various other support

tasks. If you are looking for a less hands-on opportunity, there will be donation slips listing needed supplies in the church lobby (as well as a volunteer sign up sheet) starting October 1st. You can also call the church office or email Don at don@bethany.lvcoxmail.com for more information or to volunteer. Most importantly, we need PRAYER! Please pray that God would plant and water seeds again this year as we faithfully serve Him as a church.

October Birthdays

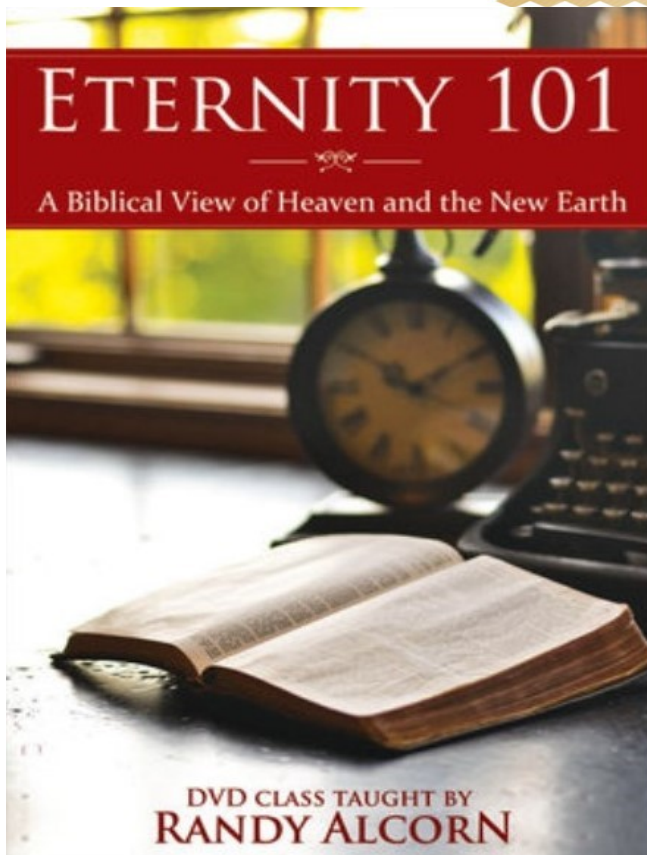
2nd Valerie Legler
9th Janie Tibbs
13th Ethel Webster
15th Pam Carstensen
20th Ken Braithwaite
23rd Carol Tyson
25th Bill Belknap
27th Lomalee Rapp
29th MaryJo Scott
31st George Fletcher



A Fresh Start This Fall: Large Group Study LED by: Debbie Smith - Begins on Sunday October 7th - 11:15- 12:15 in Emmaus Hall Round Table Discussion-Let's travel the road back from Moab back to Bethlehem together with Ruth & Naomi ! What an amazing Kinsman- Redeemer!

October Anniversaries

1st Terry & Janie Tibbs
26th Jim & Carol Tyson



LADIES BIBLE STUDY BEGINNING TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9TH 6:30PM—EMMAUS HALL

Eternity 101 Class (DVD)

For many people—including many Christians—“Heaven” is a mysterious word describing a place that we can't understand and therefore don't look forward to. But Scripture tells us differently. What we otherwise could not have known about Heaven, God says he has revealed to us through his Spirit.

God tells us about our eternal home in his Word, not so we can shrug our shoulders and remain ignorant, but because he wants us to understand and anticipate what awaits us and those we love.

Author Randy Alcorn talks about the pervasive myths and misconceptions about Heaven, and seeks to answer from Scripture the most frequent questions about life on the New Earth.

This video series will bring eternity to light in a way that will surprise you, spark your imagination, draw you closer to Jesus, and change how you live today.

XYZ Potluck

Our XYZ Potluck will take place on Thursday, the 25th. Over 50? Bring a dish to share and come to the 5PM event. Stay for the event that will take place following the meal. It's a time of fun and fellowship!

Bethany's 2018 budget was based on receiving offerings averaging \$23,700.74 each month.

Year to date budget requirement was \$189,605.92. Year to date giving, through August, totaled \$189,884.25. The difference was 278.33. Bethany's 2018 general budget, through August, was underspent by \$12,280.15.

OCTOBER 2018



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3 Prayer Time 7:30 am	4	5	6 Care Center Visit 9:45am
7	8 Columbus Day Church Office Closed	9 Ladies Bible Study 9am and 6:30pm	10 Prayer Time 7:30 am Praise Team 5:30pm	11	12	13
14 CE Meeting 12:15 pm	15	16 Ladies Bible Study 9am and 6:30pm	17 Prayer Time 7:30 am Praise Team 5:30pm	18	19 Women's Retreat Elder's Meeting 4pm	20 Women's Retreat Continued
21	22	23 Ladies Bible Study 9am and 6:30pm	24 Prayer Time 7:30 am Praise Team 5:30pm	25 XYZ Potluck 5PM	26 Fall Family Fun Fest 5:30 pm	27 
28	29	30 Ladies Bible Study 9am and 6:30pm	31 Prayer Time 7:30 am Praise Team 5:30pm			



5TH Annual Family Fun Fest

OCTOBER 26TH

5:30PM-8:30PM

WEEKLY EVENTS

Sunday: Prayer Time - 9:15 a.m.
Worship Service - 10 a.m.
Sunday School - 11:15 a.m.
Bible Study - 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday: Women's Bible Study - 9 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday: Prayer Meeting - 7:30 a.m.
Praise Team Practice - 5:30 p.m.

Saturday: Men's Group - 7:00 a.m.



CARE CENTER VISIT

Our next Care Center & Hospital Long Term Area Visit will be on Saturday, the 6th. Meet at 9:45 AM. Come share some time and sing some songs with the residents. Spend a small amount of time with those not able to attend a Sunday service!



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- *Mike Barth, Chairman*

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- *Lary Street, Chairman*

Board of Deaconesses

- *Sue Wilbur, Chairwoman*

Christian Education Board

- *Jenny Fletcher, Chairwoman*

Property Maintenance Board

- *Dave Legler, Chairperson*

Missions Board

- *Kathleen Hill, Chairman*

Service Time: 10:00 a.m.

Sunday School: 11:15 a.m.

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