

The Acmar Soul Miner

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



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Moments of Impact

There are moments of impact which change a person and a collective group of people. For thirteen British colonies in North America that day came on July 4, 1776.

Representatives of the colonies of New Hampshire, Massachusetts, Connecticut, Rhode Island, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Georgia adopted an eloquent statement setting forth the reasons for declaring their independence from Great Britain.

The ideas contained in the Declaration were not new. The English had used many of the same ideas to justify their revolution of 1688. But the simple beauty of the Declaration of Independence stirred the hearts of men and women from New Hampshire to Georgia.

While a committee of John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson, Robert Sherman and Robert Livingston had a hand in the draft, Thomas Jefferson is credited for most of it. John Hancock signed the document "by order and in behalf of Congress."

Congress ordered a copy of the Declaration engrossed on parchment and signed by all members of the Congress. Timothy Matlack, assistant to the Secretary of Congress who was known as a Master Penman, penned the original Declaration of Independence. He accomplished this with a feather quill pen and engrossed it on what is known as vellum or parchment. The writing style could be described as an English Roundhand script.

Fifty members of Congress signed the engrossed copy of the Declaration of Independence on August 2, 1776. Six others would sign later making the total fifty-six.

The Declaration of Independence

In Congress, July 4, 1776

*The unanimous Declaration of the
thirteen united States of America...*

*We hold these truths to be self-evident, that
all men are created equal, that they are
endowed by their Creator with certain
unalienable Rights, that among these are
Life, Liberty and the pursuit of
Happiness...*

Independence Day was an important occasion for rejoicing. John Adams said, "I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward for evermore."

Celebrating the birthday of the USA on July 4th may include some things Adams suggested. It should also include actions that promote the truth as proclaimed that all are endowed by their Creator with certain Rights such as Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

If we do that, we will have moments of impact which will change America for the better.

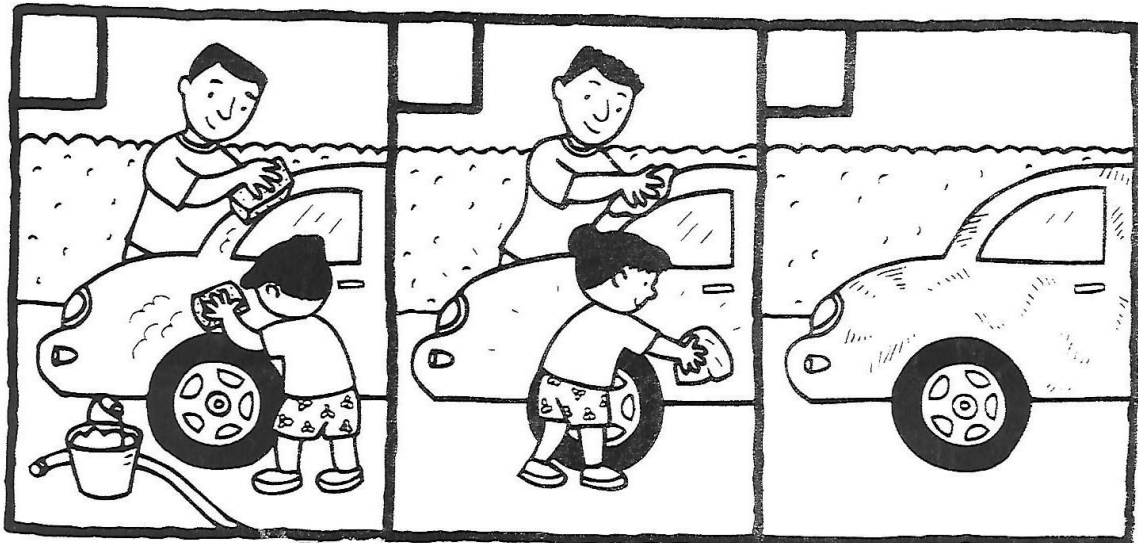
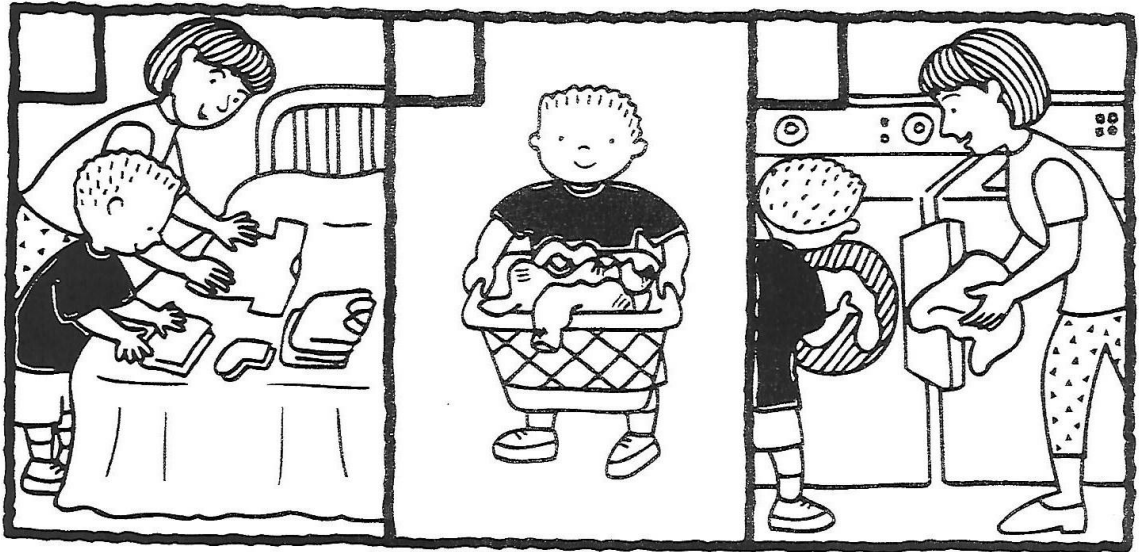
***For you have been called to liberty; only
do not use liberty as an opportunity for the
flesh, but through love serve one another.
(Galatians 5:13)***

Children's Camp

Gospel Light's Big Book of Kindergarten Puzzles.

Puzzle 104

In each row, write numbers in the small boxes to put the pictures in order.



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

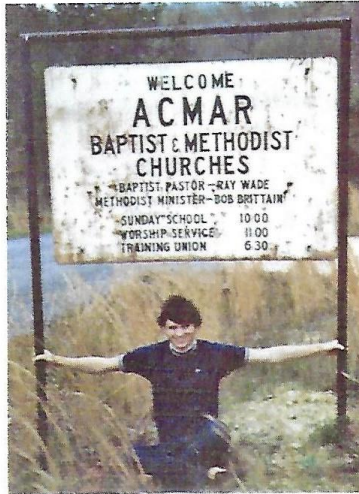
Look Here:
Use your freedom, to help one another with love.
(See Galatians 5:13)

Digging In:

In America we are free.
We are free to make many decisions.
We are free to worship God.

Followers of Jesus have freedom in Him.
We are free from doing bad things.
We are to use our freedom to help others.

The Acmar Community Quilt



Charles Anthony Wilson was born in Leeds on November 18, 1950, to Betty Ann Bosworth Wilson of Acmar, and Charles Fairchild "Buddy" Wilson of Margaret. They nicknamed him "Andy." That was also the year Alabama Fuel & Iron Company where his dad worked closed. When Andy was a toddler they moved to Chicago where his dad studied drafting and engineering. After his dad finished school, they returned to Acmar. They lived for a while with Andy's Uncle Bill and Aunt Sis and his double first cousins, Johnny and Terrie. Then they bought the house next door. Though Andy was an only child, he had so many cousins that he wasn't lonely. He had cousins in Acmar, White's Chapel, Leeds, Birmingham and the surrounding areas. In addition to cousins, there were lots of friends in the Acmar community. They roamed the hills and hollers exploring mines and falling in creeks. Andy loved growing up in Acmar and always claimed it proudly. He was generally known as a good kid though he could be mischievous.

Andy went to White's Chapel Elementary School. At White's Chapel, you could memorize and quote Bible verses to go to Bible camp. Andy did that for years and even went as a counselor. He could still quote most of those verses all his life. In 1960 at the age of ten, Andy received Jesus Christ as his Lord and Savior. He joined Acmar Methodist Church. He remained a faithful, life-long member with his prayers, attendance, gifts, service and witness, and served faithfully. When White's Chapel closed, Andy went to Moody Jr. High School where he met his future wife, Belinda Gooch. They both graduated from Pell City High School. Andy went to the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa for one year, and then transferred to the University of Alabama in Birmingham (UAB). After they married, Andy worked, went to school at night, and was building them a house across from his parents. His Granddaddy Anon Bosworth who had been a company carpenter taught him as they went along. Andy and Belinda had two children, Lenae and Michael. He was a dad that was present for dance recitals and ball games. He was a strict disciplinarian when necessary but compassionate when needed. Lenae married David Wimberly and had Alexa and Jackson. Michael married Tracey Layton and had Ethan and Maddie Grace. Andy mellowed as a granddaddy and loved when the grandchildren visited. He wanted all the kids to succeed – not just his grand-kids. He genuinely wanted others to be successful in whatever it was that they were passionate about. In 1999, Andy asked Belinda if she felt that God was calling her to be a pastor. She later became our Pastor at Acmar UMC in 2000.

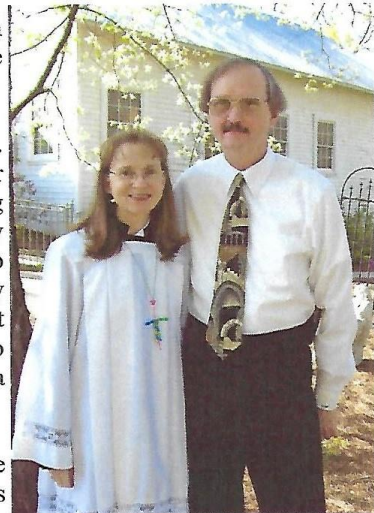
Andy first started working for the U.S. Treasury at the Birmingham Disbursement Center in 1973, and worked in almost every department there before eventually becoming the Director, retiring in 2006.

Andy was an Alabama sports fan and also liked his John Deere lawn mower. They purchased property in Branchville in 2000 and Andy was the builder for their new home as well as for a house next to them for his mom and dad making it possible for him to care for them as they both suffered with cancer, dying only five days apart in 2007. In retirement, Andy was always busy! He found so many ways to serve in ministry. Andy preferred to keep his "helping" as quietly as possible. If you spoke to 20 different people, you might hear of 20 different ways Andy had helped others that no one else knew about. According to Belinda, it didn't matter if it was a technical problem with your computer or a less technical problem with your toilet or a math problem, he would help!










Andy was at peace in his relationships here on earth. He may or may not have told you and more than likely didn't hug you, but he loved you and prayed God's best for you. His favorite verse was Philipians 4:13,

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Andy died May 28, 2021. We know the saints welcomed him in Heaven, but he will surely be missed here.



July 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Audio Sermons on Acmar UMC Website 		Soul Miner on Acmar UMC Website in the Gallery		1  Shyla Johnson Liz Reeves	2  Patty Crocker	3  Glenda Mancill
4  CHURCH 9 am INDEPENDENCE DAY	5	6	7  MCA 3-5 p White's Chapel	8	9  Millie Champion	10
11  CHURCH 9 am Danny Nicholson	12  Jackson Wimberly	13  Maddie Grace Wilson	14 	15	16  Yuandeliz Cruz	17
18  CHURCH 9 am Laura Carpenter	19  Vicki Siegreest	20	21 MCA 3-5 White's Chapel Christopher Champion	22 	23	24
25  CHURCH 9 am	26  Rhonda Turner Payton	27	28	29  Astrid Carpenter	30	31

SOUL FOOD FOR JULY

Mon., June 28 2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10
 Tue., June 29 Psalm 48
 Wed., June 30 2 Corinthians 12:2-10
 Thur., July 1 Mark 6:1-3
 Fri., July 2 2 Corinthians 3:17-18
 Sat., July 3 Galatians 5:13-16; 22-25

Mon., July 5 2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19
 Tue., July 6 Psalm 24
 Wed., July 7 Ephesians 1:3-14
 Thur., July 8 Mark 6:14-29
 Fri., July 9 John 8:31-36
 Sat., July 10 John 14:15-18

Mon., July 12 1 Samuel 7:1-14a
 Tue., July 13 Psalm 89:20-37
 Wed., July 14 Ephesians 1:11-12
 Thur., July 15 Mark 6:30-34, 53-56
 Fri., July 16 Mark 11:22-26
 Sat., July 17 Acts 7:55-60



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 Moody Crossroads / Intersection Hwy. 411/Cty. 10
 Take Cty. 10 W. (Park Ave.) toward Trussville;
 Travel 1 mile; Right on Acmar Rd; travel 2 miles;
 Left onto Old Acton Rd.; Church is on the left

Mon., July 19 2 Samuel 11:1-15
 Tue., July 20 Psalm 14
 Wed., July 21 Ephesians 3:14-21
 Thur., July 22 John 6:1-21
 Fri., July 23 Romans 6:1-13
 Sat., July 24 James 4:7-10

Mon., July 26 2 Samuel 11:26 - 12:13a
 Tue., July 27 Psalm 51:1-12
 Wed., July 28 Ephesians 4:1-16
 Thur., July 29 John 6:24-35
 Fri., July 30 1 Corinthians 1:4-9
 Sat., July 31 Hebrews 10:19-23