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Do all the good you can
In all the ways you can
In all the places you can
At all the times you can
To all the people you can
As long as you can.

-John Wesley

*God formed us. Sin deformed us. The Bible informs us.
And Jesus Transforms us*

Greetings saints,

We are quickly moving into the season of fall with cooler temperatures and the beginning of the changing of the leaves. Isn't it wonderful to see how God changes things around us and reminds us that He created us to enjoy His creation. I hope you don't rush through life that you might miss some of His beautiful creation.

I want to share with you a story that was shared with me years ago, and as I read it when thinking about this newsletter article, I was moved once again. It is titled "The Son."

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A wealthy man and his son loved to collect rare works of art. They had everything in their collection, from Picasso, to Raphael. They would often sit together and admire the great works of art.

When the Vietnam conflict broke out, the son went to war. He was very courageous and died in battle while rescuing another soldier. The father was notified and grieved deeply for his only son. About a month later, just before Christmas, there was a knock at the door. A young man stood at the door with a large package in his hands. He said, "Sir, you don't know me, but I'm the soldier for whom your son gave his life. He saved many lives that day, and he was carrying me to safety when a bullet struck him in the heart and he died instantly. He talked often about you and your love for art.

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The young man held out this package. I know this isn't much and I'm really not a great artist, but I think your son would want you to have this. The father opened the package, and it was a portrait of his son, painted by the young man. He stared at awe at the way the soldier captured the personality of his son in the painting. The father was so drawn to the eyes that his own eyes welled up with tears. He thanked the young man and offered to pay for the picture. "Oh, no sir, I could never repay what your son did for me. It's a gift."

The father hung the portrait over his mantle. Every time visitors came to his home, he took them to see the portrait of his son before he showed the other great works of art he had collected. The man died a few months later and there was to be a great auction of his paintings. Many influential people gathered over seeing the great paintings and having an opportunity to purchase one for their collection.

On the platform sat the painting of the son, the auctioneer pounded his gavel. We will start the bidding with this picture of the son. "Who will bid for this picture?" There was silence. Then a voice from the back of the room shouted, "We want to see the famous paintings." But the auctioneer persisted, "Will someone bid for this painting? \$100, \$200?" Another voice shouted angrily, "We didn't come to see this painting. We came to see the Van Gogh's, and the Rembrandts. Get on with the real bids." But the auctioneer continued. "The son! The son! Who will take the son?"

Finally, a voice came from the very back of the room. It was the long time gardener of the man and the son. "I'll give \$10 for the painting." Being a poor man, it was all he could afford. "We have \$10, who will bid \$20?" Give it to him for \$10. Let's see the masters was the cry! "\$10 is the bid, won't someone bid \$20?" The crowd was becoming angry. They didn't want the picture of the son. They wanted the more worthy investments for their collections. The auctioneer pounded the gavel, "Going once, going twice, sold for \$10." A man sitting in the front row shouted, "Now let's get on with the collection!"

The auctioneer laid down his gavel. "I'm sorry, the auction is over." "What about the paintings?" "I'm sorry, when I was called to conduct the auction, I was told of a secret stipulation in the will. I was not allowed to reveal that stipulation until this time. Only the painting of the son would be auctioned. Whoever bought that painting would inherit the entire estate, including the paintings. The man who took the son gets everything!"

God gave His Son 2000 years ago to die on a cruel cross. Much like the auctioneer, His message today is: "The Son, the Son, who will take the Son?" Because, you see, whoever takes the Son gets everything!

In service with and for the Master,
Pastor Roger



Our Country/Leaders
 Unrest in the nation
 Our church/Wesley Chapel
New pastor for Wesley Chapel
Presiding elder Doug Burns
Pastor Roger and Lois Howard
Ethan, Forrest & Barb Stark
 Maxine Temple
 Ralph & Chop Pletcher
 Darlene Stevanus
 Gail Miner
 Persecuted Christians
 Police officers
 Military
 First responders
 Medical personnel
 Unsaved loved ones
 Rex Temple
 Kristi Burkett
 Jade Hetz Chun
 Myron Deal
 Terry & Kathi Schmuck
 Cook Ohler
 Gary Weimer
 Maxx Stevanus
 Israel
 Travel mercies
 Unspoken
 Marijke Tubbs family
 Sadie Pletcher
 Dave & Linda Henry
 Todd & Tracy Pritts
 Kathy Ong
 Titan Trimpey
 Julian Buxton family

Sam Keefer family
 Mark Stevanus
 Those not in church
 Tom Skelton/pastor process
 Jayna Burke
 Ray Ankeny
 Matt Schwarm
 Emily Lemmon
 Randy & Michele Klein
 Connie Kammerer
 Cody Kimmel
 Troy Hause
 Gianna Zerbini
 Russ Pletcher
 John Kreger
 Aubrey Cook
 Shelley family wellness
 Sam & Emily Wiatrak
 For rain
 Eileen Baker family
 Leon Ohler family
 Kristin Martin family
 Mary Alice Dist
 Shirley Henry
 Max & Paige Sechler
 Louise Pritts family
 Dalton & Debbie King
 Lincoln Weaver
 Lewis Hertzler
 Maria Burkholder
 Kerns family
 John Nickels
 Wayne Miller
 Harold Weaver
 Teachers
 Cavanaugh family
 Amber Walker
 Transfer students
 Debbie George



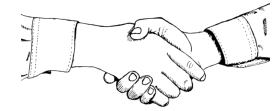
Military/Families
 Jeremy Allan
 John Benford
 Stephen Bigler
 Ian Blevins
 Gabe Bluebaugh
 Aaron Engleka
 Joe Gusbar
 Grant Hanak
 Keith Henry, Jr.
 Landon Henry
 Kristi Hopp
 Jake Johnson
 Lexie Kerns
 Richard King
 Denton Lester, Jr.
 Kurt May
 Jamie Miller
 Ross Pletcher
 Randall Pritts
 David Rogers
 Max Strasiser
 Randi Thomas
 Charles Trimpey
 Families of fallen soldiers



“If my people, who are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.”
 -2 Chronicles 7:14

Serving this month

ACOLYTES Flint and Reed Breegle



	GREETERS	OFFERING TEAM
September 1	Steve Pletcher family	Steve Pletcher family
September 8	Jamie & Mindy Singo	Singo family & friends
September 15	Tim & Jill Heiple	Heiple family & friends
September 22	Taylor Smith & Molly Miller	Taylor & Molly & family
September 29	Andy Sanner family	Andy Sanner family

If you are unable to acolyte, greet or usher on your Sunday, please find a replacement. Thank you.

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

September 1	James 1:17-27	Grace Sechler
September 8	James 2:1-10	Dave Henry
September 15	James 3:1-12	Connie Pletcher
September 22	James 3:13 - 4:3	Tristan Pritts
September 29	James 5:13-20	Mark Temple

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

September 1	Psalms 111:1-10	Joseph Sechler
September 8	Psalms 113:1-9	Linda Henry
September 15	Psalms 115:1-18	Forrest Stark
September 22	Psalms 118:1-14	Faith Millin
September 29	Psalms 117:1-2	Rene Temple

If you are unable to read on your Sunday, please find a replacement. Thank you.

LOOKING FOR AWESOME, ENERGETIC, SPIRIT-FILLED persons to take part in Sunday services. We need greeters and ushers to fill a Sunday. A reminder that one of your membership promises is SERVICE. In case you're wondering, other promises with membership are PRAYERS, PRESENCE, GIFTS and WITNESS. Challenged yet? Sign-up sheets are on the bulletin board.



From generation to **GENERATION**

Grandparents are a bridge of love for future generations. The greatest heritage they can pass on is their faith and love for God.

Tell it to your children, and let your children tell it to their children, and their children to the next generation.

JOEL 1:3, NIV

Directions: List as many words as you can create from the letters in **GENERATIONS**. You may want to challenge a grandparent to this!

2-letter words	3-letter words	4-letter words	5+ letters

Add up the total number of words you found. >>>

Answers will vary.

August 2024

Thank you for your support of One Mission Society.



Our OMS Village Church Planting teams across 32 African nations (and beyond) will participate in 90 days of prayer, fasting, and church planting from August 1 - October 29. We are honored for this opportunity to humble ourselves and call out to God for His grace and favor and to ask for salvation to be poured out in villages without churches across Africa.



We are thankful for the 13,000 churches already planted by VCP church planters, and we're praying and trusting God they will become 26,000 churches in the next few months. Will you join in in praying during these 90 days or even just once a week?

Thank you for your donation this month that enables Gospel work to happen worldwide.

Gratefully, Jeff Edwards, OMS President




*Lord, take me where you want me to go;
Let me meet who you want me to meet;
Tell me what you want me to say,
and keep me out of your way.*

Rev. Mychal Judge, FDNY chaplain and the first official casualty on 9/11

BLESSING
of the backpacks

This backpack has been blessed by Wesley Chapel Church who loves, prays and supports this student!



My the Lord bless you and protect you.

On Sunday, August 24th, we celebrated the Blessing of the Backpacks. Pastor Roger blessed our children and school staff by praying for safety during the new school year. Along with the blessing, special tags were given out so those who received them know that they are loved and prayed for every day. Mindy Singo also provided the children with a Bible verse card and a little Jesus figurine to keep close to them daily.



Baptism



Wesley Chapel is blessed to announce the holy baptism of Jayna Burke on August 6th. She is a student of Rockwood Area High School. Please join us in welcoming her into this next step of her spiritual journey. May God protect you now and always!



Keepsake BOOK

With your grandparents, create a special book to preserve cherished memories.

What you need:

- Index cards
- Pencil
- Hole punch
- Binder ring (or yarn)
- Crayons or markers



What you do:

1. Brainstorm questions to ask one or more of your grandparents (topics can include their childhoods, favorites and advice). Write one question on each index card.
2. Ask your grandparent to write his or her answers on the blank sides of the cards.
3. Make a cover by decorating one index card.
4. Punch a hole in the top left corner of each card.
5. Use a binder ring or string yarn through the holes and tie to secure the cards together.



CALLING ALL KIDS AGES 5 THROUGH 6TH GRADE...AGAPE will be starting Wednesday, September 25th. It will be held weekly, on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. Spread the word and bring your friends for fun, Biblical learning, and fellowship. Please contact Mark or Angie Millin if you have any questions. Hope to see you there!



Elisha was appointed by this prophet to be his successor. Elisha then watched as this man was taken up to heaven in a fiery chariot. Who was the prophet?

- A. Amos
- B. Elijah
- C. Isaiah
- D. Ezekiel

Answer: B (See 2 Kings 2:11)



Dear Wesley Chapel family,
Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers.

With sincere gratitude and appreciation,
Raymond Temple family

Dear Friend of Eight Days of Hope,

Thank you so much for supporting EDOH in the second quarter of 2024. We have seen God move mightily since April, deploying our Rapid Response and Mass Feeding teams to 5 different outreaches across the United States. Hope abounds!

Because of your willingness to sow into EDOH, we engaged 55,127 volunteers and served 10,003 families in the aftermath of disaster. Your **gift allows us to show the peace of Christ in the midst of a storm's chaos.** Thank you!

In the coming months, your continued prayers and support will allow us **to deploy our Rapid Response and Mass Feeding teams on a moment's notice** whenever disaster strikes. We are also thrilled to share with you that our Safe House Ministry is returning to Texas for two blitzes this fall to help increase the number of safe spaces for survivors of human trafficking.

God continues to open the doors for us to serve - quickly, in accordance to His call, and with His provision. We are beyond grateful. Please join us in prayer for the summer ahead, for our volunteers and leaders who are devoted to bringing hope to the hopeless, and for every person we encounter while serving. To get involved, visit www.eightdaysofhope.com or text HOPE to 86373 for updates by text.

May God continue to bless you,
Stephen Tybor III
Eight Days of Hope President and CEO



Sam & Emily (Singo) Wiatrak were married on July 13, 2024 at 10 Valley Farms, Connellsville, PA surrounded by family and friends. Pastor Dave Stanton officiated the ceremony. The bride is the daughter of Rob and Christine Singo. **The groom's parents are Sam & Deb Wiatrak and Lance & Dana Stimmel.** The newlyweds reside in Connellsville. Many blessings to the new couple, and may God always be at the forefront of their marriage.



JOB DESCRIPTION FOR A CHRISTIAN

As a follower of Jesus, you'll share His love and gospel with everyone. Kindness and humility are vital as you speak about your hope in him. To **battle evil, you'll receive a complete set of armor.** Use it to defend against attacks by a prowling lion or the temptation to place self above others.

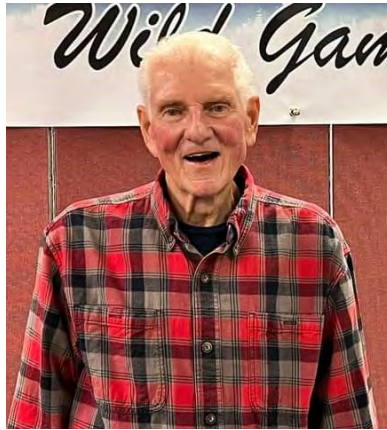
Preferred qualifications:

- complete surrender to God
- a desire to follow His commandments
- a servant heart
- courage to face fiery furnaces or shipwrecks



Everyone's welcome, and training and support are provided. Though you can expect persecution and adversity, the rewards are life-changing — and eternal!

- MaryAnn Sundby, The Newsletter CD 2015



Leon R. Ohler

May 12, 1943 - August 17, 2024

. Leon Roger Ohler, 81, of Scullton, passed away peacefully on Saturday, August 17, 2024 at UPMC Altoona surrounded by his family. He was born on May 12, 1943 in Scullton, the son of U. Grant and Hazel (King) Ohler. His parents, four brothers and three sisters preceded him in death. He is survived by his wife of 60 years, Karen (Tressler), son Luke (Telma), King George, VA; daughter, Vicki Merchant (Dale), Boyds, MD; grandchildren, Michael, Christopher, Alexandria, Stephen, Christian, Sara, and Alvaro; a sister, Mildred Hobernicht, Henry Clay Villa, Markleysburg and beloved dog and best friend, Jasper. Leon had a long career with the PA Fish and Boat Commission. He dedicated his life to his family farm in Scullton and was a lifelong member of Wesley Chapel Church. He loved talking with others about raising cattle and his love for farming. Continued prayers to the family for comfort and peace.

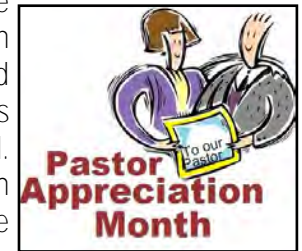
WITH DEEPEST
Sympathy



Our suggested food pantry items for September are laundry detergents. You may bring them or other food donations to the church during the month of September. We are currently supplying the Lazarus Gate Food Pantry located at Messiah Lutheran Church in New Centerville. Hours for distribution are 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of the month. Thank you.

SAVE THE DATE: PASTOR APPRECIATION DINNER

Please join us on Sunday, October 27th for the Pastor Appreciation Dinner. Church will begin at 10:30 A.M., and the meal will be served afterwards in the fellowship hall. The meal is free to all. Donations will be accepted. A sign-up sheet will be passed during church and can also be found in the hallway. Please direct any questions to Todd Pritts.







WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP AND BIBLE STUDY



Please join the ladies of Rockwood Community Bible Church the second Saturday of every month at 11:00 A.M. This time of fellowship is held in the lower level of the Rockwood Community Bible Church. The study is titled *Kingdom Woman*, by Tony Evans. Light refreshments are served afterwards. So come and be filled spiritually. Learn **how you were created for God's work and how your life, through His strength, is one of purpose, spiritual power, and possibilities.** Please contact Shanna Breegle for more information 814-485-1518.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 HOLY COMMUNION Wesley Missions <i>*laborers</i>	2  <i>*Harry & Mary Ellen Hoover</i>	3 Bible Study 7:00 p.m. <i>*Alan, Candee & Julia Jackson</i>	4 <i>*Kristopher, Andrea, Amelia, Emerie & Ashton Kellman</i>	5 <i>*Irv, Lisa, Cody & Seth Kimmel & Tammo</i>	6 <i>*Charles King, II & Jeremiah</i>	7 <i>*Dalton & Debbie King</i>
8 <i>*for a Sabbath rest</i>	9 <i>*Dennis King</i>	10 Bible Study 7:00 p.m. <i>*Effie King</i>	11  <i>*Eric & Laura King</i>	12 <i>*Pam King</i>	13 <i>*Randy & Michele Klein</i>	14 <i>*Doug Knight</i>
15 Sunday School  <i>*grandparents</i>	16 <i>*Delores Kurtz</i>	17 Bible Study 7:00 p.m. <i>*Delbert & Tammy Lechliter</i>	18 <i>*Denton & Cathie Lester</i>	19 <i>*Denton Jr., Nicki, Jocelyn, Garrett, Claire & Meghan Lester</i>	20 Newsletter deadline <i>*Tricia Martin & Madison</i>	21 <i>*Craig, Jessica, Madyson & Owen Maurer</i>
22  <i>*for shut-ins</i>	23 <i>*Charles, Vickie, Kala, Jason, Dakota & Kaydin McFarren</i>	24 Bible Study 7:00 p.m. <i>*Dale & Vicki Merchant; (Alexandria Gerber)</i>	25 <i>*Bob, Cindy & Jenna Miller</i>	26 <i>*Bob & Debbie Miller</i>	27 <i>*Chad, Lisa, Mason, Brayden & Kaiden Miller</i>	28 <i>*Matt, Kaitlyn, Maddox & Talon Miller</i>
29 <i>*for caregivers</i>	30 <i>*Mark, Angie, Glenn & Faith Millin</i>	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;"> <p>You are encouraged to remove this center page calendar and place it on your refrigerator for the month for reference. *Denotes daily prayer focus.</p> </div>				