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Love one another.



Help Wanted...Help Needed...
 Help Received

“For we do not have a high priest who cannot sympathize with our weaknesses, but One who has been tempted in all things as we are, yet without sin. Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”

Hebrews 4:15-16

“And my God will supply all your needs according to His riches in glory in Christ Jesus.”

Philippians 4:19

We all need help. It does not matter how strong or resourceful we may be most of the time. Times arrive in our lives when we realize we do not possess what we need in the moment. I may call for a machine that can give more lifting or **pulling power**. I may seek a friend's help, a family member's assistance or hire someone to take on the job for me. It is **amazing how another's help can do what I could not do on my own.**

As I write this article, I think of a time that I asked my friend **to help me move an oversized couch from my grandmother's house to my house**, so I could eventually take it to my college dorm room later that fall. We were young, ambitious and able. However, we were inexperienced. We used some rope, that **we had taken from my parents' garage, to secure the couch in a truck bed that was not really long enough to carry the**

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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

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couch. The trip to our destination was over an hour. We had to go around a large lake, and as you can imagine, we did not want the couch to fall out of the truck bed, as it was threatening to do, even as we placed it inside the bed. We worked for quite a while, analyzing, trying, shifting and securing. In the end we took the unconventional approach of tying the rope around the couch and down around the **truck's axel. If there's a will, there's a way, right? The good news is... We made it all the way home to my parents' house, and the extra long, oversized, couch made it to my dorm room.** I could not have done it on my own. To this day, it is an adventure that brings a smile to my face. We laughed as we drove down the road, watched the couch sway and threaten to fall. The memory became one that we would recount and laugh over, as we enjoyed the memory together. Help makes all the difference.

Spiritually, we must realize that we cannot make life happen on our own. We cannot save ourselves. We cannot raise ourselves. It is not possible to pull yourself up and make it happen. Jesus came to save us from our sins. He died on the cross to cleanse us, by His blood, from all unrighteousness, to provide forgiveness, and to give us eternal life through faith in Him alone. Having paid the price for our sins, Jesus was raised from the dead on the third day, and He ascended to the right hand of God, the Father. Now, He intercedes for you and me.

Take a moment to realize how much power Jesus possesses as the risen Christ, God the Son, who sits at the right hand of God the Father. Who knows the holy and best plan for your life? Jesus does. He has gone to the cross and grave, overcame, and now intercedes for you. Not one aspect of what we ever face or experience does He not truly know. Who possesses all the authority, not just over your life and mine, but all of eternity? Jesus possesses the authority, and He speaks on your behalf to the Father. Who possesses the power to shape, mold, and make you into the person God created you to be? Jesus possesses the power. From the moment you call upon the name of Jesus to be Lord and Savior, He shapes and molds you into who God intends you to be for His glory and your good. (Romans 8:28-29)

In the passage from Hebrews, we are told that Jesus is our Great High Priest, who sits on the Throne, and we can receive grace and mercy in our time of need. The good news is, we want, need and have received help in our time of need. Take time each day to be present in the presence of Jesus. Ask Him what His will for your life is, how He wants to shape and mold you, and yes ask Him to provide for you what you cannot do for yourself and never could. He already has done it! Are you anxious, concerned and in need of help? Ask Jesus to provide for you. As Philippians 4:19 tells you, God has supplied all we need and for all our needs, which He knows, in Christ Jesus. To God be the Glory now and forever!

Blessings,
Pastor Tim



Our Country/Leaders
 Our church/Wesley Chapel
Pastor Tim Monteith & family
Presiding elder James Golla
Ethan, Forrest & Barb Stark
 Maxine Temple
 Ralph & Chop Pletcher
 Darlene Stevanus
 Gail Miner
 Betty Henry
 Persecuted Christians
 Police officers/military
 First responders
 Medical personnel
 Unserved loved ones
 Rex Temple
 Kristi Burkett
 Jade Hetz Chun
 Emily Lemmon
 Amber Johnson
 Tina Yinkey
 Easton Pritts
 Ava Bowers
 Tara Raley
 Myron & Jennifer Deal
 Terry & Kathi Schmuck
 Maxx Stevanus
 Israel / War in Iran
 Travel mercies
 Unspoken
 Ed & Cathy Ong
 Bobby Stark
 Shepherd Grace
 Wiatrak family
 Sue Clark
 Kelly Faidley

Darcy Waechter
 Shober family
 Amelia Kellman
 Shirley Shultz
 Harry Hoover
 Mark Stevanus
 Lincoln Weaver
 Jake & Debbie King
 Ray & Deb Ankeny
 Kayt Pritts
 Marlene Patterson
 Delores Kurtz
 Colsyn Lee Blough
Dale "Bud" Pritts
 Gary Weimer family
 Randall Hay
 Chicken BBQ
 Dean Pletcher
 Jake Manning
 Eugene Pletcher
 Tom Close Jr. family
 Charlene Race
 Robert Mostoller
 Jeff Singo
 Craig Pletcher
 Robin Bittner
 Tammy Breegle
 Sam Singo & baby
 School testing
 Jim Miller
 Becky Berkey & baby
 Jack Pletcher
 Jason Breegle



Military/Families

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

Serving this month

ACOLYTES Brooklyn Monteith & Friends

	GREETERS	OFFERING TEAMS
May 3	Jason Breegle family	Jason Breegle family
May 10	Pete Sanner family	Pete Sanner family
May 17	Randy & Michele Klein	Kleins and friends
May 24	Todd & Tracy Pritts	Todd Pritts family
May 31	Steve & Connie Pletcher	Pletchers and friends

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

FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON

May 3	Mark 4:1-5	Mark Temple
May 10	Mark 4:11-15	Jason Breegle
May 17	Mark 4:21-25	Mark Millin
May 24	Acts 2:1-5	Grace Sechler
May 31	Mark 4:31-34	Dave Henry

SECOND SCRIPTURE LESSON

May 3	Mark 4:6-10	Rene Temple
May 10	Mark 4:16-20	Shanna Breegle
May 17	Mark 4:26-29	Angie Millin
May 24	Acts 2:6-12	Joseph Sechler
May 31	Mark 4:35-41	Linda Henry

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 offering teams 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?

"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

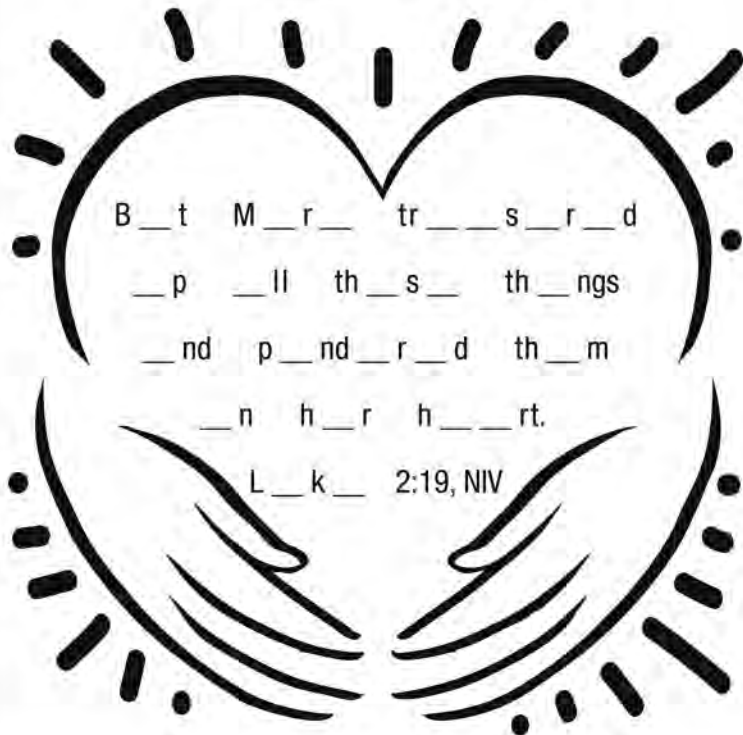


A mother's love

At age 12, Jesus was left behind in Jerusalem. His parents later found him in the temple, discussing Scripture. What did Mary, Jesus' mother, think about this?

Directions: Fill in the blanks with the correct vowels to complete the Bible verse.

A E I O U Y



JOIN US!

WESLEY CHAPEL VBS presents
"GROWING IN GOD"

WHEN: July 20-24

TIME: 5:30 p.m. to 7:45 p.m.

Dinner will be served nightly

Join us in learning how God can help us grow in His love & how to share it with others.

Dinner, Bible lessons, Crafts, Snacks, Games & Music for ages 3 years to 6th grade.

Please contact Rene Temple at 814-926-3191 with questions or registration.

Answer: But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart Luke 2:19, NIV

Youth Group Hike

On a chilly Sunday afternoon in April, the Youth and other church members were lead on a hike through one of Laurel Hill State Park's scenic trails. Steve Long led the group and shared a message about how planting a seed is one of the most important walks of being a Christian. Being ready to witness, helping others get saved, and helping others in bad situations no matter who they may be were also discussed. Steve stressed that God uses the least of us to do great things, and we need not be afraid...we are to be strong in Christ.

The Youth and other young children in the group were given two cross necklaces - one to keep and one to share. Special thanks to Steve and all those who lead our Youth.



Hannah & Kaitlyn Latuch and Faith Millin lead the crew up the trail.



Our young ladies smile with Laurel Hill Creek in the background.



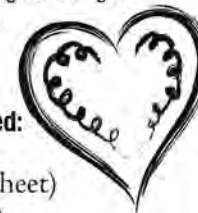
Flint Breegle finds the highest spot to climb.



All the Youth and some younger members pose in a log shelter along the trail.

A heartfelt felt heart

On Mother's Day, express your love for your mom or another special woman by giving her this gift from the heart.



What you need:

- Red felt (8" x 11" sheet)
- Dark pen
- Fabric scissors
- Pillow stuffing
- Straight pins
- Embroidery thread (pink, red or black)
- Needle
- An adult to help

What you do:

1. Fold the felt in half and draw a heart on it. Cut out the heart so you have two of the same size.
2. Place the hearts on top of each other, add stuffing and pin the hearts together.
3. Thread the needle with a long piece of thread. Knot the end.
4. Sew the hearts together. Knot the thread and trim the ends. Remove pins.
5. Give the gift — and a hug!



Below is a reminder of upcoming Youth meetings and events. Please mark your calendars.

Saturday, May 2nd - Faith Day at PNC Park, leaving church at 1:15 p.m.

Friday, May 8th - Pavilion clean-up, time to be determined.

Sunday, May 10th - **Mother's Day Service**, Youth to help with activities before & after church service.

Sunday, May 24th - Youth Meeting @ 6:30 p.m., **planning of Father's Day.**

BIBLE QUIZ:

Jesus asked an unnamed disciple to take care of his mother, Mary, as the Lord hung upon the cross.

What was the disciple called?

What did Jesus say to his mother concerning the disciple he asked to care for her?

Answers: Please read John 19:26

Thank You to those who helped to Spring Clean Our Church

Our designated church clean up date was April 18th but had to be cancelled due to a death in the congregation. But as usual, many members of the church congregation jumped in and on their own time, cleaned the church both inside and out. Many women met on Wednesdays in March and April during Agape to clean the bathrooms, hallways, old fellowship hall and the sanctuary. Some of the men blew away leaves and mulched around the church and parsonage. The Youth is **planning on cleaning the pavilion in May to "prep" it for picnic and reunion activities.** The Trustees would like to thank all those whose love for Christ and His church has made this all possible. We still have a few more areas **to clean and "declutter," but the people of Wesley Chapel are always there to help.** If I missed anyone or anything, please accept our thanks and blessings on all you do in the name of Christ.



Linda Henry-Secretary of Trustees



Do You Have a Special Sound Need from the Tech Ministry?



If you are planning an anniversary, wedding, birthday, funeral/dinner, etc. with any video, presentations, or music needs for your event in the church or fellowship hall, please complete the form on the church bulletin board and return to one of the members of the Tech Ministry or the church secretary. This should be done no less than 24-48 hours before the date of the affair. Please remember to have your media on a flash drive with the music in MP3 and video in an MP4 format. Any questions can be addressed by seeing Mindy Singo or Linda Henry.

2026 Pentecost Geranium Order Form

We will be offering red geraniums again this year to decorate the sanctuary for Pentecost Sunday, which will occur on May 24th. Cost per plant is \$4.00 and orders are due no later than Saturday, May 16th. Please give your orders to Shanna Breegle or return them to the basket on the table in the narthex. **If you'd like to purchase a geranium in memory or honor of a loved one,** please fill out the additional information on the form below. Blessings to you always.



In Memory of _____

Given by _____

In Honor of _____

Given by _____

Total enclosed \$ _____

In the Spotlight

Grace Sechler and Natalie Latuch were among several Rockwood students that qualified for the Regional Civics Bee held in Connellsville, PA. After 20 multiple choice questions, Grace along with another fellow Rockwood classmate, advanced to the 3rd round and will advance to States in June. Grace Sechler earned the top score and 1st Place for the entire competition. **Congrats to Grace and Natalie for all their hard work. We're proud of you all.**



Left: Natalie Latuch accepts her certificate.



Above: Grace Sechler accepts her 1st Place award.



Faith Millin blessed the Wesley Chapel congregation with her beautiful acapella version of "How Great Thou Art" during Sunday morning service. Not a dry eye in the church that morning. Thank you Faith for sharing your God-given talent of singing. We look forward to hearing more from you in the future.

(If you or your child is interested in providing special music during the service, please sign up on the bulletin board.)

We are looking for names of any of our church members who are graduating from kindergarten, high school or college this summer. Please give the names to Connie Pletcher with any pertaining information (pictures, etc). Graduates will be recognized Sunday, June 7th during the worship service.



Where: Scullton Rod & Gun Club
When: Saturday May 9th, 2026
Time: Starts at 8:00 a.m

Come and enjoy a day of fishing. Hot dogs, chips and drinks will be provided for everyone. Parking at the Club House with walk to pond only.



Our suggested food pantry item for May is laundry detergent. You may bring this or other food donations to the church during the month of May. We are currently supplying the Rockwood Area 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.

We will be remembering those who have passed on to glory since last Memorial Day at our Sunday worship service on May 24th. Please give Shanna any names and pictures of persons you wish to be honored.





Wesley Chapel members gathered early on Easter Sunday for an Easter sunrise service. Umbrellas and rain coats were needed, but that didn't stop our pastor and approximated 40 members from gathering outside to celebrate this blessed occasion. The service continued inside for breakfast and later adorning the sanctuary. Everyone partook of a warm breakfast that

consisted of a variety of egg bake casseroles, some sweets, fruit salad, juice and coffee. All made and served by Pam Weimer. Pam, we truly appreciate your dedication and help with this early morning event. Thank you again.



Gary L. Weimer

October 20, 1954 - April 14, 2026

Gary L. Weimer, 71, Markleton, passed away Tuesday, April 14, 2026 at his home. He was born October 20, 1954 in Somerset. He is survived by his wife Pamela (King); daughters Kara Reed (Brandon), Mission Viejo, CA and Eleas Wu (Calvin), Wilsonville, OR; grandchildren, Addelin, Bauer, Everleigh, and Sarison. Gary was a retired school teacher from Rockwood Area School District and a beloved member of Wesley Chapel Church. He belonged to the Fellowship of Christian Magicians, Society of American Magicians, International Brotherhood of Magicians and the Laurel Highlands Magic Club. He was also a member of the Pennsylvania Vo-Ag Teachers Association, Rockwood Young Farmers Association and the Pennsylvania State Education Association (PSEA). Gary was an alumni of West Virginia University and Penn State.

Please keep Gary's family in your prayers during this time for comfort and peace. He had many God-given gifts and will be dearly missed by all who knew him.

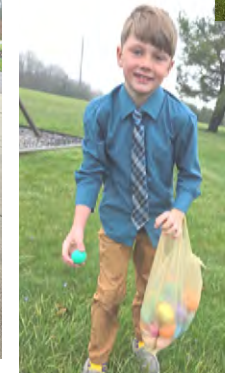
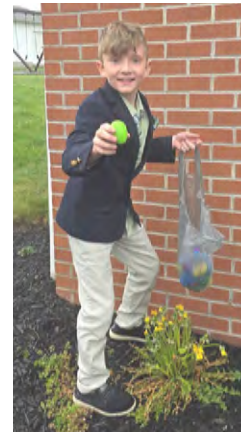
Memorial Day

Is it enough to think today
Of all our brave, then put away
The thought until a year has sped?
Is this full honor for our dead?

Is it enough to sing a song
And deck a grave; and all year long
Forget the brave who died that we
Might keep our great land proud
and free?

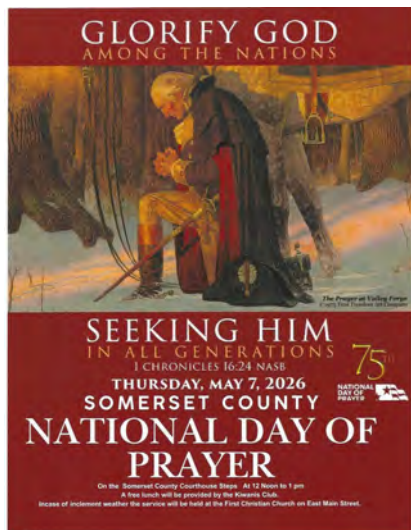
Full service needs a greater toll,
That we who live give heart and soul
To keep the land they died to save,
And be ourselves, in turn, the brave!

—Annette Wynne



THE NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Somerset's National Day of Prayer 2026 is to be held at 12:00 p.m. , Thursday May 7th on the steps of the Somerset County Courthouse. Everyone is invited to join in prayer for our nation. Those interested in attending are encouraged to bring a chair. A free lunch will be provided by the Kiwanis Club. In case of rain, the service will be held at the First Christian Church on East Main Street.



A very special thank you to everyone who donated filled Easter eggs for our annual Easter Egg Hunt. The weather this year was rather chilly, but with the help of Tim & Lindsay Latuch, along with some youth members, the eggs were hidden outside around the entire perimeter of the church. So many laughs and sugar highs were shared.



The sanctuary was adorned beautifully Easter morning with spring flowers provided by our Somerset Floral family. Along with décor, the room was filled with beautiful music and praise of a Risen Savior. Mark Millin lead some of our youth members in a bell choir. Thank you all for blessing us with your talents.



Above left: Reed Breegle bravely tries one of the squished grapes.

Above right: The children attentively watch as the boiled and squished grapes are strained to make juice.



Above: Angie Millin always brings an amazing lesson and such love to every night of Agape.



Left: Boys versus girls in pool noodle soccer. You may even spy the church secretary getting in on the action!

AGAPE WRAP-UP!

The Agape crew met for the last time (until Fall) to make resurrection gardens and also homemade communion bread and fresh squeezed grape juice. The gardens were taken home by each child and tended to until **Easter Sunday when they could remove the stone from the “tomb.”** The communion bread and juice were enjoyed by members of the congregation during the Maundy Thursday Service.

Thanks again to the Millin family. Your hard work and dedication to our children is truly a blessing to our church family!



Above: Two resurrection gardens grow until Easter morning.



Above left: Maddox Miller, Ada & Amelia Sechler and Brooklyn Monteith knead their dough balls.



Above right: Mark Millin teaches the kids about the representation of the unleavened communion bread.

Ruth — a Pentecost story?

The disciples were celebrating Pentecost, originally a Jewish festival, when the Holy Spirit descended on them and birthed the church. Pentecost, which began as a harvest festival, had come to commemorate the giving of the law. The book of Ruth became integral to festival worship.

Why Ruth? This short story doesn't mention the law, let alone God giving it to Moses. Yet in Ruth's devotion to her mother-in-law (“Where you go I will go Your people will be my people ... ” [Ruth 1:16, NIV]), she fulfills not just the letter but the spirit of the law: loving kindness — all the more remarkable because she's a foreigner. Boaz, too, demonstrates exorbitant kindness to Ruth.

As Christians celebrate the Spirit bridging differences in Jerusalem, uniting all nationalities by making the gospel message intelligible to all people, we too can remember Ruth's story. For in it, God unites two enemy peoples for his grand purpose: Boaz and Ruth's marriage leads to King David and, ultimately, to King Jesus. Today, the Holy Spirit continues to unite all categories of people under Christ's reign for the good of the world.

~Taken from WordContent CD, May 2016

A taste of God's love

In *Lost in Wonder, Love and Praise* (Abingdon Press), John Killinger describes a mother's love — and how it offers a tiny foretaste of God's love:

“It is stronger than steel, softer than down and more resilient than a green sapling on the hillside. It closes wounds, melts disappointments and enables the weakest child to stand tall and straight in the fields of adversity. I believe that this love, even at its best, is only a shadow of the love of God, a dark reflection of all that we can expect of him, both in this life and the next.”








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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 <i>*Scott, Shannon, Hunter and Colt Berkey</i>	2 <i>*Stephen & Brooke Bigler family</i>
3  HOLY COMMUNION Wesley Missions <i>*for the Holy Spirit's presence in your life</i>	4 <i>*Ron, Roxann, Joseph & Sara Blough</i>	5 Bible Study 7:00 p.m. <i>*Scott & Rhonda Boothby</i>	6 <i>*Jason, Shanna, Flint & Reed Breegle</i>	7  NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER <i>*Jeff & Amy Brlansky; Luke, Hannah & Aiden Kohan</i>	8 Refresh Women's Group @ 6:00 p.m. Youth Pavilion Cleanup <i>*Michael, Danyelle, Maria & Ivy Burkholder</i>	9 <i>*Derek, Amy, Easton & Raelyn Deeds</i>
10  HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY <i>*mothers, grandmothers, mother figures</i>	11 <i>*Floyd Dunmeyer</i>	12 Bible Study 7:00 p.m. <i>*Alexandria Gerber</i>	13 <i>*David & Sandie Green</i>	14 <i>*Michael & Brenda Hardwig</i>	15 <i>*Michael Hearn; Victoria</i>	16 <i>*Connie Hearn</i>
17 <i>*thanking God for your blessings</i>	18 <i>*Michael, Erin, Easton, Sawyer & Rhett Heiple</i>	19 Bible Study 7:00 p.m. <i>*Tim & Jill Heiple</i>	20 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE <i>*Betty Henry</i>	21 <i>*Dave & Linda Henry</i>	22 <i>*Leanne Henry; Luke & Cole</i>	23 <i>*Joe & Mildred Hobernicht</i>
24  PENTECOST SUNDAY Youth @ 6:30 p.m. <i>*military families who lost loved ones</i>	25  HAPPY MEMORIAL DAY <i>*Harry & Mary Ellen Hoover</i>	26 Bible Study 7:00 p.m. <i>*Roger & Lois Howard</i>	27 <i>*Jenny Lynn Hykes & Don Nickels</i>	28 <i>*Alan, Candee & Julia Jackson</i>	29 <i>*Kristopher, Andrea, Amelia, Emerie & Ashton Kellman</i>	30 <i>*Irv, Lisa, Cody & Seth Kimmel</i>
31 <i>*comfort during loss of a loved one</i>			<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>You are encouraged to remove this center page calendar and place it on your refrigerator for the month for reference.</p> </div>			