

FOR THE KIDS.....

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O F N O T R U M P E T S P P D
S S I U D E P I H S R O W R L
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E S T O F F E R I N G S V N B
G O L D O F P A R V A I M E R
E G K I N G S O L O M O N S N

*Boaz, Bronze sea, Bulls, Cattle, Courtyard, Curtain, Festival,
Fire from heaven, Foremen, Glory of the Lord, Gold of Parvaim,
Handbreadth, Jakin, King Solomon, Lampstands,
Most Holy Place, Mount Moriah, Offerings, Pomegranates,
Precious stones, Sheep, Sixty cubits, Temple, Tent of Meeting,
Trumpets, Worshiped*

*Today's Sermon..... Swallowed Whole
Next Week's Sermon..... Steve Diggs Guest Speaker
Sun. Adult Bible Class... Justification
Sun. Night..... No Service*

Service Times: *Sunday: Bible Class..... 10:00 a.m.
Worship:.....11:00 a.m.
Evening.....6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:..... 7:00 p.m.*

Coldwater Church of Christ

Welcome to our services! March 17, 2013

POTLUCK TODAY AFTER SERVICES. PLEASE STAY.

Sharon spent some time in the hospital this past week. Two blood clots have been found. Please continue to pray for Sharon during this next round of chemo and this new problem. She's home now.

Cathleen is continuing to seek treatment for the ulcer on her foot. She is now wearing a boot that is causing some difficulty. Please keep her in your prayers.

Bob has been sick lately and Shirley is in need of a pacemaker. Please keep both of them in your prayers.

Bonnie Dalman, Shirley's sister, had a port surgically put in, and is doing very well, just very tired. She had it done because they are having trouble finding her veins to IV her chemo. Please continue to pray for her and for Joyce. Joyce is getting along well and walking.

Prayers are requested for Carl and Ruth Gangaway who are suffering with heart problems. They are the parents of a Shell Gas Station attendant. She asked David to add them to our prayer list.

Doug's mom had a heart stint put in last week. Please keep her in your prayers as well.

You are all invited to the 50th Anniversary Party for Charles and Ella Boston on Sunday, April 7th at 1 p.m. There's an invitation on the bulletin board and a sign-up sheet.

April 14th Josh Tilton will be here to give us an update on the Ghana West African Missions. We have donated in the past to have a village well dug. All of the offering that day will go to that work.

The Financial Seminar is on March 24th -25th. Steve Diggs will be our speaker.

We are still in need of 4 more ladies to help out in the nursery and with the older kids on the two nights of the financial seminar. We need a nursery attendant and a helper for each night.

* Please see Dave or Loretta if you'd be willing to help out. *

A new Sunshine Basket is in the works. This one will be for an elderly couple. Please bring any donations you'd like to contribute and place them on the table in the vestibule

Ladies, mark your calendars! We will be having a "Lavender and Lace Ladies Luncheon" on April 13th beginning at 12:00 p.m. ☺ There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board so we can know how many to expect. It promises to be a special time for all.

Upcoming Events: Mark your calendars...

1st Sunday night- Devotion: singing, prayer service

3rd Sunday – potluck – no evening service

4th Sunday Night - Youth Group

Mar. 24-25 -Sun./Mon. night 6 :30pm Financial Seminar -Steve Diggs

April 13 – Sat. - 12:00 pm - Lavender and Lace Ladies Luncheon

April 14 - Sun. - Josh Tilton update on Ghana Well Drilling Work

April 27 Camp Inodgan Spring Dinner \$15 per person \$25 a couple

May 12 – Sun. - Mother's Day Breakfast

May 19 – Sun. - Friends/Family Day- Potluck

*****Prayer List*****

Cathleen Waites – ulcer on foot

Bob and Shirley Flaugher – illness and pacemaker for Shirley

Doug's Mom – heart stint

Wendi Baker – possible candidate for new asthma treatment

Lenore – granddaughter of Huey and Cathleen – liver tumor

Joe Fitts – general health

Bonnie Dalman – sister of Shirley and Joyce – lung cancer

Meaghan Boston – cyst in brain – wait and see

Karen – friend of Joyce Aker – disease damaging bones

Joyce Fosdick – many health problems – recovering from surgery

Sharon Keifer – liver cancer – growing – chemo – blood clots

Diane – Ruth's daughter –lymphoma – doing well

Thad – Beth's son-in-law – foot infections

Taylor – friend of Shyanne – heart arrhythmia

Know Your Bible Charter 10:30 pm Mon-Fri. on channel 19

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Steps of Salvation

Hear Romans 10:14, 17 Believe Acts 16:31 Repent Acts 2:38

Confess Acts 8:36-37 Baptism Acts 2:38 Faithful Mt 7:21

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Pit To Place!

Cherries are a sweet fruit we might enjoy. However there is a part of the cherry not always appreciated; the "pit". Such has even become the perspective of some in life, giving rise to the expression: "Life can be like a bowl of cherries. The pits!" That outlook on life is pretty sad!

Though "pits" may be part of life's encounters, have we allowed them to define our life? Are we being left there; in the "pits"? It is what follows the "pits" of life on which we need to focus. While in the "pits", God may be preparing for us a special role to fulfill. From the "pits" we can be LIFTED to the place He ultimately has in mind for us to serve His purposes.

Joseph is one who found himself very literally in the "pits". First, due to the jealousy of his brothers they placed him in one.

"(23) So when Joseph came to his brothers, they stripped him of his robe, the robe of many colors that he wore. (24) And they took him and THREW HIM INTO A PIT. The pit was empty; there was no water in it." (**Genesis 37:23-24**)

Being BROUGHT OUT of that "pit", Joseph was sold and taken to Egypt where his service prospered him until he was falsely accused by Potiphar's wife. He then had his second "pit" experience, being thrown into prison. How did Joseph refer to that place?

"(15) For I was indeed stolen out of the land of the Hebrews, and here also I have done nothing that they should PUT ME INTO THE PIT." (**Genesis 40:15**)

Some translations use the word "dungeon" rather than "pit". However, the Hebrew word ("bowr" or "be'er") is the same here as in chapter thirty-seven; a word meaning pit, well, or cistern. This was another "pit" Joseph was RAISED FROM to the place God used Him to work out salvation for his family during a time of great famine. In fact, Joseph ultimately noted to his brothers how all that took place had been God's plan for the working of good.(**Genesis 45:5-8; 50:20**)

When we find ourselves in the "pits", we may not know what is to follow; that which is a part of God's greater plan. Therefore, let us not allow our focus to remain there. Sometimes it requires extra patience for us to realize what place God wants us to fill.

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