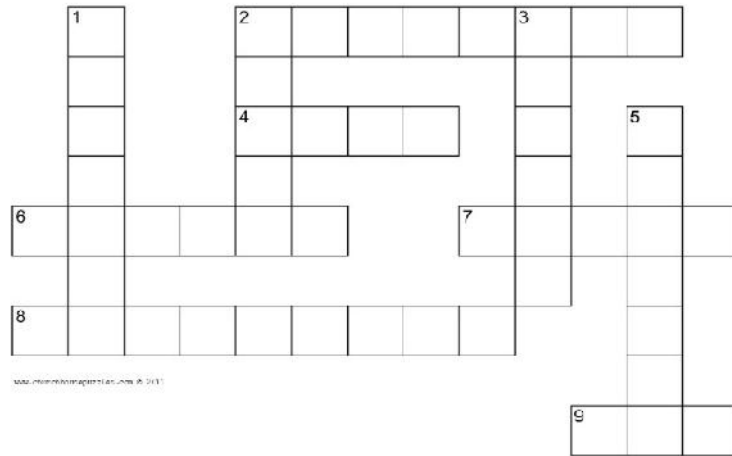


For the young...and young at heart!

People in the Bible

1 Samuel



ACROSS

- 2 David's best friend
- 4 First king of Israel
- 6 Last judge of Israel
- 7 A man after God's own heart
- 8 Gave David the showbread to eat
- 9 Fell off his seat backwards and broke his neck

DOWN

- 1 Stood over nine feet tall
- 2 Shepherd from Bethlehem; his youngest son became king of Israel
- 3 Mother of the prophet Samuel
- 5 Brought food and supplies to David in the wilderness

Today's Sermon..... It is Finish
 Next Week's Sermon... In thy Hands
 Wednesday Night.... Mark
 Wednesday Ladies' Class.... A Woman's life/Old Testament
 Sun. Adult Bible Class... From Fear to Faith
 Sun. Night..... Luke

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.....April 26, 2015

**Rosie has improved somewhat but is still not well. She is now in the Laurels. Please send a card to let her know we're praying for her.*

**Beth's daughter, Michelle's father has suffered a heart attack. Please keep him in your prayers.*

**Pete and Tammie's son Ben and his family are trying to get things around to come home. Pray for everything to come together.*

**Harold is doing well at home. Please continue to pray for him.*

**If you haven't done so already, remember to get your information sheets for the directory to Tim. The sooner they're all turned in, the sooner we'll have a new directory!*

**We're happy to report that Keith's brother is doing well. He will require continued monitoring. Please continue to pray for him.*

**Ted and Juanita's sister-in-law was taken off life support. Please pray for her and the family at this difficult time.*

**We are all invited to Erin's graduation open house on May 30th. More information is on the invitation on the bulletin board.*

**We're planning a congregational trip on Saturday, May 9th to Plymouth to see a replica of the tabernacle. Tim has offered his van. Please see Tammie Baker if you're interested in going along.*

**The Schultz Lewis commodity item for this year is paper towels and sauces (cheese, pizza, etc.) If you'd like to help, bring your items in by the July pickup date.*

**Our item to help feed the children at Camp Indogan this year is potato chips. They need around 40 large bags. Bring in your bags by the end of May if you can help. Thank you.*

**The camp dinner is June 6th beginning at 5 p.m. There will be a live auction as well as a "yard sale" to be held at the dinner. They are looking for donations for these fund raisers. Items will be accepted at the camp before the dinner begins.*

**Ladies, at our May potluck we will receive a treat. The men will be cooking (yes cooking) and serving us!*

**The HIS sewing group will meet again on Friday, May 8th.*

**Last day to sign-up for the annual Ladies Luncheon next Saturday. Bring a friend!*

*******We have a couple more jobs that need to be done:*******

**Move the white board that's near the copier to Jennifer's classroom.*

**Spray weed killer on the weeds in the landscaping on the side and front of the building. Thanks Beth for trimming the roses!*

Upcoming Events: Mark your calendars...

1st Sunday night-Devotion: singing, prayer service
Wednesday night Ladies' Class – Cathleen teaching
Camp Indogan Lock-In - At the Camp- April 17th
Ladies' Luncheon – May 2 @ 11:00 a.m.
HIS Group – meets - May 8th 1-3
Tabernacle Trip – May 9th - See Tammie
Men Provide Potluck: May 17 - Honoring Mothers
Camp Indogan Spring Rally- May 15-17
Camp Indogan Dinner – June 6th
Give-Away Day: August 1st
Fair Both: August 8-15

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

(Let Loretta know if someone should be added or taken off.)

Rosie –high blood sugar damage – in The Laurels
Ben and Jazmin – attempting to come back to the states
Beth's daughter Michelle's father – heart attack
Ted and Juanita's sister-in-law – taken off life support
Jim Sperbeck – Ella's friend – heart attack
Rick and Lindsay Vosburgh – health issues
Kathy Norton's mom – cancer – doing better
Zack Mead – friend of Flaughter's – in Iraq
Ella's brother – cancer – chemo
Nadia Galvan – work with AIM Program
Edna – pain
Ruth Clutter– looped artery
Jason – Edna's son – problems
Joyce Fosdick – Shirley's sister – Alzheimer's
Marilyn Fitz –resides at The Laurels of Coldwater, room 138

TV BIBLE STUDIES:

Getting to Know Your Bible – on Charter
In Search of the Lord's Way – Charter - 7:30 am - Sunday-channel 357

Website: coldwatercoc.com

e-mail: coldwatercochristoffice@gmail.com

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 : Matthew 7:21

Our Elders:

Dave Sherfield 517-227-8867 Pete Baker 677-7764
Huey Waites 517-639-8390

Finish It

The 2012 women's Olympic marathon was a thrill to witness. The network showed the race and stayed on the air as the top 3 finishers came across the line. After a commercial break they came back for a few more minutes of coverage as the top 30 women crossed the finish line. I was able to pick up a replay that stayed on the air until all the finishers crossed the line. Representing Ireland, Caitriona Fleming was last to finish, coming in 47 minutes after the winners had finished and gone back to their hotels. What was amazing to me was the response the crowds gave her, the people who stayed to the very end and their unbelievable applause for her. It was just as loud as it had been for the gold, silver, and bronze finishers!!! There were 118 women who started the race, a few that dropped out along the way, but Fleming, even though far behind was determined to cross the finish line.

The whole scene reminded me of [Hebrews 12:1ff](#), "Therefore, since we have so great a crowd of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith."

Who is watching you as you run life's race? When times are hard and you are at the end of your rope, the devil is whispering in your ear, "Go ahead and quit, nobody really cares, you are going to be last anyway." Remember that there are people watching you. And those who have had struggles in their lives will be cheering the loudest when you finish your task. We can't all be first place in everything, but we can all finish what we start.

What kind of race are you in today? Young parents struggle with raising children. Keep going! Others have fought those same battles and you can win. Some struggle with addictions. Keep fighting! You can overcome. Most of us struggle with time management and setting priorities. We don't take time to read the Bible daily. The devil always throws something in our path and tells us, "You've got better things to do, go ahead and put the Bible down." Do not listen to him!! Finish the race!

Caitriona Fleming will not be able to tell her grandchildren that she won the gold medal at the 2012 Olympics, but, unlike those who dropped out along the way, she can say, "No, I didn't win, but I did not stop until I crossed the finish line. The crowd applauded just as much, if not more, for me!"

Remember that GOD loves you and he is tenderly watching you through your struggles day and night. Don't ever quit, finish the race! borrowed