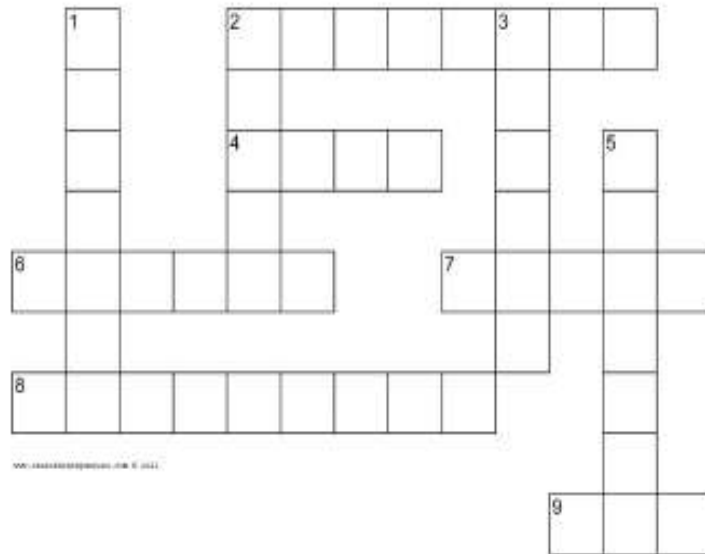


People in the Bible

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..... *Benefits of Church Home*
 Next Week's Sermon..... *Nothing, Nada, Zippo*
 Sun. Adult Bible Class... *Barnabas Factor*
 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! August 18, 2013

Potluck today! Members and visitors, please stay for a delicious meal and great fellowship.

No evening services tonight

Baby Lincoln Weaver had his first surgery last Wednesday and all went as they had hoped. He has been taken off the ventilator and is breathing on his own, and Caitlin and Stu are able to hold him. He has had a few incidents where his heart rate gets extremely low, and they don't know why. After the first time, they hooked him up to a temporary pacemaker that will pace his heart for him each time it happens.

Continued prayers are appreciated.

We are planning on having a baby shower for Lincoln when he is able to come home. Start looking for those cute baby boy things now!

G Pish, Dale and Beth's grandson, contracted Lyme Disease from a tick bite. He is on antibiotics and doing well. Please keep him in your prayers.

We want to continue to remember Sharon. She hasn't been feeling well enough to be at services. Please remember her in your prayers as well.

Our annual Give-Away Day is next Saturday, August 24th. We need helpers that day, clothing (especially children's) and lots of school supplies. Bring in your donations by Wednesday evening. We'll be bagging up the school supplies then and setting up the table of clothes. Please plan on being here to help that evening.

If anyone needs to be added to or taken out of the prayer list please tell Loretta.

Upcoming Events: Mark your calendars...

1st Sunday night- Devotion: singing, prayer service

3rd Sunday – potluck – no evening service

4th Sunday Night - Youth Group

August 21 - Wed. night 7:00 pm-putting out clothes Give-away Day

August 24 - Give-Away Day - Saturday 9-11 am

September 14 – Ladies Day – West Side CoC – 9:00 a.m.

September 21 – Ladies Day – Goshen CoC -9:30 a.m.

October 5 – L.A.C.I. Ladies Day – Camp Indogan – 9:30 a.m.

(To be announced) – Annual Weenie Roast/Devotional – Sherfield’s

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

Lincoln –heart surgery

G Pish – lyme disease - recovering

Amanda Spencer – Joyce Aker’s sister – possible dementia

Wendi Baker’s grandfather – stroke

Dolores Ferguson – friend of Wanda - surgery – recovery

Norman Arey – Wanda’s neighbor - cancer

Wendi Baker –insurance coverage – appealing denial

Joyce Fosdick – many health problems – heaviness in legs

Sharon Keifer – liver cancer

Diane – Ruth’s daughter –lymphoma – doing well

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

TV BIBLE STUDIES:

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

In Search of the Lord’s Way – Charter - 7:30 am - Sunday-channel 357

Website: coldwatercoc.com

e-mail: coldwaterchristoffice@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 Mt 7:21

Our Elders:

Tom Cornett 269-719-5748

Dave Sherfield 517-227-8867

Huey Waites 517-639-8390

Benefits

When someone is looking at possibilities of employment, sometimes beyond the salary being offered, the "Benefits Plan" is considered. There are times when the "Benefits Plan" -- health insurance, paid travel, meal expense account, retirement fund, etc. -- may make up for a lesser salary. Also, before one decides to leave one company for another the same might be considered. What would one be giving up or what gain might there be somewhere else?

Noting again the passage from yesterday. . .

"(1) Bless the LORD, O my soul, and all that is within me, bless his holy name! (2) Bless the LORD, O my soul, AND FORGET NOT ALL HIS BENEFITS, (3) who forgives all your iniquity, who heals all your diseases, (4) who redeems your life from the pit, who crowns you with steadfast love and mercy, (5) who satisfies you with good so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's." **Psalm 103:1-5**

Oh, the benefits! Do we hold due appreciation for God's gracious and merciful FORGIVENESS? Though we pray at times for physical healing and thank God for our health, do we also acknowledge the greater spiritual HEALING AND RENEWAL that has been provided us in Christ? Do we truly demonstrate in our life an appreciation for the willing sacrifice of Christ which was the cost of our REDEMPTION, bringing us back to God? Do we live in awe at the demonstration of God's great STEADFAST LOVE and MERCY granted to us? Are we finding CONTENTMENT in the good He continually provides. Also, even though we may begin to experience signs of an aging body, do we recognize the INNER RENEWAL that still allows us to SPIRITUALLY SOAR like an eagle? And the list could go on!

What an awesome provider God is! What a marvelous plan He has put in place that can be realized so fully through our relationship with Him through Christ. DON'T FORGET the benefits both physical and spiritual, as well as those for this life and those of eternity that He has promised. CREDIT HIM for them. PRAISE HIM for them. THANK HIM for them. Acknowledge HE -- not the world nor ourselves -- IS THE SOURCE of that which we will not find elsewhere. Remembering this, why would we ever want to depart from Him? borrowed