

For the young...and young at heart!

Kids Bible Wordsearch

Fit the words in the list into the diagram below reading forward, backward, up, down, diagonally, always in a straight line.

People in the book of Acts

Puzzle #4

Acts Chapter 1:1-12



ABRAHAM
ALEXANDER
ANANIAS
ANDREW
ANNAS
BARSABAS
CAIAPHAS
DAVID
ISAAC
JACOB
JAMES
JESUS

W	I	B	Y	P	H	I	L	I	P	S	M	B
E	T	A	L	I	P	Q	D	R	J	A	A	Y
M	A	T	T	H	E	W	E	R	D	N	A	I
O	S	D	A	V	I	D	D	N	L	N	S	O
L	W	J	Q	S	N	L	E	U	M	A	S	B
O	C	O	S	A	I	H	T	T	A	M	A	S
H	U	S	X	H	R	A	U	C	A	R	I	E
T	H	E	O	P	H	I	L	U	S	X	N	S
R	L	P	Z	A	M	A	H	A	R	B	A	O
A	H	H	Y	I	Q	A	B	P	F	O	N	J
B	A	R	N	A	B	A	S	K	P	C	A	O
L	A	M	J	C	S	T	H	O	M	A	S	H
M	M	J	E	S	U	S	E	M	A	J	S	N

JOHN
JOSEPH
JOSES
MARY
MATTHEW
MATTHIAS
PHILIP
PILATE
SAMUEL
SAPPHIRA
THEOPHILUS
THOMAS

BARTHOLOMEW
BARNABAS

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Coldwater Church of Christ

Welcome to our Services.....December 22, 2013

We hope everyone has safe travels, fun times with family, and a grateful heart this holiday season.

Colin is home for the holiday and will be our speaker today.

Lincoln has had a little setback. They suspect he has NEC

(Necrotizing Enterocolitis), where a part of the intestines becomes infected and can die. They are seeing some improvement though and he should be in the hospital for another 9 days or so. Specific prayer requests would be for the bacteria to stay away once they start feeding him again, for him to actually eat once he's able to, for his heart health of course, and for him to stay comfortable, happy, and be able to rest!!

Georgette has been in the hospital for several days with lung issues. They did a lung flush and she is feeling much better and had hoped to go home yesterday. She will still be pretty weak, though, and will require some "healing" time. Please keep her and Leana in your prayers.

Loretta's mom passed away last Sunday evening after a long illness. The funeral was Thursday. She is thankful for all of your prayers, flowers, cards and well wishes. Please continue to pray for the family as they adjust to the loss of a beloved mother, grandmother, sister, aunt and friend.

We were saddened to hear that Ruth's son-in-law passed away unexpectedly last week. No funeral is planned. Please keep Cindy, Ruth and the rest of the family in your prayers.

Sickness has been going through the Keith Baker household. It is hoped they're now on the mend.

The Langley's have left to spend the winter in Arizona. They will be missed but promise to return in the spring.

Marvin is still in need of prayers with Sharon's passing. Please continue to pray for him and Joyce.

Thanks to everyone who donated items, or money to purchase items, and cookies for the men's mission. Dave and Loretta weren't able to be here Wednesday evening to help with the packing, but Tom and Wendy stepped in and did a great job organizing the packing. Dave, Adam and Colin delivered the boxes Friday morning and were able to speak to a few of the men there. They were very pleasantly surprised and pleased with the items included. Again, thanks to all who bought items, helped pack, and/or supplied cookies or funds. It was a very well received work.

Our yearly congregational meeting will be January 19th after the potluck. This is our opportunity to discuss the past year, and hear any plans for the coming year. Please make a point of being here that day and staying for the potluck and meeting.

Today's sermon..... Colin: Legacy
Next Week's Sermon... Reflections 2013
Sun. Adult Bible Class... Seed Principle
Sun. Night..... Ben: Satan

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

Upcoming Events: Mark your calendars...

1st Sunday night- Devotion: singing, prayer service

3rd Sunday – potluck – no evening service

4th Sunday Night - Youth Group

Jan. 19 - Congregational meeting - after potluck

Prayer List

Cindy – Ruth’s daughter - death of husband

Tom – veteran – brain cancer

Marvin and Joyce – death of Sharon

The Castle family – death of Loretta’s mother

Jim W – desperate prayer box request

Kyle Cox –death of mother

Friend of Loretta - possible kidney cancer

Thad – foot surgery

Marilyn Fitz –resides at the Laurels of Coldwater, room 138

Lincoln – stomach issues

Josh’s friend’s little brother – brain cancer

Amanda Spencer – Joyce Aker’s sister – possible dementia

Wendi Baker’s grandfather – stroke

Norman Arey – Wanda’s neighbor - cancer

Wendi Baker –insurance coverage – appealing denial

Georgette – lung issues/COPD

Georgette’s daughter, Leana – is now living with Georgette

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

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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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Joy in the Kingdom

It’s sad that some people don’t find very much joy in the church. Some see the church as a burden, and others see it as a nuisance. Still more people see Christ’s church as a killjoy, an entity that seeks to rob them of every pleasure they might otherwise enjoy. How do you view Christ’s church? The church is also known as the kingdom of God (Col. 1:13; Matt. 16:16-18). And make no mistake: the kingdom of God is intended by God to be a joyful one! When Christ the King was born, the angels rejoiced: “Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, goodwill toward men” (Luke 2:14). Jesus came to bring mankind the best possible life (Jn. 10:10), and that life is found in His church (cf. Eph. 1:3-7). His kingdom is joyful. Jesus once told a parable about the joy of His kingdom: ***“The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which a man found and hid; and for joy over it he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field” (Matt. 13:44).***

The kingdom is hidden from some — Many people will never see the kingdom of God because they have so set their hearts and minds that they will not hear God’s word. The Bible speaks of those who do not love the truth (2 Thess. 2:12-13), and have stony, hard hearts (Matt. 13:4-5). We should not be surprised that many people are deceived concerning the nature of Christ’s kingdom. Could it be, however, that one reason we do not find joy in Christ’s kingdom is because we also have hardened our hearts against His word? God’s will is that everyone should humble themselves like Christ (Phil. 2:5) so that we might share in the treasures of His kingdom.

The kingdom is intended for joy — The emphasis of Jesus’ parable in Matt. 13:44 is on the incomparable joy to be found in Christ’s church. As a matter of fact, Jesus intended for us to be a joyful people because of our salvation in Him! “These things I have spoken to you that My joy may remain in you, and that your joy may be full” (John 15:11). Christ’s kingdom has a serious and sobering mission, but citizens of the kingdom are to be characterized by surpassing joy because of the privilege that is ours to be servants of Almighty God. The Bible speaks of fullness of joy being found in the will of God (Ps. 16:11; 1 John 1:4). He has given to us a ministry that brings great benefits (2 Cor. 4:1-7) and great joy (Phil. 4:4).

The kingdom is a treasure to be prized — How we view the church will make all the difference in where our priorities lie. In Matt. 13:44, the man who discovered the kingdom went and sold all he had so that he might possess the treasures of Christ’s kingdom. Every spiritual blessing is found in the body of Christ (Eph. 1:3,21-22).

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