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LEFT BEHIND!

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An "ex" is a has been and "ample" is plenty or sufficient. Put together we have "example" and being a good and godly one is the kind of life to leave behind. Are we remaining awake to what we are leaving in the wake of our life?

It was in maintaining his focus on walking in imitation of Christ that Paul knew he could live a life worth imitating. (1 Corinthians 11:1) Therefore, as he looked toward the nearing end of his life in this realm, he could reflect back and state. . .

"For I am already being poured out as a drink offering, and the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith." (Timothy 4:6-7 ESV)

Paul had done what he could. He had used the gifts he had been given. He had been willing to spend and be spent on behalf of others. (2 Corinthians 12:15) He had remained a willing vessel poured out in use of the Lord's hands. Such exemplary living reminds me of the sentiment expressed in the words, "When I stand before God at the end of my life, I would hope that I would not have a single bit of talent left, and could say, "I used everything You gave me."" [Erma Bombeck (February 21, 1927 - April 22, 1996)]

The greatest example we can leave behind is being expended to the glory of God. When the time comes to rest from our labors in the Lord, our deeds will follow (Revelation 14:13), as well as souls who were drawn to Jesus in the process. Knowing we cannot take anything with us when the day comes to depart this realm, may what we leave behind amply direct the focus Heavenward!

Have a great day LIVING EACH DAY TO HAVE BEEN A GODLY EXAMPLE LEFT FOR OTHERS!

Our Prayer List

From Darrell & Laura

Lisa and Daniel had to say goodbye to Cheeto their very special kitty of 21 nearly 22 years. They got Cheeto from Sammie and Brian when they lived in Bend Oregon. He was a very special personality and helped them through many of lifes trials.

Good news Daniel has been cleared by the hematologist for surgery, they know what to do during surgery for his clotting problem, today they received a new surgery date of April 9th.

God is in control of all of this and the things that need to happen for this to be the right day for Daniel!

Brandon Zepf is to return home and continue classes online on April 4th, many uncertainties in the airlines right now, please keep him in your prayers.

May God bless all of us!

Healing: Steve Smith (Carol Smith's son), Carol Smith's son who has cancer, Ken Stratton. Also all who are currently suffering from the cold and flu.

Upcoming Surgeries: Daniel Tillman, Karen & Roger's daughter.

Encouragement: To all those who are tirelessly working to deal with the Covid-19 virus. Prayers that God will guide them.

Travelling: Jim & Cindy Snead.

Praise: Knowing our God is in control. Dale Sander's sister had her surgery and is cancer free!

Continue to pray for everyone who our Deacons, Leadership Team, Our church family, Our missions, Families, Our nation and its leaders.

A Prayer for Our Leaders

Dear God.

Would You give our leaders wisdom, discernment, and strength. Keep them healthy, safe, and rested so that they can quide us through this time.

Give our **government leaders** wisdom on how to stop the virus <u>and stabilize ou</u>r economy.

Give our **spiritual leaders** Your discernment on how to meet people's needs as they glorify Your name and encourage the Church

Give our **medical leaders** insight into how to stop the virus. Strengthen their resolve and honor their hard work in creating a treatment for COVID-19.

Give our **civic leaders** inspiration, courage, joy, and strength to meet the needs of their communities.

And **help us**, as leaders in our communities, to display courage, hope, generosity, and kindness.

In Jesus' Name, Amen.

YouVersion

From Bob McDaniel:

Many of us are in the high risk category for the Covid-19 virus and are now sheltering in our homes as best we can. However, life and it's needs go on, such as trips for food, medications, etc, etc.

A young man in our congregation is offering his time to make grocery and pharmacy pickups and deliver them to your front porch. His time and expenses are being covered by a local businessman/member of our church so there is absolutely NO charge to you for this service. Take advantage of it and stay safe! Just like Jesus, the debt has already been paid!

Here's how it will work:

If you have needs, do one of the following:

Phone or text: (253) 380 4806 (Lorri Celletti) or,

Email: <u>MLCELL@WAVECABLE.com</u> (Michael/Lorri Celletti)

Give your name and contact info, list of items needed, prescription pickup info etc. Your items will be delivered to your front porch with a phone call to let you know they have arrived. Your receipt will be left in an envelope, you can forward a check to the address on the envelope or call the above number to arrange payment when convenient. There will be no personal contact between you and the person making the delivery. We want to keep everyone as safe as possible!

If you should need financial assistance in procuring the items you need, please let us know. The goal is making sure everyone's needs are met until God conquers this virus.

In the mean time, God bless all of you and stay safe!

P.S. You may also call (253) 223 9095 (Bob McDaniel) If you have questions or are unable to get through on above contact info.

Worship @ Home

Links for Church Bulletins, Sermons, & Worship

Port Orchard Church of Christ http://pococ.weebly.com/weekly-church-bulletins.html http://pococ.weebly.com/teachings.html

Central Kitsap Church of Christ https://www.youtube.com/user/ckcocorg1/featured

Bellevue Church of Christ https://www.bellevuechurchofchrist.org/resources/sermonsbulletins

Lakeview Church of Christ https://www.lakeviewchurchofchrist.church/bulletins-2020/https://www.lakeviewchurchofchrist.church/media/sermons/

Puyallup Church of Christ http://puyallupcofc.org/audio.html
Center Road Church of Christ (Kokomo Indiana, where Micah Powless preaches)
https://www.youtube.com/channel/ UCqrHe67ggRTEdkhGQkd-ZEg

Max Lucado publishes an "Online Church" on Facebook. This is a collection of videos of some of his weekly sermons. https://www.facebook.com/watch/? ref=search&v=518183309102665&external_log_id=cc2ff9cd e8e2930b32b0c5e8f56c3750&q=max%20lucado Music The Acappella Company https://acappella.org/

Acappella Praise & Harmony https://acappella.org/praise-and-harmony/

Happy Birthday!

March: Faith Wichman - 28, JT Keagle - 29, Mallory Hall - 30, Lilly Harris - 30, Roger Taylor - 31

April: Jim Snead - 6, Elijah Cormier - 7, Jacob Hammock - 10, Brandon Karn - 10, Jarrod Coley - 12, Rick Velasco - 13, Misty Hammock - 15, James Greer - 17, Jasper Smith - 22, Lori Sanders - 28

From Roy Merritt

Dear Friends, We are 3% of the way to our goal. Please help if you can!

Please write your check made out to College Church of Christ, and on the memo line write "new Isuzu pickup" send it to the lady who manages our funds for the College Church:

Wanda Spears,

1207 Pioneer Road,

Searcy, Arkansas 72143

THANK YOU!!!





Roy and Kathi

From Lisa Bratcher

If anyone is interested in having the instructions and patterns for making masks, send and email to the church office, and we'll get the instructions to you. churchpococ@gmail.com