

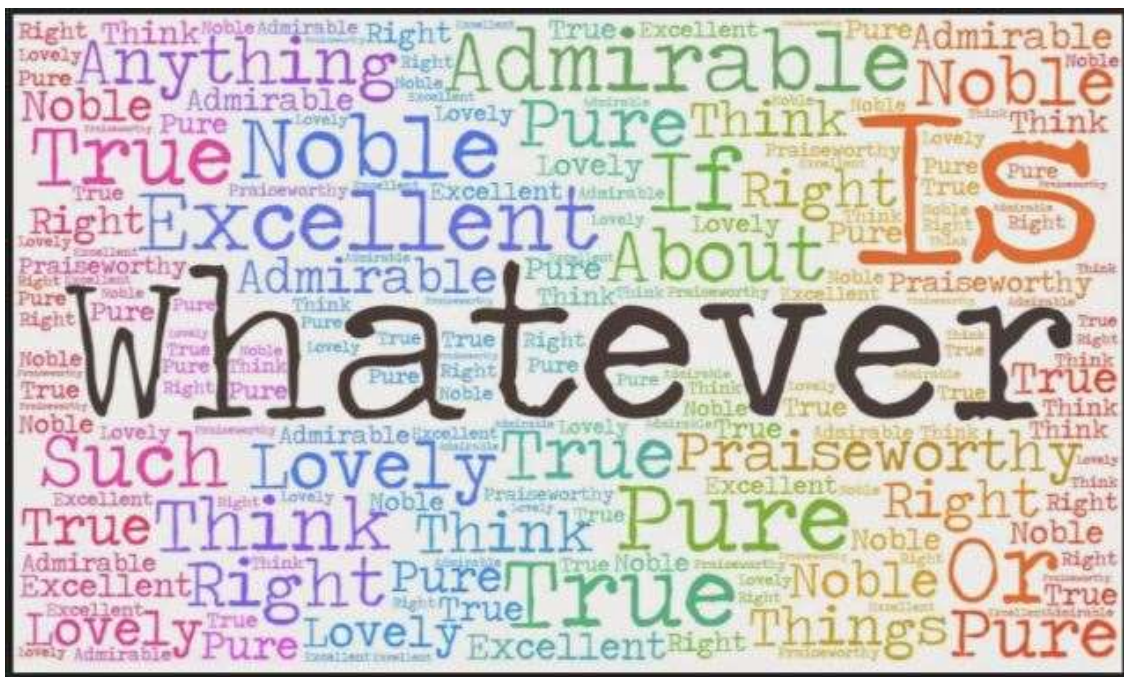
Does it Bring You Joy?

By Kerry Mark Jones

Marie Kondo is an organizing consultant who has gained a large following in recent years. She helps people get rid of clutter and establish a sense of order and tidiness in their homes and consequently in their lives. One of her trademark techniques is to tell her client to pick up an object and ask themselves one question: “Does it bring me joy?” If the answer is “No,” she advises them to get rid of it. Why keep it if it isn’t a source of joy?

I’ve been thinking about Marie Kondo’s advice this week as I look at things in my life. I’m not looking at the stuff around the house so much as I am the other things I let into my life. What I watch on Netflix, who I follow on Facebook, what I read on-line, and what I listen to on the radio. I have decided to take Kondo’s advice and if it doesn’t bring me joy, I’m getting rid of it. If someone I follow on Facebook is constantly posting drama, hate, or filth, I’m clicking the “unfollow” button. I have already given up the TV news in favor of reading the news online so I can skip the shouting matches.

Maybe Marie Kondo is taking a page from the apostle Paul where he advised, “...whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things.” If it doesn’t fit these criteria and if it doesn’t bring you joy (or the other fruit of the Spirit) let it go.



Philippians 4:8

Our Prayer List

- Darrell & Laura Fry are in Arizona to be with Lisa and Daniel. Daniel sleeps most of the day. He has had some good hours awake so they are blessed to have that quality time with him. A young man from Hospice came to spend time with Daniel which enabled Darrell and Laura to go on a hike with Lisa, which was good for her to get out of the house. Please continue with prayers for Daniel, Hospice and his family.
- Cindiann Bradburn is looking to relocate, and she is seeking wisdom from God in the next steps to take for where to go. Please pray for this family.
- Lila Mason's brother Jon is back to work and his wife Sherry is doing better.
- Pray for DeLoris Lawler's son-in-law, Bob Groves, who had a heart procedure a Swedish. Pray also for his family and the medical staff.
- I have a praise from the sleep study. Doctor Corley's office called me and said I do not need oxygen at night. They just increased my pressure on my C-Pap machine. The increased pressure fixed the problem. Thank you for praying. I love you all - Pam Woodrow.
- Pray for those of our family who are going through different health, financial, health procedures, tests and emotional issues. Those of our family who are directly involved with treating those with COVID-19. God knows who they are and we know they are our brothers and sisters.
- Dale Sanders' father Glenn and niece Angie are doing better.
- Continue to pray for Lynn and Virginia Chapman.
- Remember the Warner's son Michael in your prayers.
- Pray for Frankie Gower who hurt her back.
- Continue to pray for our Spiritual Leadership Team, Deacon Leadership Team, our church family, our missions, our families, our nation and its leaders.
- Pray for those who participate in the study of the Gospel of John on Sundays using the Zoom app.
- Rick Velasco would like prayers for Brad Bayliffe, who has leukemia. Also, for Rod Cunningham who has PTSD and has a lot of anxiety and is currently unemployed. Pray for these men, and for Rick as he ministers to them.
- Steve Smith is undergoing chemo and radiation treatments in preparation for surgery in September.

Note: If you have a prayer request or an update, please contact Bonnie Mitchell at mitbem0519@gmail.com

“What would you do if you wake up tomorrow morning and all you have are the things you thanked God for yesterday?”

POCOC Web Site

Note: Some additional files are on the church web site, along with the weekly bulletin.

<http://pococ.weebly.com/weekly-church-bulletins.html>

- The worship song sheets for our Sunday worship service (uploaded on Friday)
- Current newsletters from Roy Merritt, Trent Herbert, and Tristan Herbert
- Recent Recorded Sermons
- Current Event Calendar

<p>Sunday Worship in the Parking Lot August 30, 2020 – 10:30am Speaker – Trent Herbert Tune your radio to 93.1 FM You must be in the parking lot to tune in.</p>	<p>If you need communion supplies, please call the church or any of the SLT and we will get those items delivered to your door before Sunday. We have to do it this way as we are not allowed to pass it out at the service. So please call; we will get whatever you need delivered to your door.</p>
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The Ladies Prayer Group meets online using the Zoom app.
The meeting starts at 10:00am on Tuesdays.
If you would like to participate,
contact Laura Fry for login information.

Happy Birthday!

August: Shirley Olson – August 30

September: Savannah Wilson – 1, Sydney Monk – 4, Deja Cormier – 5, Barbara Byrd – 9, Dave Lawrence – 13, Jon Powless – 15, Kayli Benjamin – 17, Eloise Gerard – 17, Charlie Fender – 21, Pam Woodrow – 25, Eunice Orser – 29.

Tithes and Offerings

Several members have asked how to give their tithe to the Lord during this time. There are three options that allow me to enter your information in for tax purposes.

- 1) If you use on-line bill pay with your bank or credit union, set up a payee for Port Orchard Church of Christ. Your bank will mail your check for you. Other members have been doing this and it works well.
- 2) Mail tithe check to the Church. We have a lock mailbox.
- 3) Or drop the check in an envelope into our mailbox out front of the building.

Church Address:

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Port Orchard, WA 98366

August 23, 2020 – Tithes & Offerings - \$ 3,733.00

If you have any questions, please give me a call. God bless you. Gary Chasteen (cell) 360-731-4104