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Entertainment: Saturday, October 9th, 2021

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Be that person who roots for others, who tells a stranger they look amazing and encourages others to believe in themselves and their dreams.

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We are all born ignorant, but one must work hard to remain stupid. ~ Benjamin Franklin

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When you're arranging a funeral, just having a funeral arranger isn't enough. You need a hand to hold, a shoulder to lean on, an ear to listen, and a friend to put your needs ahead of their own.



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Dinner Party

A man and his wife attended a dinner party at the home of their friends. Near the end of the meal, the wife reprimanded her husband. "That's the third time you've gone for dessert," she scolded. "The hostess must think you're selfish and an absolute pig." "I don't think so," he said. "I've been telling her it's for you."

This morning while driving past the Juvenile Detention Center I saw a young boy climbing down the wall of the jail. The first thought that came to mind was a little condescending.

A woman has the last word in any argument. Anything a man says after that is the beginning of a new argument.

Do you have a Boss or Spouse like This?
"George is so forgetful," the sales manager complained to his secretary. "It's a wonder he can sell anything. I asked him to pick me up some sandwiches on his way back from lunch but I'm not sure he'll even remember to come back."
Just then the door flew open and in bounced George. "You'll never guess what happened!" he shouted. "While I was at lunch, I met Old Man Brown, who hasn't bought anything from us for five years. Well, we got to talking and he gave me a half-million-dollar order!"
"See," sighed the sales manager to his secretary. "I told you he'd forget the sandwich."



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To the Idiot's House

Me: "Why did the chicken cross the road?"

8 yr old nephew: "To get to the idiot's house."

Me: "Oh... uh... yeah, good one, haha."

8 yr old nephew: "Wanna hear another one? Knock knock..."

Me: "Who's there?"

8 yr old nephew: "The chicken."

So, I have teenage kids.

I'm always arguing with them about not eating in their room, returning dirty dishes to the kitchen. I threatened that they're going to end up with a mouse in their room that will bring friends to the house... I got tired of singing the same song and decided to teach them a lesson. I went to Whole Foods, purchased some black rice and sprinkled it in their closet, under their bed, I even added a few under their covers. It looks like mice droppings and it scared them to no end. Needless to say- we don't have that room cleaning issue any more.

Throwing Darts

Husband throwing darts at his wife's photo and not even a single throw hitting the target.

From another room the wife calls, "Honey, what are you doing?"

Husband: "MISSING YOU..."

"It ain't what you don't know that gets you into trouble. It's what you know for sure that just ain't so." ~ unknown

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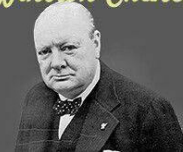


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THE EQUAL SHARING OF MISERY

Winston Churchill



Church Instead of Fishing

A man who hadn't attended church in years suddenly began attending faithfully on Sunday mornings instead of going fishing as was his normal habit.

The pastor was highly gratified and at the end of service one morning told him, "How wonderful it makes me feel to see you at services with your good wife!"

"Well, Preacher," said the fisherman, "Quite honestly, it's a matter of choice. I'd much rather hear your sermon than hers."

What Is A Cosmic Year?

A cosmic year is the amount of time it takes for the sun to orbit once around the center of the Milky Way Galaxy. One cosmic year is equal to 225-250 million years.

**A mosquito just landed
on my husband's face...**

**Easiest decision of my
life.**

5 BY 5 RULE

If it's not
gonna matter
in 5 years,
Don't spend
more than 5 minutes
Being upset
about it.

The Clean Kitchen

The meal in the restaurant was awful. The diner asked to see the manager. When the manager came, the diner said, "I want to compliment you on your very clean kitchen." "Clean kitchen?" the manager asked. "Have you seen our kitchen?" "No," the diner replied. "But it must be clean because all the food tastes like soap."

**I bet the people who
voted for Biden are
turning over in their
graves.**



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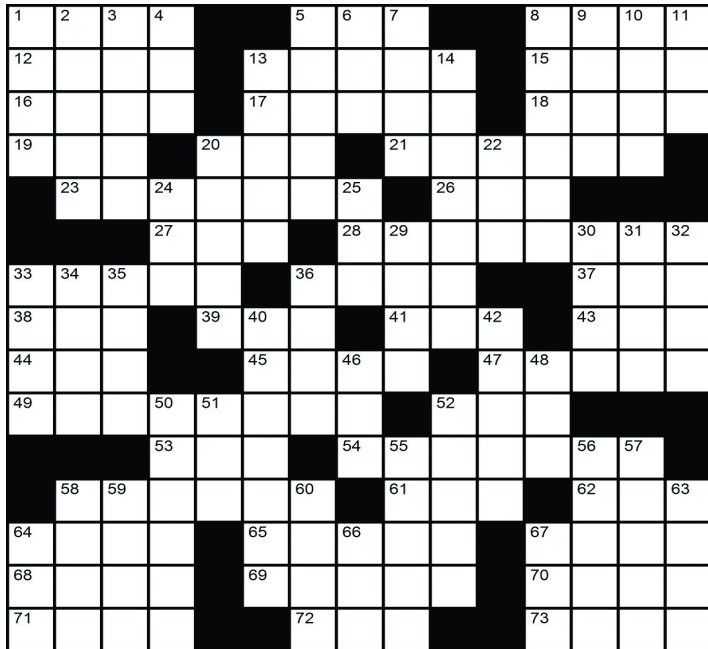
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LIES MY MOTHER TOLD ME

1. "It's illegal to drive with the overhead light on."
2. "If you swallow your gum, it will stay in your stomach for 7 years."
3. "Keep making that face & it'll freeze like that."
4. "I have eyes in the back of my head."
5. "You can't swim for 30 minutes after eating."
6. "Don't sit so close to the TV, you'll go blind."
7. "The dog went to live on a big farm."
8. "I'm just running into the store for *one* thing."
9. "A watermelon will grow in your stomach if you swallow the seeds."
10. "Maybe...I'll think about it."



Across

- 1 After lumber or bumper
- 5 Small drink
- 8 Touch on
- 12 Canyon effect
- 13 Chipped in chips
- 15 Astronaut's insignia
- 16 "Now hear ___!"
- 17 Cheap jewelry
- 18 Conked out
- 19 Rep.'s counterpart
- 20 Abbr. in car ads
- 21 Embarks
- 23 Horse toppers
- 26 Compass pt.
- 27 Pub pint
- 28 Million Dollar Baby actor
- 33 Disney's fawn
- 36 Dispatched
- 37 Country club figure
- 38 Tenn. neighbor
- 39 Dracula, at times
- 41 Sixth sense
- 43 Guitarist Nugent
- 44 Court divider
- 45 Root vegetable
- 47 Dogie catcher
- 49 Young tree
- 52 Pocketbook
- 53 Suffer
- 54 Actors Jennifer and James, e.g.
- 58 Features of many westerns
- 61 Allow
- 62 Ancient
- 64 Assist
- 65 Majestic
- 67 Molokai meal
- 68 ___ of Capri
- 69 Did wrong
- 70 Beetle Bailey pooch
- 71 Common flag symbol
- 72 Plaything
- 73 Golfer's bagful

Down

- 1 Fast planes
- 2 Throbs
- 3 Popular wedding gift
- 4 Bout enders, for short
- 5 Trap
- 6 "___ show time!"
- 7 Guinea pigs, maybe
- 8 ___ "Dice" Clay
- 9 Worms, usually
- 10 Plays for a sap
- 11 Small amount
- 13 Pie filler
- 14 Hates
- 20 Do without a script
- 22 Picnic crasher
- 24 Swab
- 25 Bishop's jurisdiction
- 29 Work without ___ (be daring)
- 30 Chooses
- 31 Minerals
- 32 Extinct bird
- 33 Outlaws
- 34 Sheltered, at sea
- 35 Chess ending
- 36 British weapon
- 40 Texas city
- 42 Rosebush, e.g.
- 46 Bacon's pal
- 48 Cause of wrinkles
- 50 Fashionable
- 51 Golf ball position
- 52 Kennel club classification
- 55 Hamlin's ___ Oop
- 56 Major thoroughfare
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Well yes,
Gladys.
Don't ask your
wife what's for
dinner while
she is
mowing
the grass.



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Level: Intermediate

People say that money is not the key to happiness...But I always figured if you have enough money, you can have a key made.

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FARM WORK REVEALS YOU!

"Farm work doesn't make you stronger. It doesn't make you anything. It reveals you. There's gym strong and then there's farm strong. They're mutually exclusive. The toughest women you'll ever meet spend their days on a farm.

There are more uses for twine than you can possibly imagine. You can tie up a hole in a slow feeder, fashion a tail strap for a horse's blanket, mend a broken fence and use it as a belt.

"Well that certainly didn't go as planned," is one thing you'll say quite a bit.

Control is a mere illusion. The thought that you have any, at any given time, is utterly false. Sometimes sleep is a luxury. So are lunch and dinner. And brushing your hair.

If you've never felt your obliques contract, then you've never tried stopping an overly full wheelbarrow of horse manure from tipping over sideways. Trust me, you'll find muscles that you never knew existed on the human skeleton to prevent this from happening.

When one of the animals is ill, you'll go to heroic lengths to minimize their discomfort. Their needs come first. In summer heat and coldest winter days. Clean water, clean bed, and plenty of feed. Before you have your first meal, they all eat. When you lose one of them, even though you know that day is inevitable, you still feel sadness, angst and emotional pain from the top of your head to the tips of your toes. And it's a heaviness that lingers even though you must regroup and press on.

You'll cry a lot. But you'll never live more fully. You'll remain present no matter what because you must. There is no other option. You'll ask for so many miracles and hold out hope until the very last.

You will, at least once, face-plant in the manure pile. You'll find yourself saying things like, "we have maybe twenty minutes of daylight left to git 'er done" whilst gazing up at a nonspecific place in the sky.

You'll become weirdly obsessive about the weather.

You'll go out in public wearing filthy clothes and smelling of dirt, sweat and poop. People will look at you sideways and wrinkle their noses but you won't care.

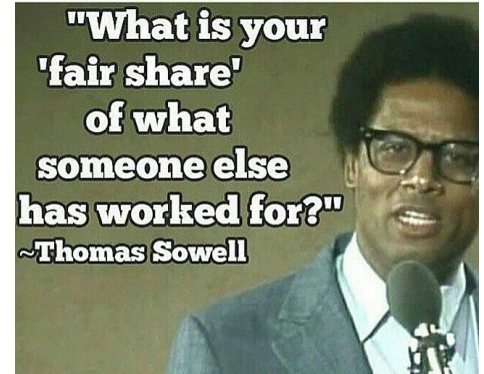
Your entire day can derail within ten seconds of the rising sun. You can wash your coveralls. They won't look any cleaner, but they will smell much nicer.

Farm work is difficult in its simplicity.

You'll always notice just how beautiful sunrises and sunsets really are.

Should you ever have the opportunity to work on a farm, take the chance! You will never do anything more satisfying in your entire life."

-Author Unknown



Know What This Is For?

The scene is sometime in the old era when cockpits had round dials plus flight engineers and navigators. The crusty old-timer captain is breaking in a brand new navigator.

The captain opens his briefcase, pulls out a .38 and rests it on the glare panel. He asks the navigator, "Know what this is for?"

"No, sir," replies the newbie. "I use it on navigators that get us lost," explains the captain, winking at his first officer.

The navigator then opens his briefcase, pulls out a .45 and sets it on his chart table.

"What's THAT for?" queries the surprised captain.

"Well, sir," replies the navigator, "I'll know we're lost before you will."

Going Courtin'

Pappy sees Little Johnny walking with a lantern and asks, "Where ya going boy?" The Johnny smiled and replied, "I'm a-going courting Peggy-Sue."

The Father said, "When I went a-courtin', I didn't need me no dang lantern."

"Sure Pa, I know," Johnny said, "and look what you got!"

Sept. 9th Most Common Birthday

Everyone has a birthday, right? Well it appears that more people have a birthday on September 9. That is the most common birthday in the United States. Birth data also shows that September is the busiest month for babies being born.

A father thought it was about time to lecture his son, who was somewhat scatter-brained and frivolous.

"Jim," he said, "you're getting to be a man now and you ought to take life more seriously. Just think, if I died all of a sudden, where would you be?" "I'd be right here, dad," said Jim. "The better question is, where would YOU be?"

Jean-Paul Sartre is sitting at a French cafe, revising his draft of Being and Nothingness. He says to the waitress, "I'd like a cup of coffee, please, with no cream." The waitress replies, "I'm sorry, Monsieur, but we're out of cream. How about with no milk?"



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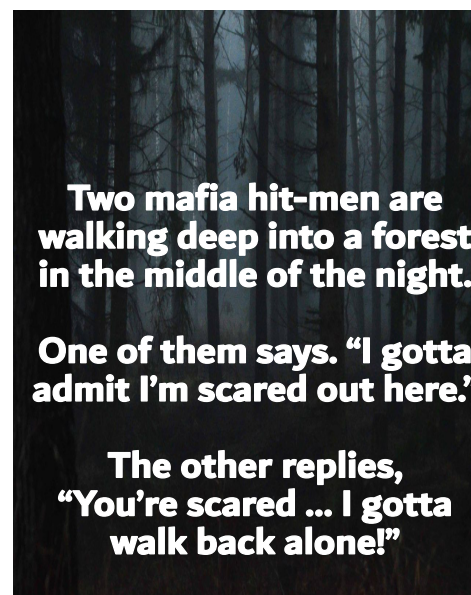
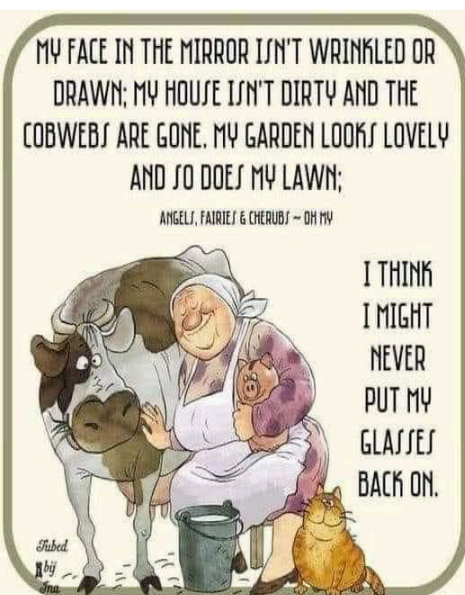
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SOLUTION ON PAGE 29

COWS DON'T GIVE MILK

A father used to say to his children when they were young: —When you all reach the age of 12 I will tell you the secret of life. One day when the oldest turned 12, he anxiously asked his father what was the secret of life. The father replied that he was going to tell him, but that he should not reveal it to his brothers.

—The secret of life is this: The cow does not give milk. "What are you saying?" Asked the boy incredulously. —As you hear it, son: The cow does not give milk, you have to milk it. You have to get up at 4 in the morning, go to the field, walk through the corral full of manure, tie the tail, hobble the legs of the cow, sit on the stool, place the bucket and do the work yourself.

That is the secret of life, the cow does not give milk. You milk her or you don't get milk. There is this generation that thinks that cows GIVE milk. That things are automatic and free: their mentality is that if "I wish, I ask..... I obtain."

"They have been accustomed to get whatever they want the easy way...But no, life is not a matter of wishing, asking and obtaining. The things that one receives are the effort of what one does. Happiness is the result of effort. Lack of effort creates frustration."

So, share with your children from a young age the secret of life, so they don't grow up with the mentality that the government, their parents, or their cute little faces is going to give them everything they need in life.

Remember..

"Cows don't give milk; you have to work for it."

~Author Unknown



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BY YOUR SIDE NO MATTER
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OR STEAL.**

**THAT WOMAN IS YOUR
MOTHER.
NOT ME.**

Just when the caterpillar thought her life was over,
she began to fly.

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Aunt T's Kitchen

APPLE PEAR CAKE

15 SERVINGS

Ingredients

- 2 cups shredded peeled tart apples
- 2 cups shredded peeled pears
- 2 cups sugar
- 1-1/4 cups canola oil
- 1 cup raisins
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 2 large eggs, room temperature, lightly beaten
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking soda
- 2 teaspoons ground cinnamon
- 2 teaspoons ground nutmeg
- 1/2 teaspoon ground salt



CREAM CHEESE FROSTING:

- 3 ounces cream cheese, softened
- 3 cups confectioners' sugar
- 1/4 cup butter, softened
- 2 tablespoons 2% milk
- 1/2 teaspoon vanilla extract

Directions

1. In a large bowl, combine the first 8 ingredients. Combine dry ingredients; stir into the fruit mixture.
2. Pour into a greased 13x9-in. baking pan. Bake at 325° until a toothpick inserted in the center comes out clean, about 1 hour. Cool on a wire rack.
3. For frosting, in a large bowl, beat the cream cheese, confectioners' sugar and butter until smooth. Beat in the milk and vanilla; frost cake. Store in the refrigerator.

PEARS

ORANGE AND PEAR UPSIDE DOWN CAKE

10 SERVINGS

Ingredients

- 1/2 cup butter, cubed
- 1/2 cup packed brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons grated orange zest, divided
- 2 medium ripe pears, peeled and quartered
- 2/3 cup sugar
- 1/3 cup coconut oil
- 1 large egg, room temperature
- 1-1/3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1-1/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 3/4 cup half-and-half cream



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350°. Place butter in a 10-in. cast-iron or other ovenproof skillet; place pan in oven until butter is melted, 3-5 minutes. Carefully tilt pan to coat bottom and sides with butter. Sprinkle with brown sugar and 1 tablespoon orange zest. Arrange pears in a single layer over sugar.
2. In a large bowl, beat sugar, coconut oil, egg and remaining 1 tablespoon orange zest until well blended. In another bowl, whisk flour, baking powder and salt; gradually beat into sugar mixture alternately with cream.
3. Spoon over pears. Bake until a toothpick inserted in center comes out clean, 45-50 minutes. Cool 10 minutes before inverting onto a serving plate. Serve warm.

GRANDMA'S PEAR PRESERVES

6, 8 Oz jars

Ingredients

- 6 cups peeled, cored, and sliced pears
- 1 cup water
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice
- 1 (2 ounce) package powdered fruit pectin
- 8 cups white sugar
- 2 teaspoons ground allspice
- 2 teaspoons ground nutmeg
- 1/2 cup brown sugar



Directions

1. Sterilize jars and lids in boiling water for at least 10 minutes. Let simmer while making jam.
2. In a large saucepan, combine pears, water, and lemon juice. Cover, and simmer for 10 minutes. Stir in pectin and bring to a full boil. Stir in the white sugar, and continue boiling and stirring uncovered for 1 minute, until sugar is dissolved. Remove from heat, and stir in brown sugar, allspice, and nutmeg.
3. Quickly fill jars to within 1/2 inch of the top. Wipe rims clean, and top with lids. Process jars in boiling water for 10 minutes to seal.

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PEAR TART

12 Servings

Ingredients

- 3 tablespoons butter, softened
- 1/2 cup sugar
- 3/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 3/4 cup all-purpose flour
- 1/3 cup finely chopped walnuts
- FILLING:
- 1 package (8 ounces) reduced-fat cream cheese
- 1/4 cup plus 1 tablespoon sugar, divided
- 1 large egg, room temperature
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1 can (15 ounces) reduced-sugar sliced pears, drained well and thinly sliced
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 425°. Beat butter, sugar and cinnamon until crumbly. Beat in flour and walnuts. Press onto bottom and up sides of a 9-in. fluted tart pan with a removable bottom coated with cooking spray.
2. For filling, beat cream cheese and 1/4 cup sugar until smooth. Beat in egg and vanilla. Spread into crust. Arrange pears over top. Mix cinnamon and remaining sugar; sprinkle over pears.
3. Bake 10 minutes. Reduce oven setting to 350°; bake until filling is set, 15-20 minutes. Cool 1 hour on a wire rack. Refrigerate at least 2 hours before serving.

PEAR CRISP

10 Servings

Ingredients

- 6 large (about 2-1/2 pounds) peeled, cored and thinly sliced pears
- 1/4 cup warm water
- 1 juiced lemon
- 2 cups rolled oats
- 2 cups all purpose flour
- 2 cups brown sugar
- 2 tablespoons ground cinnamon
- 1 1/4 cups (2 1/2 sticks) melted butter



Directions

- Preheat oven to 350 °F.
- Combine pears, water and lemon juice in an 8 by 8-inch baking pan. In a bowl, combine oats, flour, sugar and cinnamon. Pour in the melted butter and stir to make a crumbly mixture. Spread the topping evenly over the fruit. Bake for 45 to 55 minutes or until the topping is crisp and browned.

PEAR HONEY

10 Servings

Ingredients

- 1 (20-oz) can crushed pineapple with syrup
- 16 cups (about 6 lbs) pears, peeled, cored, and chopped

- 10 cups sugar
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice

Directions

Mix all ingredients and cook until pears are tender and mixture thickens, approximately 30 minutes. Place in sterilized jars and seal while still hot. Makes 12 to 16 half-pint jars.



PEAR BREAD

20 Servings

Ingredients

- 1 cup vegetable oil
- 2 cups granulated sugar
- 3 eggs
- 2 1/2 cups pears - peeled, cored and chopped
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 3 cups all-purpose flour
- 1 teaspoon baking soda
- 1 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon ground nutmeg



Directions

1. Preheat oven to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C). Lightly grease two 8x4 inch loaf pans.
2. In large mixing bowl combine oil, sugar and eggs, beat well. Stir in pears, pecans and vanilla. In another bowl, combine flour, baking soda, baking powder, salt, cinnamon and nutmeg. Stir dry ingredients into the pear mixture; mix well. Pour batter into prepared loaf pans
3. Bake in preheated oven for 60 minutes, until a toothpick inserted into center of a loaf comes out clean. Allow loaves to cool in pans for 10 minutes before moving to a wire rack to cool completely.

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Dear God, I come before you
 at this moment. Please
 Enlighten what is dark in me,
 Strengthen what is weak in me,
 Mend what is broken in me,
 Heal what is sick in me,
 And revive whatever peace
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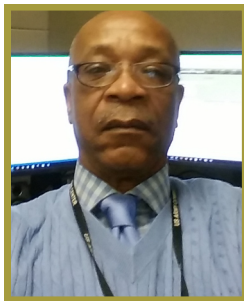
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A CHURCH WITHOUT WALLS

By: Wallace Kennedy, Jr.

When I gave thought to a "Church Without Walls" I thought of a time during my military career. I served in the Berlin Brigade (Germany) for a about a month. Every day when I came out of our living quarters there was this huge wall called the Berlin Wall. This wall had towers with guards to aid in keeping people out, it also kept people in.



There was a time in my own life I felt *alienated* from the church. From the outside looking in it was a place where people gather together on Sunday, considered to be the

"good people" of the community that are living right. And the rest of the world was shut out.

When we were children, we thought and acted like children. Now that we are more mature, we better understand the thing of God.

The church is not a building built by the hands of man. *However, the Most High does not dwell in houses made by human hands. As the prophet says: Acts 7:48. The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples made by human hands. Acts 17:24*

We that are born-again, we are the church, and the Spirit of a living God lives on the inside of us. Paul says to us: *Now you are the body of Christ, and each of you is a member of it. 1 Corinthians 12:27*

Jesus said: **And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. Matthew 16:18**

Think about it, the building we call church have active shooters, is destroyed by fires, floods, winds and vandalized by people all the time.

Jesus says to us: "the gates of hell cannot prevail against us/ believers". Greater is He That is in us, than all the things of the world.

Let us not allow our places of worship to become a wall. Let's go out into the highways and all the places we can, and share the Gospel of Christ.

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Mom says to her daughter, "If all your friends jumped off a bridge would you do it too?" Daughter replies, "Mom you birthed a leader. I would be the first one to jump!!"



Questioning and doubting what's going on these days does not make you "anti" anything. Nor does it make you a conspiracy theorist. Actually, questioning IS and should be, the place of reason. The fact that questioning has become taboo, should, in fact, send a chill up everyone's spine.

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Suddenly, he realized that he was trapped and he couldn't get out. He now has to fully depend on someone to put grains in the jar for him to survive.

He now has no choice but to eat what he's given.

A few lessons to learn from this:

- 1) Short term pleasures can lead to long-term traps.
- 2) If things come easy and you get comfortable, you are getting trapped into dependency.
- 3) When you are not using your skills, you will lose more than your skills. You lose your CHOICES and FREEDOM.
- 4) Freedom does not come easy but can be lost quickly. NOTHING comes easily in life and if it comes easily, maybe it is not worth it..

Don't curse your struggles. They are your blessings in disguise.

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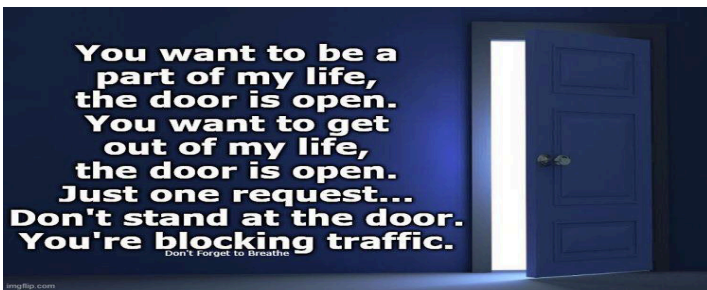


**Me yelling at a squirrel to
move out of the road so
it's not ran over and
crushed by tires, is
probably the same
feeling God has watching
me live my life.**



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I arrived at the restaurant a bit early.

"Would you mind waiting for a while?" asked the maitre d.

"Not at all," I replied.

"Good," he said, "Take these burgers and fries to table 7."

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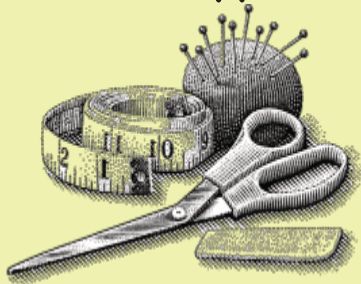
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Greetings Gardeners and Wannabes,

When all seems totally crazy with the world there is nothing like time in the garden to bring things back into perspective, close to God's miracles of growing beautiful, edible, life-giving things from the soil and the tiniest of seeds. Getting my hands into the soil that is the foundation of life in the garden or in containers is so satisfying, relaxing and life-renewing that it draws me back to the Creator who designed the whole thing for our enjoyment and time with Him. What a gift!



Soon we'll see the cooler days of fall and what needs to be planted now. According to the SOW app from Auburn Extension Services and Texas A& M University we can plant **carrots, cucumbers, eggplant, kohlrabi, lima beans, peppers, snap beans, summer squash, white potatoes, and winter

squash. Who would have guessed that some of these summer crops are still good to plant for the fall? If you are keeping a compost pile, you can mix some in the soil before planting, and "side dress" the seeded areas with small amounts of compost. A shovel full of soil from a wooded area does miraculous things when mixed in the garden.

**The current class for Master Gardeners is underway, with a combination of virtual and in-person classes. Megan Jones, our Extension Home Grounds Agent for the Tri-County area of GA, FL, and AL is the one to contact for questions about how to get into the next class after this one. Her office is at the Headland Research Center (334) 693-2010. Drew Thompson is our Dale County Extension Agent, you can reach him at (334) 774-2329.

**The Claybank Master Gardeners meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 11 AM at Hoppergrass Restaurant in Ozark, 129 East Ave., across from Milky Moos. Come join us, we love new faces. You can buy lunch if you wish, and just visit to see what Master Gardeners are all about.

Dee Gilbert
 Claybank Master Gardeners



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 Solution on page 31



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A-2 Excuses, Excuses

A-3 Toronto Blue Jays

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A PRAYER FOR MY SON

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One afternoon my wife, my son, and I took an impromptu drive into town. When we could not find what we were looking for at one store, we then traveled to another. Then we took the opportunity to just ride around. I asked my son if he wanted to see where I went to school? He replied yes, he was only 18 months old at the time. We drove out to my high school and pulled into the parking lot. I asked him if he could see the flagpole, and I began to tell him about the special moments where I encountered God there. He responded with a smile and reached back for his toy he was playing with. I however started talking with my wife about the moments and memories that so many other students and faculty also experienced there. It stirred in my heart the prayers I am praying over my family. Am I praying, truly praying for my family and my son? You see, my son will encounter a much different world than his mother and I ever faced. Am I equipping him to be able to stand and be a light when the world will seemingly be so dark? The book of Proverbs is full of so much wisdom for us to glean from like in verse 6 of chapter 22, the writer says, "train up a child in the way they should go and when they are older, they will not depart from it." At the end of the day my son will make his decisions and choose the life he wants to live. My prayer is that these years my wife and I have to teach and raise him we will be proper examples of God's love towards him. What are you praying over your children? How can you be an example of a follower of Christ to your children? No matter what their current age or if you have ever done it before, you can start today. Maybe we all need to take a trip down memory lane and be reminded of what God has done in our life. Could it be that it would spur a passion for us to do our part for the next generation?

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SIX IMPORTANT GUIDES IN LIFE

1. When you're alone, mind your thoughts.
2. When you're with friends, mind your tongue.
3. When you're angry, mind your temper.
4. When you're with a group, mind your behavior.
5. When you're in trouble, mind your emotions.
6. When God blesses you, mind your ego.



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2. little mouse under the bench
3. one shuttlecock
4. five clouds in the sky
5. three cups on the blanket
6. bench behind the little boy
7. bird flying in the sky
8. black and white ball
9. The little girl's smile
10. The sun is missing



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