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GETTING TO KNOW YOU





DEVOTIONAL BY ELDER SANDRA ROMAN

New life: it is the message of the cross.

We read in the scripture that in the Garden of Eden, Adam disobeyed God and through Adam all sinned and through sin, death to all men, Romans 5:12

Thus, my (our) Adamic nature was ruled by the law of sin and death. We were dead in trespasses and sin. Therefore, we had no strength or power to be free ourselves to serve a righteous and holy God.

Romans 5:19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous.

Death was swallowed up in victory in Christ who had no sin, so death had no power to overcome Him. (I Cor. 15:54). We were buried with Him in baptism, in which we also were raised with Him through faith in the working of God, who raised Him from the dead, Colossians 2:12

Thanks be to God. Our Adam nature (natural man) was crucified when Jesus was crucified, when He was buried, the Adam nature was buried, and when Jesus was raised from the dead so were we raised from the dead.

We are free in Christ from the power of the law of sin and death, and we live unto God by the law of the Spirit (Romans 8). This new life is the manymembered body of Christ, a mighty army.

It is in this mighty army that God will be glorified and admired because we believe. 2 Thess. 1:10. And because He is glorified and admired in us, His love, compassion, and forgiveness will flow through us and change the hearts of many.



Hello From Helen

Hello family,

And a very happy April to all of you!

I hope that everyone had a very Happy Easter. We celebrated with our church family with two wonderful

church services; 1st was our *Palm Sunday Service* with Pastor Michael, and the following Sunday was *Easter Sunday* with Pastor Phil. On Easter the church was decorated with Lily plants; each of which was either "In Memory" or "In Honor" of a loved one and the church was beautiful. At the end of Easter Service we were each able to take home the plants that we ordered.

We are going to have "Church Service in Veterans Park" on Sunday April 28th, with a picnic to follow. What a great way to spend time together as a church family. Please attend if possible because it will be wonderful!

Have you visited the *Book Store* recently? Elder Sandra Roman always keeps it stocked with new and beautiful items and at a wonderful price. It's not just books but rather so much more.

Chosen Generation, our youth group for ages 5 - 12 is going so well. It is taught by Elder Nicole Freeman and Yvonne Shadrach. The youth are really enjoying it while learning so much.

I would also like to give a big shout out to Elder Janet Petruzziello who faithfully and with so much love provides a *nursery* for our much smaller members, children through the age of 4. I've seen them after church service and they just don't want to leave her, of course, we all love her that much!

Tric Pliley, Tiger Lou Ruiz and Randy Terenna are still making amazing *music for us to worship our God by.* I can't even tell you just how much I love listening to them.

Eddie McIntosh and Tiger Lou Ruiz are still busy in the *Victory Garden*. It is so beautiful. If you have

never taken a walk through the garden or had a seat in the *Gazebo*, it's time. Everyone is welcome to do so. It is ours to enjoy and it is serene and beautiful. The Gazebo provides such a beautiful and tranquil place to have a little talk with God.

One of the most beautiful things about New Image Ministries is that we can all be a part of so many things that take place here. If you would like to help out you can. Without all the family members that take part, we wouldn't have all of these wonderful things that bring us together and truly make us the close knit church family that we are. Thank you to everyone.

I'll say it yet again "We have the most wonderful, faithful and loving Pastors I have ever known

WE ARE TRULY BLESSED!

With love and blessings, Deacon Helen J. Caliendo

You Know?



To slow the tarnishing process of silver, place a piece of chalk in your silver chest or drawer. The chalk will absorb moisture and your silver will not tarnish so quickly.

WHERE DID THE PHRASE "BY THE SAME TOKEN" COME FROM



Bus token? Game token? What kind of token is involved here? *Token* is a very old word, referring to something that's a symbol or sign of something else. It could be a pat on the back as a token, or sign, of friendship, or a marked piece of lead that could be exchanged for money. It came to mean a fact or piece of evidence that could be used as proof. "*By the same token*" first meant, basically, "those things you used to prove that can also be used to prove this." It was later weakened into the expression that just says "these two things are somehow associated."



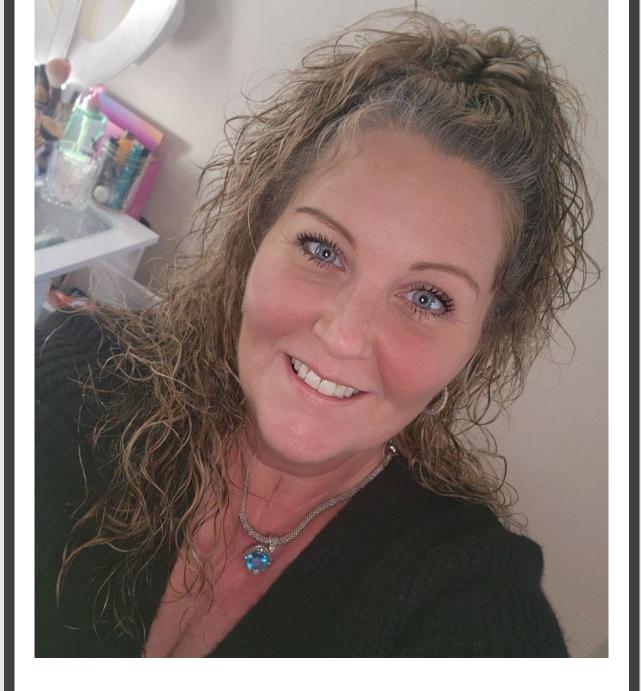
WHO AM I?

I was born in Hoboken, NJ Favorite color is blue My favorite activates are knitting, Coloring, going for a walk My typical day consists of housework and phone calls My most treasured memory is the day I got married I have worked at Accounting I would rather eat out than cook Favorite foods are "Pot Roast" and "Matzo Ball Soup" I still love the "70's and the 80's" music best My favorite singer is "Billy Joel" My favorite author is "James Patterson" My favorite movies are "Gone With The Wind" and "It's a Wonderful Life" My favorite actor is "Kevin Costner" My favorite actress is "Meryl Streep" My favorite T.V. show is "FBI" What truly makes me happy the most is "Peace" What makes me feel most at peace is "Quietness" I have traveled to the "New England States" and "Bermuda

My favorite vacation was Cruise to Bermuda My favorite holiday is Thanksgiving because there is no stress and we are thankful I love the smell of Lavender My autobiography would be titled "It's a Wonderful Life" The best gift I have ever received is my family The best part of waking up is that I woke up If I could have one superpower I would love to save the hungry and to save stray pets The one thing I am most proud of is my family My philosophy is "Roll with the Punches" The thing that makes me laugh the most is "America's Funniest Home Videos

My warning label would say "Ouch"

WHO AM I? Meet Heather Ament



MEET HEATHER AMENT

I was born in Camden NJ My favorite color is blue I love painting pictures Right now my day is learning Quick Books It was crazy when I stayed Florida without help as a young person My most treasured memory is the birth of my first born I have worked as a nurse and a Book Keeper I would rather eat out than cook out I love Spanish rice I listen to Christian music My favorite singer is Lauren Daigle

My favorite author is Jesus My favorite movie is "God is Not Dead" My favorite T.V. show – "The Chosen" My husband is what truly makes me happy I feel most at peace when I'm praying I have been to the Bahamas My favorite vacation was going to the cabin in Georgia My favorite holiday is Christmas I love the smell of Orange blossoms My autobiography would be titled "The Girl Outside of Church" The best gift I have ever received is my marriage The best part of waking up is having another day to be better If I could have one superpower I would choose to have consistent love One thing I dream about doing one day is helping others learn of God The one thing I am most proud of is my children My philosophy is Psalms 46:5 – God is within her she will not fall The thing that makes me laugh the most is – my granddaughter I collect Bibles The most important law I would enforce if I were ruler is "Love and forgiving" My warning label would say "Handle with Caution" I would like people to know that I recently bought 30 bibles so that I can plant them in unknown locations for people to find.



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Endless Praise

By: Catherine Pulsifer In dazzling light, with hearts ablaze, Our God deserves endless praise, Who sent His Son, a gift of love, To earth below from heaven above. With open arms and mercy pure, He bore our sins, our souls secure. Oh, how my spirit soars and sings, For nothing on Earth deserves more praise than our King!

Hungarian-Goulash



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Ingredients

2 pounds top round beef, cut into 1-inch pieces 1 cup chopped onion 3 cloves garlic, minced 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour 1 tablespoon paprika 1 teaspoon salt 1/2 teaspoon black pepper 1/4 teaspoon dried thyme 1 (28-ounce) can whole tomatoes, un-drained, coarsely chopped 3 carrots, peeled and cut into 1-1/2-inch chunks

1 bay leaf

1 (8-ounce) container sour cream

1 (12-ounce) package egg noodles, cooked according to package directions

Directions

In a 5-quart slow cooker, combine beef, onion, and garlic; mix well.

In a small bowl, combine flour, paprika, salt, pepper, and thyme; mix well. Add to meat mixture, tossing to coat well. Add tomatoes with liquid, carrots, and bay leaf; mix well.

Cover and cook on HIGH setting 4-1/2 to 5 hours hours or on LOW setting 8 to 9 hours, or until beef is forktender. Remove and discard bay leaf. Stir in sour cream. Serve over noodles.

Chocolate Chocolate Bundt Cake



Ingredients: Cake 1 (18 1/4 ounce) package devil's food cake mix 1 (4 ounce) package instant chocolate pudding mix 2 cups semi-sweet chocolate chips 1 3/4 cups water 2 eggs, beaten 1 teaspoon vanilla extract Chocolate Glaze 3 tablespoons cocoa 2 tablespoons butter, melted 1 cup powdered sugar (10X) 2 -3 tablespoons hot water

Directions:

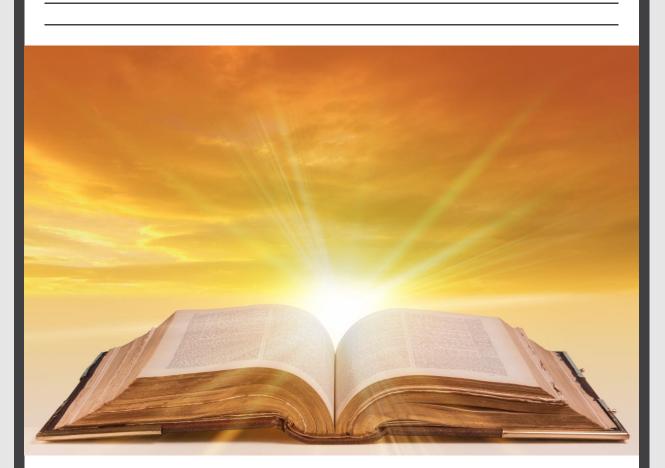
Cake: Preheat oven to 350°. Grease and flour bundt pan, set aside.

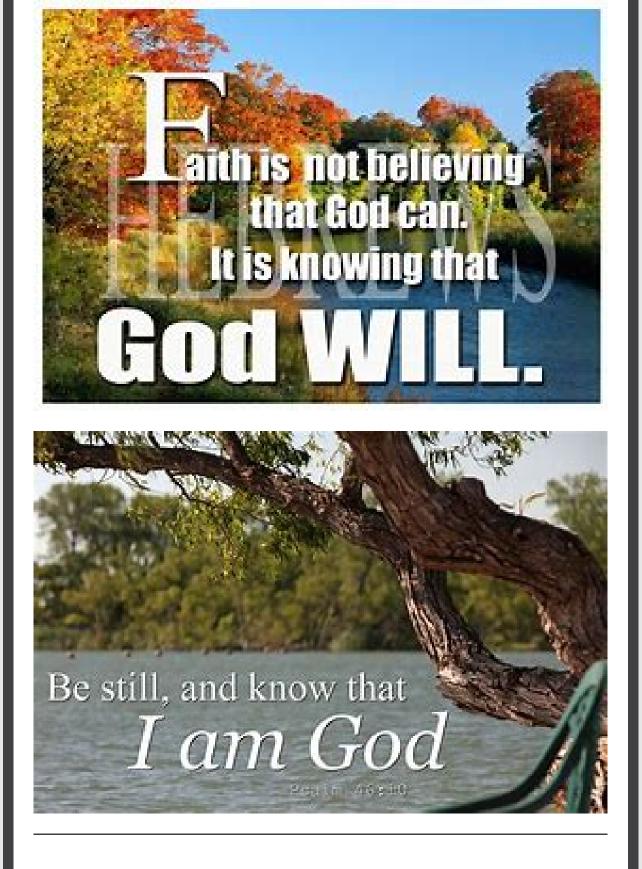
In large mixing bowl, combine cake mix, pudding mix and chocolate chips. In another bowl, combine water, eggs, and vanilla

mixing well.

Add egg mixture to dry mixture and mix with spoon until just blended.

Pour into prepared pan. Bake for 50 to 55 minutes or until cake tests done when wooden pick in center comes out clean. Cool 15 to 20 minutes before removing cake from pan. When completely cool, drizzle cake with Chocolate Glaze. Chocolate Glaze: Combine all ingredients in bowl.







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