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GETTING TO KNOW YOU

New Image Ministries

Come & Be **CHANGED**

May we all be changed into His Image by His Spirit that lives within us.

2 Cor. 3:18

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3 things will last forever
- faith, hope, & *love* -
& the greatest of these is
love.

I CORINTHIANS 13:13



DEVOTIONAL BY ELDER KEITH FREEMAN

REST ASSURED

Mat 11:28-30 NIV - 28 "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. 29 Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. 30 For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."

We are all the same regardless of wealth, color, age,

gender, nationality, or race. From the wealthiest king to the lowliest servant, we are all created by the one and only True and Living God, so we are all connected to one another in a mysterious, supernatural, spiritual way. Because of this connection we will all at times feel the burdens of this world around us weigh us down, we will have days of feeling lost or unsure and yes, we will feel weary at times. No one's status mentioned above excludes us from these burdens.....but, yes, every time there is a but that means God has an answer and, in this case, it is the first three words of Matthew 11:28 "Come to Me".

God is Elohim our creator and Jehovah our sustainer. God created us just like in the beginning when He was creating the world. He was putting everything we would need inside of us until the sixth day when He scooped us up and breathed the spirit man inside of us made in the image and likeness of God Himself and then He rested.

Everything from God is a gift, it's free, everything from the world requires work and becomes a burden. In fact, God made us storehouses for all the gifts He has freely given. Inside each of us we can find love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. Also, God has given us wisdom, knowledge, faith, power to heal and do miracles. The ability to prophesy and to speak and understand by the spirit. To unlock these treasures inside of us and each other something is required though. Don't worry, it's easy and burden free. Remember, for His yoke is easy and His burden is light, all we must do is go to Him. You see God just wants a relationship; the world requires work.

By seeking our creator, we find the sustainer, our Jehovah and the storehouses are opened and released. For us, for our families, for our friends and yes for those we thought were our enemies. There is no work involved, in fact when we rest is when God will do the work. So instead of trying to fix and provide for myself, my family and anyone else around me by the worlds way which is always the same outcome leaving us feeling weary and

burdened, let us turn to Jehovah, our God. Call on Him and sit quietly while He unlocks the storehouse within so that we can be poured out upon the earth. We don't have work to do, He is doing the work through us. We are just His vessels that Jehovah brings the provisions through. Let's sit at the feet of the one who created us, and the world will be under our feet. Rest is assured but only if we go to Him.



Hello From Helen

Hello family,

Well the holidays are officially over. The decorations in the church have been taken down and it is back to business as usual.

Our Sister Tric Pliley has been away for a few weeks and we really missed her. Elder Sandra Roman and I have had the pleasure of singing while Carlos Machado played the bongos on the Sunday's that Tric was away. We both enjoyed it, but, boy did we miss Tric! Sometimes I take for granted that Tric will always be there on Sunday mornings leading us in our time of worship music; now I realize even more just how blessed we are for all that she does for us. Welcome home Tric, there is nobody like you and we all love you.

FRIDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY has started up again. We meet on Friday nights in the Fellowship Hall and it begins promptly at 7:00 p.m. We are in the book of Genesis and it is wonderful! Everyone is invited. Pastor Michael Porzio always knows how to make it interesting and fun while we learn more about God's perfect love for us.

I just want to remind everyone that I am always looking for your input for this newsletter. If you have something good that happened to you and would like to share it with our church family, give me a call in the church office. If you have a favorite bible verse or a recipe that you would like to share, or if you would like to be our WHO AM I, please let me know and I would love to publish it in this newsletter. This is so that we can Get to Know each other because after all, we are a family and I for one am so grateful to have all of you in my life.

With God's
blessings,
Deacon Helen J. Caliendo



Who Am I?

Who Am I
My favorite color is blue
I love to meditate
My favorite animal is a Seraphim
The craziest thing I've ever done is to live by faith
My favorite memory is thinking about the Lord
I have many sons
I am both a fisherman and a shepherd
My favorite food is carrots
I enjoy soft worship music
My favorite author is the Holy Spirit
My favorite singers are Tric Pliley and Natalie Porzio
The movies I like to watch is a good Drama
My favorite actors are:
Denzel Washington and Roy Rogers
I like the T.V. show "Believe it or Not"
Growing up I loved to watch The Road Runner
My favorite exercise is self control
My best time of day is Dawn
New Years Eve is my favorite holiday

I love the smell of Jasmine and Gardenia
Sometimes I love to do absolutely nothing
The title of my autobiography would be:
“The Cross Before Me...The World Behind Me”
The best gift I’ve ever been given is:
“Unconditional Love”
The best part of waking up is a new start
If I could have a superpower:
I would be to be able to stop time
The video game I like is “Centipede”
One thing on my bucket list is to “Build a City”
All mysteries must be personally sought after
Sharing pleasant memories makes me laugh the
most
If I had to pick one thing to eat for the rest of my life it
would be “Chicken”
I collect “Precious Moments”
If I ruled my own country the first law I would enforce
would be to be kind
My warning label would say
“Warning Sudden Life Stops”

If you think you know who I am, contact Helen in the church office with your guess. All correct guesses will be published in next months issue of ‘Getting to Know You’.



WHO AM I?
MEET Kathy Mologousis

I was born in Ohio
My favorite color is Purple
I love to walk on the beach and look for sea shells
I have one dog
My favorite animal is a giraffe
I held an alligator once
I once won first place in a dog show
I have worked at Hospitality amongst other things
I enjoy cooking
I love lasagna
I listen to Classic Rock
My favorite author is "Randy Wayne White"
My favorite singer is "Phil Collins"
I enjoy watching Sitcoms
My favorite actor is "Kevin Costner"
When I was a child my favorite show was "Lassie"
I have been to the "Virgin Islands"
I enjoy dinning out
I love to walk
I am more of a night person than a morning person

My favorite holiday is "Christmas"
I love the smell of Gardenias
My autobiography would be titled "Full Force"
The best gift I have ever been given is "Faith"
I love when my Dog wakes me up
If I could have one superpower it would be to enforce
"World Peace"
Videos about Animal Antics make me laugh, I love
them
I collect "Pencil Santa's"
If I were ruler of my own country, the first law I would
introduce would be "No Guns"
If I had a warning label, it would say "Warning May
Breakout in Laughter at Any Moment"
1 Correct guess from Pastor Michael Porzio

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ONE OF MY FAVORITE RECIPES



Simple Valentine's Day Marshmallow Treats

Ingredients:

**1 cup cold water
½ cup granulated sugar
4 teaspoons vanilla
red food coloring
Coconut oil or shorting
confectioners' sugar for dusting
3 envelopes unflavored gelatin
1 cup light corn syrup**

Step 1: Mix together 1/2 cup of the water and 3 envelopes of powdered gelatin in the bowl of a stand mixer. Let the gelatin mixture sit for at least 10 minutes.

Step 2: In a small sauce pan, mix together the sugar, corn syrup and remaining water. Cook over low heat until the sugar is completely dissolved. Once it's dissolved, turn the heat up to high and continue cooking until the syrup has reached 240°F on a candy thermometer. Cover and remove from heat, allow it to sit for 2-3 minutes before adding it to the gelatin mixture.

Step 3: Attach the whisk attachment to the stand

mixer and turn it on low. Now slowly pour the syrup mixture into the gelatin mixture. Turn the mixer on high and whip until it becomes thick and doubles in size, about 15 minutes. Slowly add the vanilla and food coloring and mix an additional 5 minutes.

Step 4: Generously grease a 9×13 inch glass baking dish with coconut oil (or shortening). Working quickly, pour the marshmallow mixture into the baking dish. Allow it to stand uncovered at room temperature overnight so that it can dry out.

Step 5: Generously dust a cutting board with confectioners' sugar. Turn the marshmallows out onto the cutting board and cut them into squares, or use a heart shaped cookie cutter for more decorative marshmallows. Dust with confectioners' sugar and serve.

One of my favorite ways to customize the marshmallows is by sprinkling them with crushed mint candies before drying them overnight. They taste wonderful added to a cup of hot cocoa.



BAKED CHICKEN PARMESAN

INGREDIENTS

3/4 cup of bread crumbs
1/4 cup of freshly grated Parmesan, plus more for garnish
1 teaspoon of garlic powder
1 teaspoon of Italian seasoning
2 large eggs
1/4 cup of buttermilk
4 boneless, skinless chicken breasts
Kosher salt
Freshly ground black pepper
1 (32-oz.) jar marinara
1 cup of shredded fresh mozzarella
1/4 cup of thinly sliced basil

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 400°. In a medium bowl, mix together bread crumbs, parmesan, garlic powder, and Italian seasoning.
2. In another medium bowl, whisk together eggs and buttermilk. Pat breasts dry and season on both sides with salt and pepper. Dip into egg mixture and then dredge in breadcrumbs, making sure all sides are coated. Place in a baking dish and bake until lightly golden and crispy, 20 minutes.
3. Pour marinara over chicken breasts and top with mozzarella. Bake until cheese is melted and chicken is cooked through, 10 to 15 minutes more. Garnish with more Parmesan and basil and serve immediately.

Valentine's

Day With Jesus

Jesus does not send perfume
To linger in the air
Instead He sends salvation, sweet
To show how much He cares.

He doesn't bring me candy hearts
In boxes of delight
Instead He always lets me know
I'm precious in His sight.

He doesn't send out pretty cards
Trimmed in shades of red
Instead He gave His life for me
His precious blood was shed.

He doesn't hand out fancy gifts
Like we would send to mother
Instead He sends a message clear
To always love each other.

He doesn't give me teddy bears
That whimper, "please be mine"
Instead He gave His heart to me
I wear it all the time.

He doesn't give me roses, pink
For all the world to see
Instead He gave eternal life
That's good enough for me!

- Marilyn Ferguson-





Doorway to the World

By Fran Bonaguro

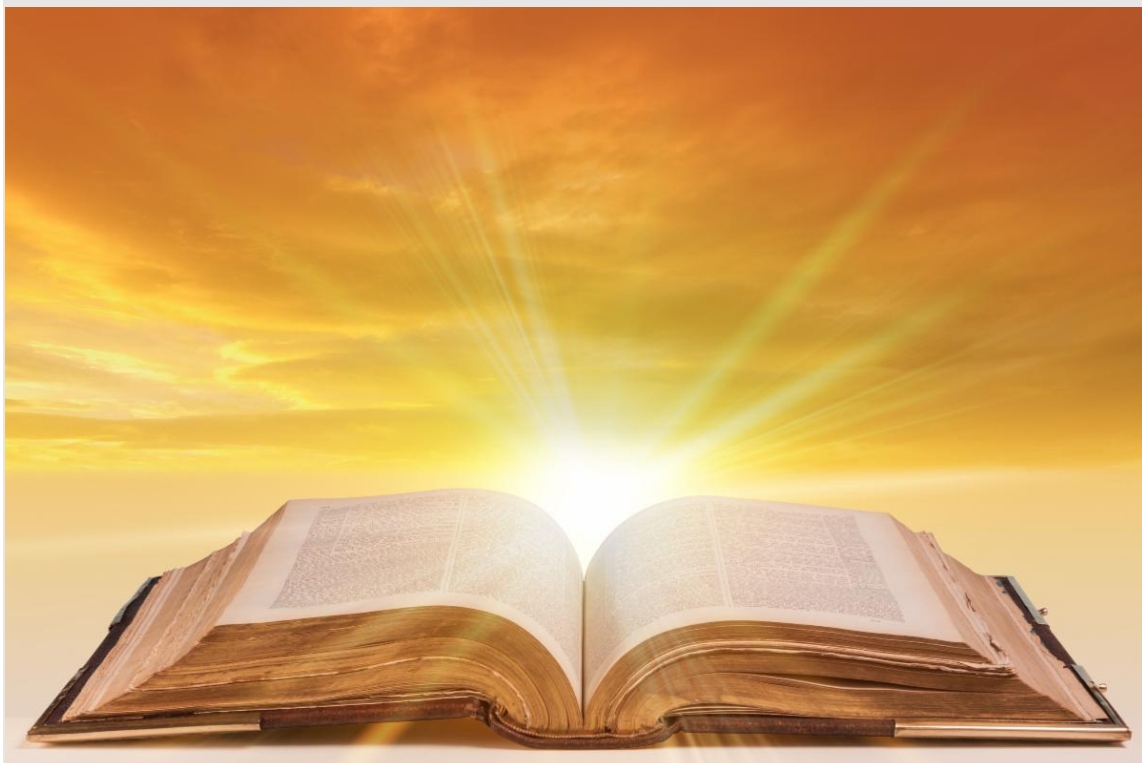
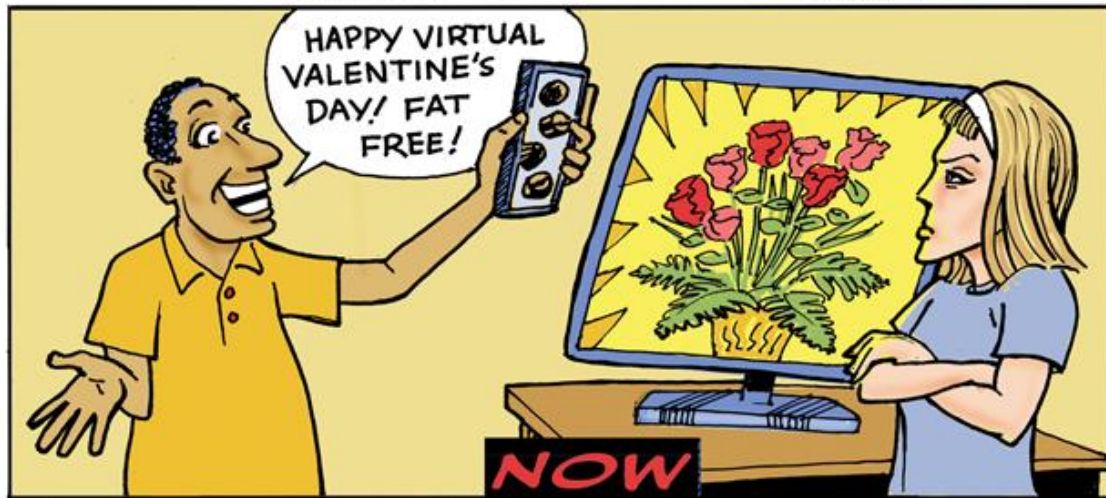
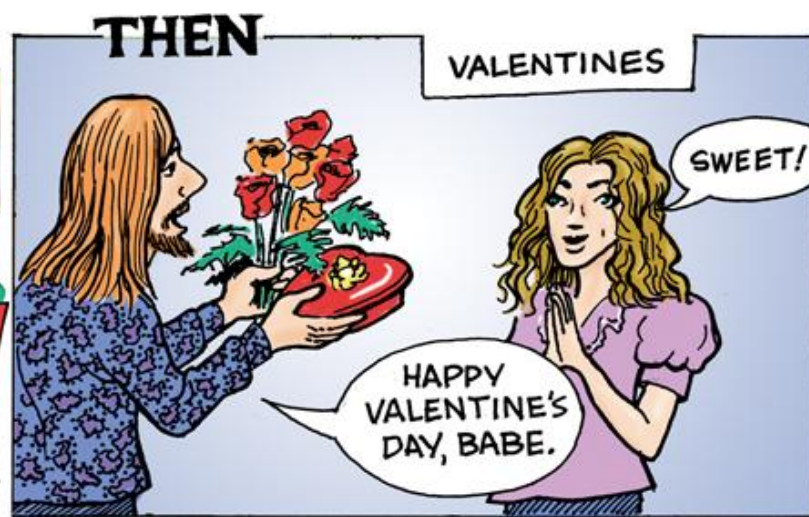
I piled my kids into the car and off we went to the Post Office. For once, the 7 year old and 10 year old didn't fight; they too, were anxious. We were on our way to pick up the mail that we knew would hold my long awaited mark from the High School equivalency test. So many thoughts teased my mind as I walked into the post office and got the mail. What if I had failed? That would mean another ten hour test, how could I face the kids after all those weeks of school and study during

which time, I had denied them much of the usual tender, loving care they were accustomed to? Would they be ashamed of me?

None of the kids in my family had finished high school. We were forced out to work and there was no Urban Center in those times. The only incentive was the dollar bill and survival. I realized suddenly, that this diploma would represent the entire family. Yes, there it was among the mail, the obvious brown envelope from the state education department. I rattled it, as though doing so I would know its secrets without opening the envelope. I walked out to the car, meeting the questioning faces of my children. Did you pass, mommy?

I took a deep breath, and smiled. I must be careful not to give them the idea that a failure or a disappointment was the end of trying. "No, we will open it together". My fingers trembled with the envelope and the flap seemed cemented. I got it open and saw the passing mark. My 14 year old daughter saw it and at the same time and shrieked, "she passed". The kids all hugged and congratulated me and then I noticed the squarish white paper that was my diploma. I held it for several minutes, loving the sight and feel of it. I thought of my brother and my sisters who lived in other parts of the country, always giving me incentive. Softly, to myself I whispered, "we did it".





Hebrews 4:3 –Now we who have believed enter that rest, just as God said, “So I declared an oath in my anger, they shall never enter my rest.” And yet His works have been finished since the creation of the world. On the 7th day, God rested and so shall we. We need to rest in Him.
Peg Lynch

John 3:16 – For God so loved the world that He gave His only son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Psalms 37:4 – Take delight in the Lord, and He will give you the desires of your heart.

Mark 12:33 – To love Him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices

Romans 12:9 & 10 – Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves.

1 John 4 – No one ever sees God, but if we love one another, God lives in us and His love is made complete in us.

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