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GETTING TO KNOW YOU

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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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Devotional by Elder KEITH FREEMAN

Don't Waste Time

- *"Teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart of wisdom." – Psalm 90:12*
- *"Therefore be careful how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of your time, because the days are evil." – Ephesians 5:15-16*

A Gift Called Time

As Christians we spend much of our lives concerned about eternity and where we will be after we leave this earth. We talk about heaven, glory, and forever with God and rightly so. Yet, as our pastors the past couple weeks reminded us, *sometimes eternity has robbed our time*. We can become so caught up in thinking about the life to come that we overlook the life we've been given now

God has given each of us a precious gift: time. Unlike eternity, time is limited. Each day is a new portion of grace, a new day to love, serve, laugh, and build relationships. We don't have forever here on earth, but we do have *today*. All too often the day and moment we are in is overlooked.

Eternity in Our Hearts, Time in Our Hands

Ecclesiastes 3:11 says, *"He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart."* God has written eternity into our souls, but He has also placed us in this world of hours, days, and seasons.

When we embrace both, we find balance. Eternity gives us hope. Time gives us purpose. Together, they remind us not to waste a single moment. Our faith in Christ anchors us in what is eternal, meaning we know where we will be when we leave this world. The calling on our lives leads us to value what is temporary, not money, jobs, power, or possessions, but instead the conversations we have, the kindness we show, the laughter we share, the ordinary moments that carry eternal weight.

Living Fully in the Present

Think about the simple joys: bowling with friends, watching a movie with family, having coffee and some conversation with a friend or a stranger for that matter. These may seem small compared to eternal glory, but they are God's gift. These moments are blessings to be thankful for.

When Paul wrote, *"Whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God"* (1 Corinthians 10:31), he meant both the spiritual and the everyday. Loving someone, showing kindness, and being in the moment is a way of living out eternity here and now.

So let us not waste time with bitterness, grudges, or endless striving for things that don't matter. Let us reconcile quickly, forgive easily, and speak truth in love. Time is short, but God fills it with beauty when our eyes are open.

A Call to Unity and Joy

The message is simple: don't waste time. Value it. Celebrate it. Use it to bring people together, not tear them apart. Live with the awareness that every moment can be filled with God's love.

When we see each other as perfect in Christ, we remove accusations and divisions. When we choose relationship over right and wrong, we reflect heaven on earth. And when we use our time to love, we step into the ministry of reconciliation that God entrusted to us (2 Corinthians 5:18).

Lord, thank You for the gift of time. Teach us to number our days and use them wisely. Help us to live fully in the present, cherishing relationships, offering forgiveness, and spreading peace. May our time on earth reflect

the eternity You have promised, and may every moment be filled with Your love.

Amen



Hello From Helen

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Hello Family,

I hope and pray that we are all happy and grateful! I have to start out letting you know of all the new plants and beautiful things that are going on outside of this church. Everyone works so hard so that we can enjoy the scenery and it shows. I hope everyone enjoys it as much as I do. Thank you everyone!

Well, we went to the movies on Saturday afternoon. We saw "Noah Live" It was a taped movie of a Live Production. The scenery and the singing were amazing. There were the most beautiful and well trained animals on the ark and the message that I took away was to always have faith! For us here at church, it was an opportunity to spend time together as a family. I am all about being a family.

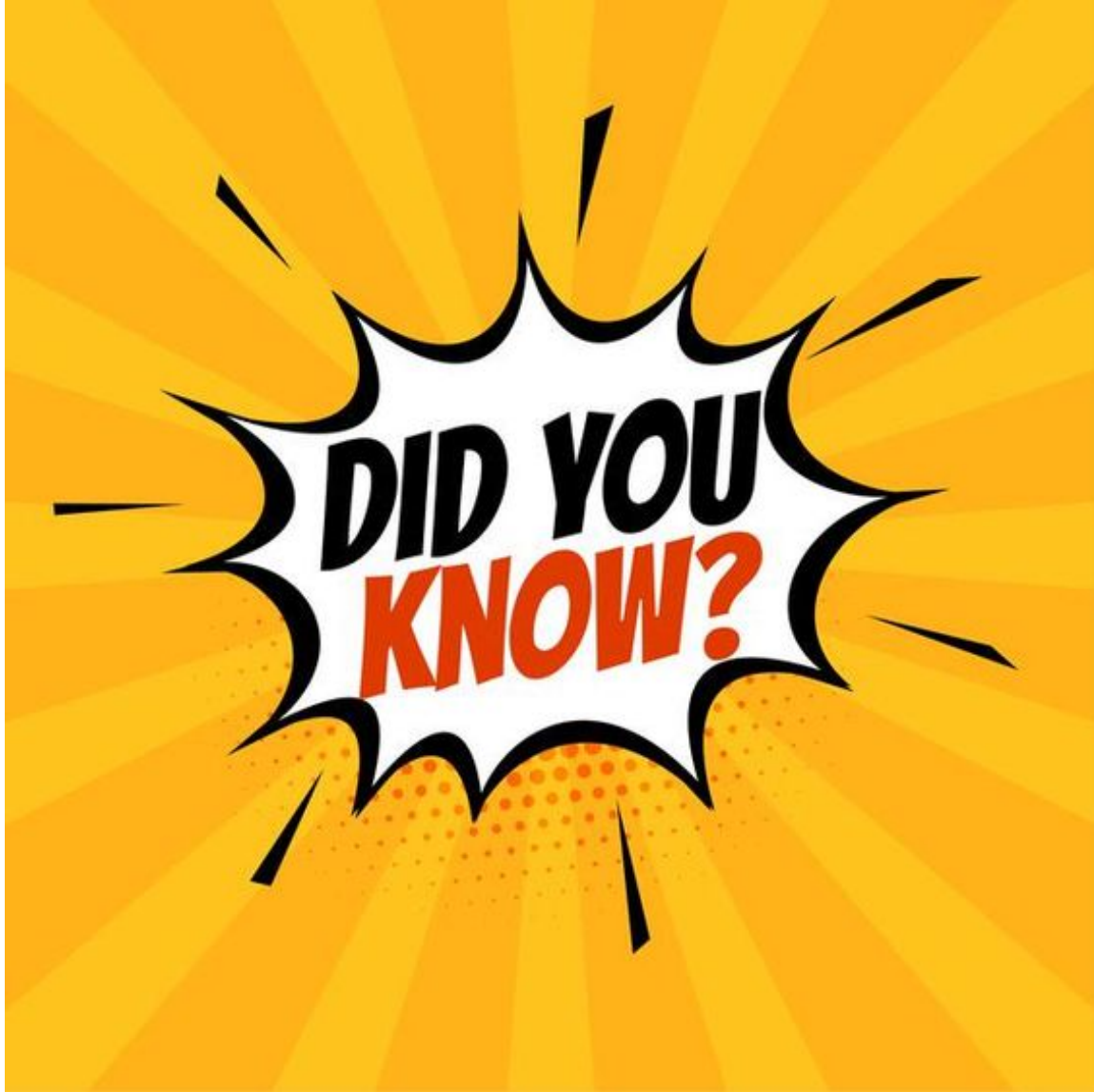
Pastor Michael said that we will be doing more things together. We are so blessed to have Pastor Michael and Pastor Phil. This church is amazing and warm and loving. I can hardly wait to see what will be next. We are so blessed!

We are going bowling on Saturday, October 11th at 3:00 p.m. at Lehigh Lanes. Even if you don't or can't bowl, there is so much fellowship that it is definitely worth going; we will have a great night out again, these events just bring us closer to our family.

Until next month and always with love and blessings,
Deacon Helen J. Caliendo

THE VICTORY GARDEN





Simply place a full glass of water inside of your microwave before turning the machine on. Let the microwave operate as steam is generated within the machine. The steam will soften stains which will allow you to quickly and easily

wipe the remaining residue away from the surface.

WHERE DID THE PHRASE

Where Did the Phrase
"HAVE YOUR WORK CUT OUT FOR YOU"
Come From?



The expression *you've got your work cut out for you* comes from tailoring. To do a big sewing job, all the pieces of fabric are cut out before they get sewn together. It seems like if your work has been cut for you, it should make job easier, but we don't use the expression that way. The image is more that your task is well defined and ready to be tackled, but all the difficult parts are yours to get to. That big pile of cut-outs isn't going to sew itself together!



WHO AM I?

I was born in "Canandaigua, NY"

My favorite color is "Red"

My favorite activity is "The Beach"

My typical day consists of "Multi tasking between work, animals and kids."

The craziest thing you've ever done "Bungee jumping over Cave of the Winds Canyon"

My most treasured memory is "Summers spent in the Outer Banks"

I have worked as "Manager of Spencer Gifts and as an Investigator"

I enjoy "Going out to Eat"

Favorite food is "Mexican"

I listen to "Beach Reggae" music

My favorite singer is "Stick Figure"

My favorite movie is "The Age of Adaline"

My favorite actor is "Liam Neeson"

My favorite actress is Anna Kendrick

My favorite T.V. show "Arrested Development"

What makes me truly happy and peaceful is "Being grounded at the beach"

The farthest west I have traveled on summer vacations as a child in the "Pocono Mountains"

My favorite vacation was "Gettysburg, Pennsylvania"

My favorite holiday was "Christmas"

I love the smell of "Coconut"

My autobiography would be titled "What Not To Do"

The best gift I have ever received is "My Daughter"
The best part of waking up is "Another Day of Life"
If I could have one superpower I would choose "To be able to
Reverse Time"
One thing I dream about doing one day is "Going to England and
tracing my heritage"



MEET ELDER KEITH FREEMAN

I was born in "Florida"
My favorite color is "Blue"
My favorite activity is Music

My typical day consists of “work and family”
The craziest thing you’ve ever done was “Jumping
ramps on dirt bikes”

My most treasured memory is “The birth of my
children”

I have worked at “Construction”

I enjoy “eat Out”

My favorite food is “Pizza”

I listen to “all types of music”

My favorite singer is “Kari Jobe”

My favorite author is “The Holy Spirit”

My favorite movie is “Star Wars”

My favorite actor is Ryan Reynolds & Gerard Butler”

My favorite actress is “Sandra Bullock”

My favorite T.V. show “Yellow Stone”

What truly makes me happy is “Spending time with
family”

What makes me feel peaceful is “being outdoors”

I have traveled to all different states “this side of the
Mississippi”

My favorite vacation was the “Mountains in
Tennessee”

My favorite holiday was “Thanksgiving”

I love the smell of “Gardenias”

My autobiography would be titled “Love More”

The best part of waking up is “Folgers in my cup”

If I could have one superpower I would choose
“invisible”

One thing I dream about doing one day is “seeing
the earth from outer space”

The one thing I am most proud of is “my family”

My philosophy is “What doesn’t kill you makes you
stronger”

The thing that makes me laugh the most is “the
unexpected things”

The most important law I would enforce if I were

ruler is "Be Kind"
My warning label would say "Be careful what you
ask for"



Six things Pastor Phil Sr. Would Say

1. Prioritize Relationships
Strengthen Relationships and practice forgiveness

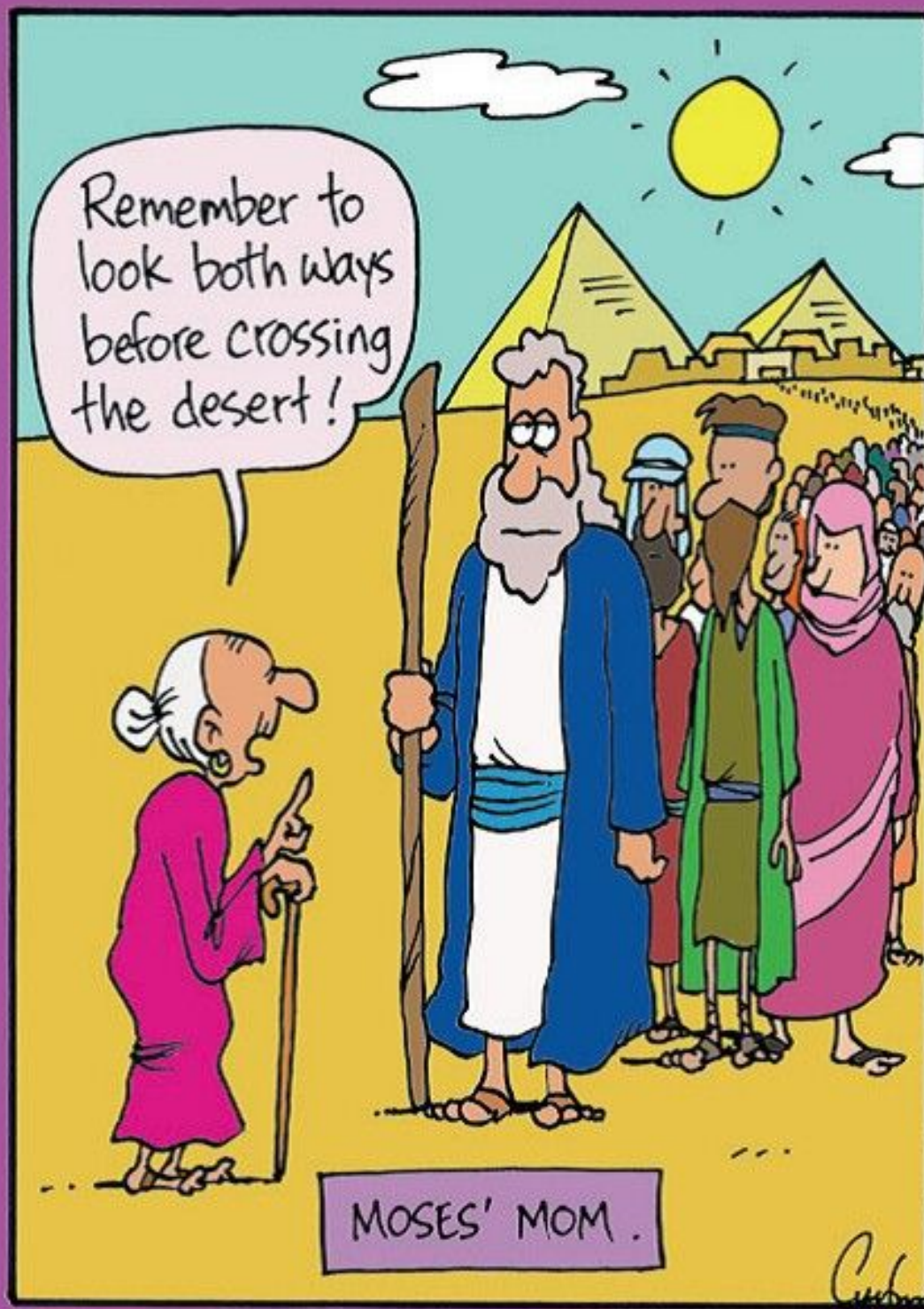
2. Live with purpose
Create your own day your own way

3. Embrace each moment
Lift up your head and look around. Life is a gift, a blessing
Be faithful to the person in front of you Reduce your screen
time

4. Savor life's beauties. Live, Love and Laugh

5. Don't live with regret. Do the right thing right now
Life is not perfect and that's O.K.

6. Surprise someone!





WHITE CHICKEN CHILI

INGREDIENTS

1 pound boneless skinless chicken breasts, chopped
1 medium onion, chopped
1 tablespoon olive oil
2 garlic cloves, minced
2 cans (14 ounces each) chicken broth
1 can (4 ounces) chopped green chiles
2 teaspoons ground cumin
2 teaspoons dried oregano
1-1/2 teaspoons cayenne pepper
3 cans (14-1/2 ounces each) great northern beans, drained, divided

Directions

In a Dutch oven over medium heat, cook chicken and onion in oil until lightly browned. Add garlic; cook 1 minute longer. Stir in the broth, chiles, cumin, oregano and cayenne; bring to a boil. Reduce heat to low. With a potato masher, mash 1 can of beans until smooth. Add to saucepan. Add remaining beans to saucepan. Simmer for 20-30 minutes or until chicken is no longer pink and onion is tender.

Top each serving with cheese and, if desired, jalapeno pepper, sour cream and tortilla strips.

1 cup shredded Monterey Jack cheese

Optional: sliced jalapeno pepper, sour cream and crispy tortilla



Reese's Cheese Ball: Peanut Butter Bliss Dessert Recipe

Ingredients:

8oz (225g) cream cheese, softened
1/2 cup peanut butter
1/2 cup powdered sugar
1/4 cup brown sugar
1 teaspoon vanilla extract
1 cup mini Reese's Pieces
1/2 cup mini chocolate chips
1/2 cup crushed peanut butter cups (optional)

For the Coating:

1/4 cup mini Reese's Pieces
1/4 cup mini chocolate chips
1/4 cup crushed peanut butter cups

Directions:

Prep the Cheese Ball:

In a mixing bowl, combine the softened cream cheese, peanut butter, powdered sugar, brown sugar, and vanilla extract. Mix until smooth.

Fold in the mini Reese's Pieces, mini chocolate chips, and crushed peanut butter cups (if using) until well combined.

Shape the mixture into a ball and wrap it in plastic wrap. Chill in the refrigerator for at least 1 hour to firm up.

Prepare the Coating:

In a shallow dish, combine the mini Reese's Pieces, mini chocolate chips, and crushed peanut butter cups.

Coat the Cheese Ball:

Remove the chilled cheese ball from the refrigerator and unwrap it.

Roll the cheese ball in the coating mixture until evenly covered.

Serve:

Place the coated cheese ball on a serving plate.

Serve with graham crackers, pretzels, or cookies for dipping.

Enjoy the creamy and indulgent Reese's Cheese Ball with your favorite dippers!





• BUT GOD •
DEMONSTRATES
His
OWN LOVE
for us in this:
WHILE WE WERE STILL SINNERS,
CHRIST DIED for us.
ROMANS 5:8

**You have been assigned this mountain to show others it can
be moved**



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