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*We Are Reaching Out,
 Not Out Of Reach*

The Bible Is Life

There was an old man who said of the bible, "It is a good thing in a good place for a good purpose." It is a good thing to remember that the bible in the head won't do; the bible in the hand, won't do; the bible in the pocket won't do and the bible on the shelf won't do. But the Bible and the Word of God in the heart, accepted through faith and full surrender, will bring a new life. He that hath the Word hath life and he that hath the Son hath life. So, it is good to remember that the bible in the head won't do; the bible in the hand, won't do; the bible in the pocket won't do and the bible on the shelf won't do. But the Word of God in your heart will do. It is life. He that hath the Word hath life and he that hath the Son hath life. He that hath not the Son of God hath not life. So, put it in your heart so you can have life because in the hand, it won't do and on the shelf it won't do. *(By Mother Inez McKinnon)*



To Encourage

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power from Jesus. Soon they will be working in their own strength, sacrificing their health and family for the good of the cause. It will work!"

The demons went out to their assignments to cause Christians to get busy and have little time for God or their families. Has the devil been successful in his schemes with you?" Does "BUSY" mean: B-eing U-nder S-atan's Y-o-ke? *(Submitted by Elder Samuel Neal, Author Unknown)*

Praise Be To God: Historical Information

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the moral direction, the spiritual mood given by the founder and first President of our unique democracy, "one nation, under God." Washington's prayer for America is awesome:

"Almighty God; We make our earnest prayer that Thou wilt keep the United States in Thy holy protection; that Thou wilt incline the hearts of the citizens to cultivate a spirit of subordination and obedience to government; and entertain a brotherly affection and love for one another and for their fellow citizens of the United States at large. And finally that Thou wilt most graciously be pleased to dispose us all to do justice, to love mercy, and to demean ourselves with that charity, humility, and pacific temper of mind which were the characteristics of the Divine Author of our blessed religion, and without a humble imitation of whose example in these things we can never hope to be a happy nation. Grant our supplication, we beseech Thee, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen." Laus Deo!

When one stops to observe the inscriptions found in public places all over the nation's capitol, he or she will easily find the signature of God, as it is unmistakably inscribed everywhere you look. You may forget the width and height of "Laus Deo," its location, or the architects. But no one who reads this will be able to forget its meaning, or these words: "Unless the Lord builds the house its builders labor in vain. Unless the Lord watches over the city, the watchmen stand guard in vain (Ps. 127:1). *(Submitted by Dr. Dianne Clark; Author Unknown)*

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Heart-To-Heart Newsletter

Praise Be To God: Historical Information

Washington continues to Give Praise to God. On the aluminum cap atop the Washington Monument in Washington, DC are two words: Laus Deo. No one can see these words. In fact, most visitors have no idea that they are even there.

The Washington Monument is 55 feet wide at the base and 555 feet tall, overlooking the 69 square miles which comprise the District of Columbia, capital of the U.S.A. Laus Deo! Two seemingly insignificant, unnoticed words. Out of sight and, one might think, out of mind, but very meaningfully placed at the highest point over what is the most powerful city in the most successful nation in the world. And what might those two words mean? Very simply, they say "Praise be to God!"

From atop this magnificent granite and marble structure, visitors can take in the beautiful panoramic view of the city with its

division into four major segments. And from that vantage point, one can also easily see the original plan of the designer, Pierre Charles l'Enfant, a perfect cross imposed upon the landscape with the White House to the North, the Jefferson Memorial to the South, the Capitol to the East, and the Lincoln Memorial to the West.



A cross you ask? What about separation of church and state? How interesting! This was intended to carry a meaning for those who bother to notice. Praise be to God! One interesting feature is the interior iron stairway with 50 landings and 897 stone

steps. These donated stones come from every state in the Union, as well as Native American nations and foreign countries. While the stairwell has been closed since the 1970s, visitors can gain access to the top observation area via elevator. As one climbs the steps and pauses at the landings, the memorial stones share a message. On the 12th landing is a prayer offered by the City of Baltimore; on the 20th is a memorial presented by some Chinese Christians; on the 24th a presentation made by Sunday School children from New York and Philadelphia quoting Proverbs 10:7, Luke 18:16 and Proverbs 22:6. Praise be to God!

When the cornerstone of the Washington Monument was laid on July 4th, 1848 deposited within it were many items including the Holy Bible presented by the Bible Society. Praise be to God! Such was the discipline,

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Dates To Remember

May 27	Men's Basketball Clinic
May 28	C.O.M. Visits Hawthorne Church of God By Faith
June 4	Talent Night
June 11	C.O.M. Graduation Celebration
June 18	Father's Day
June 19-23/24	Vacation Bible School/ Picnic
June 25	Make A Joyful Noise
June 29-July 1	Women's Retreat
August 5	Ladies Picnic
August 6-11	W.O.R.D. Conference

Positive Parenting: Encouraging Summer Learning

As the state continues to raise academic standards, parents must use summer vacation to engage their children in learning.

Reading

Reading is one of the most important activities your child can engage in. Through reading, children learn new things, improve reading skills, develop new vocabulary, and explore interesting places. To encourage reading:

- Schedule trips to the library as a regular family outing.
- Allow your child to select their own books to be read.
- Give gifts of books or magazine subscriptions
- Find interesting newspaper articles to read aloud and discuss with your child.
- Set a goal for yourself and your child - spend 30 minutes each day reading.
- Take reading material with you wherever you go.
- Have your child read information out loud: road signs, adver-

tisements, and menus.

- Set aside time for the family to read aloud to one another.
- Ask your child numerous questions about what he/she is reading.
- Take an "imaginary" family vacation in which the entire family reads about and talks about a certain place.

Writing

Writing is one of the most important methods of communication and self-expression. To develop writing:

- Help your children write notes to relatives and friends to thank them for gifts.
- Use articles in your local newspaper as models and write an interesting newspaper article about a family outing.
- Encourage children to write stories or poems to send to grandparents and other relatives.
- Ask your child to "interview" and write a story about an older relative who has lived through an interesting experience.

- Have your child write book reports on the books that they read.

- Encourage your children to write daily journals.

Math

Children need to practice math in fun ways and understand that there can be many ways to solve a problem. They need to know that math is useful and they need to become confident that they are good problem solvers. To build math skills:

- Have your child point out different shapes while you drive.
- Help your child make graphs and charts to describe your family.
- Read the newspaper with your child and discuss the math used: polls, batting averages, prices & classified ads.
- Work with your child to keep a running total when you shop.
- Encourage your child to ask other adults how they use math in their everyday lives. *(Article adapted from ncpublishschools.org)*

To Encourage Your Heart

Satan called a worldwide convention of demons. In his opening address he said, "We can't keep Christians from going to church or from reading their Bibles. BUT we can steal their time, so they can't develop a relationship with Jesus Christ. Keep them busy in the non-essentials of life and invent innumerable schemes to occupy their minds. Tempt them to spend, spend, spend, and borrow, borrow, borrow. Persuade the wives to go to work for long hours and the husbands to work 6-7 days each week, 10- 12 hours a day, so they can afford their empty lifestyles. Keep them from spending time with their children. As their families fragment, soon, their homes will offer no escape from the pressures of work! Over-stimulate their minds so that they cannot hear that still, small voice. Entice them to play the radio or cassette player whenever they drive. To keep the TV, VCR, CDs and their PCs going constantly in their home and see to it that every store and restaurant in the world plays non-biblical music constantly. This will jam their minds and break that union with Christ. Pound their minds with the news 24 hours a day. Invade their driving moments with billboards. Flood their mailboxes with junk mail, mail order catalogs, sweepstakes, and every kind of newsletter and promotional offering free products, services

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Women's Fellowship Luncheon

In celebration of Mother's Day, Compassionate Outreach Ministries Women's Fellowship held its 7th Annual Mothers/Daughters/Women Luncheon on May 13th at the Best Western Grand. This special event honored the special bond that women share together. The occasion opened up with a powerful prayer and praise as we gloried God as daughters of Zion. The speaker of the hour brought forth the word with power and might. God's messenger, Evengelist Sherry Simmons of the Daytona Beach Fellowship Church of Praise, Inc., encouraged the women in the Lord. At the conclusion of the event, words of exultation were presented by our First Lady, Sister Margaret Dennison. She encouraged women to live lives filled with respect, love, dignity and personal responsibility. As usual, the atmosphere had the elegant touch of our First Lady's creative hand. Special thanks to leadership and every mother, daughter and women who shared in this special occasion.

Summer Camp At C.O.M.

The North Central Florida YMCA will be sponsoring summer camp at Compassionate Outreach Ministries. The YMCA is America's largest childcare provider. The summer camp is offered in an effort to support families in the community, build leadership and self esteem in children and provide exposure to positive role models. Placements are available for children from K5-5th grade. The camp will run from 7am to 6pm beginning on June 5th and ending on August 11th. The tuition for the camp is only \$60.00 per week, per child. This fee includes breakfast, lunch, and snacks as well as field trips. Scholarships are available for children in families that meet the household income requirements. Also, Child Care Resources will be accepted. For more information, please contact Sis. Lois Johnson.

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and false hopes. And when they meet for spiritual fellowship, involve them in gossip and small talk so that they leave with troubled consciences. Crowd their lives with so many good causes they have no time to seek

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Special Recognition

Happy Wedding Anniversary

Mr. Henry & Mrs. Roberta Bell	30 years	5/17
Mr. Buford & Mrs. Claudia Brown	31 years	5/28
Mr. Timothy & Mrs. Erica Gilchrist	5 years	5/5
Mr. Jeremy & Mrs. Katrina Lawson	6 years	5/13
Mr. Cleveland & Mrs. Jessie Farrow	11 years	5/9
Mr. Rodney & Mrs. Vanessa Mitchum	18 years	6/1
Mr. Charles & Mrs. Brenda Williams	16 years	6/29

Congratulations

Compassionate Outreach Ministries Christian Academy!

The Compassionate Outreach Ministries Christian Academy graduated its first elementary 5th grade class on May 19, 2006. Two of the graduating students, Dennis Blount and Imani West, have been students at the academy since opening in August 2000. We are very proud of this graduating class and special thanks to our principal, First Lady Margaret Dennison for allowing God to use her to make this historical achievement possible.

The special graduation ceremony also included the C.O.M.C.A. kindergarten students. These students represent the 6th class of kindergarten students to graduate from the Academy.

Congratulations Pastor Dennison

Pastor Dennison recently published his first book "The Doctrine of Salvation." The book provides biblical insight into the greatest gift given to man. See Sister Vivian Alexander to pick up your copy for a donation of \$4.00.

Happy Birthday

To Everyone Born
in the Months of May & June
We Love You, We Do!



Congratulations Class Of 2006

We are proud of you and we expect great things from you!