

Central Baptist Church of Westerly, 16 Elm Street, Westerly, RI 02891

# THE GOOD WORD

Carrying News of God's Work into the Community and World  
April 2024  
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Worship With Us At  
Central Baptist



## Sunday Worship Service

10:30 AM

Our services can be seen on  
Facebook Live or on YouTube.  
Access is always available  
through our church website:  
[www.cbcwesterlyri.org](http://www.cbcwesterlyri.org)

## AN ABCORI FAMILY GATHERING IN WESTERLY

We co-hosted the representatives from the 65 American Baptist Churches in the state on March 9th. Over thirty of our members volunteered to serve during the day. Over 160 guests were on hand.



# April

## CHURCH MEETINGS

### April 8

5:30 Board of Education

### April 9

6:30 PM Board of Missions

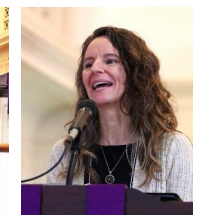
### April 15

4:30 PM Board of Trustees

7:00 PM Board of Deacons

### April 22

5:30 Church Council



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**CHURCH STAFF**

Rev. Dr. Cal Lord, Jr., Pastor  
 Assoc. Pastor, Enrique Newman  
 Lynn Johnson, Music Director  
 Dorothy McClure, Administrator  
 Ray Deptulski, Jr., Custodian  
 Sofia & Gianna Scarano

**Church Office Hours**  
**Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM**

**NEWSLETTER TEAM**

Suzanne Vanaman  
 Dot Marra  
 Dorothy McClure  
 and  
 A host of other contributors

**Newsletter  
Deadline**

Articles for *The Good Word*, are due the  
**15th of the month.**

Please submit articles  
 as a WORD document  
 if possible.

**e-mail all articles to:**  
**Suzanne Vanaman**

suzevan64@gmail.com

**SMALL GROUP STUDIES****Sunday mornings at 9:00AM - Nehemiah's Night Time Ride**

From the Sheep Gate to the Master Gate, we will see that God's process of sanctification is clearly shown in each Jerusalem's gates. Led by Pastor Dave

**2nd Sunday morning 11:45AM - New to Central Baptist**

Gather with the Pastor(s) in the church parlor for 15-20 minutes of Q & A about the church and its ministries. New meeting is April 14.

**Sundays at 6:00PM - The Screwtape Letters - (Part 2) begins April 21**

C.S. Lewis' book. The Screwtape Letters is an engaging account of temptation and triumph. To reserve a copy of the book, please email the office at: [centralbaptistchurch16@gmail.com](mailto:centralbaptistchurch16@gmail.com). Led by Pastor Cal

**Mondays at 7:00PM - Lead Like Jesus -Begins April 1**

Discover the time-tested treasures of leadership through the life of Jesus. Learn practical leadership strategies such as service, vision, and empowerment. Join us to discover how to inspire and motivate others, using Jesus as your model for effective leadership. Led by Pastor Enrique

**Wednesday at 10:00AM - The Gospel of John (Part 2) begins April 17**

Coffee with the Pastor. Bring your favorite coffee mug and your Bible. We will walk through this book chapter by chapter. Led by Pastor Cal

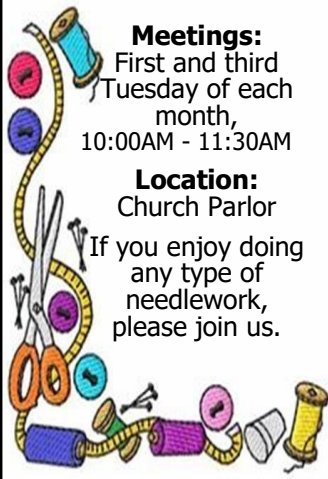
**Wednesday nights at 7:00 pm - The Letter to the Ephesians****NEEDLEWORKERS****Meetings:**

First and third  
 Tuesday of each  
 month,  
 10:00AM - 11:30AM

**Location:**

Church Parlor

If you enjoy doing  
 any type of  
 needlework,  
 please join us.

**Men's  
Breakfast**

April 6, 8:00 AM  
 Fellowship Hall  
 All men invited

**MEMORIAL GARDEN**

Spring is here and flowers are starting to bloom. Have you had a chance to stroll through the Memorial Garden lately to enjoy the serenity and peacefulness of it all? Have you been thinking about ordering a memorial brick in memory of, or in honor of someone special? Well, now is the time to do it.

Submit orders now. We hope to send out an order by the end of April and, hopefully, have them placed by Memorial Day. The cost is still \$150 per brick, 6 lines of script with 20 characters per line which includes spaces and punctuation.

Stroll through the garden and look at the bricks there to get some inspiration on wording, if needed. Checks should be made out to Central Baptist Church with Memorial Garden in the memo line. Order forms are in the office. Contact Noreen Gerrish (401 596-5796) or Pat Anderson (860 599-1424) with questions.

Blessings to you all,  
 Noreen Gerrish





## PASTOR CAL'S CORNER

Dear Friends,

I remember thinking that March (fourth) 4th was just a humorous saying that someone came up with to offer a play on words. For us at Central Baptist it truly was a marching order.



We've had a busy month. We kicked things off with our first meeting of Anchor Church on the 3rd. This Saturday night worship service is an outreach event featuring contemporary music and a message designed for those who don't attend traditional church services. The theme for March was "worship." We had a successful launch with 39 people on the first week and 33 people two weeks later. **We will be meeting this month on April 6 and 20 at 6:00 pm in Fellowship Hall.** Our theme this month will be "prayer."



On March 9th we opened our doors to ABCORI and co-hosted with Pleasant Street Baptist, the Annual Gathering of the Rhode Island Baptists. Over 157 members and delegates attended. Skip Terwilliger, Brian Gerbutavich and their crew served a delicious meal. Pat Collins and Meredith Eckel put together a super group of over 30 volunteers to meet, greet and serve for the day. It was a wonderful display of Christ's hospitality.

Our Anchor Youth group met for their monthly gathering on March 13 and had a great time. In six months the group has attracted over twenty different youth with an average attendance of around ten at each meeting. Youth leaders Jon Humphrey, Morgan Lestinsky and Dillon Meyer are doing a great job as they work with Pastor Enrique to build up the group and keep it interesting. **The next meeting of the group will be a Pizza Party at 7:00 pm on Wednesday, April 10th.**



Our small group Bible studies continued throughout the month. The Saturday morning "Don't Look Back" and Pastor Enrique's "Wisdom Walk" studies wrapped up at the end of the month. Pastor Dave's study of the book of Nehemiah, and Pastor Cal's studies of The Screwtape Letters and the Gospel of John will continue to mid April. If you haven't taken advantage of our studies yet, we began a new study on the book of Ephesians on Wednesday nights. **A new study led by Pastor Enrique on Monday nights at 7:00 pm begins April 1st. It is titled, "Lead Like Jesus".**



At the bi-monthly meeting of the Needleworkers, Catherine Knight celebrated her 97th birthday. On Sunday we got to sing Happy Birthday to her, Dale Rahl, Jon Humphrey, Rachel Meyer and Amy Mayo. We missed it but Marcia Erskine quietly celebrated her 80th birthday a few weeks earlier.

On March 23 a group of twenty three men traveled to the Iron Sharpens Iron Conference in Hartford, CT. It was an inspiring day of teaching and worship. The men have been meeting every month. **The next meeting of the Men's Ministry will be April 22nd at 6:30 pm.** They meet for worship study and fellowship. They are also talking about ways to serve. Come join them.



On the weekend of March 23rd we participated in the Annual Easter Cantata with First Seventh Day and Hope Valley Baptist Churches. It was a lot of fun and an inspiring concert to prepare us for Holy Week. Pictured to the left are "The Three Tenors" and an alternate. LOL.

Are you new to Central Baptist? Have you been attending for a while but have some questions? Would you like a tour of the church? Join Pastor Cal in the church parlor on Sunday, April 14 following our worship service for a fifteen to twenty minute Q & A.



### **Upcoming events in May to Note:**

Ladies Banquet on Saturday, May 11th at 5:30 pm. Come out for a night of good food and entertainment.

Neighbor Day on the Front Lawn - May 19th. We will gather on the front lawn for worship and an ice cream social.

Avondale Summer Season begins on Sunday, June 16th. Pastor Cal will be the preacher at the 8:00 am service.

God bless! See you in church. Cal

## Central Baptist Church of Westerly

### Board of Trustees



The replacement of the church kitchen flooring is on track to start in the first couple weeks of April. A special thanks to the Friendship Circle for their generous gift to make the new kitchen floor possible. The replacement of kitchen appliances and countertops for the Parsonage second floor was completed in March.

This is my first newsletter submission. As Jim and I finalize the transition and on behalf of the Board of Trustees members, I want to thank Jim for his six years and countless hours of service to our Lord and His Church. The fingerprints of Jim's effort, energy, and devotion are evident in every nook and cranny of our beautiful Church home. Jim is a shining example of applying our God given gifts and talents in service to Him.

Bob Burnside, Chairman of the Trustee

### Treasurer's Report

	February 2024 Actual	February Plan	Year-to-Date Actuals	Year-to-Date Plan	Annual Plan
Total Income	41,170.05	43,412.18	87,595.10	90,149.36	532,946.00
Total Expenses	44,744.64	41,903.85	92,178.12	101,125.70	532,397.00
Net Ordinary Income	(3,574.59)	1,508.33	(4,583.02)	(10,976.34)	549.00

Comparing the financial plan to actuals after the first two months of the year reveals that revenue is tracking approximately 2.5% below the planned amount. This deficit is not concentrated in any one budget line item and may be attributed to timing of transactions. Expenses are below year-to-date planned amounts by 8.8%, but are greater than the year-to-date revenues. This \$4,583.02 deficit in year-to-date Net Ordinary Income can be attributed to budget line items relative to insurance costs and facility maintenance. These budget line items contribute to early year expenses due to timing. This actual deficit is less than half of the planned deficit of \$10,976.34. Overall, the two months of the new financial year are tracking as planned.

As always, the generous donations and faithful support of Central Baptist members and friends allows the church to actively serve our community while also proactively maintaining our church properties. Your continued support is greatly appreciated. Thank you so much!

If you are unable to come to church, we hope that you're watching the live stream services on Facebook. If you miss it, you can search Facebook for the Central Baptist Church of Westerly, RI page and scroll down. It is also available on YouTube, just search for Cal Lord's page.

#### Here are some easy options for online giving:

- 1 Add CBC's address (16 Elm St Westerly RI 02891) to your bank's Bill Payment site and schedule the bank to mail your check to the church. Add a memo if your gift is for a special cause.
- 2 Text Giving is now available. Message the word "GIVE" to 401-414-4940 from your cellphone and easily send a donation.
- 3 Another option is to visit [www.cbccwesterlyri.org](http://www.cbccwesterlyri.org), then click on Donations link at the top, or scan this QR code with your phone to access CBC's online giving app. If your phone's camera can't scan the code, the URL app is: <https://app.easytithes.com/app/Giving/cbcw>.



You can give either directly from your bank account or ... (for a higher fee) use a debit/credit card.

The app uses the same security as bank web sites, so your personal information is secure.

Also, it allows you to schedule your donations in advance, so 'once and it's done'!

**Please take a look to see how online giving can make giving easier for you!**

## Board of Missions



God gives each of us talents and opportunities so that we can use them to share his word and love with others. As a church we support many missionaries throughout the world, support mission projects and volunteer at many organizations throughout our local communities. Below are two opportunities to serve God.

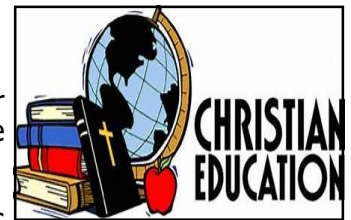
ABCORI has set up work days at Camp Canonicus. April 20, June 8, and September 21 have been set aside as days that members of ABCORI churches, past Canonicus guests, and members of the local community are invited to help the ABCORI staff with projects that could use extra hands to complete. Past projects have included clearing brush, splitting firewood, raking leaves, painting, and general clean up. All skill levels are welcome. Work days are from 9 am - 3 pm and include lunch. If you have a calling to help, contact Matt Black at 1-401-249-9315 or Matt@abcori.org to register.

Another opportunity to serve is to serve on the church Mission Board. The board is currently seeking new members to fill some vacancies. We are also looking to fill the chair and co-chair positions. The purpose of the Mission Board is to oversee the activities of missionaries and to assist local agencies and organizations. The board works to ensure that financial resources provided by our church members get to the missionaries and programs we support and report back to the church and other donors regarding the impact of these gifts. We meet the first Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm. If you are interested or have questions please contact a Member of the Mission Board.

"The greatest joy I know in this life is serving the Lord"

Thank you,  
Jodi

## Board of Christian Education



In Song of Solomon 2:9 we read "For behold, the winter is past; the rain is over and gone. The flowers appear on the earth, the time of singing has come, and the voice of the turtledove is heard in our land".

In Christianity the turtledove represents the Holy Spirit and the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross. It is seen as a symbol of new beginnings and renewal. (Joyce Elliott 2024) This spring, listen for the voice of the turtledove to guide you in your faith journey.

April is the month of rebirth, renewal and new beginnings; a time to rejoice in all of God's glories for the season! There is new life all around us. The Bible teaches us that everything we have was "planted" by our Lord. Our committee is working to "sow seeds" of learning by offering many opportunities to explore the Bible and our faith. There are a multitude of adult small Bible study and book groups. It's not too late to join! We'd love to see you! Our goal is that 100% of church attendees will be in at least one small group each year.

Our Sunday school program continues. Pastor Cal and Pastor Enrique are reading Bible stories to our preschool students weekly. Plans continue for our Faith Kids Camp this year, scheduled for June 24<sup>th</sup> through June 28<sup>th</sup>. This "Great Jungle Journey" led by Marie Bertsch and Pastor Enrique promises to be an exciting adventure of exploration.

One of our congregational goals is to teach every member in the church to be disciples, equipped and prepared in order to find their place as an ambassador for Christ, with the call to expand the kingdom of God. It's lofty but what better time than spring to personally reflect on this goal and explore how we may assist you, or you may assist us all, in growth of our faith!

Mary Ann Rezendes

### Board of Deacons

Jesus spoke of John the Baptist "a lamp that burned and gave light". Wherever Jesus went, John was a shining light pointing others to Jesus Christ. Throughout our world many people have been shining lights for Jesus Christ. Today we live in a world filled with spiritual darkness. People all around us are groping for something to bring light into their darkened lives. God has entrusted to us the ministry of being the light of the world.

Sometimes we are in such a dark place, God doesn't place all of us in the same place to shine. Some may be called to shine in far away places; others in their families, neighborhoods, and places of business. So, Jesus the Light of the World, shining through our lives can bring light into the darkness wherever he has placed us, even though we think our light very small.

*The lamp of the Lord searches the spirit of a man. ~ Proverbs 20:27*

The Lord has provided the perfect guide for our lives.

Keep Shining,  
Skip Terwilliger



### Parish Committee

Central Baptist Church has a wonderful tradition of ministering to members who are no longer able to attend church due to illness, disability, or the aging process.

The Parish Committee is made up of six teams of two. Each team makes only one visit per month. Based on the rotating schedule that is provided, a team visits a different shut-in each month. Each team coordinates their visit to fit into their schedules and the availability of the person they are visiting. The ability to drive is essential to this ministry.

If you are interested in being a part of this vital ministry or just have questions, please contact Anita Greene at [akgreene@mac.com](mailto:akgreene@mac.com) or 401-596-8914.



### A NEW CHURCH BUS

We are buying a new (to us) church bus. We are accepting donations now. If you want to give by check, please make it out to: Central Baptist Church and put "church bus" in the memo line. Cash donation are also appreciated. We are looking for \$5,000. in total. That will include painting the bus and applying wording.

### A Big Thank You to Friendship Circle

Thank You to the Friendship Circle for funding the new flooring in the kitchen. They also made a very generous donation to the Deacons Fellowship Fund.



### Domestic Mission Trip Meeting

Anyone who may be thinking about possibly doing a Mission Trip within the states is invited to come to an informal talk and discussion about where we might want to go.

Please come with thoughts or suggestions.

The meeting is planned for April 18th, 2024 at 6pm in the parlor.

Thank you



### Persecuted Church



#### THE ROOT CAUSE?

A recent article in Christianity Today states, "Overall, 365 million Christians live in nations with high levels of persecution or discrimination." That's more people than live in the United States.

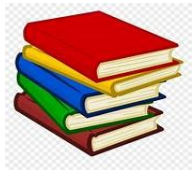
The most troubling spots tend to be either authoritarian states like Cuba and North Korea, or Muslim-dominated areas like Saudi Arabia. Nigeria accounts for over 75% of world martyrs, with over 4,100 killed between October 2022 and September 2023.

The growing hostility to faith is because these precious brothers and sisters have embraced the name of the One who suffered on their behalf.

Francis Schaeffer once wrote, "No totalitarian authority nor authoritarian state can tolerate those who have an absolute by which to judge that state and its actions." In any place where religion, ideology, or state demands absolute loyalty, Christians will be seen as a problem. Please pray for those suffering, and pray that we would be given a portion of their courage.

### Library Corner

#### Library Corner & Library Room



The Library Corner bookcase is located in the back of Fellowship Hall. New additions and suggested readings are available. Please visit the complete Library Room down the Nursery School Hallway near Fellowship Hall. There are many more titles and topics to catch your interest. A sign-out sheet is available at both locations. Don't miss the following books for spring reading.



#### *Christian Living*

##### **Unstoppable** - by Nick Vujicic

The author is a motivational speaker, evangelist, author and director of the nonprofit organization Life Without Limbs. Many people recognize his smiling face and encouraging words. Nick's challenges of being born without arms or legs has not stopped him from knowing that he was created for a purpose. Through stories about Nick's life, you will learn how anyone wanting a good life can become unstoppable no matter what is standing in the way.

#### *Biography*

##### **Hudson Taylor** - by J. Hudson Taylor

This autobiography is an inspiring and fascinating story of a man who left England in 1853 to share the Gospel of Christ to the Chinese. It was a long and difficult yearlong journey to China. His devotion to prayer and complete reliance on the Lord helps to bring Christianity in China. You will be amazed by Hudson Taylor. You will recommend this book to others.

#### *Fiction*

##### **Paul - Apostle of Christ** - Angela Hunt

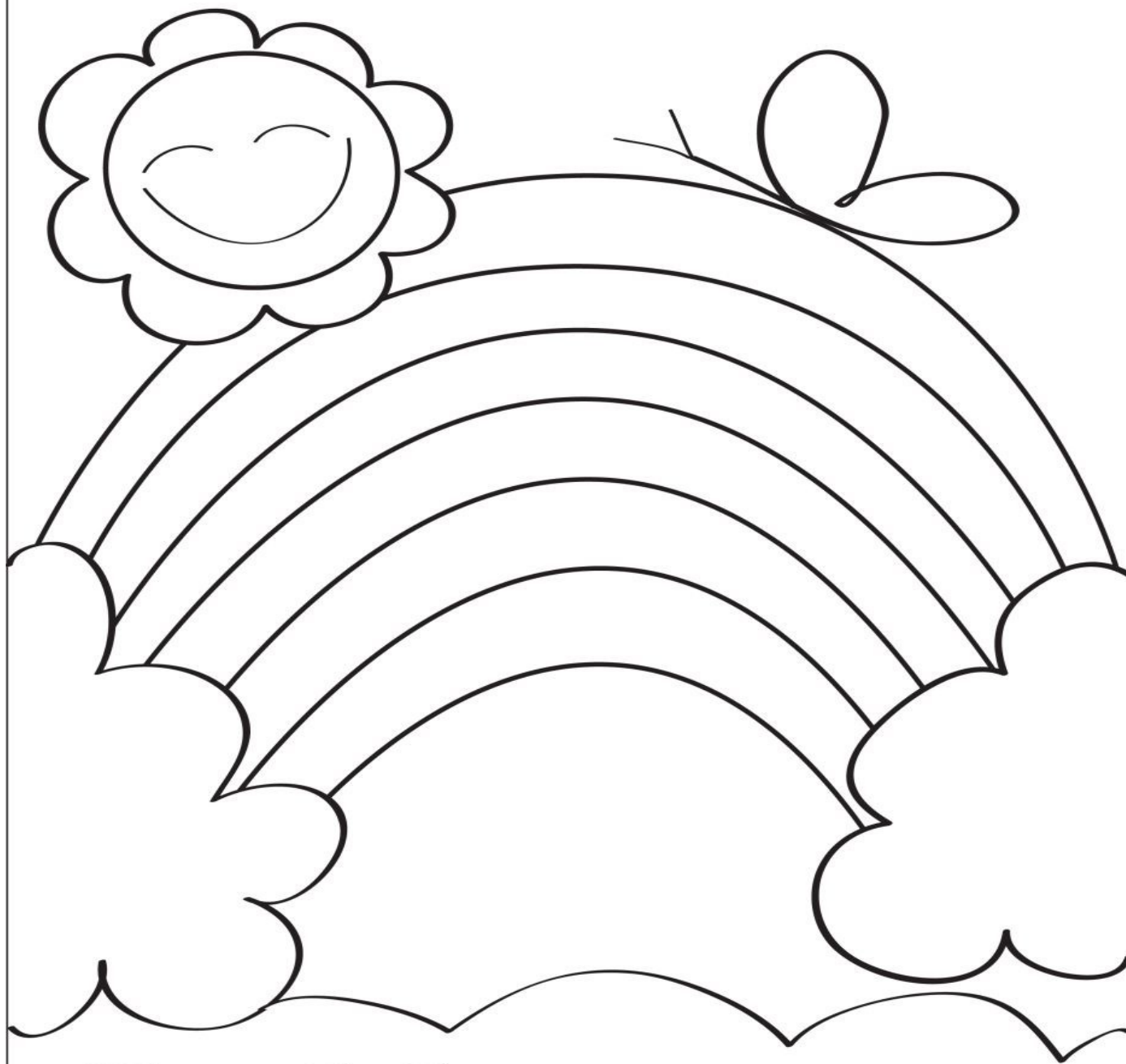
This novel is a beautiful story of Paul and Luke's remaining days. It is a fictional book mixed with the Biblical understanding of one of the greatest men of the Bible. It is a touching experience about the harsh treatment of Christ's followers. This book is adapted from the screen play by Andrew Hyatt. The darkness and torment of Paul's final days will touch you. You will learn of the tender care and compassion of Luke and his other Christian brothers. After reading this book, you will become a fan of Angela Hunt and read her other books.

# Just For Kids

By Marcia Erskine



Color the Rainbow: Blue Purple Red Orange Yellow Green



## God loves me.

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# SMILES AND SO FORTH

Humor, Wisdom, Poetry, Quizzes, and So Forth

By Dorothy Marra

## Telephone Call to God

Hello God, I called tonight  
To talk a little while.  
I need a friend who'll listen  
To my anxiety and trial.



You see, I can't quite make it  
Through a day just on my own.  
I need your love to guide me,  
So I'll never feel alone.

I want to ask you please to keep  
My family safe and sound.  
Come and fill their lives with confidence  
For whatever fate they're bound.

Give me faith, dear God, to face  
Each hour throughout the day

And not to worry over things I can't  
change in any way.

I thank you God for being home  
And listening to my call,  
For giving me such good advice  
When I stumble and fall.

Your number, God, is the only one  
That answers every time.  
I never get a busy signal,  
Never had to pay a dime.

So thank you, God, for listening  
To my troubles and my sorrow.  
Good night, God, I love You too,  
And I'll call again tomorrow!

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★ HE LIGHTS OUR WAY ★  
★ When we can't see the road ahead ★  
★ Or know which path to take, ★  
★ Our God is faithful and sincere ★  
★ To light our journey's way. ★  
★ Our steps are lightened by His love ★  
★ And seasoned by His grace ★  
★ Each new day belongs to Him, ★  
★ To Him belongs the praise. ★  
★ Without God's touch upon our ★  
★ lives, ★  
★ Our future would be dim... ★  
★ But we have faith to see us ★  
★ through; ★  
★ We've placed our trust in Him. ★  
★ Jill Lemming ★  
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Q. What kind of man was Boaz before he married?  
A. Ruthless

Q. What do they call pastors in Germany?  
A. German Shepherds.

Q. Who was the greatest financier in the Bible?  
A. Noah. He was floating his stock while everyone  
else was in liquidation.

Q. Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible?  
A. Samson. He brought the house down.

Q. Which area of Palestine was especially wealthy?  
A. The area around Jordan. The banks were always  
overflowing.

Q. Which Bible character had no parents?  
A. Joshua, son of Nun.

The truth is one thing for which  
there are no known substitutes.

## BIBLE WORD SEARCH!

BASIC WORDS OF THE BIBLE



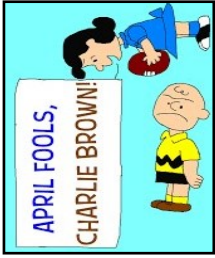
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SALVATION  
JEW  
GENTILE  
HOLY SPIRIT  
GOD THE FATHER  
PERSECUTE


PRAY  
TITHE  
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BIBLE  
HOLY  
SACRIFICE  
FAITH

MIRACLE  
NAZARETH  
BETHLEHEM  
JERUSALEM  
BAPTIZE  
TEMPTATION  
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# APRIL 2024



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 7:00PM Lead Like Jesus 	2 10:00AM Needleworkers 6:00PM String Ensemble 7:00PM Young Adult Study	3 7:00PM Mid-Week Worship Weight Watchers  Pastor Cal away	4 7:00PM Choir Rehearsal	5 7:30 Intro to Worship with Scott Gail	6 8:00AM Men's Breakfast 6:00PM Anchor Church
7 9:00AM Adult Sunday School 10:30AM Worship	8 5:30PM Christian Ed Board 7:00PM Lead Like Jesus	9 6:00PM String Ensemble 6:30PM Mission Board 7:00PM Young Adult Study	10 7:00PM Anchor Youth 7:00PM Mid-Week Worship Weight Watchers  Pastor Cal back	11 7:00PM Choir Rehearsal	12	13
14 9:00AM Adult Sunday School 10:30AM Worship 11:45AM New to Central Baptist Mtg	15 <b>Newsletter Deadline</b> 4:30PM Trustee Board 7:00PM Deacon Board 7:00PM Lead Like Jesus	16 10:00AM Needleworkers 6:00PM String Ensemble 7:00PM Young Adult Study	17 10:00 AM Study of John 7:00PM Mid-Week Worship Weight Watchers	18 7:00PM Choir Rehearsal	19 7:30 Intro to Worship with Scott Gail	20 6:00PM Anchor Church
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## Central Baptist Church of Westerly

### Prayer List

Paul Arnold  
Beverly  
Jenn Bryan  
Arthur Burton  
David Collings  
Joan Cushman  
Mary Evans  
Mark Faiola  
Steve Fish  
Fred  
Arlene Fitzhugh  
Kathleen Giblin  
Thomas Gilligan  
Judy Grady  
Jessica  
Dorothy Kay  
Greg Kay  
Vicky Keane  
Dan & Valerie LaPointe  
Tommy Leihbacher  
Tim Lynn  
John Macomber  
Sheila Martel  
Rev. Joshua McClure  
John Millett  
Sharon Mitchell  
Marie Moussie  
Alex Oesau  
Jack Payne  
Michael Payne  
Kay Perrone  
Paul Pierce  
Deb Plante  
Gil Scott  
Jean Smith  
JoySea Smith  
Bruce Titterington  
William Watkins  
Elizabeth Webster



The church extends sympathy to Kathy Niles and David Caswell on the passing of their mother and our friend Jean Caswell.

"For I know the plans I have for you," says the Lord.  
"Plans to prosper & not harm you, ...plans for a hope & a future."  
Jeremiah 29:11

"In the past 14 years through the illness and eventual passing of my wife Mary, and my own health challenges, I have been the recipient of much love, support, cards, prayers and visits from my church family. This has given me a greater appreciation for the words of Horatio Spafford when he wrote in his classic hymn 'It is well with my soul'. It is with great confidence I can echo Spafford's words that has taught me to say it is well with my soul. My door is always open for visitors. Please feel free to send cards, letters and stop in for visits.

**THANK YOU!**

With our thanks, love and constant appreciation for your thoughtfulness from **John Macomber** and family."

### What God says about the power of prayer?

You may ask me for anything in my name, and I will do it." (John 14:13-14) "If you believe, you will receive whatever you ask for in prayer." (Matthew 21:22) "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." (Matthew 7:7)

**Prayer is aligning ourselves with the purposes of God.**

**PRAYER CHANGES THINGS**

### Our Shut in Members at Home

Paul Arnold, Judy Grady and Sheila Martel

### Royal Nursing Home

John Macomber  
79 Beach St, Westerly 02891

### The Elms

Joan Cushman  
22 Elm Street, Westerly, RI 02891

### Benchmark Plymouth Crossing

Winnie Hamilton, 157 South Street - Apt 218,  
Plymouth, MA 02360



### Those in the Military:

Lance Corporal Jordan Payne  
Cpt. Evan Caval, Ft. Campbell, KY  
Lieutenant Colonel Brian Gavitt  
Lance Corporal Christian Smith  
David Aiello, US Marines

**PRAY**  
FOR OUR TROOPS

And all those who serve in our armed forces.

## April Birthdays

2 Katy Burnside  
2 Olivia Flanagan  
3 Paul Georgetti Jr.  
8 Janet Gerbutavich  
12 Mark Gildea  
13 Al Samuel Jr.  
14 Phyllis Penhallow  
15 Susan Cozzolino  
15 Casey Payne Jr.  
16 Francine Sullivan  
17 Marjorie Duerr  
21 William Zembruski  
22 Dorothy McClure  
24 Dale Frey  
27 Rev. David Jordan  
28 Dale Peck  
29 Marilyn Taylor

**BIRTHDAYS**  
*may*

1 Ellen Rodehorst  
1 Jim Stewart  
2 Brian Moore  
3 Judy Lathrop  
4 Racheal Pennington  
4 Marjorie Smith  
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Happy Birthday!*

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