

## Reminders...

**Business Meeting:** today at **4:00 p.m.**

**Ladies Bible Class:** next Sunday, September 18

### Read through the Bible in 2016!

(Submitted by Mike McKnight)

Suggested chapters to read so that we might read through the entire Bible during 2016! **This week's "schedule":**

- **Day 249** - Ezekiel 32-34 Monday
- **Day 250** - Ezekiel 35-37 Tuesday
- **Day 251** - Ezekiel 38-39 Wednesday
- **Day 252** - Ezekiel 40-41 Thursday
- **Day 253** - Ezekiel 42-43 Friday
- **Day 254** - Ezekiel 44-45 Saturday
- **Day 255** - Ezekiel 46-48 Sunday

### September Birthdays

3 Wendy Cortes      11 Marie Burruss      15 Marcos Perales  
16 Jim Burruss      24 Mason Perales  
30 Dortha Gentry      30 Kurt Hoffman

### September Anniversary

13 Wendy & Luis Cortes

#### Regular Meeting Times

Sunday.....9:45 a.m.  
Sunday.....10:45 a.m.  
Sunday.....6:00 p.m.  
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

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## Life Lessons...

### Sermons We Can See

(From HousetoHouse.com)

I'd rather see a sermon than to hear one any day.  
I'd rather one would walk with me than merely show the way.  
The eye's the better pupil, more willing than the ear.  
Fine counsel is confusing but example is always clear.

The best of all the preachers are the men who live their creed.  
For to see the good in action is what everybody needs.  
If you let me watch you do it, I can see just how it's done.  
I can see your hands in action, but your tongue too fast may run.

And the sermons you deliver may be very wise and true,  
But I'd rather get my lesson from observing what you do.  
For I may misunderstand you and the high advice you give,  
But there is no misunderstanding how you act and how you live.

*"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden; nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven.*

Matthew 5:14-16

## Two Wolves

Author - Unknown

One evening an old Cherokee Indian told his grandson about a "battle" that goes on inside people.

He said, "My son, the battle is between two 'wolves' inside us all. One is Evil. It is angry, envy, sorrow, regret, greed, arrogance, self-pity, guilt, resentment, inferiority, lies, false pride, superiority and ego. The other is Good. It is joy, peace, love, hope, serenity, humility, kindness, benevolence, empathy, generosity, truth, compassion and faith."

The grandson thought about it for a minute and then asked his grandfather: "Which wolf wins?" The old Cherokee simply replied, "The one you feed."

## Bumps are What We Climb On

By Steve Johnson

A little boy was leading his sister up a rather difficult mountain trail. She complained, "Why, this isn't a path at all, it's all rocky and bumpy."

Her brother replied, "Sure, the bumps are what you climb on." That's a remarkable piece of philosophy. What do you do with the bumps on your path of life?

Hebrews is written to Christians who have been climbing the mountain and are weary from the bumps. The writer tells them the key to walking on the mountaintops—fix our eyes on Jesus!

### Hebrews 12:1-2

*"Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God."*

Don't let life get us down. Don't allow the rough pathway cause us to take a detour or rest or go back. Fix our eyes on Jesus and we will be able to climb on the bumps.

One day Charlie Brown was complaining because his team always lost their games. Lucy tried to console him by saying, "Remember, Charlie Brown, you learn more from your defeats than you do from your victories." And Charlie Brown replied, "That makes me the smartest man in the world!"

God puts balance into our lives—the good and the bad. The key is to not look at ourselves, our circumstance, our troubles, or the bumps in the road, but fix our eyes on Jesus and the bumps will be what we climb on!

## Blessed Assurance, the Song and the Story

Composer Fanny Crosby Writes Blessed Assurance  
(from Internet source: sharefaith.com)

Fanny Crosby (1820-1915) is heralded as one of the world's most prolific and talented hymn composers. Blind from shortly after birth, Fanny nonetheless wrote 8,000 hymns.

One day, Fanny overheard her friend and fellow musician Phoebe Knapp playing a new composition on the organ. Phoebe told Fanny the tune was called *Assurance*. Fanny replied: 'Blessed Assurance! Jesus is mine!' And so began the collaboration that was to become one of Christendom's most beloved hymns. ***Blessed Assurance*** was published in 1873.

*Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine!  
O what a foretaste of glory divine!  
Heir of salvation, purchase of God,  
Born of His Spirit, washed in His blood.*

### Refrain:

*This is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long;  
this is my story, this is my song,  
praising my Savior all the day long.*