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A note from the editor...

Preparing Your Heart for the Resurrection Season



Julie L. Schultz
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Publisher/Editor

The night before our Lord's crucifixion, Christ went to the Garden of Gethsemane to pray. He was lamenting to the degree that His tears turned to blood. I heard a wonderful definition of lament: A prayer in pain that turns to trust. Doesn't that sound perfect? When Jesus cried out to His Father God 'please let this cup pass from Me' He already knew it was His life's plan to be crucified but He was so full of lament. Even so as He was so full of sorrow He said "*O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless not as I will, but as thou wilt.*" Matt 26: 39b I feel that is when Jesus' sorrow turned to trust. During His time of serious prayer, His pain turn to trust.

The degree in which Jesus was physically and mentally abused is beyond our knowledge. Oh, sure, we can read about it and even imagine it but we truly can't understand it. According to Matt 27:46 *He yelled out My God, my God, why hast Thou forsaken Me?* He was offered vinegar and gall which would have numbed His pain yet He refused because He knew that He had to carry out His experience as prophesied. There was an earthquake, the temple curtain was ripped from top to bottom and as Jesus died even the centurion along with others said fearfully, *Truly this was the Son of God.* Matt 27:54

We all know that He was buried and rose again and all the commotion that occurred as His disciples realized these amazing happenings. From utter darkness to glorious light! AMEN!

He did this for us! Now it's our duty to share our love for Him with others. This is why we have *The Outreacher Christian Magazine*. I pray that you take an extra one to share with someone. Have a beautiful and thoughtful resurrection season and read Matthew chapters 26-28 to give a new meaning to Easter.

Alfred Ackley wrote the song "He Lives". Here is one of the verses: *I serve a risen Savior He's in the world today. I know that He is living. Whatever men may say. I see His hand of mercy; I hear His voice of cheer; And just the time I need Him He's always near.*

Live life to the fullest, because HE LIVES!

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Seasons of Waiting, Seasons of Blessing



Elizabeth Morris
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Okay, real talk: waiting is the worst. You're praying for something, working toward it, believing God for it, and then... crickets. Nothing happens. Days turn into weeks, weeks turn into months, and you're just sitting there like, "Um, God? Did You forget about me?"

I've been there. We've all been there. And honestly? It's so frustrating when everyone else seems to be living their best life while you're stuck in the waiting room.

Why Does God Make Us Wait?

Here's the thing though, God's timing is completely different from ours. We're over here checking our phones every five seconds, living by deadlines and due dates. But God? He works in seasons. Ecclesiastes 3:1 KJV says, *To everything there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.*

What if the waiting isn't wasted time? What if God is actually doing something really important that we just can't see yet? Think about it like this: you can't rush a plant to grow. You plant the seed, water it, and then you have to WAIT for it to break through the soil. God works the

same way. He's doing things under the surface—in your heart, in your character—that you can't see yet.

The Glow-Up Happens in the Waiting

During waiting seasons, God is basically giving you a spiritual glow-up. He's teaching you patience (ugh, I know), making your faith stronger, and helping you learn to actually trust Him instead of trying to control everything yourself.

Look at the people in the Bible. Abraham waited 25 years for the son God promised him. Joseph was literally in prison for years before stepping into his purpose. David was anointed as king when he was young but didn't actually become king until way later. God was preparing them for something bigger than they could imagine.

When the Season Finally Shifts

And then one day, things change. The door opens. The prayer gets answered. And suddenly you're like, "Ohhh, THAT'S why God made me wait." You realize you weren't ready before. You needed to grow first.

Galatians 6:9 KJV says, *And let*

us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not. Your harvest is coming. Your blessing is on the way. It's just coming in God's perfect timing, not yours.

How to Survive the Wait

Keep reading your Bible and let God's promises remind you that He's faithful. Worship even when you don't feel like it. Help someone else who's struggling because sometimes getting out of your own head is exactly what you need. Keep doing the right thing even when it feels pointless. Hold onto hope, because this season won't last forever.

Both Seasons Matter

We need BOTH seasons. The waiting builds character and makes us appreciate the blessing so much more. The blessing reminds us that God is good and keeps His promises.

If you're in a waiting season right now, I see you. It's hard. It's frustrating. But you're not forgotten. God is working behind the scenes, and when the time is right, your season of blessing will come. It will be worth the wait.



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Be not forgetful to entertain strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.

HEBREWS 13:2 KJV



Paula Hixenbaugh
New Philadelphia, OH

The cold March wind blew, as traces of snow still clung to the ground. It had been a lonely time for Henry. He had been in the hospital for a month and wondered if he would ever see the spring flowers. Although visitors came and went, his bright spots in

his days were his visits from Betty.

Betty buzzed in and out of the rooms daily, and Henry looked forward to her visits. She didn't just clean and tidy his room; she encouraged him. She said, "Henry, before you know it, you will be sitting on your cottage porch enjoying your flower garden and I will come visit you."

Day after day, Betty came and soon Henry's health began improving. For weeks he had laid in bed, unable to get up, but now he was able to sit in his chair for meals. Betty smiled when she entered his room. "I am so happy to see you doing so well. Before you know it,

you will be enjoying your garden."

One day, Betty entered Henry's room with a wheelchair. She said, "Henry, let's take a walk. The hospital has a beautiful, indoor garden on the ground floor." Henry smiled and said, "I would love to see it." He reached for his sweater on the edge of his bed as she wheeled him to the door.

Down the hall they went, talking and laughing along the way. Soon they reached the ground floor. Henry marveled at the beautiful display of spring flowers. The sun shone through the sky light, and it

seemed as though they were in his very own garden. Betty sat on the bench beside Henry's wheelchair and listened as Henry shared about all of the flowers that would be blooming in his garden. When they finally arrived back in Henry's room, Betty said, "Thank you for a lovely visit, Henry, I

will visit your cottage soon."

Not long after she had left, Henry's doctor stopped in. "Henry," the doctor said, "I am so amazed at your progress. You will be released to go home in the morning." Henry was delighted. When morning came, Henry's driver was waiting. He wheeled Henry to the car and off they went. Soon Henry was home in his little cottage at the edge of town.

Before leaving the hospital, Henry had asked for Betty's number. He wanted to invite her for a visit, but the staff told Henry that they didn't know anyone by that name. Henry kept trying to find Betty, but to no avail.

As Henry prayed, he realized that Betty could have been an angel. As he sat on his porch swing enjoying his garden, a blue butterfly landed on the railing of his porch. It sat for a long time and then flew away. Henry smiled and thanked God for Betty.

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~ A devotion

Life can seem terribly dark at times, even hopeless. It might feel like you're standing in an abandoned wintry field at dusk as the temperature drops and the frigid air threatens to strike your face with frostbite. You shiver and your eyes water before you turn and realize there's a house not far away with a soft light glowing from inside.

There is hope. Someone has pulled back a curtain and is watching from the window, waving you over as light spills out, bathing a golden pathway in the snow that leads you to the front door.

Will you aim for the warmth of that house to escape the bitter cold? Or perhaps you don't believe you need help, you're fine out here on your own, so you turn and walk away, hoping to have enough light to find your way.

We've all stood in such a place. It's the place where we must choose.

We can choose to turn toward our Heavenly Father's house and take steps to follow the narrow path Jesus came to show us in Himself. Or we can decide to make it on our own, to finish our own tasks and agendas before darkness falls, hoping not to get lost along the way. There will come a time when choosing will be over, and the door to the Father's house will be closed.

If Jesus Christ is your Lord and Savior, the door will close *behind* you, shutting out the cold and darkness as you step forward into the warmth of His presence for all eternity. But if you've decided to run off and "do your own thing," following the wide road leading away from the Father's house, and the door shuts, it will be too late to step inside.

Realize this, precious soul: You are not without hope. Even though the world is growing darker and the winds are picking up, you have time right NOW to choose Jesus Christ

and believe in Him as your Lord and Savior:

"Lord Jesus, I want You to be Lord and Savior of my life, and I believe in my heart that God raised You from the dead. Thank You for saving me!" Please read Romans 10:9-10.

Don't be bashful. Speak those words out loud. Let the One who is waiting for you hear your voice. Let your words be heard over the raging winds of this chaotic world and over the voice of the devil, who beckons you to stay outside a little longer so you can figure things out on your own. The enemy will even try to wrap this lie around you, offering a counterfeit sense of security and warmth: "You can take care of this stuff later."

Only, *later* may never come. Please don't wait. It only takes a few seconds to turn around, repeat that short prayer above, and start following Jesus to the Father's house.

Can't you feel the wind growing colder? Don't you know night is

coming? And yet, there is a warm room waiting for you in our Father's house. And Jesus Christ is the only way to that house.

In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I [Jesus] would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. John 14:2 kjv

Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me. John 14:6 kjv

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We live in troubled and divided times. We point fingers across lines of division we have drawn, declaring our words to be truth. We cast stones with degrading, hurtful, and demeaning words. We pick sides and stand defiant and obstinate with unmoving feet, unmoving hearts. Full of pride we rush and stumble all over ourselves to judge and condemn. All the while claiming God is on our side, proving the other to be wrong. All the while our hearts grow hard like drying concrete filling a hole of emptiness. I know. I've been there, pointing fingers, casting blame, tossing out a random scripture passage to prove that I speak the truth.

This is not what Jesus Christ taught. Jesus showed us the way to overcome hatred and anger that can suck us into the cesspool of finger pointing, judgement, and anger. I have found a way out of hurtful and divisive behavior in the Beatitudes described in the Gospel of Matthew. The teaching from Jesus in the Beatitudes fulfills

and enriches the Ten Commandments and the Old Testament laws and regulations. Reaching beyond telling us what we should and should not do, the Beatitudes reveal an outlook on life, an attitude, a disposition of the Christian life. The Beatitudes teach us a way of life that can fill the heart with love rather than stony hearts created by division and hate. Living the Beatitudes clears away distractions and attitudes that pull us away from Jesus Christ, strengthening us as humble disciples of Christ.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Let us turn our attention to the forgotten, the overlooked, the neglected. Let us give our time, effort, and love to the least among us. Let us not grasp for riches of honor, pleasure, and power that can provide only fleeting happiness.

Blessed are they who mourn, for they shall be comforted. Let us mourn with and comfort the poor in spirit. Let us reach out to those denied dignity and respect. Let us mourn with the sorrowful, downcast, and unloved. Let us be present to those who need us.

Blessed are the meek for they shall inherit the earth. Let us set aside



ego, pride, and glory. Let us humbly give ourselves up to others and to the will of God. Let us listen to our hearts and reach out in understanding and compassion. Let us not rush to judge and condemn.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness for they will be filled. Let us direct and devote our hearts and desires to God. Let us respond to His love for us with love for our neighbors. Let our hunger and thirst drive us to seek justice.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy. Let us be kind and merciful as God is kind and merciful. Let us respond to the cries of those in need, even those who have crossed us and stand on the other side

of the line.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God. Let us empty our hearts of all that is not pure, all that is hateful and demeaning. Let us fill our hearts with the presence of God, our foundation, our rock, our light.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God. Let us come together in community, recognizing that we are all indispensable and loved. We are all parts of the same Body of Christ. Let us be one voice calling for unity, not division.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Let us understand that we will be criticized and persecuted. Let us not return anger with anger. Let us soak in God's unconditional and eternal love, knowing that whatever we may suffer in the here and now evaporates in the eternity of heaven. Let us know that Paul wrote "rejoice always" while imprisoned.

The Beatitudes guide and prompt us to make moral and virtuous decisions in the face of darkness. By living the Beatitudes each of us can offer an antidote to the darkness by radiating kindness, mercy, peace, comfort, forgiveness, hope, and love.

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God Never Gives Up On You

by Max Lucado



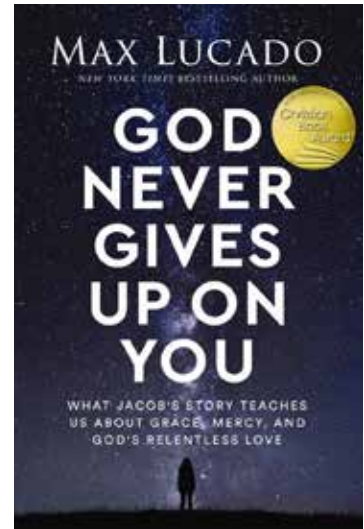
Book Review by
Marcia Bryan
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Max Lucado is one of my favorite Christian authors and this book did not disappoint. Lucado uses the story of Jacob found in Genesis to remind us of God's grace and relentless love. And seriously, who doesn't need that crucial reminder every now and then? The first chapter is titled "The Tilted Halo Society" which made me laugh because I knew right away that I was clearly a member of that society! In the author's words, "If your halo never tilts, your faith never waivers, your Bible never closes, and your feet never stray from the straight and narrow, let me save you some time. You won't relate to this story." (Lucado, pg. 3) "But if God can still use a person whose halo has slipped ... then the story of Jacob is what you need." (Lucado, pg. 4)

Jacob's story is a testimony to God's divine grace and how He can use any of us.

Lucado is a great storyteller and his unique humor helps bring the story of Jacob to life. I knew most of Jacob's story, but I'd never studied him in great depth. Jacob and Esau were the twin sons of Isaac and the grandsons of Abraham. Jacob lived most of his life deceiving others. He cheated his famished brother out of his birthright with a bowl of stew. With his mother's help, he dressed up like his brother and tricked his dying father into giving him Esau's blessing. When Esau plotted to kill him, he ended up running away from his home, his family, and God and was a fugitive for over 20 years. He formed a new family with two wives who were sisters (which is a whole other story), but still God chose to use Jacob's sons to name the twelve tribes of Israel and he's included in the lineage of Jesus. Yes, Jacob messed up over and over again, yet God remained faithful.

My favorite chapter was "Past Tense" which told about Jacob returning to meet Esau, though he was fearful of doing so. Along comes this verse describing the scene ever so beautifully ... *And Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck, and kissed him: and they wept.* (Genesis 33:4 ASV) I want to cry just typing these words! Don't we all need to be reminded that stories of forgiveness and reconciliation are always possible? And isn't that grace? Amazing grace? In that moment, God helped Jacob face his past as He led Him into his future.



This book includes many more details of Jacob's life, including his wrestling match with an angel, but I'll stop here to allow each reader to discover them on their own.

Jacob is every person who's ever messed up and the same God who never gave up on him will not give up on us either. When God identified Himself to Moses in Exodus 3:6, He said ... *I am ... the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob* ... not just Abraham and Isaac, but Jacob, too. I love that I can say that the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob is the God of Marcia! Try inserting your name there, too! God still promises His mercy and love to us and that's beyond comforting to me.

Max Lucado is America's leading inspirational author with more than 150 million products in print along with several New York Times bestsellers. He entered the ministry in 1978, and he currently serves the Oak Hill Church in San Antonio, TX, where he lives with his wife, Denalyn.



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Who is the Greatest?



John Tindor
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Many are called "the greatest in the world:" Ali the boxer, Buffet the investor, Taylor Swift the singer, etc.

In Matthew 18:1-5, Jesus was questioned by His disciples as to who is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. They probably had in mind some famous one like Moses, Elijah, or King David. Or maybe they were hoping to hear Jesus say one of their own names. They were humans, after all, and it is recorded that a couple of them thought that they might be eligible to sit, one on each side of the Father, in the heavenly realm when they arrived there. Jesus told them that is the Father's decision to make.

They were probably surprised when Jesus called a little child to Himself and told His disciples that, *except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter the kingdom of heaven. Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.* Matthew 18:3-4 KJV. Have you ever wondered what He meant, and means by this statement? Why would Jesus want any adult to act, think, or live like a child? Children are wonderful to have and it is rewarding to raise them, but it can be emotionally and financially draining. They do not always obey. They break things. They can be selfish, territorial and possessive. They don't provide food or shelter for themselves. They don't have jobs. They make messes. They require a lot of attention. Then again, adults are known to have many of these traits as well. Children are childish. We are supposed to outgrow childishness and become adults, but here Jesus is instructing adults to become as children. How odd.

Mother Angelica once said that, "Jesus loves sinners, because they need Him." He loves children as well, in part, because they need Him. The Father expects to be needed by everyone. Young children are not conscious of the fact that they need help from parents or from God, but help comes to them anyway. They learn to believe in it without trying. That's where the Father would like to see us—believing in Him without effort, so confident in His care for us that we do not doubt, so convinced of His presence with us that we do not fear. It honors God greatly when we trust Him and depend on Him. He is not looking for self-sufficient people. He is the only One Who can do the things He does for us, and He delights in doing them.

Jesus said the disciples needed to be converted (*strepho*, turn quite around or reverse). Hmm, were they not converted before this time? Yes, of course they were. You and I may be converted as well, but there will always be further conversions to take place in our lives. The disciples, after the resurrection of Jesus, had to convert from following an earthly King to learning the language and instruction of the Holy Spirit. It was a whole different lifestyle for them. They needed power. They needed love. They needed assurance. God provided it all. His Holy Spirit came to be with them and live in them.

We must humble ourselves, as Jesus said, and be converted, accepting like little children that we need a loving and capable Father. We will never meet our own needs while relying on our own resources. We will always be dependent on Him for life and peace and progress. If you have outgrown or not known this intimate dependency on our heavenly Father, please, be converted. It's not too late!

Scriptures KJV

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The Lord watered and dark fell into a heap.
One by one the evil fell in a crack,
Covered by the blood in a covenant pact!

The old life fell away,
When crimson blood covered sin that day!
Every knee that bows to the Lord our King,
Has chains broken from life's terrible sting.

Freedom takes place and springs to the top,
Where the old ways were but now stop.
Stepping up on solid ground,
Is where the solid rock of Christ is found.

Bad fruits are no longer on that tree,
For when you repented, you became free.
Now, instead of your tree that was dying,
You're alive and of Christ you're testifying!

You have stepped out in faith by believing,
In Jesus and now His forgiveness you're receiving.
You found the lamp and light for your feet,
You're now off that wide road with its heat.

Your feet are held steady with your name in God's book,
The Lamb's book of life as steps to the cross you took.
You asked Jesus to forgive you as His Word said,
Now you walk among the living and not the dead!

You have joy in your heart and pep in your step,
Relieved of your guilt because Jesus paid your debt.
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I know that, in this world, it may seem that he is talented and successful with his life. But no one, including myself, is perfect. It is only with Jesus that anyone can overcome failures and sins.

These memories are a blessing to me. To know that our Lord and Savior is leading this young man in every step he takes is a great encouragement in my life.

*And whatsoever ye do,
do it heartily, as to the Lord,
and not unto men.*
Colossians 3:23 KJV

*Trust in the Lord with all thine
heart; and lean not unto t
hine own understanding
In all thy ways acknowledge him,
and he shall direct thy paths.*
Proverbs 3:5-6 KJV

*Whether therefore ye eat,
or drink, or whatsoever ye do,
do all to the glory of God.*
1 Corinthians 10:31 KJV

*And be not conformed to this
world: but be ye transformed by
the renewing of your mind, that ye
may prove what is that good,
and acceptable, and perfect,
will of God.*
Romans 12:2 KJV

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Origen, A Mixed Legacy

PART 2, THE CONTROVERSIAL



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Origen of Alexandria (185-253) was such a prominent figure in the development of the church that he deserves a second article. We learned last month about his dedication to the faith from his willingness to die with his father as a teenager, all the way to his refusal to recant under torture as an old man. However, his curiosity and his unmatched intellect sometimes got him into trouble.

Origen was not just a philosopher and theologian. He studied and taught other subjects such as logic, natural history, and physics. Origen was far ahead of his time because he was one of the first theologians who attempted to reconcile the widely accepted philosophical presuppositions of his day with the Bible. He wrote a multiple volume, massive treatise called *On the First Principles*. Contemporary Christian thinkers like William Lane Craig and S. Joshua Swamidass are attempting something similar when they try to reconcile current DNA theory with the Biblical account of Adam & Eve.

For Origen, the widely accepted philosophical presuppositions of his day were from Plato's philosophy as it had evolved over time into Neo-Platonism. Origen accepted many of the elements of Neo-Platonism. One element was the pre-existence of souls. Another element that really caused problems for Origen was his speculation that even the Devil would (or perhaps only could) be reconciled to God in the end. This comes from the Platonic idea that the physical world is trying to become like the spiritual world of the forms. Plato himself realized that if this was a steady one-way progression, the physical world would eventually end. Origen protested that he had not taught universal salvation, and we all have free will to choose or refuse salvation.

Another element is the static nature of God the Father. Similar to Plato's philosophy, Origen envisioned God the Father as a changeless, perfect being, existing without time. Consequently, the Old Testament stories of God interacting with Moses or Abraham are not what they appear to be. A conversation like God had with Moses at the burning bush, is not possible because a conversation requires time.

Origen's acceptance of Neo-Platonic philosophy caused him to interpret Scripture allegorically or spiritually. He often ignored the literal meaning of the text as he did not necessarily believe it to be true. Of course it is not always proper to interpret Scripture literally. When Psalm 91:4 says that God has wings, we understand that this passage does not actually mean that God has wings. I Samuel 2:8 says that the earth sits on pillars. No Christian today believes that the earth actually sits on pillars. Origen would not waste time arguing about whether Adam and Eve were the literal parents of the human race, but he certainly would find spiritual meaning in the passage. During Origen's lifetime, very few people questioned his mixture of Neo-Platonic philosophy with theology. However, after his death this became a subject of much argument. Some prominent Christian leaders even condemned him as a heretic and destroyed his writings.

In our day, Neo-Platonism



is treated as a historical curiosity. In our day, the widely accepted philosophical presuppositions are based in scientific materialism. That is somewhat understandable as the advances of science in the last 150 years have been astounding. The lesson for us from Origen's experience is to be cautious when we try to reconcile scientific knowledge with the Scriptures. Science is constantly progressing and what is widely accepted today may be disproven tomorrow. Two examples are an eternal universe and evolutionary biogenesis. Both of these theories were widely held to be true but are now widely doubted. We need to be wise and not compromise our Christian beliefs due to an apparent contradiction to science. All truth is God's truth and if science and Scripture do not agree, then we either need to wait for more information from science, or consider whether we are interpreting Scripture correctly. Proceed with caution!



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I stirred a teaspoon of honey into the hot peppermint tea and took a sip. Ahh, exactly what my scratchy throat needed! I eased into my recliner and took up my Bible. The bookmark took me to the first chapter of James. That was it— *swift to hear, slow to speak*— what I had been studying right before this nasty cold hit me a few days ago.

I was interrupted by a rap on my door. My chatty, sweet, teenage granddaughter poked her head in and cast her bright smile my way. “How’re you doing today, Grandpa? You look so much better!”

Before I could speak, my throat seized up, and I sensed a coughing spell coming on. I settled for a nod and motioned for Callie to sit on the couch across from me. “And how are you, dear?” I whispered feebly. Callie blinked, and I caught a glimmer of tears in her eyes. I cast her a sympathetic smile and a questioning “Hmm?”

“Oh, Grandpa!” she wailed as she stood and began to pace the room.

Words burst forth as she tearfully described her latest tiff with her parents. Too many of those lately, in my estimation, but my tickling throat prevented me from saying so.

“They just don’t understand! Don’t they realize I’ll be going off to college in a couple of years? They have to start letting me make my own decisions.” She sniffed and sighed dramatically, but paused her monologue to touch my mug of tea. “Your tea has cooled, Grandpa. Let me nuke it for you.” Thirty seconds later— Ding! She added another teaspoon of honey and stirred. Perfection. My soothed throat hummed my thanks.

Callie continued pacing the room. “I realize that Mom and Dad have my best interests in mind. You’ve assured me of that so many times, Grandpa. They’re concerned that the party might not be well supervised. Actually, I have been hearing rumors that someone plans to bring a keg. But this is the first time that Shane has asked me out. If I turn him down, will I ever get another chance with him?”

Don’t go! my mind screamed. I opened my mouth to comment, but all that came out was a hoarse croak.

Slow to Speak



Callie sank back onto the couch. “I know, Grandpa, you’ve told me that the Bible warns us not to be unequally yoked, but does that mean I shouldn’t even date someone who’s not a Christian? How can you witness to someone if you can’t be with them?”

She covered her head with her hands. “Oh, I hate so much being at odds with Mom and Dad! You’ve always taught me I should honor my father and mother.”

After a pause, she lifted her head. “But maybe we can come to a compromise. If I were to invite Shane to our youth group instead of going to the party, it wouldn’t be a date. We could get to know each other in a safe setting. If he’s not willing to do that,

then maybe he’s not the guy for me.”

She set a handful of my favorite herbal throat lozenges on my end table, then placed a kiss on my balding head. “Thank you for talking with me, Poppy.” My heart melted to hear the name she’d dubbed me when she was a toddler. “I can always count on you to love me and give me wise counsel.”

And then she was gone. I chuckled as I picked up my Bible. God certainly has a sense of humor. I might not have intended to be swift to hear and slow to speak, but He wisely saw to it that I was.

*This story is a work of fiction.
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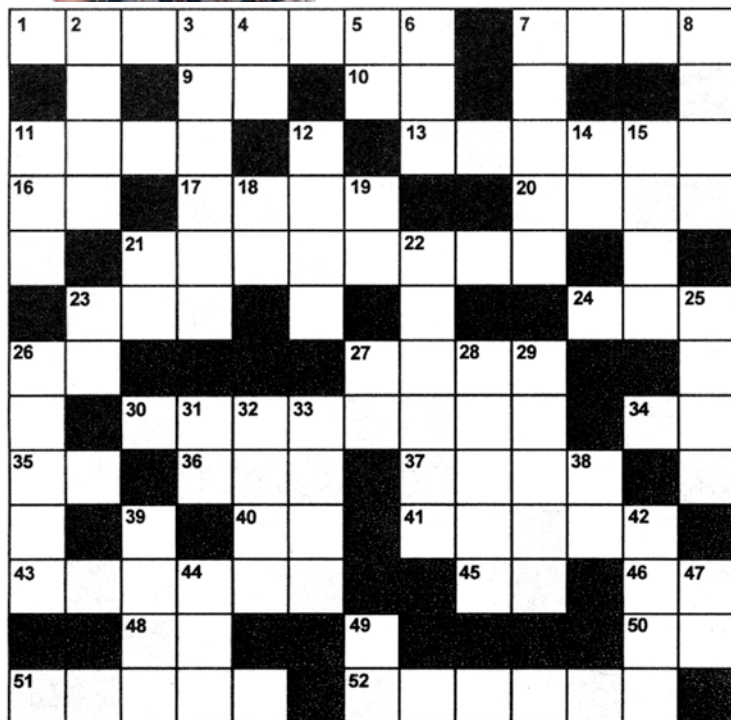


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crossword PUZZLE

ANSWERS ON PAGE 19



ACROSS CLUES

1. Belonging to a minor prophet.
7. Belonging to the son of Issachar. (Gen. 46:13)
9. I'm _____ the end of my rope.
10. Each (abbr.).
11. The beloved disciple.
13. Spoken of by _____ the prophet. (Matt. 24:15)
16. Abbreviation meaning "all right"
17. Though they have _____ chariots. (Josh. 17:18)
20. Woodworking tool.
21. Cupbearer to the king. (Neh. 1:1,11)
23. Styling _____ for the hair.
24. _____ is the father of Canaan. (Gen. 9:18)
26. Negative.
27. They set the ark...upon a new _____. (2 Sam. 6:3)
30. _____ lamented for Josiah. (2 Chron. 35:25)
34. _____ of the Chaldees. (Gen. 15:7)
35. And _____ shall rule over thee. (Gen. 3:16)
36. Type of armament.
37. "I _____ that test!"
40. _____ have and to hold.
41. 28th book of the Bible.
43. Belonging to a man of mount Ephraim. (Judg. 17:1)
45. Compass direction.
46. He dwelleth in _____. (John 6:56)
48. Tyrone (abbr.).
50. "_____ top of old Smokey."
51. Pharaoh's daughter called his name _____. (Ex. 2:10)
52. Before the Israelites had kings, they had _____.

DOWN CLUES

2. Written in the _____ of the prophets. (Acts 7:42)
3. He had the gift of interpreting dreams.
4. A word...in due season, how good is _____! (Prov. 15:23)
5. Where is _____ that is born King of the Jews? (Matt. 2:2)
6. Why is thy countenance _____? (Neh. 2:2)
7. Prophet to Nineveh.
8. Part of a shoe.
11. The patience of _____.
12. The name of Samuel's firstborn was _____. (1 Sam. 8:2)
14. _____, ego, superego.
15. Seraiah, Jeremiah, _____. (Neh. 12:1)
18. Blood factor.
19. Southwestern state (abbr.).
21. Compass direction.
22. As my servant _____ hath walked naked. (Isa. 20:3)
23. _____ in peace. (Luke 7:50)
25. Barnabas took _____, and sailed to Cyprus. (Acts 15:39)
26. 34th book of the Bible.
27. 900 in Roman numerals.
28. Radar beacon.
29. Solomon was not arrayed like one of _____. (Matt. 6:29)
31. For example.
32. Boaz begat Obed of _____. (Matt. 1:5)
33. Seth called his son's name _____. (Gen. 4:26)
38. Defensive End (abbr.).
39. _____ of the Apostles.
42. Prophet who was a herdsman of Tekoa.
44. Yes (nautical).
47. Printer's measure.
49. Middle Atlantic state (abbr.).

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As you go on your way;
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A Very Blessed Birthday.



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*And Anna was
a widow of
about fourscore
and four years*

Luke 2:37 KJV

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Authenticity of the Gospel

Galatians 1 (KJV)

¹ Paul, an apostle, (not of men, neither by man, but by Jesus Christ, and God the Father, who raised him from the dead;)

² And all the brethren which are with me, unto the churches of Galatia:

³ Grace be to you and peace from God the Father, and from our Lord Jesus Christ,

⁴ Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world, according to the will of God and our Father:

⁵ To whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

⁶ I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:

⁷ Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ.

⁸ But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.

⁹ As we said before, so say I now again, if any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

¹⁰ For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.

¹¹ But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man.

¹² For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ.

¹³ For ye have heard of my conversation in time past in the Jews' religion, how that beyond measure I persecuted the church of God, and wasted it:

¹⁴ And profited in the Jews' religion above many my equals in mine own nation, being more exceedingly zealous of the traditions of my fathers.

¹⁵ But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb, and called me by his grace,

¹⁶ To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood:

¹⁷ Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus.

¹⁸ Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days.

¹⁹ But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother.

²⁰ Now the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not.

²¹ Afterwards I came into the regions of Syria and Cilicia;

²² And was unknown by face unto the churches of Judaea which were in Christ:

²³ But they had heard only, That he which persecuted us in times past now preacheth the faith which once he destroyed.

²⁴ And they glorified God in me.

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Are You Aware?



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Many American Christians are unaware of the plight of their brothers and sisters who live in dangerous countries. Just recently Open Doors US stated that there are 388 million believers who live under persecution. This number has increased. I want to focus on two countries.

Most people have a heart for children. May your heart be touched by Lin, a 9-year-old Chinese child. At night her parents tell her Bible stories. She is fearful when she hears these stories. Why? Because her school forced her to sign a document renouncing Jesus. The government declares that the Bible is poison for kids. Furthermore, they not only ban Bibles but also burn them. Children are brain washed with atheistic songs. Penalties are severe for those who violate the law. In spite of an all-out effort to destroy Christianity, the

underground Chinese churches are growing. Many are coming to Christ daily.

Resource: January Newsletter China Aid
China Aid Association
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Iran is a country in chaos. According to the ministry Vision Beyond Borders, approximately 93% of Iranians have come to believe in Jesus. How is this happening? They have had a dream or visitation from Jesus. Later someone will share the Gospel with them and they become true believers. This is quite evident from the following account of an Iranian woman.

This woman, who is unnamed, was very depressed so she decided to pray to Allah. She said, "I'm not going to bed tonight unless you show yourself to me; otherwise I will be a sinner like everyone else."

She waited about three hours without getting a response. Suddenly after midnight, a man in a white robe

appeared to her. He had holes in his hands. Fear gripped the woman and she ran. As she ran, she started to experience a great peace. Without realizing it, she had an encounter with Jesus.

The next day she was still bewildered. She shared the happening with a man with whom she worked. She wondered why Allah had not come to her. The gentleman explained that Allah was not the true God. Then she asked, "Why did Jesus come to my room?"

The man explained, "Jesus is the true God and that He died on the cross for her sins."

She added that she loved poems and that Jesus told her this one, "Come to Me all who are weary and heavy laden, and I will give you rest." The man then showed her those words in Scripture.

The result? This woman repented and found faith in Christ.

Resource:
December Newsletter Vision Beyond Borders
Casper, Wyoming | Visionbeyondborders.org



To further enlighten you about Iran, Iran Alive Ministries states that over 60% of the population is comprised of young people. These young people are tired of the oppressive rule of Islam.

In his December newsletter, Dr. Hormoz Shariat, founder of Iran Alive, states that in 2025 more than 15,000 Iranians have put their faith in Jesus Christ."

So many in this country have moved from darkness to light. We have seen the throngs of people demonstrating in the streets wanting freedom. It should cause us to be ever so grateful for the freedom that we enjoy in our country.

Tomorrow morning, when you have coffee and devotions, please remember to pray for Chinese children and for the salvation of more Iranians.

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Even If



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Summer of 2025 was no picnic. I sold a house, moved, bought a house, and moved again, all while relocating my company to a new location as well. I was sick of packing and unpacking. So much change in a short time made me question every choice I'd made. Then I saw a sign posted at Otterbein UMC: "Fear is *what if*, faith is *even if*." It felt like God tapped me on the shoulder and said, "Remember Me?" My mindset turned from "what if" to "even if," and I believed that things would work out, even if we had bumps in the road. By Labor Day I felt like the storm had ended. Life was "normal" again.

Then, just two weeks later, I got a call with the results of a biopsy: "You have cancer."

It was malignant melanoma on my head. Two days after diagnosis I met with a surgeon to discuss my next steps. He said that I had a 70%

chance of dying from this, as the tumor pathology was grim in every metric. The rest of that Friday night was all about tears and fears with surgery scheduled the following week to remove 6" of my scalp. I felt hopeless.

Saturday, I woke up to a message from a friend who is an oncologist. He said that the surgeon had old statistics, that my survival odds are much higher, and that I needed to be at Cleveland Clinic's Taussig Cancer Center, not a general plastic surgeon. At that moment I remembered the church sign: "Faith is *even if*." God spoke to me, and my fear transformed into faith. I told my fiancé that I wanted to go to the final Guardians game the next day, just in case I wasn't here for another season. I felt at peace with whatever was coming, and I wanted to live my life without time wasted on fear. We spent a beautiful Sunday afternoon at the ballpark.

Monday morning, Cleveland Clinic called with an appointment to

meet their oncology surgeon that same day. Since then, it's been big faith with little fear. I'd be lying if I said I never worry. I had my 3-month scans last week, and two came back with "probably nothing, but could be something." I felt the familiar gut punch of bad news. But I remembered my mantra: "Even If." God has this, no matter what. I expect to live for many years. And if I don't, well, I've had the most beautiful life imaginable, and I get to spend eternity in Heaven. This life, with these people, in this community...it's everything I've ever wished for. I'm good, even if.

I've had two more surgeries, and I have IV immunotherapy in Cleveland every three weeks, for a year. Everyone at Taussig is incredible, a far cry from the first doctor with no faith in my survival. My friends, family, and community have overwhelmed me with love and generosity. Cancer spent three days ruining my life, but every day since, it has reminded me of what a wonderful life it truly is.

When my faith feels fragile, I look to Isaiah 41:13 KJV:

***For I am the LORD
your God who takes hold
of your right hand,
Who says to you, 'Do not
fear, I will help you.'***

He has my hand, and my team has my back. With God and my squad, all things are possible, and all possibilities are ok. Even if I have cancer. Even if cancer takes me. Even if I live to 100. I am blessed, and I am grateful. Even if.



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It's been a long, old fashioned winter this year. An abundance of snow, lots of cold days/ nights, and many canceled events. In March we begin to feel the hope of things to come...of spring. We dream of warm breezes, perusing seed catalogs to fill our gardens full of produce, farm stands, and more sunshine.

Jean Hersey says "In March winter is holding back and spring is pulling forward. Something holds and something pulls inside us too." Maybe there are things holding us back in moving forward in life, and God is pulling us, asking us to step forward in faith with Him. Spring brings hope, something we all desperately need in our lives.

In Song of Solomon 2:11-13 ASV it says *For, lo, the winter is past; the rain is over and gone; The flowers appear on the earth; The time of the*

singing birds is come, And the voice of the turtle-dove is heard in our land; The fig-tree ripeneth her green figs, and the vines are in blossom; They give forth their fragrance. Arise, my love, my fair one, and come away. You can picture in your imagination this beautiful scene. God tells us in Isaiah 61:11 ASV *For as the earth bringeth forth its bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord Jehovah will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all nations.* God orders everything so beautifully, and His promises are true. He will bring forth in our lives righteousness and praise, and will put away the things of old, the things holding us back. We can walk confidently forward with Him in this new season. What a blessing!

As we journey into this new and fresh season of spring, our cooking in the kitchen changes as well. All winter I crave hearty comfort foods like soups, meat and potatoes, food from the crockpot that has stewed

all day long. Now in the spring my heart begins to feel lighter, and my tastebuds follow suit. I look forward to fresh fruits/vegetables. I am ready to get outside and take an evening stroll after supper, ready for food that is brighter in color to match the flowers beginning to bud outside. Today I am sharing some yummy and "fresher" recipes that will make your tastebuds happy! This Tuscan Chicken was similar to something I saw a friend make and these yummy Italian flavors are fresh and tantalizing. I love a nice salad and either homemade crusty bread, or a "take-n-bake" loaf from the grocery store. The jello is from my husband's aunt. It's been a staple in our home for years and is so easy, good, and the perfect ending to any meal. Serve it in a pretty glass bowl for a special presentation.

Tuscan Chicken

Put enough chicken breasts to feed your family (or thighs) in a greased 9x9 or 9x13 pan. Spread premade



pesto generously over chicken, top with cherry tomatoes (halved) and a combination of fresh and shredded mozzarella cheese. Bake at 400 degrees for 20-30 minutes until chicken is done. Serve with a salad and crusty bread.

Aunt Anna's Orange Jello

1 box orange Jello (3oz), 1 box lemon or pineapple Jello (3oz), mix with 2 cups boiling water. Add 1 can crushed pineapple (do not drain) and 1 can mandarin oranges (drained). Mix in up to ¾ cup cold water or add 5-6 ice cubes. Refrigerate until set. Serve with whipped topping.

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A Message from Executive Director Perci Garner

As the Executive Director of Rainbow Connection, I am proud to say that all funds given by local individuals and businesses during our annual fundraising event directly support Tuscarawas County's disabled and disadvantaged and the schools and organizations that support them. Because our assistance is directly funded by these donations, members of our casework face what lies ahead knowing that their neighbors are there to support them every step of the way.

Over the past two years, Rainbow Connection has faced a rapid increase in requests for assistance. The support we've provided

throughout Tuscarawas County has more than doubled. For individuals, this support means hearing aids; accessibility devices; prescriptions; bills for surgeries, dental work, and medical treatments; prosthetics; and more. For Tuscarawas County schools and nonprofits, donations benefit the entire community through accessibility improvements and medical equipment.

Give Back

Rainbow Connection hosts one fundraising event each year, its annual Telethon, scheduled for Sunday, March 8th from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tune in to Spectrum Channel 15 or at www.tuscainbow.org, and make a pledge on-air by calling 330.343.1600. Contributions can be made year-round at 119 3rd St NW, New Philadelphia, OH 44663 or www.tuscainbow.org.

The organization also hosts an online auction that opens March 1 at 3 p.m. and ends during the telethon. Bid with purpose at www.tuscainbow.org.

The Mission

The Rainbow Connection has served Tuscarawas County residents since 1950 and is an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit. The Rainbow Connection assists with medical bills and equipment, both long-term and emergency prescriptions, hearing aids, medical and technology equipment for schools and nonprofit organizations, diabetic supplies, and more. If you need information or assistance, call (330) 343-8686 or visit www.tuscainbow.org.



Perci Garner
*Executive Director
Rainbow Connection*

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A colorful poster for the Tusc Rainbow Connection Telethon & Auction. The top half features a rainbow-themed illustration of two stylized figures holding hands, with a bridge and people in the background. The bottom half shows a group of diverse children waving. Text on the right side reads: "TUSC RAINBOW CONNECTION TELETHON & AUCTION MARCH 08 | 11 AM - 4 PM LIVE ON CHANNEL 15 & TUSCAINBOW.ORG CALL IN YOUR PLEDGE 330.343.1600". At the bottom, a black banner says "CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR ART CONTEST WINNER, BRISA GONZALEZ-RODRIGUEZ".

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The Friends of the Homeless Shelter in New Philadelphia helps to provide a safe and reliable place for Tuscarawas County residents who have no reliable shelter. We have a 36-bed capacity and waiting list of people from the community in need of our services. Our goal is to assist individuals in achieving stable, safe, and reliable housing to anyone experiencing any type of housing insecurity.

We have a volunteer program which helps our daily operations. We are currently in need of individuals, service organizations, and churches who can provide a nightly meal on a monthly basis or can volunteer their time in our offices. Anyone interested in providing a meal, or volunteering their time can contact our volunteer coordinator, Maria Rila, at 330-602-6100 for more information.

We also rely on donations from the community to help keep our shelter programs running.

**Please consider donating today by visiting
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Public Health
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109 N. Water St, Uhrichsville
740-922-6276

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Wednesday, Mar. 18 | 8 - 10 a.m.
Buehler's Fresh Foods
3000 N Wooster Ave., Dover

Tuesday, Mar. 24 | 9 - 11 a.m.
Swiss Village Bulk Food Store
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Tuscarawas County YMCA
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Wednesday, Mar. 4 | 8 - 10 a.m.
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Cleveland Clinic Union Hospital
Orthopaedic Surgery Office | 515 Union Ave., Suite 167, Dover

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- April 11 10-1130am; ABC's of
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NEW PHILADELPHIA

First United Methodist Church

201 W. High Ave

- Maundy Thursday Service
Thursday April 2nd, 6:30pm
- Easter Sunday Service 9:30am

Twin City Ministerial Association

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- March 4 Bethel Worship Center "Hope Resists"
- March 11 Midvale Methodist Church "Hope Perseveres"
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Rev. Dr. Jim Henniger
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The Branch Church at Countryside
2236 SR 93 Baltic - 330-401-6643
Campus Pastor: Eric Schrock
www.thebranchchurchohio.com
• Sunday Worship 10:30 am

St. John Lutheran Church
206 S Butler St.
• Sunday Worship 8:30 am

BOLIVAR

Bible Baptist Church
11150 Glenpark Road NE 330-316-7096
Pastor Doug Kilchenman
BelieveTheBible.org
• Sunday Worship 10:15 am

Bolivar Community Church
241 Pine Street | 330-874-3104
Pastor Aaron Rae
• Sunday Worship 10 am

Bolivar United Methodist Church
256 Poplar Street | 330-874-2930
www.bolivarumc.org
Rev Gordon Furbay
• Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Faith Baptist Church
9481 SR 212 NE | 330-874-3014
Floyd Stanfill, Sr. Pastor
www.faithbaptistbolivar.com
• Sunday Worship 10:30 am

St. John United Church of Christ
409 Park Ave SE
www.stjohnbolivar.org
Pastor Don Perks
• Sunday Worship 10:30 am

St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church, NALC
156 Poplar Street S.W. | 330-874-4540
Pastor Michael Pozzuto
stpaulbolivarpastor@gmail.com
• Sunday Worship 8 & 10:30am
3rd Sunday 9:30am only

DENNISON

Dennison Foursquare Gospel Church
7325 US 250 SE | 740-922-4433
Pastor Rod Phillips
• Sunday Worship 10:30 am

First Church of God
403 N. 3rd Street | 330-204-1511
Pastor Jim Wallick
• Sunday Worship 10:30 am

First Presbyterian Church
301 Grant St. | 740-922-5743
Pastor Carolyn Behrendt
• Sunday Worship 11 am

Mt. Olive Missionary Baptist
123 S. 7th St. | 740-922-5471
Pastor Dr. William J Blake
• Sunday Worship 11 am

Burning River Church
420 W 3rd St
www.burningriverchurch.net
Pastors Dode Overton & Hombre Liggett
• Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Church of the New Hope
3735 Schneiders Crossing Rd NE
330-343-7980 | Pastor Daniel E. Legg
• Sunday Worship 9:30 am

Dover Alliance Church
228 E. 3rd St | 330-364-3113
Sr. Pastor Rev. Bruce Sexton
www.doveralliance.com
• Sunday Worship 8 & 10:30 am

Dover Baptist Temple
2896 State Route 800 | 330-364-5228
Rev. Christopher Rhodes, Sr Pastor
office@doverbaptisttemple.org
• Sunday Worship 11 am

God's Family Church
3573 Mt Pleasant Rd NW
330-934-3719
Pastor Bill Johnson
godsfamilychurch3@gmail.com
• Sunday Worship 10 am

Grace Bible Fellowship
310 Main St | 330-451-6878
Pastor - Dan Branch
www.gbftusc.com
• Sunday Worship 10:45 am

Grace Lutheran
216 N Wooster | 330-343-6915
Rev. Bonnie L. Grimaldi
• Sunday Worship 10 am

LifeBridge Community Church
301 N. Wooster Ave.
Pastor Eric Miller
• Sunday Worship 10 am

New Life Church of God
115 South Ave. | 330-987-4032
Co-pastors Larry Gross & Brett Hughes
• Sunday Worship 10:30 am

NewPointe Community Church
3950 SR 39 NW | 330.602.5600
Lead Pastor Dwight Mason
www.newpointe.org
• Sunday Worship 9 & 11 am

Reformed Fellowship Church
454 E. Front St. | 330-432-0295
Pastor Michael Thomas
www.rfcdover.com
• Sunday Worship 10 am

Ruslin Hills Church
5839 Ruslin Hills Rd NW
330-343-7682
Pastor Bill Breon
• Sunday Worship 10:30 am

St. John's United Church of Christ
409 N. Wooster | 330-364-4458
Sr Minister Rev Dr. Cassandra Granados
www.doverstjohns.org
• Sunday Worship 10:30 am

St. Joseph Catholic Church
613 N. Tuscarawas Ave. | 330-364-6661
Fr. Jimmy Hatfield, Pastor
• Services: Sat, 4 pm,
Sun 8:30, 10:30 & 11 am

The Summit-Dover
302 E. Slingluff Avenue | 330-343-6142
Pastor Rob Coburn
www.thesummitdover.org
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Pastor Jerralyn A. Myers 330-987-1259
• Sunday Worship 11 am

Roxford Methodist Church
771 Roxford Church RD
www.roxfordchurch.org
330-343-5359
Pastor Bro James Manbeck
• Sunday Worship 9:30 am

Strait Gate
501 N. 2nd St. | 330-407-0862
Pastor Michael O'Guin
• Sunday Worship 11 am & 6 pm

DOVER

Bisel Church
3108 Bisel Church Rd. | 234-423-0001
Pastor Roger Warnes
• Sunday Worship 9:30 am

Dover Bible Church
4173 Minard Rd NW | 330-343-3413
Pastor Mark Britton
doverbiblechurch.org
• Sunday Worship 10 am

Dover Faith Global Methodist Church
420 N. Wooster Ave. | 330-343-9224
Pastor Shelly Nordine
• Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Dover First United Methodist
1725 N. Wooster | 330-343-1322
Pastor Wes George
www.doverfirst.org
• Sunday Worship 10:20 am

First Baptist Church
140 Regent Street 330-364-2010
Rev. Rasheed As-Samad, Pastor
• Sunday Worship 11 am

First Moravian Church
319 N. Walnut Street | 330-364-8831
Licensed Lay Pastor Marie Coutts
• Sunday Worship 10 am

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Dundee Church of God

8027 SR 516 | 330-852-2045
 dundeeocg@outlook.com
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Dundee United Methodist

6764 St Rt 93 | 330-852-1324
 Deacon Randy Lewis
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Lakeview Baptist

10202 St Rt 93 | 330-878-7966
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Gnadenhutten United Methodist

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 Sunday Worship 10:30 am

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Memorial Moravian

133 S Walnut | 740-254-4374
 Pastor Dave Geyer
 • Sunday Worship 10:45 am

Restoration Centre

7550 Wolfes Crossing | 740-552-0413
 Pastor Sandra Mann &
 Pastor David Rudder
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

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 • Sunday Worship 10 am

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Mineral City Methodist Church

4821 Davis St. | 330-859-2011
 Pastor Bob Smith
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8733 1st St | 330-859-2337
 www.stpaulsohio.com
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 • Sunday Worship 9 am

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 Pastor John Dunn
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8168 Lake Dr. NE | 330-364-6559
 Lead Pastor: Rev. Larry G. Stitt
 email: larrystitt@yahoo.com
 • Sunday Worship 10:45 am & 6 pm

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4058 New Cumberland Rd NE
 330-343-0029 | Pastor Jon Campbell
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

NEW PHILADELPHIA

Broadway Global Methodist

120 Church Ave. SE | (330) 339-1082
 Pastor Harley Wheeler
 www.thebroadwaychurch.org
 • Sun Traditional Worship 8:30 am
 • Sun Contemporary Worship 10:45 am

Calvary Baptist

1507 Oldtown Valley Rd | 330-339-1035
 Pastor Donald Snow
 calvarybaptistnp.com
 • Sunday Worship 11 am & 6 pm

Emmanuel Lutheran Church

202 East High Ave | 330-364-7571
 www.emmanuelnp.com
 Email: office@emmanuelnp.com
 Pastor Rob Eller
 • Sunday Worship 9:30 am

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1434 South Broadway
 Rev. Scott Lawton 205-514-3044
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am & 7 pm

Faith Christian Church

2012 Pleasant Valley Rd NE
 330-602-6008 | www.faithchristians.org
 • Sunday Worship 9 am & 10:30 am

First Baptist Church

878 Commercial Ave SW | 330-339-1141
 Troy Stogsdill | www.firstbaptist.church
 • Sunday Worship 10:30am

First Christian

104 3rd St NW | 330-339-6715
 Lead Pastor: Jim Borton
 www.fccnewphila.org
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

First Church of the Brethren

700 Fair Ave. NW | 330-339-5998
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

First Church of God

824 Tuscarawas Ave NW
 330-343-3501 | www.npcf.org
 Pastors Billy and Leanna Roe
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

First Church of the Nazarene

233 Fair Ave. NE | 330-343-7144
 www.npnaz.org
 Pastor Scott Jones, Lead Pastor,
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

First Presbyterian Church

217 E. High | 330-343-7114
 www.newphilapc.org
 Rev Joseph Svancara
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

First United Church of Christ

201 Fair Avenue NW, 330-339-6412
 firstuccnp.com
 Pastor Daniel Grimminger
 • Sunday Worship 11:15 am

First United Methodist Church

201 West High Avenue | 330-339-6411
 Pastor Ryan Cockrill
 npfirstumc.org
 • Service time 930am

Fry's Valley Moravian

594 Fry's Valley Road SW
 (740) 254-9373
 sharedmoravianministryohio.org
 • Sunday Worship 9:30 am

Goshen Community Church of the Nazarene

2501 David Rd SE | Ph: 330-339-3770
 Pastor Lee Randolph
 • Sunday Worship 1030 am

Holmes Church

Holmes Church Rd. | 234-423-0001
 Pastor Roger Warnes
 • Sunday Worship 10:45 am

Jerusalem Church (Evangelical)

1417 Stonecreek Rd SW | 330-339-2242
 www.jcnp21.com | Rev Tom Hendershot
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Lifeway

742 Cookson Ave. SE | 330-339-9734
 Lead Pastors Travis & Leslie Wright
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

Legacy Church

233 Front St | 330-440-2539
 Pastors Tommy and Shanda Miller
 www.legacychurchclm.org
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

New Life Center Ministries

1865 Roxford St (Barnhill)
 330-339-5873
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

Otterbein United Methodist Church

156 Beaver Ave | 330-343-4131
 Pastor John Armstrong
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Preach the Word Ministries

327 Beaver Ave. NE | 330-440-2855
 Pastor Lisa M. Meese
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

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335 Union Ave NW | 330-243-8544
 Pastor Thomas Cunningham, D.Min., Ph. D.
 reviveohio.church
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Schoenbrunn Moravian

2200 E High Ave | 330-339-1940
 Pastor Ben Lippert
 pastor@schoenbrunnmoravian.org
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

St. Peter's Church

3640 Oldtown Valley Rd. SW
 stpetersoldtownvalley@gmail.com
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

The Branch Church

140 West High Ave 330-401-6643
 Campus Pastor: Josh Nims
 www.thebranchchurchohio.com
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

The Restored Church of Jesus Christ, Dover Restoration Branch

1440 5th St NW
 330-440-7066
 Pastor: Tim Levengood
 • Sunday Worship 11 am

The Salvation Army

809 Emmet Ave. NW | 330-364-3811
 Lt's Andrew & Amanda Allen Corps
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 • Sunday Worship 11 am

Trinity Episcopal Church

122 3rd St. NW | 330-339-6439
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

NEWCOMERSTOWN

Calvary United Methodist

149 W State St. | 740-498-8534
 www.newcomerstowncalvaryum-charge.org
 • Sunday Worship 9:45 am

Christ Methodist Church

648 Oak St. | 740-498-8134
 www.christmct.org
 Sr. Pastor: Bracken Foster
 • Sunday Worship 9 and 1030am

Church of the Nazarene

363 Neighbor St. | 740-498-7588
 Pastor John Kohr
 nazarene.nct@sbcglobal.net
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Churches of Christ in Christian Union (CCCU)

560 W. State St. | 330-827-5587
 Pastor Sonny Easterday
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

First Baptist

135 S River St | 740-498-6589
 Pastor Wayne Baker
 office@firstbaptistnct.com
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Hartwood Community Church

14206 Hartwood Rd | 330-933-9744
 Dr. Dorsey Davisson, Pastor
 igoforhim@gmail.com
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

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Kings United Methodist

5651 Kings Ridge Rd | 740-498-8534
<http://web.tusco.net/kingsumc>
 • Sunday Worship 11:15 am

New Beginnings Church of God

309 W. Church St. | 740-492-1211
 Pastor Queen E. Williams
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

St. Paul Lutheran Church

121 South College St., 740-498-6682
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Victory Assembly of God

311 South College St. | 740-498-6547
www.victorynct.org
 Pastor Jimmy Lewis
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Wesley Community Chapel (WCC)

17333 Chapel Rd | 740-610-4986
 Pastor Rocky Tidd
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

PORT WASHINGTON

Countryside Baptist

4283 Shoemaker Rd SW
 740-498-5500
 Pastor Paul Harvey
www.countrysidebc.com
 • Sunday Worship 11 am & 6 pm

St. Paul's United Church of Christ

114 North High St | 740-492-4158
 Pastor Jim Shamel
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

West Union Church

13679 Gilmore Rd
 Pastor Garry Marlatt
 • Sunday Worship 10:30

SANDYVILLE

Church of the Open Door

10984 Sandyville Rd NE
 330-866-4523 | Pastor: Lisa L. Elliott
 e-mail: elliott.ray@sbcglobal.net
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Sandy Valley Church of God

11281 SR 800 NE | 330-866-9014
 Pastor Joel Donahue
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

STONE CREEK

Grace Community Church

229 W. Jefferson St | 330-339-5007
 Pastor Bill Mallernee
www.GraceChurchStoneCreek.org
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

Salem Evans Creek Lutheran Church

9030 Deibel Rd. SW
 Pastor Jean Coleman
 • Sunday Worship 9 am

Zion Lutheran Church

204 W Jefferson St 330-339-5423
 Pastor Jean Coleman
 • Sunday Worship 10:30am

STRASBURG

Community Bible Church

201 2nd Street NW (Cross Café)
 330-634-6187 | Aaron Minard-Pastor

First Lutheran Church

211 8th St. SW | Ph: 330-878-5581
www.firstlutheranstrasburg.com
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

St. John United Church of Christ

516 N Wooster Ave | 330-878-5113
 Pastor Jason Rissler
stjohnuccstrasburg@gmail.com
 • Sunday Worship 9:30 am

United Methodist

206 2nd St NW | 330-878-5179
strasburgumcoho.org
 Pastor Matthew Wald
 • Sunday Worship 9:30 am

SUGARCREEK

Alpine Bible Church

719 Dutch Valley Rd. NE | 330-852-3300
 Pastor Byron Stewart
office@alpinebible.org
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Barrs Mill Church of God

4677 St. Rt. 93 NW | 330-852-2508
 Pastor Josh Wilson
www.barrsmillchurch.org
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Church of the Brethren

144 Yoder Ave | 614-507-4435
 Pastor Nelson Brown
nelson.brown87@icloud.com
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

First Mennonite

113 Main St. | 330-852-2822
 Pastor Michael Gehman
firstmenno@tusco.net
 • Sunday Worship 9:30 am

Grace Church

1019 West Main Street 330-893-3110
 Campus Pastor Chad Stutzman
allaboutgrace.org
 • Sunday Worship 8:30 & 10:30 am

Ragersville Zion Church

8831 Crooked Run Rd SW | 330-897-3151
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Shanesville Lutheran Church

SR 39 & 93 intersection | 330-852-2820
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Sugarcreek United Methodist Church

212 North Broadway | 330-852-2885
 Rev Randy Lewis
 • Sunday Worship 9 am

Union Hill of Sugarcreek

7877 Union Hill Rd NW | 330-852-4449
 Pastor: Jeff Calkins | unionhillumc.com
 email: uhcofsugarcreek@gmail.com
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

TUSCARAWAS

Emmaus Chapel, IPCC

221 S. Main Street | 740-922-9269
www.emmausipcc.org
 Pastor: Sam Brown
 • Sunday Worship 11 am

Sharon Moravian Church

4776 Moravian Church Rd SE
 740-922-5507
www.sharonmoravian.org
 Pastor Lloyd Gooden
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

St. James Evangelical Lutheran Church

215 Church St. | 740-922-2356
 Pastor Wally Anderson

UHRICHVILLE

11th Street Church Of God

1033-1/2 N. Water St. Rear
 234-801-4087 | Pastor Dan Millard
 • Sunday School 9:30am
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am
 • Sun Jr Church (12 & under) 10:30am
 • Sunday evening 6:30pm
 • Wed Prayer and Bible Study 6:30pm

Bethel Worship Center

634 N. Main St. | 740- 922-9848
 Pastor John Stevenson
bwcuhrichsville.org
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am & 6 pm

Cathedral of Praise

480 Morris Street | 330-987-6121
 • Sunday Worship 11 am

Christian Temple

4249 Belden Dr | 740-922-2628
 Pastors Larry & Janie Hostetler
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

Church of the Nazarene

116 N. Dawson St. | 740-922-0456
 • Sunday Worship 10:30

First Moravian Church

315 N Water | 740-922-0886
office@sharedmoravianministryohio.org
 • Sunday Worship 9:30 am

First Presbyterian

633 Main St Box 50 | 740-922-3692
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Grace Baptist Church

308 East 1st St. | 740-922-6520
 Pastor Steve DeLong
sd4gbc@aol.com
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Grace Methodist

524 W 3rd St. | 740-922-4981
 Pastor Larry Malterer
 • Sunday Worship 9:30 am

Mount Bethel Community Chapel

88605 Bethel Rd
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

Newport Methodist Church

8022 Newport Rd. SE
 740-922-5564 | Pastor Kory Rowland
 • Sunday Worship 8:45 am

Organic Church

1943 N Water St Ext | 740-922-1564
www.ucfoursquarechurch.org
 Pastor Michael Brindley
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

Pleasant Grove Church

8560 Edie Hill Rd
 Jon Kinsey, minister
 • Sunday Worship 9am

Rush Community Church of the Nazarene

4941 Rush Church Rd SE | 740-254-9234
 Pastor Brett Warkentine
www.rushnaz.org
 • Sunday Worship 8:30, 10:45 am & 6 pm

South Side Gospel Chapel

7091 Deersville Ave Ext SE
 740-922-6971 | Pastor John Cadwell
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

St. John Worship & Praise Community Church

1030 Cook Street | 740-922-6026
 Pastor Henry L. McNeil
www.sjwpcc.info
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am

Uhrichville Christian Fellowship

132 Kutcham Dr | 740-229-7017
 Pastor Jimmy Stull, Sr Pastor
www.ucfclm.com
 • Sunday Worship 10 am

Uhrichville First Methodist

225 N Dawson St.
 740-922-3881 | Pastor Kory Rowland
methodists@att.net
 • Sunday Worship 11 am

ZOAR

Church of the Holy Trinity

1835 Dover-Zoar Rd NE | 330-874-4716
 Father Jimmy Hatfield
 • Masses: Wed 6:30, Sat 4:30 pm & Sun 10 am

Zoar United Church of Christ

142 E. 5th St | 330-874-4641
 Pastor Rev Dr Dan Grimminger
 • Sunday Worship 9:30 am

ZOARVILLE

Christian Chapel

7439 Main St | 330-859-2891
 • Sunday Worship 10:30 am & 6 pm

Good Hope Lutheran Church

3359 New Zoarville Rd | 330-859-2480
 Pastor Brian Rossow
 • Sunday Worship 9 am

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and Household Goods Tues-Sat 11-4
email: threads301@gmail.com

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Minimal Pricing
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330-365-2026 | Mon-Sat 9-5

Reformed Fellowship Church

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Food Pantry 1st & 3rd Sat. of each month

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220 N. Walnut St. | 740-254-4815
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Thurs 10-2pm - Rear entrance-ramp door

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Church of Christ

749 Commercial Ave SW | 330-339-1252
Tues 9am-11:15am | No charge for items

First United Methodist Church

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Tues 5:30-6:30 pm
201 W. High Ave. New Philadelphia

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330-343-8770 - 875 Blake Ave SW-lower level
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Christian Community Center
223 Front Ave. SW (rear entrance)
New Phila 330-339-8879 • 2nd/4th Sat

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809 Emmet Ave. New Philadelphia
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Dinner 530-630 - In the basement, use the
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Church of the Open Door

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