

WARNER ROBINS DISCIPLE



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We can always use a good laugh. Here are several humorous thoughts that I have found over the years. "Add these to your list of Murphy's Laws (if anything can go wrong, it will): 1. Inside every large problem is a series of small problems struggling to get out. 2. No matter how long or hard you shop for an item, after you've bought it, it will be on sale somewhere cheaper. 3. Any tool dropped while repairing a car will roll underneath to the exact center. 4. The repairman will never have seen a model quite like yours before. 5. You will remember that you forgot to take out the trash when the garbage truck is two doors away."

"A man walked into the post office one day and purchased a card. He turned to the man next to him and requested, 'Sir, would you mind addressing this card for me?' The man, thinking the poor fellow could not write, gladly helped him out. When he handed the card back, the man needed another favor. 'I hate to bother you again,' he continued, 'but would you mind writing a short message on the card for me?' The kind gentleman agreed to his second request and wrote out the message as the man dictated it to him. He gave the completed card to the man who looked at it for a moment and then asked for one more favor. 'I know this is an imposition, but would you mind doing one more thing for me? At the end of the message, would you apologize for the horrible handwriting?'"

This month we will celebrate Thanksgiving. We will gather and likely eat too much as we begin a long stretch of holiday events. We will travel, spend time with family and friends. We will laugh and share stories, we will play games and watch games on TV. Hopefully, at some point during this time we will remember to express

gratitude for the chance to do all of these things.

The word "thank" seems to be entering retirement. We don't hear it as often and we may not use it as much as we did at another time. I found this information like the stories above, "We are told that the English word thanks comes from the same root word as think. Maybe if we would be more thankful, we would be more thankful."

May this verse "Thanks Be to God," by Janie Alford help you discover the power and the blessing of being thankful, especially during this season.

"I do not thank the Lord,
That I have bread to eat while others starve;
Nor yet work to do
While empty hands solicit heaven;
Nor for a body strong
While other bodies flatten beds of pain,
No, nor for these do I give Thee thanks;
But I am grateful Lord,
Because my meager loaf I may divide;
For that my busy hands
May move to meet another's need;
Because my doubled strength
I may expend to steady one who faints.
Yes, for all these do I give thanks!
For hearts to share, desire to bear,
And will to live,
Flamed into one by deathless love--
Thanks be to God for this!
Unspeakable! His Gift!"

May this month of Thanksgiving be blessed. May you be a blessing to others. May you love as you have been loved.

Shalom, *Darrell*

NOVEMBER SERMONS & SCRIPTURE



NOVEMBER ELDERS & DEACONS

Listed below are those serving in November:
Elders: Scott & Juliet Nolde and Deacons:
Doreen Campbell, Dawn and Denny Ray
McReynolds. and Gidget Hurlbert.

DW GRACE GROUP

The Grace Group met on Oct. 15th. Thirteen ladies attended. Our group has redone the nursery. We have replaced the carpet, repainted the cabinet, cleaned the windows, decorated two walls and put up new blinds. There will be a dedication as soon as we finish up a few details. Everyone told of their Retreat experiences. It was a very meaningful experience to the 13 ladies that went.

Our yard sale, bake sale and Christmas Bazaar will be Sat. Nov. 7th from 8am-2pm. If you have any items you want to donate, you can bring them to the Fellowship Hall from Sunday morning, Nov. 1st to Wed. Nov. 4th before noon. We will not accept any furniture or electronics. Please take those items to The Hospice Store.

PRAYER SHAWL NEWS

The Prayer Shawl Ministry was started to help those within our church who were struggling with an illness or emotional hurts. Over the last two years we have expanded out into the

community, state & country. We have made prayer shawls for our veterans, local nursing home residents & shut-in persons. Our most recent blessing came at the DW Retreat in Taccoa. We were asked if we had any prayer shawls to use at a grand opening of a new Hospice center in Griffin. It just so happened that after a recent dedication at our church we had several that had been made as lap throws. When asked how many they needed, we were told six. Not thinking we had that many available, we went and searched our tote. Amazingly we had enough and even a few extras. These throws are being used as comfort throws for those who have terminal conditions and need Hospice in-patient care. Just a gentle bug from God & lots of love attached. While at retreat we encountered several women in need. One was suffering the recent loss of her husband, one was dealing with chronic illness, another was used to being able to bless & help another and due to a recent decline in health, she was unable to continue her project and was feeling saddened.

We were able to bless all three of these Disciple Women with a prayer shawl and the wonderful thing was each one was blessed with a shawl in their favorite color. No one knew what those were when these shawls were created or given. Our God is Awesome.

To date we have been able to bless over 125 people with prayer shawls. They are spread from coast to coast and throughout the state.

If you would like a prayer shawl for someone you know that is in need, please let us know. If you would like to contribute to this ministry we accept donations of yarn, and lastly, if you feel the call to join us but don't know how to crochet, come to Fellowship Hall on last Wed. of each month at 7 p.m. We will gladly share our fellowship & skills by teaching you how to create a shawl. Thank you. The ladies in the prayer shawl ministry are Brenda, Judy, Juliet, Gidget, Sharon-Kay, Nadine, Joetta & Jeannetta.

The Lunch Bunch

The Lunch Bunch met on Oct. 14th at Golden Corral. Those attending were Curtis & Nadine Scaggs & Carl Shaw. The usual attendees are

missed & it is hoped they will start attending again.

KITCHEN SUPPLIES

Large trash bags	Coffee
8 oz. foam coffee cups	Kleenex
16 oz. plastic glasses	Dish Soap
Spray kitchen cleaners	
Divided oblong foam plates	

SAFE HOUSE SUPPLIES

Cleaning Supplies	Dish Soap
Laundry Detergent	Fabric Softener
Paper Towels	Kleenex
Bathroom Tissue	Furniture Spray
Toilet cleaners	Glass cleaner
8 oz. foam coffee cups	Plastic glasses
Large trash bags	Toddler Pull Ups
Napkins & divided foam plates	

“Skill Building”



After church on Sunday, Sept. 27th, Ann and I traveled to Pooler, GA with several of our Corvette Club friends for a “Skill Building” day at Roebing Roads Race Track. After a restful evening (where we added numbers to our cars), we headed to the track on Monday for a 7:00 a.m. drivers meeting. With the meeting over we had a chance to learn how well our cars perform in high performance driving. So, we hit the track for our first 20 minute session of track time. The schedule called for 8 of the sessions (about two and a half hours of track time) over the day. Ann and I also had the opportunity to have a driving instructor ride with us to help us improve our driving and understanding of our cars. We both achieved speeds of 120 miles per hour on the straight.

Roebing Roads has 9 turns and a half mile straight. By the end of the day Ann had completed 7 sessions plus one in a real race car driven by our instructor where they reached speeds over 140 and I completed 6 sessions. With big smiles on our faces and sore arms & shoulders we headed back to Warner Robins planning on when we might get to have another “skill building” day at the track.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <p>Cabinet meeting after service <i>Darrell Vandervort</i> <i>Randy Bickley</i></p>	<p>2</p> <p>7pm Board Meeting</p>	<p>3</p> <p>8am Breakfast @Cracker Barrel 7pm Bible Study</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p> <p><i>Lois Crawford</i></p>	<p>7</p> <p>8am - 2pm DW Grace Yard Sale, Christmas Bazaar, Bake Sale</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>8am Breakfast @Cracker Barrel 7pm Bible Study</p>	<p>11</p> <p>1pm Lunch Bunch @Golden Corral</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7pm Radio Club</p>	<p>13</p> <p><i>Joan Marshall</i></p>	<p>14</p> <p><i>Ethan Thompson</i></p>
<p>5</p> <p>Congregational Meeting Service 6pm Fellowship Dinner <i>Judi Cooper</i></p>	<p>16</p> <p><i>Rev. Eddie Armstrong</i></p>	<p>17</p> <p>8am Breakfast @Cracker Barrel 7pm Bible Study <i>Scott Nolde</i></p>	<p>18</p> <p><i>Tommy Marshall</i></p>	<p>19</p> <p>7pm DW Grace Group</p>	<p>20</p> <p><i>Kyle Campbell</i> <i>Rev. Sheryl Armstrong</i></p>	<p>21</p>
<p>22</p>	<p>23</p> <p>7pm Bariatric Group</p>	<p>24</p> <p>8am Breakfast @Cracker Barrel 7pm Bible Study 7pm Model Club</p>	<p>25</p> <p>7pm Prayer Shawl Meeting</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29</p> <p>9:30am Elder's Meeting</p>	<p>30</p> <p><i>Anthony Armstrong</i></p>					

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