

# WARNER ROBINS DISCIPLE



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In August I finished [A Child's Walk in the Wilderness: An 8-Year-Old Boy and His Father Take on the Appalachian Trail](#) by Paul Molyneaux.

It relates the adventures of the author and his son through the hike of the Appalachian Trail. The beauty of this book is the wonder of an 8-year-old as he explores the world of the trail. At one point Paul comments that he would have missed so much of what there is to see if he had not been with his son.

As I read, I relived outdoor adventures of my own; canoeing and hiking along the Grand River, wandering the trails around Bethany College, hiking to several waterfalls in the Cumberland Falls State Park in KY, and exploring Chained Rock and Cumberland Gap. This book and my memories tied me back to the power of God's Creation of our world.

As we get older and spend less time in the great outdoors, we begin to take for granted the world that God made. We have been made stewards of all that God created; the water, the air, the earth, and all that lives within this creation. It is not ours to use up and dispose of; it is ours to return to the One who made them. This is not about whether or not Global Warning is real or fiction. It is about our responsibility to care for Creation.

On the trail, Paul and his son clean up after themselves and others who toss trash on the ground. They had to clean some of the shelters along the trail because hikers left all their waste behind. A father and his little son picked up after other "responsible adults." We witness the same lack of concern for our environment when we see people toss cigarette butts out their car windows or empty their car ash trays in parking lots. Hardly a week passes when one of us must pick up food containers, bottles, or other

trash tossed out on Green St. If people can be this disrespectful of Creation with trash that can be put in trash cans at home or at a business, why are we amazed when we hear of major businesses and others pouring pollutants into our water and air.

As Christians, we must do all that we can to not add to the problems of pollution. Using less energy, and being as careful with the energy we do use can show respect for the earth and our devotion to the One who made it. Recycling, reusing, or repurposing things we no longer need or want can be a great way to be better stewards. Reducing the amount of chemicals that you use around your home and yard will prevent those same chemicals from getting into the air and water supply. There are many recipes for inexpensive cleaning products that can be made at home. Our laundry detergent is made from Fels-Naphtha soap, Borax, and washing soda. It works as well as any detergent available and the clothes get just as clean. Plus it is not bad for the water or earth.

We all hope to pass a better world to our children and grandchildren. As Christians, let's plan on returning a world to God as close as we can make it to the way God made it.

Shalom, Darrell

## DISCIPLE MEN'S BREAKFAST

The Men's Breakfast will begin again on Sunday, September 1st at 8:30 a.m. David and Ann will have a delicious breakfast to enjoy and fellowship with friends.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

The Children's Sunday School class will meet on Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> and on Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## SEPT. SERMONS & SCRIPTURE



Sept 1, 2013

Scripture: Jeremiah 2:4-13

Sermon: *Easier Water*

Sept 8, 2013

Scripture: Luke 14:25-33

Sermon: *Obligation's Weight*

Sept 15, 2013

Scripture: 1 Timothy 1:12-17

Sermon: *Once the Worst*

Sept 22, 2013

*Minister out of town*

Sept 29, 2013

Scripture: 1 Timothy 6:6-19

Sermon: *Contentment*

## CHRISTIAN CHILDREN'S FELLOWSHIP

CCF will meet on Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> from 2:00-4:00 with a Grandparents tea. This tea is for all grandparents even if you don't have a grandchild in our church or group. Our meeting on Sept. 22<sup>nd</sup> will be an outing to the Museum of Aviation. The children will need to bring their lunch and will need to turn in new signed permission form. We will have lunch at the museum and then see the museum. This meeting will be from 12:00-4:00.

## SEPTEMBER ELDERS & DEACONS

Listed below are the Elders and Deacons scheduled to serve in September. The Elders are John Glover and Denny McReynolds. The Deacons are Judy Barnickle, Dakota Crofutt, Ethan Thompson and Dale Barnickle.

## LUNCH BUNCH NEWS

The Lunch Bunch met on August 14<sup>th</sup> at the Golden Corral. Those attending were Carl Shaw, Juanita Gunnin, Curtis & Nadine Scaggs and Winona Smith. If you have not attended the Lunch Bunch gathering, consider attending, enjoying good food and fellowship with friends you may only see on Sundays. They meet on the second Wednesday of each month. Their next get together will be held at the Golden Corral on September 11<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m.

## DISCIPLES WOMEN - GRACE GROUP

The Disciples Women Grace Group will meet again on September 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. Following the quarterly covered dish meal, they will have their business meeting, study/worship program. All ladies are welcome to attend any meeting.

They are collecting new pillowcases with prints or patterns that would appeal to little kids and teenagers. A box will be in the Narthex until September 22<sup>nd</sup>.

## SAFE HOUSE NEEDS

Laundry Detergent  
Fabric Softener  
Dishwasher Detergent  
Cleaning Supplies  
Bathroom Tissue  
Paper Towels  
Kleenex

## CHURCH PANTRY NEEDS

Paper Plates  
Paper Towels  
Long Divided Foam plates  
Foam 8 oz. coffee cups  
Trash bags (13 gallons & 39 gallons)  
Glass & Kitchen cleaner  
Liquid hand soap (refill size)

## IT'S UP TO US

There are 139,000,000 church members in America. 78,000,000 are inactive. This leaves 61,000,000 to do Christ's work.

22,000,000 are over 65 and have done their share and 24,000,000 are under 21. This leaves 15,000,000 to do Christ's work.

9,000,000 are "too busy". This leaves 6,000,000 to do Christ's work.

There are 3,000,000 in the military. This leaves 3,000,000 to do Christ's work.

And there are 2,000,000 in school. This leaves 1,000,000 to do Christ's work.

750,000 are sick or disabled. This leaves 250,000 to do Christ's work.

Last week, 249,998 were away from home on business or vacation.

This leaves 2 people to do Christ's work.

**So it's up to you and me. If we don't do it, who will???**

# September 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 DM's Breakfast 8:30 Sean Palmer	2 Kody Campbell	3 Cracker Barrell 8:00 Bible Study 7 pm Tom Milliken	4	5	6	7
8 Sunday School CCF's Grandparents Tea 2:00-4:00 Chi Rho/CYF 4:00	9 Board Mtg. 7:00 Tommy & Joan Marshall	10 Cracker Barrell 8:00 Bible Study 7 pm Pat Gunnin	11 Lunch Bunch 1:00 Bob Fentem Phil & Jerri Bosarge	12	13	14
15 Charlotte Curry Chi Rho/CYF 4:00	16	17 Cracker Barrell 8:00 Bible Study 7 pm	18 3rd Quarter Party at Rosemont 6:30	19 DW Grace Covered Dish 6:00	20	21
22 Sunday School CCF to Museum of Aviation 12:00-4:00 Charlie Hebenstreit	23	24 Cracker Barrell 8:00 Bible Study 7 pm	25 Prayer Shawl Mtg. 7:00	26	27 Disciple's Womens Retreat Tom & Billie Milliken	28 DW Retreat
29 DW Retreat CCF 4:00-6:00 Chi Rho/CYF 4:00	30					

**HAPPINESS IS SHARING**  
**Recipe for a good life**

<b>1 cup of good thoughts</b>	<b>1 cup of kind deeds</b>
<b>1 cup of consideration for others</b>	<b>2 cups of sacrifice</b>
<b>3 cups of forgiveness</b>	<b>2 cups of well-beaten thoughts</b>

**Mix thoroughly. Add tears of joy, sorrow and sympathy for others. Fold in 4 cups of prayers and faith to lighten other ingredients and to raise the texture to great heights of Christian living. After pouring all this into your daily life, bake well with the heat of human kindness. Garnish with lots of love. Serve with a smile.**

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