



# *The Lamplighter*



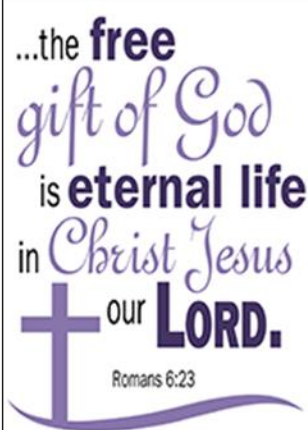
## *The Legacy of the Star-Spangled Banner*

It was one of the darkest moments in America's history. During the War of 1812, the British unleashed a fierce attack on Fort McHenry from the Baltimore harbor. In the midst of the fray, a young lawyer was desperately trying to rescue his friend, a doctor who had been taken prisoner of war by British troops. Armed with a letter from President Madison and escorted by a government agent, Francis Scott Key boarded the warship where Dr. Beanes was being held. The negotiations were tense at first, but eventually the British agreed to release their prisoner--under one condition: They would have to remain on board the ship until the attack on Fort McHenry had ended.

For the Americans, it was an agonizing ordeal. All around them, they could hear the shelling--the relentless bombardment of the fort. But they couldn't tell what was happening or who was winning. While they could still hear the deafening noise of the explosions, Key and the others felt sure that the fort had held on. It had not succumbed to the attack. But in the wee hours of the morning, the bombing suddenly stopped. In the silence that followed, fear gripped the hearts of the little group on board the British ship. Had all been lost? Had the fort been forced to surrender? Anxiously, they paced the deck in the long, dark hours before the dawn.

As the first rays of sunlight pierced the darkness, Kay and his companions rushed to the side of the ship, straining to catch a glimpse of the flag flying over the fort. Did it signify victory or defeat? Key was overcome with emotion when, at last, he could see the Stars and Stripes waving proudly. In the inspiration of the moment, he grabbed a letter out of his pocket and scribbled on the back of the envelope:

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## **Greeter Schedule:**

July 2: Glenn Miller, Patrick Hancock

July 9: Nick Papanicolas, Billy Moore

July 16: Darrell Linville, Scott Nupson

July 23: Glenn Miller, Dave Bode

## **Tellers for**

### **July:**

Courtney Harbin

Cecelia Stauffer

## **Children's Worship:**

July 2: Stephanie Walton, Ruth Dillon, Adrielle Law

July 9: Jennifer Cooke, Jessica Miller, Camden Cooke

July 16: Ellen Nupson, Alison Bode

July 23: Hannah Pankhurst, Katie Lusk, Abby Pankhurst

July 30: Debbie Schneider, Becky Bucher, Ben Burgess, Jonathan Miller

## **Sunday Morning Nursery (Infant & Toddler):**

July 2: Norma Stump, Donna Fleming, Jill Hancock, Fran Wright

July 9: Norma Stump, Stephanie Walton, Grant & Sara Walker

July 16: Norma Stump, Abby Pankhurst, Whitney Lumpp, Kristen Gibson

July 23: Norma Stump, Eli Hancock, Amy Jewell, Jill Hancock

July 30: Norma Stump, \*Volunteer Needed\*, Jessica Miller, Caitlyn Hancock

## **Sunday Morning Security Team:**

### **8:30 AM**

July 2: TBD

July 9: TBD

July 16: TBD

July 23: TBD

July 30: TBD

### **SS & 11:00 AM**

TBD

TBD

TBD

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TBD





July 2:	AM "America, Remember God!"	Jer. 2:11
	PM "Vows"	Num 30:1-2
July 9:	AM "Cleaning House"	Mth 21:12-13
	PM "Three Offerings"	Num 31:1-4
July 16:	AM "A Lesson in Faith"	Mth 21:18-22
	PM "Sin and Why it Matters"	Num 32:20-23
July 23:	AM "The Stone"	Mth 21: 42-44
	PM "The Christian Revolution"	Num 33: 50-53
July 30:	AM "Paying Taxes"	Mth 22:17
	PM "Boundaries"	Num 34:1-3

## 10 Key Bible Verses on Evangelism

### #2. 1 Peter 3:15

*but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect . . .*

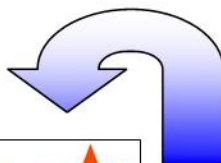
Believers should always be ready to provide a rationale for their faith, but they should do so winsomely and righteously. And if they keep a **good conscience**, any accusations against them will prove groundless, and their accusers will be **put to shame**. It is sometimes God's will that Christians **suffer for doing good**.

\*Check out August's newsletter for #3 on the list!

Article taken from: [crossway.org](https://www.crossway.org/articles/10-key-bible-verses-on-evangelism/). (2023, May 21). <https://www.crossway.org/articles/10-key-bible-verses-on-evangelism/>



# Kids Corner



## ★ FOURTH OF JULY TEST ★

1. Why do we celebrate the Fourth of July?
2. How many verses does the Star Spangled Banner have?
3. What was the population of the colonies on July 4th, 1776?
4. What is our national bird?
5. Which bird was almost our nation bird?
6. What two things should the flag never touch?
7. What shape is our flag supposed to be folded?
8. Who sewed the first American flag?
9. Which city has America's largest fireworks display?
10. Who wrote the Star Spangled Banner?
11. Which president of the United States was born on the Fourth of July?
12. In what city was the Declaration of Independence signed?
13. How many signatures are on the Declaration of Independence?
14. What country gave us the Statue of Liberty?
15. Why were the stars in a circle on the first flag?

Take this quiz and see how much you know! Answers can be found on page 7.



## Freedom in Christ

*This Independence Day, remember that our true freedom comes from faith in Jesus.*

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**Directions:** In each set of letters, determine the pattern. Then write the letter that completes the pattern, to reveal Galatians 5:1, niv.

**ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ**

F	Q	L	V	C	R	O				
G	R	K	U	D	Q	P				
H	S	J	T	E	P	Q				
—	—	—	—	—	—	—				
I	O	B	H	A	L	P	Q	K	D	W
H	P	C	G	B	M	O	R	J	C	V
G	Q	D	F	C	N	N	S	I	B	U
—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
F	E	U	L	P	W	E	D	V		
E	F	T	K	Q	V	F	C	U		
D	G	S	J	R	U	G	B	T		
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P	B	Q	R	V	C	O	H	B		
Q	C	R	S	U	D	P	G	C		
R	D	S	T	T	E	Q	F	D		
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Answers: It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. (Galatians 5:1, niv)

O say, can you see, by the dawn's early light,  
What so proudly we hailed at the  
twilight's last gleaming,  
Whose broad stripes and bright stars,  
thro' the perilous fight,  
O'er the ramparts we watched  
were so gallantly streaming?  
And the rockets' red glare,  
the bombs bursting in air,  
Gave proof through the night  
that our flag was still there.  
O say, does that star-spangled banner yet wave  
O'er the land of the free  
and the home of the brave?

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If you're able to donate either of these needed items for VBS crafts, please put them in the basket outside of the sanctuary. Thank you!



1. Jigsaw puzzles

2. Scrabble game letter tiles



### Small groups that are continuing through the summer:

#### Men's:

**Brotherhood**--1st Saturday of the month @ 9 AM

**ROMEO'S**--1st Tuesday of the month (Foster's Grill @ 11:30 AM)

#### Women's:

**Ladies of the Light Bible Study**--every Tues @ 10 AM

**Visitation Ministry**--Every 3rd Thurs of the month @ 9:45AM.

**Widow's Support Group**--Every 3rd Fri of the month @ 12 PM



### UPCOMING EVENTS

**July 9:** Israel Trip registration help

**July 17-21:** VBS

**Aug 5:** CPR/First Aid Class @ 2PM

**Aug. 27:** Catherine Foundation Tea

**Sept. 2:** Moses Trip (more people needed)

### Answers to the quiz on page 4:

1. To celebrate the formal adoption of the Declaration of Independence.
2. Four.
3. The population was 2.5 million people.
4. The bald eagle.
5. The turkey. Benjamin Franklin thought our national bird should be the turkey.
6. The ground or water.
7. A triangle.
8. Betsy Ross.
9. New York City.
10. Francis Scott Key.
11. Calvin Coolidge.
12. Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
13. 56 signatures.
14. France.
15. To show that that the colonies were all equal.



#### Fiction

*The Hope of Refuge* by Cindy Woodsmall (F WOO)

#### Nonfiction

*The Complete Gospel* by Gary Wentz (NF 226)

#### Juvenile Fiction

*Winnie the Horse Gentler: Bold Beauty* by Dandi Mackall (JF MAC)

*Winnie the Horse Gentler: Midnight Mystery* by Dandi Mackall (JF MAC)

#### Audio

*Wilfred Grenfell: Fisher of Men* (Audio Book)

*Douglas MacArthur: What Greater Honor* (Audio Book)

*Florence Young: Mission Accomplished* (Audio Book)

#### DVD

*Luther*

*Do You Believe?*

-- Bob Mathews



# Congratulations Graduates!



Chloe Cooke

Graduated from Randolph Macon  
College earning a Bachelor's  
of Science with a minor in  
Education with distinction



Laura Dillon

Graduated from St. Charles  
High School



Branden Henry

Graduated from Lackey  
High School



Katie Lusk

Graduated from College of  
Southern Maryland earning  
an Associates of  
Social Science

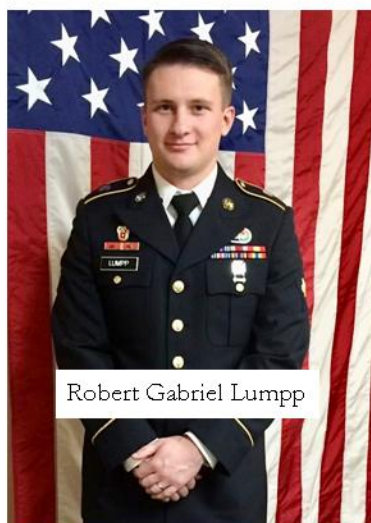


James Miller

Graduated from University College London  
earning a Master of Arts in Museum Studies  
with Distinction



My sincerest apologies that the following veteran's photos weren't included in the Memorial Day slide show. It's always the right time to honor our military (and their families) but especially during a month like July where we celebrate our freedom. --Amanda





# Operation Christmas Child

July 2023

## OCC Impact Story

### Angola: Family Transformed Through A Simple Shoebox Gift

In one of the villages in the province of Uige/ Angola a child around the age of 10 received a gift box last year. When he arrived home the parents wondered where he received the gift from and the child explained that it was given by him at a church where he was enrolled to be part of the Samaritan Purse/OCC. Due to the transformation that took place in that boys life, the parents of the child were impressed and they invited the Pastor (whose church the boy attended) to their home and asked the Pastor to implement the same program in the village where they lived because in that village there were no churches.

The pastor agreed and last season, Samaritan Purse/ OCC gifts were distributed and discipleship classes started and concluded successfully in that new village. Today we have a church that is planted in a short period of time because of the material of Samaritan Purse/OCC.

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### Please be collecting these items for OCC shoeboxes/crafts:

- empty icing container (no labels)
- empty medicine pill bottles (no labels)
- old tee-shirts (they can be stained)
- yarn
- buttons
- Scotch tape
- Christmas wrapping paper (not Santa)
- empty shoeboxes

### Box filler ideas

#### with the theme:

- cars & trucks
- building sets
- dinosaurs & animals
- items for fishing kits: lures, small spools of line, hooks, sinkers, etc
- tools: screwdrivers & screws, hammers & nails, metric tape measure, pliers
- zip ties, electrical tape, duck tape, rope, tarps, etc.

### How you can help:

1. Build a Shoebox Online anytime of the year by scanning this QR code:



or use this link: <http://tinyurl.com/5n8dfnkj>

2. Purchase items directly from the warehouse to donate to FBC or fill your own boxes:



3. Order items from FBC's Amazon wishlist:  
<https://tinyurl.com/5n99mvem>



# July 2023

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri






Sat

## Birthdays

03 – Barbara Madison  
 09 – Ethan Hancock  
 09 – Angie Still  
 11 – Scott Nupson  
 12 – Bobby Jones  
 15 – Carol Gill  
 15 – Frances Osakowicz  
 17 – Jim Miller  
 21 – Eleanor Grunstra  
 22 – Sandra Janke  
 23 – Jordan Hancock  
 26 – Alison Bode  
 26 – Mark Burgess  
 26 – Betty Lou Moore  
 27 – Neal Wilsey  
 30 – Lyle Elder

## Anniversaries

03 – Gary & Celie Boston  
 17 – Bill & Ruby Breitenbach  
 23 – Bill & Julie Burgess  
 24 – Jerry & Sally Pruitt  
 29 – Andy & Kristen Gibson

						1 Brotherhood Fellowship 9 AM 
2 Benevolence Sunday 	3	4 Ladies of the Light Bible Study 10 AM ROMEO's @ 11:30 AM - Foster's Grille 	5 FREE Food Distribution 5:00-6:30 PM	6 Women on Mission 9:45 AM	7	8
9 Israel Interest Meeting @12:30 	10	11 Ladies of the Light Bible Study 10 AM	12 FREE Food Distribution 5:00-6:30 PM	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 PM Services are canceled	20	21	22
	VBS 					
23	24	25 Ladies of the Light Bible Study 10 AM	26 FREE Food Distribution 5:00-6:30 PM	27	28 Widow's Support Group 12 PM	29
30	31					