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Issue 1

But even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not, therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows. Luke 12:7



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A Message from Pastor Toby

“Charge them that are rich in this world that they be not high-minded nor trust in uncertain riches but in the Living God who giveth us richly all things to enjoy. that they do good that they be rich and good works ready to distribute willing to communicate.” 1 Timothy 6:17-18

This is the season on our calendar when we “count our blessings,” and give gifts to others. The heart of gratitude rests on both God’s generosity and my unworthiness. The original season of pilgrim Thanksgiving, later followed by proclamations of national Thanksgiving, all speak the emphasis that God has been better to us than we deserve. Further, if God not been so good to us, our fate would have been so much worse. So we say as our hymns of Thanksgiving, “Now thank we all our God.... and count your many blessings.”

With hearts filled with gratitude, and in that very spirit, we extend our generosity to the people in our lives. We may not have as much to give one may wish, but we all have something we can give to someone.

We are truly privileged to participate in this holiday of giving! For it must mean two things. First we have something we can give, which is truly better than having nothing at all to give. Remember, we are counting our blessings!

Second, giving gifts also indicates there is someone in our lives to which we can give to. Whether we give gifts to those that are close companions, or we give gifts to those whom we do not personally know, but perhaps have less than us, we fulfill the above Scripture when we give. To live the words of Jesus, “it is more blessed to give than to receive,” entails we not only have received something we can give away, but also there is another person that we can bless to receive from us experiencing the promise of joy our Lord guarantees.

Finally, in the season of gratitude and generosity, let us not forget that the Father counted the cost of sending his Son to rescue us from our sin. Thanks be unto God for his unspeakable gift! 2 Corinthians 9:15

WELCOME FOLKS to TRINITY TRIBUNE!

You are reading Issue 1 of the winter quarter newsletter, where you will find a message from Pastor Toby, upcoming events, inspirational stories, updates from various ministries within the church, a testimony, missionary news, and bit of humor.

I hope to hear from y’all in the future, so send your news to Nancy Mitchell at nmitcell510@msn.com

Ya’ll Come Back!

Upcoming Events!

- Sat. Dec 8, 2018 9:30am
Ladies Christmas Breakfast
Tee Jaye’s-Brice Rd
- Fri. Dec 21, 2018 6pm
Teen Christmas Party
- Mon. Dec. 24, 2018 8pm
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
- Fri. Jan 25th, 2019 7pm
Teen Bowling
- Sun. Jan 27, 2019 6pm
Semi-Annual Business Meeting

What's on Your Bucket List?

By Nancy Mitchell



The term **Bucket List** is a list of things you want to do, see, or achieve before you die. Our modern culture has adapted this phrase to the idea that I need to live my life to the fullest before my time runs out. In order to have real meaning to your life before you die, a person should do or achieve the things they have craved for. The list can be from taking a dream vacation, changing your career, running a marathon, to spending time with family. These are good things to want to achieve, but some people have missed the most important thing. Let's look at the bucket list of two people from the bible, who understood what was truly important.

1) **Simeon** was a righteous man who was serving and worshipping God daily in the temple. The holy spirit had revealed to him that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ. Simeon did not understand the details, but he believed in God's promise, so he continued to wait. He understood the importance of making this number one on his list.

Luke 2:25-35

2) **Anna** was a widow, and never departed from the temple, but served God with fasting and prayers night and day. She shared her faith with others, as she waited for the Lord's Christ to come, who would bring redemption to Israel.

Luke 2:36-38

When Simeon saw Baby Jesus on that day, he had a satisfaction that God had fulfilled His promise. Please don't miss the question, "**What's on Your Bucket List?**" Have you put your trust in this one important thing, like Simeon and Anna? Are you waiting and expecting to see Jesus Christ, when He returns?



June 1944 - First Bible Class



TEEN RAP By Pastor James

“The teen years are not a vacation from responsibility. ... They are the training ground of future leaders who dare to be responsible now”

It is a great privilege and responsibility to be part of reaching young lives for the gospel. We have been thinking about the importance of developing teens into leaders. Our culture often has very little expectations for those in their teen years, but what an opportunity we have to develop teens that will rise above cultural expectation, and be the servant leaders God has called them to be.

Prayer Requests:

- ◆ Pray that we would continue to reach out and share the gospel with new teens.
- ◆ Pray for faithfulness of teens to the church, as we have seen numbers dwindle.
- ◆ Pray for upcoming events, as we have a Christmas party in December, a game night in January, and lock-in during February.



The Mission for WOMEN’S MINISTRY by Nancy Mitchell

Titus 2:3-5 The aged women may teach the young women.....

The vision for Women’s Ministry is to see life-change with women one heart at a time. The mission is to encourage and help each woman grow in her passion for God, as she learns thru prayer, and the study of His Word. We pray for her to stand strong in her faith as she experiences real life situations, putting her trust in the One True God, who sees and hears everything. The mission does not stop within the walls of the local church, our calling is to reach others as God has commanded us to do. *Go into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature. Mark 16:15*

Friend, I have been praying for you, and I hope we will meet at the next ladies event.

*Ladies Christmas Breakfast - December 8th, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.
Tee Jaye’s Country Restaurant at Brice Rd, Reynoldsburg*



“We learned the fourth commandment: ‘Honor thy father and thy mother.’”

A Word from KID’S KORNER by Chris Ogden

We currently have four Sunday School classes, in addition to Junior Church. Our Sunday School curriculum is from Joyful Life Abecka Sunday School Program..

Sunday School Classes:

- Pre-school - taught by Mrs. Jane Tamelivich
- Primary class (grades 1-3) - taught by Ms. Nancy Mitchell
- Junior class (grades 4-6) - taught by Mrs. Katie Taylor
- High School (grades 7-12) taught by Mrs. Ronda Cambron and Mrs. Chris Ogden.

Suffer the little children to come unto me, and forbid them not; for of such is the kingdom of God. **Mark 10:14**



January Missions Project



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No Place Like Home orphanage in Haiti is a ministry started by **Jacques and Marie Alexandre** who were living and ministering in Port-au-Prince when the monster earthquake struck Haiti on January 12, 2010. They witnessed the bodies of precious children lying dead around the city and others roaming the street without parents.

It is estimated that more than **50,000 children became orphans**, as a result of the earthquake. Everyone's lives were dramatically changed that day, and God placed it on the Alexandre's hearts to begin an orphanage for the many children that were so tragically separated from their parents.

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