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Today is a day the Lord has made, let us rejoice & be glad in it.

Focus on the Positive
*** God is Good ***

God is in Trouble ... Our Trouble!

Martin Luther, the great reformer of the 16th century, found himself surrounded by "enemies." There were those who wanted his life because he had shaken their religious world with his teachings. It was during this time that he wrote the song we know as "A Mighty Fortress." Luther found comfort in the words of **Psalm 46: "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble."**

Regardless of what is going on around us, God is in control. It may be natural disasters such as earthquakes, floods or storms. It may be financial woes brought on by circumstances. It may be a global pandemic that causes us to fear and robs us of peace. In all this, and at all times, our God remains the stable refuge that we can count on. When we are faced with storms, we go where we feel safe and secure. Ultimately, that secure place needs to be our God! Dwelling in His shelter, finding refuge in almighty God means we can find rest. And when we find our rest in Him, we can tune out the noise of the world around us and listen to Him. *"Be still, and know that I am God!"*

Listen to the words of Psalm 91:1-6:

¹ Whoever dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty.

² I will say of the Lord, "He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."³ Surely he will save you from the fowler's snare and from the deadly pestilence.
 ⁴ He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge; his faithfulness will be your shield and rampart.
 ⁵ You will not fear the terror of night,

- nor the arrow that flies by day,
- ⁶ nor the pestilence that stalks in the darkness, nor the plague that destroys at midday.

No, God himself is not in trouble. God is in control. But God is also very present, very concerned and very vigilant about drawing His people to himself where they can find refuge in Him.

Larry Sullívan

PANTRY NEEDS

Rice Krispies, Canned Pinto Beans, Spam, Fruit Juices

PLEASE NOTE: Until further notice the PANTRY is by appointment only on Wednesdays from 5:30 – 6 p.m. IF you need to utilize the pantry, please <u>call the office for an appointment – 325-692-6974</u>. (Mon – Fri, 8 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.) Your generous help is needed: Please be aware that pantry needs are likely to increase in the next few weeks.

*** PRAY, PRAY, PRAY *** CALL & ENCOURAGE A FRIEND *** PRAY, PRAY, PRAY ***

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Prayer List

BHCC Members:

- * Carolyn Madeley health & strength
- * Jena Madeley chemo treatment 04/03
- * **Perry Neeley** at home but weak
- * Maxine Spears ARMC health, possible kidney disorder
- * Kirk Waller triple bypass heart surgery 04/03

FRIENDS AND FAMILY:

Eddison Fowler (missionary in Brazil) who – after a serious back surgery & a broken femur – recently climbed two flights of stairs without walking aids or using the handrails!!! Great job Brother!!! <u>Reese & Jessica Harms</u> (son-in-law and daughter of **Chris Lana**) and their newborn daughter <u>Lana Beth Harms</u>: born 04/01/20, at 9:04 a.m. – she was: 8lbs 1oz, and 21" long.

Philip Lana (brother-in-law of **Chris Lana**)

Farrah Leonard (G.daughter of Lee Henry) – COVID19, Temple TX Betty Mast (mother of Pam Sullivan) – home hospice in Carlsbad Evelyn Walker (wife of David Walker) – HMC for asthma issues

All Missionaries:

Chipata Bible College – Zambia Court hearing April 13th All Military & First Responders All Patients and Workers in Nursing Homes and Hospitals Those infected by the COVID-19 Virus Those who've lost loved ones due to the COVID-19 Virus

THOSE BATTLING CANCER:

Jena Madeley, Lewis Maness, Kay Procter, Larry Taylor, Jesse Thomas, Minnie Woody All our family members & friends dealing with cancer & treatments.

OUR HOMEBOUND MEMBERS:

Brenda Amonett, Eldon Amonett, Phyllis Bonner, Janet Bruns, Mamie Crane, Norma Dotson, Leroy & Mary Mason, Jo Potter, Frances Pruett, Melinda Simmons, Dean & Nelda Stewart, Laveta Youngquist.

STAYING CONNECTED

We must all stay "in touch" with our church family as much as possible during these days of guarantine and caution. Since doing so face-to-face is not possible, we now turn to other creative ways to communicate with each other. The elders & church office staff are now having to rely on phone calls, texts, e-mails, and the internet in order to communicate with our members. We are concerned about losing touch with you ... Obviously, communication is a "two way street": So we are depending on you to share any pertinent information with us – about you or any of our Baker Heights family (prayers, health, etc.); please don't assume we already know. If you are not receiving any e-mails from us, update your information by logging into the Members section of our website (www.bakerheights.org). If you have a smartphone, download the Elexio app, for easy access to our members' contact information: Elexio is also a convenient way to make your contribution to support the ongoing work here at Baker Heights. NOTE: If you need help getting any of this set up,

please contact Suzanne Dennis.

On Sunday mornings, we live-stream our worship service online, with Bible Class at 9 a.m. then Worship at 10 a.m. (Communion focus is included), and a Bible Study at 5 p.m. To access the live-streamed worship go to (www.bakerheights.org); on the home page, click on Live Broadcast; then click the arrow in the middle of the screen to watch the live-stream; or worship with us online at Facebook.com/Baker Heights Church of Christ; YouTube. If you cannot watch the service at these times, they're saved to the BHCC website, to view later at your convenience.

THIS WEEK'S BIRTHDAYS

Birthday 03-Apr 04-Apr 05-Apr 06-Apr 08-Apr

Name Jaye Loudermilk* Brenda Amonett* Chona Vergara* Nita Burton* Otis Guthrie*

James & Amy Sanderson

Tyler & Shandon Short

Brian & Lyra Finnell

Don & Judy Henry

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Name

Anniversary 12-Apr 13-Apr 16-Apr 20-Apr

<u>A note on the above Birthdays and Anniversaries</u>: Because we are not meeting, we did not print a calendar etc.. So, for security and privacy reasons, we are only printing the date and name/s of the members celebrating in April. If you want to write/e-mail/call them, you will have to get the pertinent address info from the online directory. See the instructions in "<u>STAYING CONNECTED</u>"



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