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PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Eleanor Galik for immediate prayers





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IN TOUCH

with the ministry and people of Living Word

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"Who Advises You?"

To win in life, you must become a lifelong learner. And learning requires submission; a quality of character we sometimes think doesn't apply to *us*. We think submission is 'just for those other people who need to be led'. This is particularly true in our early years when we're sure that we know it all and use every opportunity to prove it. Reaching for a good adviser requires humility of heart. The truth is, if you're not teachable, your future is already decided!

The more you *think* you know, the less likely you are to place yourself under the influence of those who really know and can help you. This is especially true when you view yourself as more capable, passionate, and talented than others around you. The wise always seek counsel. If you're wise, you will acknowledge your limitations; only a fool believes he or she has none. Only the naive are foolish enough to operate under the assumption that they can make all the right calls without good input. But they can't.

Here are three Scriptures from the book of Proverbs you need to stop and consider today:

1) 'The way of fools seems right to them, but the wise listen to advice' (Proverbs
12:15). 2) 'Plans fail for lack of counsel, but with many advisers they succeed' (Proverbs
15:22). 3) 'Listen to advice and accept discipline, and at the end you will be counted among
the wise' (Proverbs 19:20). It's not just what your adviser knows, it's what they see that
makes them valuable to you. They are extra eyes and ears. Why would you want to live
without them?

A good adviser does three things: they observe you, instruct you, and motivate you. At first, the thought of having someone evaluate you may be intimidating. But think about it; people are watching you anyway, so why not have a good adviser among the crowd?

Here is a list of some areas in which you might consider inviting an adviser to evaluate you. These things are not options, they're essentials: spiritual development, personal discipline, family relationships, decision making, handling finance, conflict resolution, picking the right people, breaking bad habits and establishing good ones, goal setting and planning for the future.

If you're serious about succeeding, look for an environment where you will be mentored, not just paid. Initially, what you learn is more important than what you earn, because what you *learn* early determines what you *earn* later. What you don't know can hurt you and put a lid on your potential. Opening doors of evaluation is something you owe to yourself and those who depend on you. And don't let it stop with you. Pass on what you've been given to somebody else. Jesus said, *'Freely ye have received, freely give'* (*Matthew 10:8*).

'But I'm too young, nobody is going to take me seriously,' you say. Paul told Timothy, 'Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example' (1 Timothy 4:12). You're not responsible for knowing everything; you're just responsible for sharing what you know with others. As you pour into them what God and others have poured into you, they will go further and faster too. So ask God for a good adviser and become one to somebody else.

This Week at Living Word

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9:15am Adult Bible Study 10:00am Blended Worship Service	30	31 9:00am— 12:00pm Preschool 10:00am Push Prayer	9:00am— 12:00pm Preschool	9:00am— 12:00pm Preschool	3 1:00pm Call Team Meet- ing with Pas- tor Ziemann	4 Daylight Savings Time Ends—Set Your Clocks Back 1 Hour

November Celebrations



Nov 16 Nov 17 Nov 20 Nov 30

Joan Tinich Jeff Regan



Nov 6 Barb Erjavec
Nov 9 Jill Goebel
Nov 17 Jessica Lyons
Nov 17 Emily Olund
Nov 26 Lily Rozwalka



Nov 5 Jim & Sandy Boehm

Devotional Time

Opportunities to Connect with God

PUSH PRAYER meets every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. to pray for our church, community and world. We welcome requests (call 708-403-9673) or visit our website to send in your prayer request, or join us for 30-40 minutes each week.

RADIO & TV OPPORTUNITIES

- Worship Anew—8:00 a.m. Sunday Comcast channel 184 (TLN) & 8 (SD), WPWR channel 50, AT&T U-verse channel 1008 (HD) & 8 (SD), Dish Network # 8495; 10:30 a.m. Sunday DIRECTV channel 377 (TCT)
- The Lutheran Hour 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sundays on 1230 AM; and 9:30 a.m. Sundays on 1580 AM

ADULT BIBLE STUDY CLASS is every Sunday morning at 9:15am in the conference room. Join Pastor Lee and the others as they review the Word of the our Lord.

DEVOTIONAL OF THE WEEK Then Pilate tried to release [Jesus], but the Jewish leaders shouted, "If you release this man, you are no 'friend of Caesar.' Anyone who declares himself a king is a rebel against Caesar."...

Then Pilate turned Jesus over to them to be crucified. - John 19:12,16a (NLT)

When pressure comes upon someone, you find out what's inside. Geologic pressure can produce a valuable diamond, but it can also produce an earthquake or volcanic eruption, with all the death and destruction that entails. The evil one knows where each of our pressure points are. The question is "How are we going to react when pressure comes to turn away from following God?" May God increase our faith and our endurance as we continue to abide in Him.

PRAYER REQUEST for Pastor John as he has been in the long-term care facility of the Victorian Village. He is still having trouble with the blood clots. Pastor Lee and Elaine visit him on Sundays, he still tires easily, they will keep us posted with weekly updates as to his condition. Please keep him and his family in your prayers as they are very concerned about Pastor John. If you would like to send cards and/or well wishes within the next week or to call him, here is the complete address: John Bucka, C/O Victorian Village, Hope House, Room #17, 12600 Renaissance Circle, Homer Glen, IL 60491. Phone number is 708-578-7091.

November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 9:00am— 12:00pm Preschool	9:00am— 12:00pm Preschool	3 1:00pm Call Team Meet- ing with Pas- tor Ziemann	4 9:30am Call Team/Council Meeting with Pastor Prohl from NID Daylight Savings Time Ends—Set Your Clocks Back 1 Hour
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19 9:15am Adult Bible Study 10:00am Worship Blended Communion Service	20	21 10:00am Push Prayer	5:30pm Thanksgiving Eve Service ving Break	Thanksgiving Day Office Closed No Prese	24 Office Closed	25
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Living Word News

PRESCHOOL is growing. Yay! The fifth student started earlier this month, and fitting in nicely. We just received another registration form from a family who's older son came here last year, and now their younger son will be starting in the winter semester for January and then in February, we will have the younger sister of one of our students start when she finally turns three. She already knows the "Good-Bye Song" that they sing everyday, lol. Keep spreading the word about how wonderful Mrs. Diana is with these little ones, all of the families can't stop saying what a great teacher she is. Plus another family has a tour scheduled with Diana later this month.

CHANGE IN SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES are in full swing as we are getting used to the different formats. The first Sunday of every month will be a traditional hymnal worship service and the third Sunday of the month will be an informal outreach service and the remaining Sundays will be the blended service that we currently have. This will be a trial basis for a 6 month period, at which time you will have a chance to express your favorites, suggest minor changes to either service and choose if we do this going forward or use one or the other or go back to the same service styles each week. We will be announcing this on our sign and on our website and Facebook page to see if we can get any visitors or new members.

CALL COMMITTEE has another list of names of pastors from the district. Donna has talked with Pastor Schauer and she had called the four pastors to see when they are available to meet with us to discuss the possibility of receiving a call from us. A meeting has been scheduled with one of them now for this coming Friday at 1:00pm. There is also a meeting scheduled for Saturday, November 4th with our council and call committee and the assistant to President Buss of the district. We will be meeting with Pastor Prohl from Northern Illinois District that day to go over our call process and the potential list of pastors. Then on November 7th, there will be a meeting here at Living Word with the Senior Pastor from Trinity Lutheran of Lisle to start discussing the possibility of a partnership with their church.

THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE is Wednesday November 22nd at 5:30pm. Please plan on joining us for worship and to give thanks for the blessings in our lives.

NOVEMBER SERVICES will be slightly different. Sunday, November 19th is the 3rd Sunday of the month and it will be Communion Sunday as well, but it will be our blended worship service, and then on Sunday, November 26th we will have our informal outreach service which will also include Hanging of the Greens celebration as we decorate the church for the upcoming Advent Season. Please plan on joining us for a special fellowship time as we celebrate the start of the Christmas season.



Mission of the Month

MISSION OF THE MONTH is currently Working on Wellness, this Sunday is the last day that we will be collecting for them. For the first half of the month of November we will collecting monetary donations for the Orland Park Food Pantry to help them furnish the perishable items for holiday meals to the families in need of Orland Park, plus we will be collecting gifts the second half of the month and into early December for our Angel tree for the families in need again this year.





October Mission of the Month Working On Wellness Foundation

"Therefore We Will Not Fear"

Psalm 46 says: "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear..."

1) I will not fear crisis because I fear only my CREATOR.

⁶ Then I saw another angel flying in midair, and he had the eternal gospel to proclaim to those who live on the earth—to every nation, tribe, language and people. ⁷ He said in a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come. Worship him who made the heavens, the earth, the sea and the springs of water."

Revelation 14:6-7

2) I will not fear falling because I received Christ by FAITH.

Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God. ²⁰ Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin. ²¹ But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. ²² This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. ²⁵ God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood—to be received by faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished— ²⁶ he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus. ²⁷ Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. Because of what law? The law that requires works? No, because of the law that requires faith. ²⁸ For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law.

3) I will not fear trials because I know the freeing TRUTH.

³¹ To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. ³² Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³ They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?" ³⁴ Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. ³⁵ Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. ³⁶ So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.

John 8:31-36



October 22nd

16 Worshipped 4 Watched Live 11 Watched Later 31 Total

Financial Support

Offering was not counted this week

Stewardship Snapshot

A NEED FOR YOU AND A NEED FOR CHURCH for everyone. Well since I had bragged about our attendance totals, the past two months haven't been as good. Our attendance has dropped by quite a bit, we miss seeing all of our friends here in church. We are all trying very hard to keep our church moving in the right direction and it takes all our efforts to do so. The holidays are fast approaching and we know how busy everybody is during this time of the year, but we can't forget the reason why the holidays exist for in the first place. All we are asking is for you to take some time out of a very hectic schedule, and reflect on the importance of the season, and whether it matters or not if quite everything is done. We want to wish everyone a very happy, peaceful and blessed holiday season.

Community Events



ASHBURN BAPTIST CHURCH

15401 Wolf Road • Orland Park, Illinois 60467



NOVEMBER 16 • 7:00 PM



Reminders



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME

ends next weekend. Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before going to bed on Saturday night, November 4th, but you can still be early for church if you want to be, lol.