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June
2018

"Why
are you
so afraid?
Have you
still no faith?"

MARK 4:40, ESV

Worship the Lord with Us!

Sunday Worship

Traditional Worship Service: 8:30 am

Sunday School for all ages: 9:40 am

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The submission deadline for the
Summer issue of Windows is
July 10th.

**THANK YOU FOR
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From The Pastor's Heart

WALK BY
Faith,
NOT BY
sight.

Summer will be here before you know it and lots of plans are being made, some for picnics, days in the mountains or at the beach. Many people look for some well-deserved rest and relaxation because if we are truly honest, all too often, the margins of life can quickly disappear in the midst of busy and hectic paces of life. However, the one thing we know about life is we never know what it can hold from day to day! We must live our lives trusting God, knowing we need His guidance and care every step of the way.

Apostle Paul says it clearly in a letter to the church when he wrote for God who said, *"Let light shine out of darkness," may his light shine in our hearts to give us the light of the knowledge of God's glory displayed in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in jars of clay to show that this all-surpassing power is from God and not from us.* 2 Corinthians 4:6-7

Recently, I read about Tammie Jo Shults' story told by Dr. Jim Denison who is now the famous pilot who landed Flight 1380 after an engine exploded in the air. She guided the plane down after a twenty-thousand-foot drop in six minutes, then walked down the aisle hugging passengers. Passengers described her as having "nerves of steel" and being a "true American hero." What you may not know is that she is also a committed Christian.

Tammie Jo has led the children's worship program at First Baptist Church of Boerne, Texas. She has also taught Sunday school for children, middle schoolers, high schoolers, and adults. According to Staci Thompson, a longtime friend and church staff member, the congregation was "impressed" but not "shocked" at Shults's heroics.

Her courage under fire comes from her training: three decades ago, She became one of the first female fighter pilots in the US military. But even more, it comes from her Lord. Thompson says her friend "wants people to know that God was there with her" on Flight 1380 and "that he helped her in getting control of that plane

and landing that plane.”

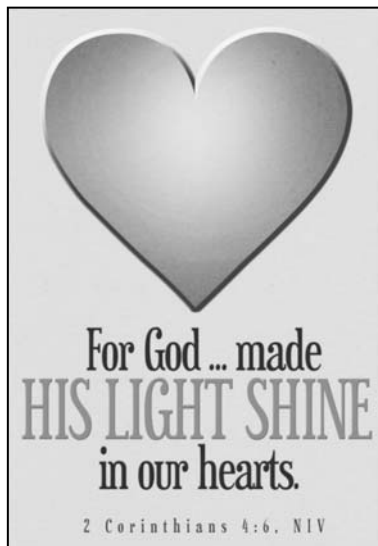
“It was because of him, not her,” Thompson said. “She was just a teammate and a co-captain. He was the captain.” God’s grace was the source of her strength. Her greatest mission in life is to live out Jesus’ love on a daily basis.

How do we live out Jesus’ love today? “We all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit” (2 Corinthians 3:18). “Behold the glory of the Lord today in worship, prayer, and intimate communion with your the Lord. Know that his Spirit will transform you into the image of his Son.” (Romans 8:29) You then will be able to show the world Jesus’ love, compassion, mercy, and grace in your life, too!

Abraham Kuyper was a brilliant theologian who also served as prime minister of the Netherlands. He observed: “No service in itself is small / none great, though earth it fill / But that is small that seeks its own / And great that does God’s will.” What a wonderful thing it is to be spiritually renewed. May it be on our summer must do list this year!

Enjoy your summer. It is a privilege to serve the Collingswood family and community!

In our Lord’s love and grace,
Pastor Sam





The Staff Parish Relations Committee wants to thank all of you for your faithful prayers as we searched for a Connections Pastor that would come along side of Pastor Sam and Shawn as they seek to lead our church. We are excited to share with you that our faithful God has answered those prayers.

Beginning Sunday, June 3, 2018 Matthew Peace will begin ministry here at the First United Methodist Church of Collingswood. Matt is an ordained pastor who has served on the pastoral staff of several churches as youth and missions pastors. He has a real heart for the local church, for missions, both local and international and is strong in outreach and developing life groups. Matt is a visionary who loves the Lord with all his heart. He has a gift of leadership that has been a blessing wherever he has served.

Matt and his wife ,Bernadette, recently moved back into this area to be closer to family and had been praying for where God would use them. We are delighted that the Lord led them here and we look forward to being in ministry with them. God is good, all the time.

Staff Parish Relations Committee





On June 3rd, the staff and SPR team invite you to celebrate the arrival of Matt and Bernadette Peace. Please join us for Pizza With the Peaces!

This luncheon, following our Contemporary Service, will be a great opportunity to introduce yourself and get to know a little more about our new Connections Pastor and his family. Please plan to join your church family in the Great Room (Temple) for a lunch of pizza and salad. Congregation members are invited to bring tossed salad or dessert, but it is not necessary to come! No sign-up needed!

Contact Susan Gibbins-Davis with any questions.



YARD SALE

FUMC will be taking part in the Collingswood Town Wide Yard sale for the fourth year. The date is June 2nd. Last year we made over \$1600 which benefitted special mission projects which were not part of the Missions budget. Help will be needed sorting, pricing, baking etc. Most of all, we need items to sell. As you do spring housecleaning, remember the sale. No clothing, shoes or large electronics, please. This is also an opportunity to reach out to the community. Last year our church table team took prayer requests and prayed with people in need of prayer. So save the date! Let's make this one an even bigger success! You can bring it your donated items on Sunday, May 27th and on Tuesday through Friday, May 29th through June 1st during normal office hours.

FROM THE CARING COMMITTEE:

Please contact the church office if you know someone going into the hospital for a procedure or testing so that we can contact and care for them.



OPTIONS PREGNANCY CARE CENTER



Baby bottles and envelopes will be at the exits of the church thru Father's Day (June 17th) when we would like them returned by. You may take either a baby bottle or envelope to contribute to Options for Women in Cherry Hill. Our contributions will help pregnant women make the correct choices during their pregnancy.



JUNE SERMONS AND SCRIPTURES



June 3	Living Out our Purpose Series <i>"Hunger for God"</i> Communion	Philippians 3:10
June 10	Graduation Sunday & Baptism Sunday Living Out our Purpose Series <i>"The Integrity Factor"</i>	
June 17	Father's Day 2018 <i>"Jars of Clay Can Make A Difference"</i>	2 Corinthians 4:6-7
June 24	Living Out our Purpose Series <i>"The Power of Praise"</i>	Psalms 150:1-6



JUNE EVENTS

- June 10th **Student Recognition and Scholarship Sunday**
Mozart Requiem Concert 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm
- June 17th **Father's Day**
Pastor Sam will share a special message at both the 8:30 and 10:45 am services. Join us and bring a friend for this inspirational service for everyone as we honor our men and fathers.
- June 19th **Collingswood Baccalaureate – 7:00 pm**
- July 1st **VBS Celebration Sunday!**
Combined service at 10:45 am after Sunday School at 9:40 am and a picnic following the combined service.

VBS 2018



- When? **June 25 through June 29**
10:00 AM - 12:00 PM (NOTE TIME CHANGE)
- Where? First United Methodist Church,
Collingswood NJ
- Who? Children ages 4 through entering 6th grade
- What? **Game On! Gearing up for life's big game!**
Kids grab their megaphones, lace up their cleats, and tune up their instruments. As they fill up the offensive line, sideline, and drumline, your players, cheerleaders, and band members will realize God has given them His ultimate playbook. He wants them to join His team, train hard, celebrate salvation, and encourage one another. Get in the spirit today with Game On!

His divine power has given us everything required for life and godliness through the knowledge of him who called us by his own glory and goodness.

2 Peter 1:3

**ROM
5:8**

**JHN
11:25**

**JHN
20:29**

**GEAR UP!
GET READY!
GAME ON!**

**1 JHN
3:1**

**PS
95:1**

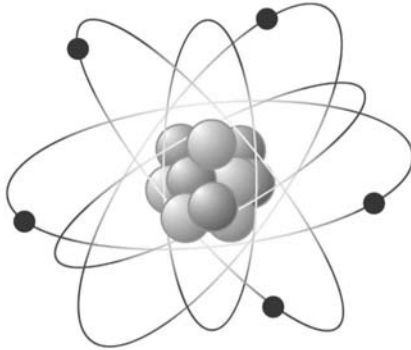
**2 PET
1:3**

**VERY IMPORTANT MEETING
Tuesday, June 11th at 7:00 pm.
ALL VBS VOLUNTEERS MUST ATTEND!!!**

You will receive your materials and will be reviewing your assignments this evening. Also, those who did not attend the Safe Sanctuary Training will need to stay for an extra 15 minutes

Looking ahead....

**Art and Science Camp
Monday through Thursday,
August 13, 14, 15 and 16!**



**For those entering 2nd through those
entering 5th grade. Look for more
information shortly!**

**How can you help support our summer
children's ministries?**

The trend today is for most churches to charge a fee for Vacation Bible School. Our Children's Ministry Team feels strongly that the free gift of salvation should remain free. We want to share this free gift by teaching the children in our community about God's way and how they can walk in it. That is why we need you to know about a special upcoming communion offering on June 3rd. All the funds will go to VBS and children's mission projects. Please pray about how you can support both of these ministries with your generous offering.



**COLLINGSWOOD SINGS
AND
COLLINGSWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
CHOIR PRESENTS:**

Mozart Requiem Concert
Sunday, June 10, 2018
4:00 pm
Held here in our Sanctuary.

If anyone is interested in being a part of this concert,
please email [Cristin Introcaso](mailto:Cristin.Introcaso@gmail.com).

Rehearsal will be held on Friday evening,
June 8th from 6:30 to 9:30 pm.



JUNE

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
3 8:30 AM Traditional Worship Service 9:40 AM Sunday School 10:45 AM Worship Service 12:00 PM Pizza with the Peace's 6:00 PM Ryver	4 Church Office Closed 7:00 PM Church Council	5	6 6:45 PM Mast 7:00 PM "First Prayer Gather
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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 Yard Sale
Men's Men "Night" ring	7 6:30 PM Praise Team Practice	8 6:30 PM Mozart Concert Rehearsal	9 6:00 PM Game Night
Men's Men	14 6:30 PM Praise Team Practice <i>FLAG DAY</i>	15	16
Men's Men	21 6:30 PM Praise Team Practice <i>FIRST DAY OF SUMMER</i>	22	23
Men's Men	28 VBS 6:30 PM Praise Team Practice	29 VBS 7:00 PM Grace Cafe	30



Summer Adult Sunday School/Discipleship Classes
Sunday, July 1st through Sunday September 2nd.

More information regarding classes and location will be available at the connection points and in your Sunday bulletin.



South Seaville Camp Meeting
Sunday, July 15
thru
Sunday, July 29

Erma Camp Meeting
Friday, July 20
thru
Sunday, July 29



GAME NIGHT – held the 2nd Saturday of every month from 6:00 to 9:00 pm in Stokes Dining Room. Feel free to bring your favorite game or come and learn a new one! Also, bring your favorite snack to share. Hope to see you there. Any questions, please See Emily Davis or Susan Gibbins-Davis.

GRACE CAFÉ
Open Mic Night
June 29, 2018



Join us on the last Friday of each month for an evening of entertainment! Sign-up starts at 6:30 pm. Entertainment from 7:00 to 10:00 pm. We welcome all performers to share their love of music, poetry, comedy, etc. All generations welcomed! There is a PA system, stage lighting, amps, keyboards, drum kit and a large stage area to enhance your performance. Coffee and assorted food items will be served. If you would like to bring a tasty treat to share, that would be great! Bring your entire family! For additional information contact John Vernon or check us out on Facebook - Grace Cafe!

**SING
SONGS
OF PRAISE.**

James 5:13

MISSIONARY MESSAGES



FELLOWSHIP HOUSE AND URBAN PROMISE MINISTRIES

are excited to announce that these two long-standing, lauded organizations, have come to an agreement in principle, that Urban Promise will continue the Christian mission of Fellowship House in South Camden. As part of this agreement, Fellowship House's



facilities will be transferred to Urban Promise and Urban Promise will continue to serve the children and families of the neighborhood in much the same way as Fellowship House has done these past 52 years. We are hopeful to complete the transition by mid-May 2018 and look forward to announcing more details and events at that time.



Boxley and Joyce Boggs, FL

Joyce and I always thank the Lord for you and your prayers and we count it a joy to pray for you too. Pray for Joyce's continued recovery from a stroke on March 6th. It was on the heels of a broken hip on January 1st, which was on the heels of a broken wrist in mid-November. Bottom line is that these events have "taken the wind out of her sails," and she needs more strength, better balance, and improved peripheral vision. She has just begun a month of intensive physical therapy, which, we pray, will help bring her back up to strength. We thank you in Jesus' name for your love and support. You are a great blessing and encouragement to us!

Larry and Fay Buckman, South America

After our last training with indigenous missionaries, I started a WhatsApp page with all the students and other ministries in Brazil. In just a few weeks we are watching their world as each crisis sends us to our knees. Paulo Nunes just sent a message from a conference he is directing in Cacoal, at least a thousand miles from

his home in Manaus. Technology is helping us carry the burdens for others.

Paulo writes: “My brothers and sisters it is with heavy heart that I beg for your prayers in favor of the Yanomami people in Ninan, Roraima State. (Near the Venezuelan border)

This is our request that you pray for the Yanomami people in Ninam. Our indigenous co-worker, Gilberto, part of our Bible translation team who graduated from AMI, the South American Mission Bible School, was assassinated Saturday to Sunday in Pewa-u. We do not know the details yet...especially how this will affect our Jesus Film work. Gilberto was the voice of Jesus on the film dubbing. PLEASE PRAY WITH US. Gilberto left a wife and three children.

The assassin is the health agent for the village of Santana. There was another assassination in a village nearby when a son stabbed his father who died. This could mean for the Yanomami a sign of war and vengeance. We beg for your prayers.

Gilberto Yanomami Ninan was our colleague and this could have a perverse retaliation between the communities where we work. The devil is furious because the Light of Jesus is shining in the midst of those people. This is a spiritual warfare.

Brothers we had just completed building Gilberto a house for his family as our missionary aid to him. We just completed that house.”



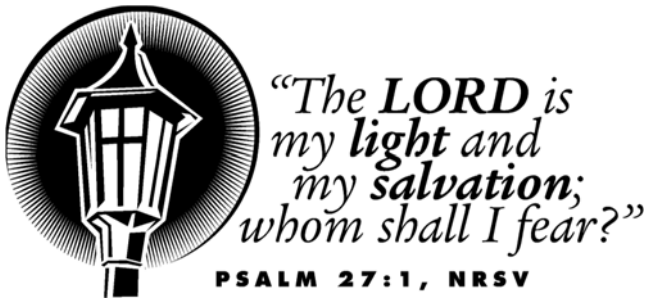
The WhatsApp page is alive with responses from so many of our students and leaders. You can see the traffic if you log onto “Ondas Unidas Brasil” and at least look at the pictures. People are

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getting baptized, their traveling up the rivers to new tribes, street meetings are happening and people are coming to faith in Christ.

Thank you for being faithful in prayer as the world attempts to suffocate the LIGHT OF JESUS. As we moved forward training these young indigenous missionaries we knew there would be a price to pay. As the story develops, I'll try to keep you informed.



Bob and Barbara Alber, Texas

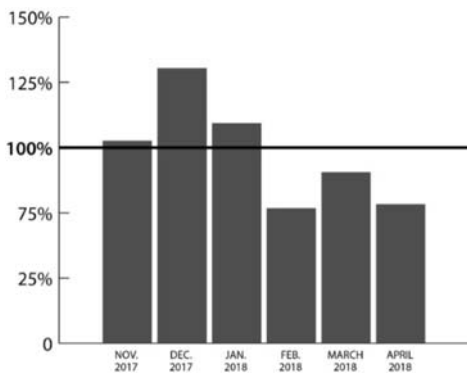
The job I love is now a “win-win!”

For those of you who may not know, I (Barbara) serve as a graphic designer for both Global Publishing Services of SIL International and for Creative Services of JAARS, both partner ministries of Wycliffe Bible Translators. Being able to work every day at a job I love for a God I love is, in itself, a big “win.” But, it's EXTRA rewarding to be recognized for a job well-done! Please celebrate with the editorial team of JAARS as we recently received this award for producing the best print magazine in the category of Missions. The Evangelical Press Association (EPA) offers guidance to help publishers of Christian media improve their products.

I began designing Rev. 7 for JAARS in 2014. In 2016 I redesigned the magazine and in 2017 we won EPA's top award for the “Most-Improved” print magazine in the Missions category. It will be a great challenge to keep improving our work and continue to produce a magazine that informs and inspires its readers.


More fun jobs I am now working on:

I am designing a presentation to commemorate the relationship between the late evangelist Reverend Billy Graham and Wycliffe founder Cameron Townsend. Billy and “Uncle Cam” shared a common global vision that formed the foundation of their lifelong friendship.



Financial Update


Thank you to our over 70 partners who faithfully support our full-time ministry here in Dallas! We either met or exceeded our need three out of the past six months. However, as you can see, in the past three months we have experienced quite a significant deficit.





2018 AWARD OF EXCELLENCE

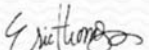
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Steve Biggerstaff, Grace Miller, Charity Armstrong,
Barbara Alber, Sarah Baer




 Lamar Keener, Executive Director




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Wings of Prayer



I've been thinking about the Psalms. Some of them, like Psalm 23, are so comforting. God is our Shepherd, our Caregiver, who leads us, protects us and brings us to a good place. Some Psalms, like Psalm 8, help us worship as we think of how great, how awesome our God is. Some Psalms, though, reflect our

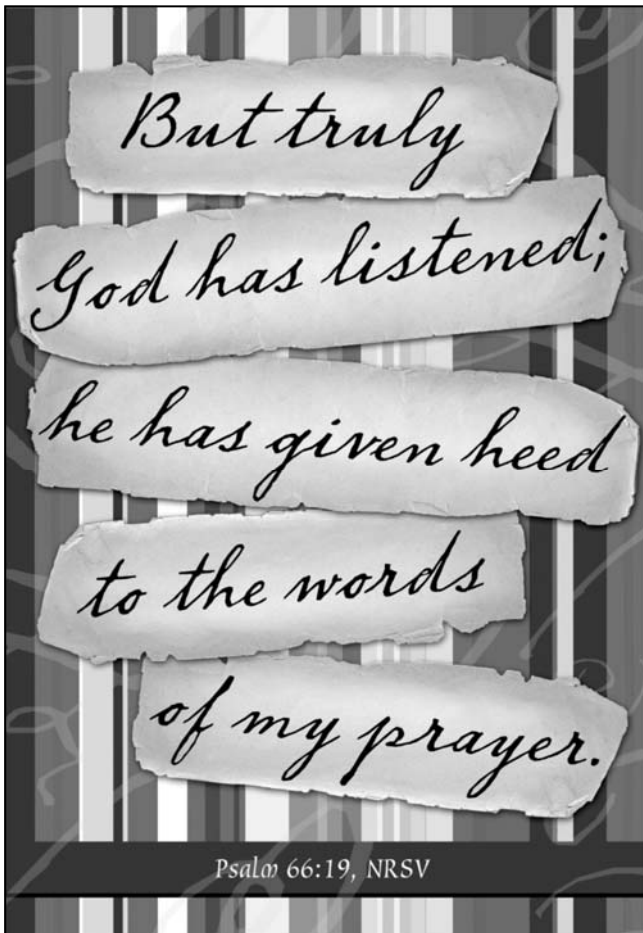
confusion, pain, and questions. The phrase "how long?" appears in several Psalms. When will this struggle end? When will God heal?

One of the things I appreciate about the book of Psalms – a book of prayers and songs – is how the psalms reflect the heart of the writers. They're real. Like life, they are not all sunshine and mountaintop experiences. Oh, there are certainly those feelings and expressions in there! But there are also cries of anger, despair, fear and anguish. They're prayers and songs of real people. And all of them are addressed to the One who created and loves real people.

God loves to hear from us; He loves to engage us in dialogue ~ in prayer. He enjoys our praise and worship. There's an older praise song with these words: "You are beautiful beyond description. Too marvelous for words. Too wonderful for comprehension, like nothing ever seen or heard. Who can match your infinite wisdom? Who can fathom the depth of your love? ... And I stand, I stand, in awe of you. Lord I stand, I stand in awe of you. Holy God to whom all praise is due, I stand in awe of you!" There are times when we want to shout about God's beauty, majesty, holiness, righteousness and power.

There are also times we want to talk with God about our hurt, suffering, questions and uncertainty. He knows we are limited, angry, confused, impatient and full of a host of other human frailties. God wants to hear these things from us. He wants us to bring our joys and our sorrows, our mountaintop experiences and our deep valley situations to him. Nothing is too large or too small to bring to God in prayer.

What is on your mind right now? What do you want to say to God? What counsel, comfort or relief do you need? Our Father wants to hear from you! Join me in prayers of praise and thanksgiving as well as petitions for our concerns and those of the people around us. Within our congregation, there are those who have asked us to join them in prayer for *Brian DeFoney, Audrey Diehl, Ruth Dunn, Joan Steward, Harry Ellis, Diane McCully, Dotti Escuti, Betty Gabreck, Arnie Arnold, Cheryl Averell, Matt Robb, David Shropshire, Jim Doherty, Holly Gibbons*. Thank you, Lord, for loving us so much that you want to have an ongoing conversation with us!





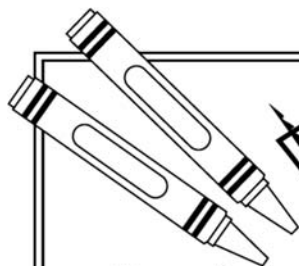
If you have not already done so, please give your dates (birth dates and anniversary dates) to the church office in writing or by e-mail: maria@fumccollingswood.org.

June 1	Betty MacNamara Jeremy Wallace	June 20	Audrey Diehl Jim Doherty
June 3	Virginia Morrow	June 24	Aryana Zook
June 5	Maxwell Schoch Samuel Schoch	June 26	Janice BittleMiles Tribulas
June 6	Lisa Mountain	June 28	Prin Pappas Brian Steward
June 13	Jean LeBlanc Dawn Molloy	June 29	Jason Meyers
June 15	Shirl Latch	June 30	Nathanael Meyers
June 19	Linda Schoch		



June 1	James & Katherine Jungclaus Jr.
June 2	Phil & Kathy Boswell
June 4	Stan & Pat Scheaffer
June 11	John & Lori Vernon
June 20	Leon & Rhonda Fraley
June 21	Michael & Dawn Molloy
June 23	Dean & Beth Stefano
June 28	Tom & Carolyn Thompson





PUZZLE

Beloved children

God our heavenly Father loves us so much that he calls us his.

Directions: Follow the instructions below. Then read the remaining words, going across the rows from left to right, to complete 2 Corinthians 6:18, NIV.

- Cross out the opposite of blessings.
- Cross out the disciple who betrayed Jesus.
- Cross out the opposite of love.
- Cross out a word for jail.
- Cross out what happened to Jesus.
- Cross out the opposite of friends.
- Cross out the opposite of found.
- Cross out a word for disobeying God.
- Cross out an animal.
- Cross out a place.
- Cross out a book of the Bible.

I	enemies	will	be	Judas
hate	a	Father	to	serpent
you	and	you	will	crucified
cursings	be	my	sons	and
sin	Golgotha	daughters	says	the
Lamentations	prison	Lord	Almighty	lost

Answer: "I will be a Father to you, and you will be my sons and daughters," 2 Corinthians 6:18, NIV

DADS are a BLESSING

Surprise your dad or another special man with this Father's Day gift.



What you need:

- Photos of you and your loved one (together, if possible)
- Scissors
- 8.5" x 11" paper
- Glue stick
- Marker
- 8.5" x 11" photo frame



What you do:

1. Cut photos into shapes (hearts, circles, etc.).
2. Arrange photos on the paper, leaving room for a message, and glue them down.
3. Write: "I'm blessed as can be. My heavenly Father has given me the best _____ [dad, uncle, friend] in the world, and he belongs to me!"
4. Place your picture message in the frame.
5. Give your gift to show love and appreciation.

Bible QUIZ

What word can be placed in all four blanks to complete this Bible passage?

"But just as he who called you is _____, so be _____ in all you do; for it is written: 'Be _____, because I am _____.'"

- A. righteous
- B. holy
- C. loving
- D. merciful



**"The gospel is only
good news if it gets
there in time."**

Carl F. H. Henry
1913-2003

Evangelical theologian,
founding author of
Christianity Today

Answer: B (See 1 Peter 1:15-16, NIV.)

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GEAR UP
2 PETER 1:3
GET READY
GAME ON

June 25-29

10:00 AM - 12:00 PM

*To see all people **WORSHIP** God, **CONNECT** with his people,
and join His **MISSION** in this world.*