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FAMILY FACTS

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THE POWER OF TRANSFORMATION:

"Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect."

(Romans 12: 2)

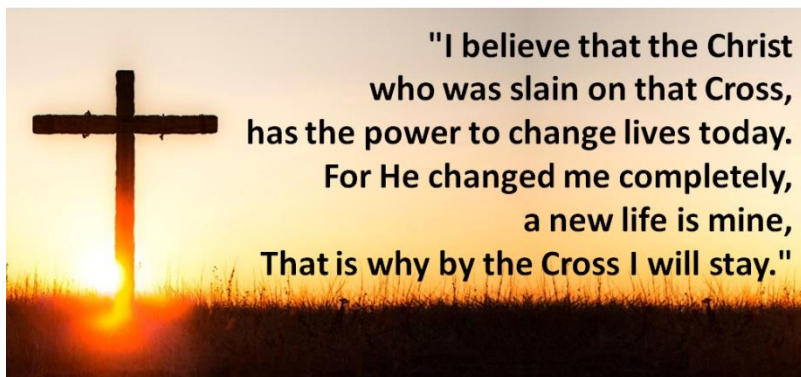
I am awed when I think about the work that Jesus is able to do in the lives of people. He is able to take a poor, lost sinner, and transform him into a child of God. He is able to take the broken pieces of a life which has been wrecked by alcohol, or crime, or lust, and transform that person in such a tremendous way that he is now pure and holy and useful in the service of God.

I read the story of a man by the name of Arthur. He was released from prison at the age of 53, after having spent 42 years in prison. From the age of 11, no prison was capable of reforming him. He served 24 years in solitary confinement, and 17 months on death row. He participated in prison riots, broke a guard's arm, and another's collar bone. He was responsible for the death of a sheriff. In one prison in Indiana, he stole 40 lbs of cyanide, intending to poison the entire prison staff. He spent 31 months in Devils Island prison, confined in a 5 x 7 cell, chained by the neck.

One day, a preacher and his son visited the prison. The preacher's son smiled at Arthur, and Arthur began to curse and swear at him. The boy began to cry, and said to Arthur, "I love you." Arthur later said, "That was the first time in my life that anyone ever said that to me." For seven years, the preacher's son wrote letters to him, and prayed for him. Finally, Arthur broke down, and committed his life to Jesus Christ.

God did two miracles in Arthur's life. He transformed a hate-filled, violent man into a man of love and grace with the ability to care for others. In spite of his prison record, he was released from prison, and he began to proclaim Christ to everyone.

Jesus is able and does change our lives completely, when we repent of our sins, and put our faith in Him.



May 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Prayer Meeting 10:00 AM	2 JOY-10:00 AM	3	4
5 Family Communion 9:30 AM Youth Group 4:00 PM Time of Prayer NHS-7:00 PM	6	7 CIA-1:00 PM	8 GLOW 10:00 AM	9 LIFT-7:00 PM	10	11 Work Day 7:00 AM
12 <u>Mother's Day</u> Combined Service	13 Baumgardner's Bible Study 7:00 PM	14 CIA-1:00 PM	15 Prayer Meeting 10:00 AM	16	17	18 Men's Ministry 7:00 AM
19 Worship Service 9:30 AM Youth Group Skating at Fountainblu 4:30-6:30 PM	20 YAH Lunch at Café Magnolia 11:30 AM	21 CIA-1:00 PM Board Meeting 7:00 PM	22 GLOW 10:00 AM	23	24	25
26 Worship Service 9:30 AM	27 <u>Memorial Day</u> Office Closed	28 CIA-1:00 PM	29	30	31	

Birthdays

2 Mattea Perry
3 Donna Knisley
4 Austin Masser
9 Noah Milliken
15 Chelsea Newcomer
18 Eldon Witmer
 Lauren Paige Cornett

19 Rachel Cornett
20 Hannah Milliken
22 Kelly Kunkle
23 Colten Baumgardner
25 Samantha Smith
27 Scott Perry

Anniversaries

4 Ray & Jean Kunkle
16 Jon & Tammy Mull
17 Zachary & Chelsea Newcomer
18 Ed & Aleta Griffie
30 Rick & Corinne Shindle

"All the while, you will grow as you learn to know God better and better. We also pray that you will be strengthened with all his glorious power so you will have all the endurance and patience you need. May you be filled with joy" (Colossians 1: 10b-11)