

Young at Heart

Happy Mother's Day!

May

APRIL LUNCHEON (April 13)

Brian Stiffler brought a fun and talented jazz group from the Dayton Christian High School. I've heard some great Jazz in New Orleans but this group could outshine many of those performers with their talent, and more importantly, their "Christ like" attitudes.



APRIL DAY TRIP (April 27)

I know Sherm and Pastor Neeley have taken you to KitchenAid before. Several commented that the tour was interesting and you even made your own dessert! I love Apple Dumplings with Ice Cream. After the tour the group enjoyed a nice meal at Montage, finishing by eating the dessert that was made using KitchenAid.



You can see more photos and hear the music on our WHBC-YAH Blog.

MAY LUNCHEON (May 11)

In May, we will have another musical group from Dayton Christian Schools. This group is led by one of our church members, Sarah Britton. She is also a very talented flutist and soloist. Maybe I can also convince her to sing or play her flute. She works with several groups of the younger kids. I know you will enjoy this program.



MAY DAY TRIP (May 25)

As a child and into my teens, I enjoyed model trains. I still enjoy the real thing and looking at the model layouts. When I first heard about EnterTrainment Junction, I had to visit it. Later, I took Nancy and some of the grandkids to see it. I was impressed with everything they did with the huge model railroad layouts. There is also a very nice history display about railroads. I learned a few things about railroad history that I hadn't known before. This trip will bring out the kid inside you but will also challenge you by teaching a few new things.



For your Calendars

JUNE 2010 Luncheon (June 8)

We will make June a month to focus on our health. John Porter will join us with some great information to make us feel better.

Day Trip (June 17)

We always enjoy an outing to La Comedia. So, in June we will go down to see the "Church Basement Ladies". Believe it or not, we actually have three entirely different basements in our church, but we don't have any Basement Ladies, yet. Maybe we should get some. This trip will sell out quickly.

JULY 2010 Luncheon (July 13)

We had this performance scheduled earlier this year but it was snowed out! So, in July it will be our privilege to have Stan the Magic Man join us. Stan's mother comes to YAH. He is very talented. You won't want to miss seeing his illusions.

Day Trip (July 27)

I'm going to use July to find the adventurous ones in YAH. I'm adventurous. Nancy will tell you that I am the one always on the edge of the volcano. NO! We wouldn't do that to you. Stay Tuned for more!!

Laughs & Giggles

Pearly Gates
by Ian Jones



THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN LIFE AND DEATH

Since the first of this year, I've taken part in a couple of funerals. One was a very good friend and both were YAH people. So, I've been thinking and speaking about Life and Death recently. I've also been reading and studying about Heaven. You can expect an article about that in the future.

The cable news people called it a miracle. So did the man who is alive today because of what happened. He'd gone out for an afternoon on his boat off the coast of California. He didn't expect that sudden high wind that hit his vessel and threw him catapulting over the rail and into the water. The boat continued moving with its propellers nearly cutting him to pieces. He escaped that danger with relatively minor cuts, but now he was alone and adrift in those cold waters, knowing that hypothermia would soon set in. He was unable to sustain himself in the water, and he prayed for divine help. At that moment, he saw a balloon floating on the water nearby. He grabbed the balloon. He put it under his shirt to keep him buoyant. There's one problem with balloons - they tend to lose air. And slowly, the balloon that was holding him up did just that.

With hypothermia beginning to set in, he was at the end of his ability to stay alive and stay afloat. He closed his eyes, knowing that death must be near. He said, "All I could do was to begin to say the 23rd Psalm out loud, 'The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want.' When I got to the part that says, 'Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for Thou art with me,' I opened my eyes. And there, floating in front of me, was a board. I grabbed it. I hung on tight. Then, in front of me, I saw a large buoy. I paddled to that buoy, only to be chal-

lenged by a huge sea lion." That's when he was sure he was going to die. But that was when, five hours after he'd gone overboard, his brother arrived in a search boat and saved his life.

A man facing a seemingly deadly situation, a series of amazing interventions, and the arrival of the rescuer who was his only hope...just in the nick of time. For someone reading this today, that's not just a story from the news. That's your story. Or it's about to be. It's my story and the story of millions of others whose only hope was a rescue - a spiritual rescue.

Let's consider these words from Zephaniah 3:17. It simply says, "The Lord your God is mighty to save." He really is. He has both the love and the power to do whatever it takes to save you from the emptiness and the turbulence of a life away from God, and more importantly, from the awful agony of an eternity without Him. God is in the saving business.

Like that man overboard, the Bible says that we're all in a deadly situation from which we cannot save ourselves, and often we don't even know the danger we're in. The Bible says we are "without hope and without God in this world." (Ephesians 2:12); away from the Source of our life because we've hijacked our life from Him. It's called sin: a lifetime of willful choices that have ignored and disobeyed God's laws. And the Bible says, "The wages of sin is death" (Romans 6:23). We're overboard, we're drifting, and we're dying.

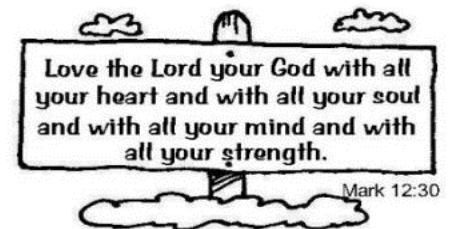
Along the way, the One who is "mighty to save" has sent you some "boards" and "balloons" that would keep you afloat until you could find the real Rescuer. You are alive today by His grace and His intervention in ways you don't even know. He's wanted you to have a

chance to grab the hand of His Son, His rescuer from heaven. Because one day you will "walk through the valley of the shadow of death," and your only hope is those four words, "You are with me." If Jesus isn't with you when you enter eternity, you are without hope. If He is with you, you're in heaven forever.

Today, the nail-pierced hand of heaven's Rescuer is reaching for you. The nail prints are there because He had to die so you could live; taking the penalty for your sin on that awful cross. And this day, you have to make your choice about Him. How do you grab His hand? You say, "Jesus, I've done it my way long enough. You died for my sin. I am Yours." In that moment, you're saved, you're rescued, and you're safe.

Remember, all you need to do is ask Christ to forgive your sins tell him that you want to give the rest of your life to Him.

If you would like to talk with me about this please call me. I would be happy to meet with you at your convenience.



Who Are We?

"Young at Heart" is the Senior Adult Ministry of Washington Heights Baptist Church.

Roger Jensen is the Pastor of Senior Adult Ministries. Our goal is to provide opportunities for meaningful fellowship in a Christian environment.

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