

LIVING FREE MINISTRIES NEWSLETTER

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"Life is like ice cream, you either enjoy it or watch it melt away!"

The most enjoying & exciting part of Living Free is watching people start to enjoy life! We have seen God do a lot of restoring families and lives! We have been able to see people with no Hope come to know Hope! Drug dealers and addicts becoming dads and moms becoming the mom that their kids need! It has been a great year at Living Free and 2010 is going to be even better.

Are you enjoying the Ice Cream or watching it melt?

This Week's Scripture:

"For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." John 3:16 NLT

This Week's Thought:

We are valuable to God. How could he expressed his love for us any more than to send his only Son to die so that we might have life?

Focusing on these scriptures- and others like them - can remind you who you are in Christ Jesus..

You are forgiven. 1John 1:9

You have been made right in God's sight. Romans 5:1

You are righteous. 2Corinthians 5:21, Romans 3:26

You are loved. 1John 3:1, John 4:10

You are a member of God's family. Ephesians 2:19

You are known by God. Matthew 10:30

You are God's child. Romans 8:14

You are an overcomer. 1John 5:3-5

You are his masterpiece- designed for a purpose. Ephesians 2:10

Christmas

By J. Michael Shannon

In the Peanuts comic strip, one of the little girls says that Christmas is a time for kindness and joy, and a time when we forgive one another. Charlie Brown responds by saying " Why just at Christmas? Why can't we be kind and forgiving all through the year?" She looks at Charlie Brown and says, " What are you, some kind of religious fanatic?"

Wouldn't it be great if the lessons we learned at Christmas and the attitudes we consider appropriate at Christmas could be exercised the year round? Wouldn't it be great if we would risk being called religious fanatics for that purpose?

Christmas Gifts

Here are a few suggestions for special gifts:

A firm handshake to a shaky soul,
A kind word to a lonely person,
A warm smile to the disheartened,
A sincere concern for someone troubled,
A feeling of compassion for the neglected,
A comforting thought for the bereaved,
A respect for the dignity of others,
A defense of the rights of individuals,
A word of witness to help a seeking soul,
A Merry Christmas to all.

From Tommy:

I'm looking forward to a big night this Thursday at Living Free. We are going to have Pizza for everyone! Truman will be telling the Christmas story. Santa will be in the house! Gift cards for all the kids! So come on out and join in the fun....Bring a friend.

I want to thank everyone for making this possible!!! Have you made a difference in someone's life?

Read 2 Corinthians 9:7-9 and see what God does in your heart.

Coming Up At Living Free:

Thursdays at 6:30pm:

December 17th-- This is going to be a special night at Living Free. Truman Stockdale will be telling the Christmas story. **SANTA WILL BE IN THE HOUSE!!!** Gift cards to all the kids. Also will be giving new coats to everyone that needs one. There will be pizza for everyone..

We will not meet on Thursday, December 24th Christmas Eve.

We will meet on Thursday, December 31st, New Year's Eve-- We will be reflecting on 2009 and what great things for 2010.

Don't Forget:

Women's Bible Study at 5:30pm-6:30pm on Thursdays--Trenia Marcum is the Group Leader.

Small groups on Mondays at 6:30pm with Tommy Wilson, Truman Stockdale, and Charles Carpenter

Men's Bible Study on Saturdays at 7:00am - 8:00am (Biscuits and Donuts served)

Going On In The Community:

Thursday, December 17th, Bread of Life Ministries and Tate Baptist Church will be having their annual Christmas Dinner starting at noon. After the meal, they will be giving food to those who need it.

At the Corinth Theater-Arts Playhouse at 303 Fulton Drive in Corinth. The play "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever!", a hilarious Christmas tale. Performances will be on Friday, December 18th and Saturday, December 19th at 7:30pm and on Sunday, December 20th at 2:00pm. Admission is \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for students.

Let's Remember In Our Prayers:

Those who are sick, hurt and in the hospital:
Bro. James Voyles 's Father(Bobby) & Bro. James's Son (Josh)
Brandy Lawrence's Father (Donnie)

For all those who are in need.

For all our military troops and their families, especially those away from their families during the holidays.

All those in jail or prison.

For any unspoken prayer request.

Happy Birthday To:

Alicia Doran on December 14th.

I don't know if I will be able to make it to Living Free Thursday . I have a residents Christmas Dinner at Hickory Terrace starting at 5pm and being the Resident Association President, I have to make the dinner. But just in case I don't , I would like to wish all my Living Free Family a "Merry Christmas!"---
Don Vinson

Anyone having something they would like put in the newsletter, please write it down and give to Tommy, Marea or Don. You can also email the information to me at donaldvinson@netzero.net