



# NEW LIFE NEWS

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## Stop and Help, or, Keep Going

### MONTHLY MEMORY VERSE

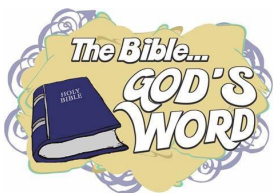
For we cannot help  
speaking about what  
we have seen and  
heard.

Acts 4:20



### BIBLE IN A YEAR

We welcome you to join us as we make our way through the bible this year. You will need to read through Psalms 135.



Sun 6/6 ~ through Psalms 15  
Sun 6/13 ~ through Psalms 50  
Sun 6/20 ~ through Psalms 85  
Sun 6/27 ~ through Psalms 120

Let me start with a true story. Two people were walking down the street and came across a guy who was asking for help – begging for money. He was just sitting there with his hand out asking “Can you give me some money?” ... Let me stop there for a moment.

I am not sure if you have ever experienced this, but I am sure you can imagine it. Two people were walking to place they needed to get to. As they walked, they were confronted with a man who was in need. In fact, he was not only sitting there as they walked by, he also calling out “HELP ME!”. I cannot speak for the two people, but I am sure that I could have just kept on going. I could have easily said, “I am sorry, I don’t have anything to help you with”. Perhaps, I could have kept on going and even looked the other way, ignoring the person who needed help. Indeed, regardless of what they did, they might have even thought, “Why don’t you just get a job?”. These seem like normal and actual responses that others may have when they come across a beggar. Perhaps they may even be your responses too.

For the record, the two people in story did not have any money to share. They could have walked by and said “We don’t have any money to share” and kept walking. They would have been right and okay in doing that. But that was not what they did.

Now, it just so happens that because they did not have money and they did say this very thing “We do not have any money”. But, that was not where the story ended. No, these two people were followers of Jesus. They loved Jesus and had also learned to love others too. Instead of saying “we have no money” and kept going, they said “we have no money, BUT, what we do have we give to you”. Then the person talking to the beggar said, “I tell you, by Jesus’ name,

get up and walk”. See, the beggar did have a disability. He could not walk. So, this believer (and his friend), gave the man something that he could not imagine, the ability to walk. What a miracle this must have been.

If you would like to see more details about this story, grab your Bibles and look at Acts chapters 3 and 4. If you look, you will see that the two people are Peter and John and the person begging is a man who was crippled and over 40 years old. What an event to have happen at the very beginning of the growth of the New Testament Church.

Now, let me tell you why I share this story. I was thinking about the story and realized that I may have never said anything to the person begging. I may have just kept going and not even looked at the person, ignoring them. Perhaps, I may have even saw him, looked at him, but said “I am sorry I cannot help you”. Maybe you may have done the same. But what this event tells me is that even in that moment, that chance that I get to serve someone, I can interact with someone and bring Jesus’ love and care. I might not be able to ask God for the miracle to walk, but I can ask God to bless the person I am talking with. I can ask God to use that time to bless them, as well as to bless me with a more sensitive heart for others.

See, for Peter and John, they could have walked by, but they didn’t. And the result of the event was not just that the man was healed. No. The result was not only a conversation and healing, but it also led to interaction with the religious leaders there. It also led to other people seeing this healing. Finally, it also led to a strengthening of the rest of the followers of Jesus there. All this, because Peter and John were willing to stop and talk with a person in need.

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# Upcoming

## EVENTS



The last day of Kid's Club for the school year will be on June 2 @ 6:00pm



### BOARD MEETING

**Wednesday  
June 2  
at 7:15pm**



6 James & Becky Hovde  
8 Ray & Beth Zamzow  
11 Dan & Sheila Green  
13 Roger & Cindy Doescher  
24 Duane & Angie Fuller  
24 Jesse & Sherry Stevens  
24 Nathan & Kayla Thompson

## Happy Birthday To Everyone Born in June!

2 Austin Weirsmma  
2 Janice Shaw  
4 Judith MacKenzie  
4 Sherry Bump  
6 Julia Johnson  
9 Cheryl Hayes  
9 MJ Jenkins  
11 Loralie Elliott  
13 Angie Fuller  
12 Erinn Snider  
18 Arianna Schleichert  
20 Judy Mislivecek-Berry  
21 Jayme Johnson  
23 Daniel Holzman  
23 Erika Snider  
24 Amy Green  
26 Annabelle Johnson  
27 Julie Lempa  
28 Carol Garreans  
28 Elaine Schilling



May all you wonderful

*Dads* enjoy a  
*Happy Father's Day*



**Come out and cheer on the team! All games are held at Pierce Park.**

<b>June 7 ....7pm</b>	<b>Field 2</b>
<b>June 14....8:15pm</b>	<b>Field 1</b>
<b>June 21....7pm</b>	<b>Field 1</b>
<b>June 28....7pm</b>	<b>Field 2</b>
<b>July 5.....7pm</b>	<b>Field 1</b>



On Saturday, June 5th, we will host our annual rummage and bake sale for Penny Crusade. Please look around your homes, attics, basements, closets, sheds and garages for any unused, under-used, or no longer wanted items that you would be willing to donate. We are interested in kitchen items, home decor, kitchen or bathroom linens, tools, sporting goods, holiday decor, toys, baby gear, furniture, appliances, books, electronics (not TVs) or antiques.

**The following items will not be accepted this year: Televisions, large appliances, VHS or cassette tapes, strollers, car seats, mattresses/box springs and gas powered equipment. Please do not bring these items.**

Donated items can be brought in starting June 1. Please place them at the east end of they gym. Baked goods can be brought in on Friday June 4.



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As I close this article, I want to challenge each of us to think about these very things: Am I willing to stop and talk with someone who is need? Am I willing to take a detour on my way to an expected event? Am I willing to speak to and talk with people who as for help?

See, when Jesus was alive, He made it a priority to help those who were in need. And as followers of Jesus, we are to reflect His attitude and actions. As you think about and reflect on Peter and John's en-

counter, may you be challenged (and I as well) to be willing to stop and help someone who might be in need. And keep in mind, your help may lead to some other interactions that lead people to see God's light as well. So, should we "stop and help, or, keep on going"? Hopefully, we stop and help, so that God's light might be seen through us. May we continue to for opportunities where we can "stop and help" others who may have a need.

Pastor Jesse

### Financial Report

#### April 2021

Actual Income \$17,761

Actual Expense \$15,178

Difference \$2,583

Budgeted Giving \$12,693

Budgeted Expense \$16,774

Difference **-\$4,081**

#### Year to Date

Actual Income \$52,792

Actual Expense \$63,207

Difference **-\$10,415**

Budgeted Giving \$53,944

Budgeted Expense \$69,060

Difference **-\$15,116**



# Youth Summer Camp

**NORTH CENTRAL/PRAIRIE STATES CONFERENCE CAMP  
FACEBOOK PAGE: ADVENT CHRISTIAN CAMP EXPEDITIONS UNLIMITED**

**JULY 11-16, 2021**

**Please use the link below to register:**

**[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScoH-4kTWzzc\\_wPEV72Wq26tzmL64RO8qTJ6bLP9OYK2yWPzA/viewform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScoH-4kTWzzc_wPEV72Wq26tzmL64RO8qTJ6bLP9OYK2yWPzA/viewform?usp=sf_link)**

**You can contact Sherry Stevens with questions.**

**Sherry Stevens, Camp Registrar**

**608-477-8262 or [shebearstevens@gmail.com](mailto:shebearstevens@gmail.com)**

**COST: \$275.00 IF REGISTERED BY JUNE 21st COST:**

**\$300.00 AFTER JUNE 21st**

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