

### **Prayer Requests**

Please keep Jim Brumbach, Tarron, Rachel Supplee, Maefern Houck, Paul Vroman, Don Smith, Kay Behle, Ed and Elaine Myer, Pastor David and Vicki Johnson and anyone else that we may be missing with health issues or personal reasons. If you have a prayer request for the prayer chain, contact Cindy Harris at: charris@nni.net.

### **WBYN Devotional Message**

Tune in daily for the devotional on the radio "107.5 ALIVE" FM. Monday through Friday @ 6:45am. We are also accepting donations to help defray this monthly cost. If you would like to help, see Cindy Harris or Pastor Johnson.

### Also listen to Scripture Matters on Sunday evenings at 8:30 p.m.

### Ongoing Community Project - New Item

The food collection for the Boyertown Salvation Army is ongoing. There are many families that are in need in our immediate area. This month we are collecting soup. Thank you to everyone that has been participating and for future donations.

### **Newsletter Articles**

If you have anything you would like to put in the "Faithful Messenger" feel free to contact Pastor Johnson, Georgeann Rohrbach at georgeann rohrbach@comcast.net or Bruce Stoudt at <u>BruceStoudt@gmail.com</u>.

### **Greeter Schedule**

April 7 -Kim Sheeler & Dale Watkins

- April14 -Ed & Elaine Myers
- April 21 -Dave & Vickie Brown
- April 28 Lori Heimbach & Patti Christman

### **Usher Schedule**

April 7 -Bill & Debby Miller April 14 –Ed Bender & Ernie Moyer April 21 -Karen & Steve Deysher April 28 –Don & Roseann Smith

# The Faithful Messenger

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## Message from Pastor Johnson

### The Resurrection Makes All The Difference!

A Christian was chatting with several people from differing faiths. They all shared the strengths of their particular perspectives. Each of them could list gifted teachers, and many could reference wise philosophers. A few of them emphasized their social awareness, while others demanded a strict observance to a detailed moral code. Suddenly, one of the participants turned to the Christian and asked, "So, with all this diversity, what does Christianity offer that we don't?"

The Christian answered with a story: "I come to a crossroads and I see two men, one dead and one alive. Which one do I ask for directions?" The response came quickly, "Well, the living one, of course." To which the Christian answered, "Then, why should I go to a dead Mohammed, or Buddha, or Gandhi; instead of the resurrected and living Christ?"

That's the basic difference between Jesus Christ and every other religious leader. All the others came into the world, lived, and died; and that's the end of their story. The resurrection of Jesus Christ on Easter was the central event that persuaded His disciples once and for all that He was the Christ, God's Son.

John 20:19-20 ...the first {day} of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in their midst and \*said to them, "Peace {be} with you." And when He had said this, He showed them both His hands and His side. The disciples then rejoiced when they saw the Lord.

A Muslim gentleman came up to a Christian missionary and said, "We have something you don't have." The missionary smiled and said, "Really? What's that?"

The Muslim said, "When we go to Mecca, we can visit our Master's coffin. But when you go to Jerusalem, you find nothing but an empty grave."

The missionary just smiled and said, "That's exactly the difference. Jesus Christ is risen. That is our hope and assurance."

And that is the truth that we celebrate at this time of year. He is risen...He is risen indeed!

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### **Calendar of Events**

 <u>April 7</u> Worship & Communion 9:00am Sunday School 10:30am
<u>April 10</u> Ladies Bible Study 10 am & 7 pm
<u>April 11</u> Bible Study 7:00pm
<u>April 13</u> Men's Breakfast 8:00am & Maintenance around the building after breakfast

April 14 Worship 9:00am

Sunday School 10:30am

April 17 – Ladies Bible Study at 10 am & 7 pm

April 18 Bible Study 7:00pm

April 21 - Easter Sunday Worship 9:00am

April 24 – Ladies Bible Study at 10 am &

7 pm

April 25 Bible Study 7:00pm

April 28 Worship 9:00am

Sunday School 10:30am

May 1 – Ladies Bible Study 10 am & 7 pm

May 2 Bible Study 7:00pm

## **Ed and Mary Cafoncelli**



Ed and Mary have been part of our church since the beginning. They were actually some of the people that helped us start our church and make the decision to choose to go with the AFLC.

The Cafoncelli's recently sold their house and moved all their belongings up to Maine. They have decided to spend their retirement in Maine where they can be closer to family.

We want to say a special Thank you to Ed and Mary and hope they have a long and happy life together in Maine. They will be missed! God Bless!