

Laurel Church of Christ

Family Focus

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RUINED BY A LIE

By David Bragg

An unidentified driver got a surprise the night they decided to destroy Cody Lutz's giant snowman. Lutz, along with his sister and his fiancé, spent considerable time constructing the nine-foot tall snowman. Then someone thought it would be fun to mow down the gigantic structure with their vehicle. The next morning the tire tracks leading up to the Petersburg, KY residence were clear. Also clear was what the driver realized all too late the previous night: the core support for the snowman was a large tree stump.

There is little doubt that the vandal believed the snowperson was just snow. After all, it looked like snow. They must have thought it would disintegrate like snow under the more substantial weight of a powerful vehicle. Surely, they believed it was, well, snow! They discovered the truth the hard way.

Sadly, and at a far greater cost, many in the religious world have placed their trust in a grace wrapped in a false gospel. It may look to them like a Biblical grace. They have been convinced it was true grace. But someday the truth will be revealed that what they believed to be grace was wrapped in partial truths and full-fledged lies. Pray that it won't be too late!

**Be still, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations,
I will be exalted in the earth! Psa. 46:10**

Pray for the sick:

CONTINUING CONCERNS: Terry Hastings, Myra's sister, Connie; Norma Hudson, Ruth Banks, Michelle Tucker, Charles Fooks, Goldie Weldon, Pat Tucker, Donna Sponseller.

On-going personal Bible studies

World turmoil; people of Russia, Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Cameroon

"Celebrate Recovery"

AIM missionaries, Carolina Aguilar, Miguel Javier Dale and Maddy

Latin American Missions

Parents to be: Josh and Alexis Donaway-Nov.

Marie Travis has finished her chemo and radiation.

Lottie Donahoe; cardiac cath. Oct. 8 was successful

Christian's friend, Elijah; stroke, doing better

Our Country and world leaders; election

Kallee Wharton; health issues

Tony (from CR) and his mother; heart attack

Attention:

It's time once again to set those clocks back one hour next Saturday night, Nov. 2.

Opportunities for study and worship

Sunday: (In person and virtually at:
www.laurelcoc.org)

Bible Classes 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:00 a.m.

Tuesday:

Women's Zoom Study 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Men's prayer (Shawn's) 7:15 a.m.

Bible Study at building 6:30 p.m.

Friday ladies' Paul study 10:30 a.m.

We invite you to attend any of our service times, and we look forward to welcoming you, and pray that you might find a home here with us in Laurel and with God in heaven as His child.

If you need Media help — connections, addresses, or general questions contact: Don Trader or Julio Brennick

CELEBRATE RECOVERY each Monday evening from 6-8 in the FLC.

WOMEN'S STUDIES— Ladies' Bible study at Cathy's each Fri. morning. Coffee and fellowship 10:30, study at 11:00. Ladies' Tuesday Zoom at 7:00 p.m.

Laurel Ladies' Day is now history and all our hard work was rewarded with good attendance, good speaker, good food, good fellowship. A BIG thx to all who helped in any way. It takes all of us!

POTLUCK FELLOWSHIP MEAL today after worship.

TRUNK OR TREAT Wed. Oct. 30th.

KID'S GAME NIGHT Nov. 5, ages 7+. Dinner, devo, activities, games for the kids.

LOCK-IN Nov. 15, 6 pm to 10 am. Thanksgiving meal served at 7, then games, crafts, movies and more.

MEN TO SERVE;

Welcome/Scripture; 10/27-Joe; 11/3-Danny

Prayer; 10/27-Vinny; 11/3-Philip

Table; 10/27-Shawn; 11/3-David

Song Leader; 10/27-Christian; 11/3-Troy

Announcements/Closing prayer; Vinny-Nov.

WHO WE ARE

The body of Christ in Laurel, Delaware is a family of believers knit together in love (Colossians 2:2), striving to serve God in spirit and in truth (John 4:24) and carrying the gospel to the lost (Matthew 28:18). We are an autonomous body with Christ only as our head, and elders shepherding the flock of God (Acts 20:28).

We have been entrusted with the gospel (I Thessalonians 2:4) and so it is that we speak. The congregation seeks to uphold the doctrine and practice of the first century church using the only true standard, the Bible, as our guide (2 Peter 1:3). It is our prayer that all would come to a knowledge of the truth and partake in that divine fellowship in the body of Christ, being immersed for the remission of sins, and beginning life anew with Christ as Lord (Acts 2:38, Romans 6:1). Our plea is that we might be one in Christ, and serve the Lord faithfully unto death to receive our crown (Revelation 2:10).