

Laurel Church of Christ

Family Focus

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LESSONS LEARNED FROM A JIGSAW PUZZLE

By Steve Higginbotham

“But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the head, even Christ: from whom the whole body fitly joined together and compacted by that which every joint supplieth, according to the effectual working in the measure of every part, maketh increase of the body unto the edifying of itself in love. Eph. 4:15-16

1. When things aren't going so well, take a break. Everything will look different when you return. Compare Mark 6:31
2. Be sure to look at the big picture, Jn. 4:35
3. Don't force it, Phil. 2:4
4. Perseverance pays off. Every important puzzle went together bit by bit, piece by piece, Ex. 23:29
5. When one spot stops working, move to another, Eccl. 11:6, but be sure to come back later.
6. The creator of the puzzle gave you the picture as a guide, 2 Pet. 1:3
7. Variety is the spice of life; the colors and patterns make the puzzle interesting, Acts 10:34-35
8. Working together with friends and family makes any task fun, Neh. 3:1-32
9. Establish the border first to give security and order, Prov. 22:6
10. Don't be afraid to try different combinations. Luke 5:4
11. Take time often to celebrate your successes, even little ones, Phil. 4:4
12. Anything worth doing takes time and effort.
13. A great puzzle can't be rushed, Gal. 6:9.

**Walk in the light as He is in the light...
and the blood of Jesus His Son
cleanses us from all sin. I Jn 1:7**

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, Leland Vickers, Eleanor Roulis, Cheyenne Mathis, Jenny Womersley, Cipollas
On-going personal Bible studies
World turmoil
"Celebrate Recovery"
AIM missionaries, Carolina Aguilar, Miguel Javier Dale and Maddy
Latin American Missions
Our Country and world leaders
Ginger and Lanny; improved vision after eye issues
Brandon Conaway-mitral valve requiring heart surgery
Ruth Banks-now in nursing home
Jenny Womersley recovering from surgery
Travelers
Expectant parents Noah and Emma; Zach and Courtney
Cassidy Chevre
Mania's sister, Bernadette
Eleanor Roulis in adjusting to life in Florida

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.
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Wednesday

Men's prayer (Shawn's)	7:15 a.m.
Bible Study at building	6:30 p.m.

Friday ladies' study at Cathy's	10:30 a.m.
1st Sat. men's breakfast	8:30

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' Fri. Bible study at Cathy's with coffee at 10:30 and study at 11:00 and Ladies' Tuesday Zoom at 7:00.

TITUS 2 DISCIPLESHIP for adult women, Apr. 17
FIRST PRINCIPLES CLASS is held each Sunday morning in the FLC downstairs classroom and is taught by Danny Snyder.

SAVE THE DATES LADIES-Mar. 29 Women to Women workshop, 9-12 in the FLC. May 17th, Seaford Ladies' Day, 9-1.

EGG HUNT Apr.20 Please bring wrapped candy.

SAVE THE DATE MEN— Men's Day, April 26.

SPRING SING AT SEAFORD CoC April 13th, 2:30-4:00, refreshments following.

LOCK-IN, May 9th

ELEANOR ROULIS is moving to FL. We have been blessed to have her for a little while and wish her God's speed and blessings. We will miss her!

MEN TO SERVE;

Welcome/Scripture; 3/23-Philip; 3/30-Danny Prayer; 3/23-Lanny; 3/30-Wayne Table; 3/23-David; 3/30-Philip Song Leader; 3/23-Troy; 3/30-David Announcements/Closing prayer-Vinny-Mar.

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).