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The Doulos Monthly Newsletter

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Whose Side Are We On?

By Rachel Pease

Moment of truth: I say I love Jesus, but I'm not actually very good at following his teachings. If we are honest, I bet most of us could say the same. For instance, how many of us have perfected the instruction to love our enemies? These words from Luke 6 feel impossible to live up to.

27 "But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, 28 bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you. 29 If someone slaps you on one cheek, turn to them the other also. If someone takes your coat, do not withhold your shirt from them. 30 Give to everyone who asks you, and if anyone takes what belongs to you, do not demand it back. 31 Do to others as you would have them do to you.

I'm not even good at loving the person who cuts me off in traffic, but this is even harder to live up to when you consider that this instruction applies to political "enemies" as well. In a world that is so divided, so full of discord, so broken up into "us vs. them," and so focused on blaming the opposite side of the political spectrum for all that is wrong in our country, how do we demonstrate the love of Jesus?

One way our church tried to show love recently was to provide gift cards to first responders, beginning with the Carroll Township police force. The motivation behind this was to bless and show gratitude to a group of people who serve our community. However, because of the national reckoning that is happening between police forces and people of color, our desire to love our neighbor was perceived by some to be a political statement in support of police and against those protesting injustice.

On the other side of the coin, the way that we explored questions around systemic racism after the killing of George Floyd may have been perceived by some as an unequivocal statement of support for protestors and against the police. And, over the years, the generosity that our church provides to strangers in need who approach us for help has also been called into question. Some feel we have given too freely at times to people who may be drug addicted, abusing the welfare system or living a lifestyle with which we would not agree. And yet, we have

continued to provide assistance and support to meet basic needs because we feel it is a demonstration of Christ's love.

In a world that is fundamentally divided, whose side are we on? Were we wrong or insensitive to support police officers when some of our brothers and sisters feel that police officers are part of a system of oppression? Should we never enter into a conversation that could be perceived as being political? Should we put limits on the help we provide to strangers in need when we don't know their back story? Who, as a church, should we bless?

What if the answer is "both/and" instead of "either/or?" What if, as the church of Jesus Christ, we courageously choose to love and extravagantly bless the people around us, regardless of the political optics, or whether they deserve it or whether someone might misunderstand our intent? What if we love the least of these and those who hold the power and those with whom we fundamentally disagree? What if we pour out God's spirit of generosity and compassion to everyone? What if we transform "us vs. them" into "we"? And what if that kind of radical love reaches even one person for Jesus Christ?

The world around us insists on dividing into sides. As followers of Jesus, I think we need to continually ask ourselves "Whose side am I on?" and remind ourselves that our allegiance is first and foremost to Christ. Continually re-orienting ourselves to the reality that we are citizens of the Kingdom of God will help us change the way we live here on earth and will allow others to see a glimpse of Christ's upside-down kingdom in action.



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Join us for an outdoor service on Sunday!

We will gather at 9:30 a.m. on 9/6 (10:30 a.m. the rest of September) in the green space beside the DBIC church parking lot. **Sunday's service will be available LIVE** - a YouTube link will be sent out and posted on the website Sunday morning.

In case of inclement weather, we will have an online-only service at 10:30 am. If it is clear on Saturday evening that we will have inclement weather, an email will be sent before 10 pm Saturday evening.

If we wake up Sunday to a surprise, we will email any change before 8 a.m.



Coming Wednesday nights in September and October — **Corner Life!** Come to the corner of Chestnut and Harrisburg streets for dinner and stay for music, sharing, games and fun for all ages! We'll begin with a no-cost meal at 5:15 p.m. served by our volunteers and eaten picnic-style on blankets or camp chairs (bring your own!) in our green space. Then at 6 p.m., we'll sing, laugh, play and learn together from our picnic spots (while maintaining appropriate distance).

We're excited to welcome families with kids, singles, roommates, older adults — everyone is welcome! Our time together will end by 7 p.m. Come join the fun **September 9, September 23, October 7, and October 21!** Bring something to sit on and a mask to wear while moving about. This is a **FAIR WEATHER ONLY** event, however the meals will be available on a drive-through basis between 5:15 p.m. and 6 p.m., if the weather keeps us from gathering on the lawn! Meals can also be ordered ahead of time and taken "to-go" if you can't stay to eat and play.

If you would like to help with Eat n' Run meal prep and delivery, we'd love to have you! Please contact Anne-Marie Brandt (abrandt@teambrandt.net or 717.421.4706) or Sarah Hoover (sarah@whoover.com or 717.829.6921).

EAT n' RUN

5:15 p.m.—6:00 p.m.

September 9

Meatball Sandwiches
Potato Chips
Veggie baggies
Individual Desserts

September 23

Walking Taco Bowls
(Doritos, Rice, Chicken, Beans)
Veggie baggies
Individual Desserts

We will have gluten-free options available. Menu is subject to change.





Caring for our neighbors amidst the coronavirus pandemic: The 2020 Car Ministry Report

By Kimberly Tucker

As with everything else during the pandemic, our annual oil change did not look like the others we've had in the past. It was to take place on the morning of Saturday March 28 at Happy Cars Automotive. We were mandated to "shelter in place" by the state, but car repairs were deemed an essential service. Jon Gustafson, owner and operator of HC, had his waiting room closed due to COVID-19. It was decided that DBIC would pay Happy Cars \$50 per oil change—a discounted price for such a service—to not only serve our neighbors, but to also provide a little business for Jon since he had a dip in customers during this time.

From March through July, 12 vehicles were serviced. The oldest car serviced was a 1997 Honda Accord. There are five more cars or trucks signed up that have yet to take advantage of this ministry. A big thanks to our deacons, who allocated the funds to pay for some needed repairs. And of course, thank you—DBIC—for your generosity in supporting this sorely needed ministry.



Leadership Council Report

By Avis Whitesel

Highlights from the July Leadership Council meeting:

- We discussed different possibilities to begin having church services again when the stay-at-home order has been lifted.
- Some financial reports of note, as of the end of June:
 - BIC Foundation Loan 1 balance - \$0 – paid off in June!
 - BIC Foundation Loan 2 balance - \$123,407.06
 - Total Net General Fund Income - \$29,615
 - 25% of giving has been online
- We discussed that our desire is to work to bring the kingdom of God here in Dillsburg. One of the ways that we will do this is to give to first responders in Dillsburg, including EMTs and fire fighters.
- We will be asking Naomi Smith to serve as a part-time pastor, giving oversight to adult and children's discipleship.
- It was reported that the chair lift is in going from the landing inside the parking lot entrance to the fellowship hall.
- Phil Engle will continue to serve as the Leadership Council Chair through the next Congregational Council meeting.

The full minutes of the Leadership Council meeting are located on the bulletin board in the lobby. If you would like additional information or to follow up on any items, please contact a Leadership Council member: Pastor Rob Douglass, Phil Engle, Landon Horton, Ray Knepper, Sharon Miller, Rachel Pease, Heidi Tucker or Avis Whitesel.



THIS MONTH'S SPOTLIGHT: CHOU GABIKINY

Editor's note: Chou Gabikiny has been working with a program in Kenya, counseling young women via online calls. This month, she shares her praises and prayer requests.

Praises:

I'm still meeting with the girls early in the morning. I'm only doing three sessions a week and that seems to go pretty well. The girls are very engaged during the sessions and it's so nice to see them grow in their faith. I usually give them a Bible verse to memorize after each session, and they do a better job than I do.

Of the three sessions that I do with them, one is a group session and two are individual sessions with girls who need them the most. So far, I have been meeting with P and L. P is the one who had a miscarriage, her father also died less than two months ago. L has a little girl who is almost 3 months old, and her mom also died a couple of months ago. P and L are related and knew each other before coming to the house. We've been working on grief during these individual sessions, and it's so refreshing to see the girls more hopeful and joyful.

Prayer Requests:

- Since P is no longer carrying a baby, she won't be able to stay in the program long (due to how the program is regulated by the Kenyan government). We are waiting for the court order that will dictate her discharge date. Please pray that she will learn and grow even closer to God during these last days. I pray that when she returns home, she is no longer the same girl and that she can be a beacon of hope for her family and her community.

- N's parents were incarcerated due to child marriage. As sad as it is to hear this, it's also a praise that the Kenyan government is now reinforcing these laws. Her mom was released recently, but her dad is still in jail. I pray that they will come to see their daughter as a gift from the Lord and not a commodity. Girls who are forced into child marriages are "SOLD" into these situations as if they were an object. Many parents raise their daughters with the hope to make money off of them when they get married. The groom's family pays a lot of money, cattle, clothing, and other expensive things in exchange for the bride. In those situations, marriage is viewed more as a business transaction than anything else, and girls are viewed as merchandise. Sadly, because they are raised and treated as such, these girls don't see themselves as anything else but someone's property. This just makes me sick to my stomach.

- We had two new girls enter the program in the past two weeks and one of the house moms (as we call them) had surgery. The surgery went well, but she is still on medical leave so the house is down by one full-time staff and has two additional girls to care for. Please pray that the workload will be spread out amongst everyone so that nobody feels too burdened during this time.

- We are having issues with the generator at the house. It doesn't seem to work properly so today's session was cut short due to power outage. Please pray that an affordable repairman can be found soon to help fix the generator.

Thank you all for your continued support. Hanging out with the girls in Kenya is always the highlight of my day, and I'm so grateful that I can do that from this side of the globe.



Stop Traffic

By Marj Strayer

Human Trafficking of children under the age of 18 has increased everywhere across our country and the world, both sex trafficking and labor trafficking.

There are victims of human trafficking in our own community. It is still not on everyone's radar. Not everyone realizes that even in our own community, children have become victims of sex trafficking. Examples of sex trafficking include prostitution, pornography, and sex tourism.

Be aware of the signs. Learn how you can identify these victims. Warning signs include, but are not limited to, the following characteristics in youth:

- *Has a very sexualized online profile
- *Excessive use of internet chat rooms or classified sites
- *Depicts elements of sexual exploitation in drawing, writing or other modes of creative expression
- *Frequent sexually-transmitted diseases or pregnancies
- *Lies about or is not aware of their true age
- *Has no knowledge of personal data such as name or date of birth
- *Has no identification or it is being held by an unrelated adult
- *Wears new clothes, gets hair and nails done with no financial means
- *Is secretive about whereabouts
- *Has late nights or unusual hours
- *Has a tattoo that he/she is reluctant to explain
- *Has bruises or other signs of physical abuse
- *Is in a controlling or dominating relationship, cannot speak on their own behalf
- *Has no control over his/her own finances
- *Exhibits hyper-vigilance or paranoid behaviors, fear or depression
- *Expresses interest in or is in relationships with adults or older men/women

Which youth populations are at risk for human trafficking?

- *Youth in foster care or history of being involved in the welfare system
- *Youth who are homeless/runaways
- *Youth who identify as LGBTQ
- *Youth who identify as Native American
- *Youth with disabilities
- *Youth with mental health or substance abuse disorders
- *Youth with history of sexual abuse
- *Youth with family dysfunction

Together, if we are vigilant, we can literally save lives. The lives of children in our neighborhoods need our help.



If you suspect someone is being trafficked, call the National Human Trafficking Resource Center 1-888-373-7888 or call 911. If you suspect child abuse report it to ChildLine at 800-932-0313.

Information comes from Pennsylvania Family Support Alliance/pafsa.org





*LAE (Luz, Alegria y Esperanza), your daughter church in York Springs, would like to thank DBIC for the wonderful leftover snacks and desserts that you contributed for our Vacation Bible School. We had 10 children participating in the park, and the wholesome foods were much appreciated. We still had some left for Sunday children's church.

Pastor Mike Holland, LAE

*Thank you for partnering with us to reach the Muslim people of Jordan! God bless!

The Geigers

*Even with the international and domestic strife and health and financial uncertainty of the last months, the bride of Christ in the U.S. has remained committed to God's work through SIM. Some people have had the need to reduce or stop their giving; others have responded to God and filled the emerging need. Many are praying. Thank you for your recent donation!

Randy Fairman, President, SIM USA

*Recently, you sent us a generous gift. Thank you! We are using that gift to help our clients see that the undesirable events in their lives can be seen as dust and dirt... or they can be the catalyst to some of the most spectacular events of their lives... motherhood or sharing their baby with a loving family unable to have their own children. Thank you for being part of what God is doing here!

The Rev. John Shaffer, Executive Director, Capital Area Pregnancy Center

*Because of you, no one will go hungry. And people who may be unemployed, facing financial hardships and worried in the midst of such uncertainties will always be taken care of. Thank you for your generous donation.

Eric Saunders, Executive Director, New Hope Ministries

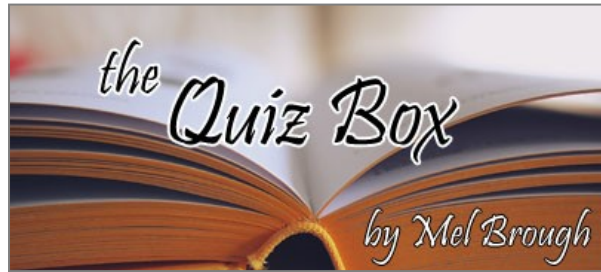
*While recent months have seen many challenges and difficulties come to our lives due to the COVID-19 virus, there are things for which we can give thanks, such as the joy that our residents and their loved ones experience as a staff member helps them see each other on a video chat for the first time in weeks. Thank you for your faithful support, especially during this challenging time.

Jodie Smiley, Executive Director, Paxton Ministries

**GIVE THANKS
TO THE LORD
FOR HE IS GOOD**
His LOVE endures FOREVER!!!

The church has an email address which you can use for needs, issues, concerns, or suggestion related to the coronavirus outbreak: connect@dillsburgbic.org

Please use this address to connect with the church leadership about any needs you may be experiencing during this time.



I have the Scripture portions for Matthew – now, the team needs quizzers. Please let Mel or Brent know if you are planning to quiz.

Practices will start in mid-October. However, as of right now, I'm not sure how we will conduct quiz practice. More information to follow.

According to Judah Fickett, the Denominational Quiz Director, he would like to start the quiz year with the PA Capital Kick Off tournament in early November at the Harrisburg BIC church. However, I do not have a definite date. I will provide more information in my next Doulos article or in the bulletin or via email to those who are planning to quiz.

Verse of the month: Matthew 2:16-17 – “As soon as Jesus was baptized, He went up out of the water. Suddenly the heavens were opened, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and resting on Him. And a voice from heaven said, ‘This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased!’”
Berean Study Bible (BSB) ©2016-2020 Bible Hub.

A great way to financially support the quizzing ministry at Dillsburg is to purchase Giant gift cards. Please see Avis Whitesel to purchase gift cards or if you have any questions.

To be eligible to quiz, you must be between the ages of 12 and 19 sometime during the quizzing year, which is defined as starting November 1 and ending October 31. Quizzing provides an opportunity to study God's Word, fellowship with other youth, participate on a team and experience positive competition.

If you have any questions about quizzing, please contact one of us:

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Difficult Conversations: A Review of Sider's Webinar

By Carolyn Kimmel

Perhaps many of you are like me, struggling to have meaningful, non-confrontational conversations with people about the upcoming election, the country's handling of the coronavirus, racism, the counter culture movement – and that's just the short list.

Perhaps many of you, like me, are exhausted.

So when I heard that Ron Sider, a respected theologian and author with BIC roots, was doing a webinar titled “How Can I Talk to Family & Friends Who Dislike My Politics?” – well, I was in!

As you may know, Sider is no stranger to writing books that challenge Christians to greater action and different ways of living. Christianity Today placed Sider's book, “Rich Christians in an Age of Hunger” among the top 100 books in religion in the 20th century and the seventh most influential book in the evangelical world in the last 50 years.

Sider began the recent webinar by praying for the next hour we would all spend together. That's how he also prepares for every political discussion he plans to have.

“I ask the Lord to help me to truly listen. I want to listen so well that I can repeat the other person's argument so clearly that the other person would say, ‘That's exactly what I meant, Ron,’” he said.

While the hour was a little short on actual tips in favor of spirited discussion with viewers, Sider's overarching point stays with me: No matter the disagreements, our shared faith in Christ should bind us together always.

“I think the best way to talk with others of differing views is to begin with the mindset that we all want Christ to be the center of our lives and our oneness in the body of Christ is certainly more important than our differences of opinion,” he said.

He gave some practical tips for a good conversation:

- Don't talk past someone else's point; acknowledge what they are saying.
- Don't talk over someone else when they are speaking.
- Enter the conversation with a genuine openness to learning something and perhaps even changing your position.

“Keep wrestling with how to say what you want to say with love and gentleness,” he said. “Pray that God will show you the right combination of humility and clarity.”

Differences may remain after the conversation, but if each person feels they have been truly heard, it can end as a good conversation.

For Sider, the character of a candidate matters greatly. Since he recently edited a book called “The Spiritual Danger of Donald Trump,” it should come as no surprise that Sider thinks Trump fails in that area – and he doesn't mind saying so.

Sider worries that candidates who say they are Christians and pledge to advance a conservative agenda but whose personal conduct and speech doesn't match up are damaging the Christian witness and the name of Christianity, especially among the younger generation for whom authenticity is hugely important.

In the spirit of balanced discussion that Sider encourages us to engage in, let me depart from the review of Sider's webinar to give a few paragraphs to thoughts from Wayne Grudem, distinguished research professor of theology and biblical studies at Phoenix Seminary in Arizona, who supports Trump and writes a lot about why.



On the issue of Trump's character, Grudem says, "There is a real need for both pro-Trump and anti-Trump people to acknowledge the legitimacy of a middle-ground assessment of Donald Trump's character. On the one hand, Trump is not perfect, and I do not see any need to defend everything he says and does. On the other hand, Trump is not completely evil, completely corrupt, as many in the media wish to portray him."

It is possible and entirely OK, Grudem says, to disapprove of certain aspects of Trump's character but still support him as a candidate because you support his policies, which include lower taxes, smaller government, strong defense, freedom of religion and conscience and a free-market economic system, to name a few.

You can read a thought-provoking piece he wrote in response to a friend, called "Letter to an Anti-Trump Christian Friend" here: <https://townhall.com/columnists/waynegrudem/2020/08/08/letter-to-an-antitrump-christian-friend-n2573909>

No matter which side you come down on, Grudem and Sider would likely agree on this comment by Grudem: "Democracy functions best when people who have different political viewpoints say to others who disagree with them, 'I disagree with you, but I respect your right to reach a different decision.'"

Grudem argues that we're at a place in this country where that's not what has been happening – a sentiment with which many of us would likely agree.

"Instead of showing mutual respect, anti-Trump individuals have labeled political conservatives as an entire group as 'haters,' 'deplorables,' 'fascists,' and 'racists,'" he writes. "This is destructive to the nation and threatens the spirit of one of our most cherished freedoms, the freedom of speech."

Returning to Sider's webinar, freedom of speech came into play as viewers waded into specific questions about current candidates – and that turned the webinar into exactly what it was supposed to help us with: A difficult conversation. No doubt, not everyone agreed with Sider's views or with the people asking questions.

But hopefully most, if not all, can agree on Sider's concluding point: "Each person, whether we like their politics or not, is created in the image of God and loved immeasurably by God. You can't affirm the importance of an individual any more than that," he said. "We are called to respect each other in spite of our differences. Go on praying for that person and loving that person."



Photo courtesy of Joe Bennett





We asked you to share some of the ways you have seen God's presence and provision in your lives during the past few, very unusual months of significant challenge in our town, nation and world.

Here's what some of you had to say:

Unending promises

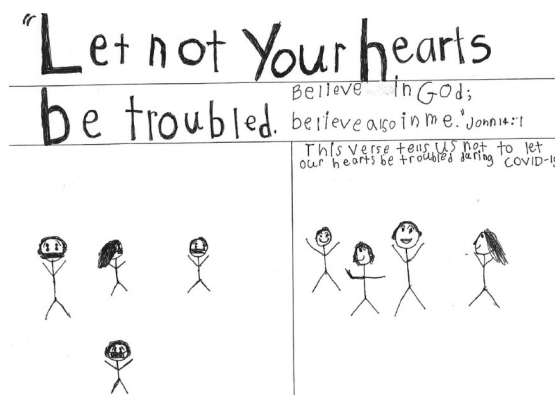
"Dear brothers and sisters, when troubles of any kind come your way, consider it an opportunity for great joy." James 1:2

Our family has been experiencing abundant joy the past five months! Maybe not a statement you'd expect to hear from someone whose husband was on furlough from his job for four months and continues to be caught in the cycle of not receiving unemployment compensation. Certainly not a description of comfort – as he was diagnosed with an intense case of shingles at the beginning of July, which necessitated a 3 ½-day hospital stay and continuing effects from nerve damage to his face, eye and brain. Not necessarily a definition of bliss when there are added disappointments of canceled events and trips (to visit grandchildren in Guatemala), strained family relationships and the effects of isolation from friends.

However, Jesus IS giving us joy and abundant life in the midst of all of the struggle! His voice has been clearer, his love felt stronger, worship sinks deeper, verses illuminate off the page of his Word, and half the tears I cry are because of how much I'm growing in my love for him.

God is transforming both Glen and I (and our family) in ways that we would never have expected or knew that we needed. God isn't saving us from trials; He's wanting to transform us through them. When we choose Him, and choose to surrender to his plan, there IS an opportunity for great joy! We are a testimony to his unending promises!

Cindi Brubaker



Let not your hearts be troubled

Ezra Brubaker drew this picture to represent his take on God's promises during these past months.

Increased family togetherness

One blessing I have really enjoyed during this challenging time is getting to spend time with the people who live in our house! Since both boys and Ian's fiancée, who also lives with us, are adults, we often feel like ships passing in the night. One of the adult children works third shift, another has Wednesday and Sundays off and the third is normally on an irregular schedule so we never know in advance when he will be home. But in this time, two of us are working at home, two of us are not working and I've been working more from home than usual.

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To top that off, all of our normal evening commitments have ground to a halt. We have been able to work on projects like painting and reorganizing together, and we have cooked together, enjoyed meals together and started a regular habit of playing board games or card games together in the evenings. We have time to talk things over and share memories and stories, to talk about how our day went and our dreams for the future and even to discuss problems (yes, that CAN be a blessing, especially if we are able to resolve conflicts before they become full blown problems!) We've been able to get to know our future daughter-in-law better, and I feel like we are a family again rather than just being housemates.

I've also enjoyed the Wednesday evening Zoom meetings where I've gotten to see people from the congregation in a different, more relaxed setting. We get to share stories, jokes, prayer needs and blessings in a way that is completely different than a church meeting or even a small group gathering. Instead of feeling like this is something I should do, it is a time I look forward to.

While "screen time" is getting difficult to enjoy, this time is special because it involves a group of people who are different in many ways but who enjoy interacting with each other because we have a love of Jesus in common. When the pandemic is a distant memory, this is one thing I will miss!

Kathy Bennett



Taking refuge in God's care
Logan Flauaus illustrates all the ways he sees God's protection over him.

A time for every season

I was recently asked what I have been thankful for in the midst of this challenging season of lockdown and restrictions. For me, the beauty of the spring season and the time to actually enjoy were two blessings that refreshed and nourished my soul early on in this storm.

With nowhere to go each evening after work, I had time to take long walks, watch trees blossom, spy on a mother bird building her nest, pause to take in a sunset and just simply soak in the glory of creation. And these moments reminded me that even the hardest seasons should result in growth and beauty.

While walking across the Messiah Village campus this spring, I took note of the garden plots that were growing and thriving. Residents continued to prune, weed, and cultivate flowers and vegetables to encourage growth. Likewise, we also have the chance to be formed in new ways –hopefully with an end result that leaves us better than we were before.

Ecclesiastes 3 reminds us that "There is a time for everything, a season for everything under the heavens." Later in the chapter, the writer assures us that God has made everything beautiful in its appointed time... but that the human heart cannot fathom what God is doing from beginning to end. So, although we may not be able to see all that God is doing in this season, we can look for the beauty and growth in the midst of it and allow ourselves to be pruned and formed into who He wants us to be.

Rachel Pease

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God's unmistakable presence

It's interesting that you asked for blessings to be shared. For months I have been realizing how grateful I am to be walking this cancer road during a global pandemic. Seems so crazy, right?!

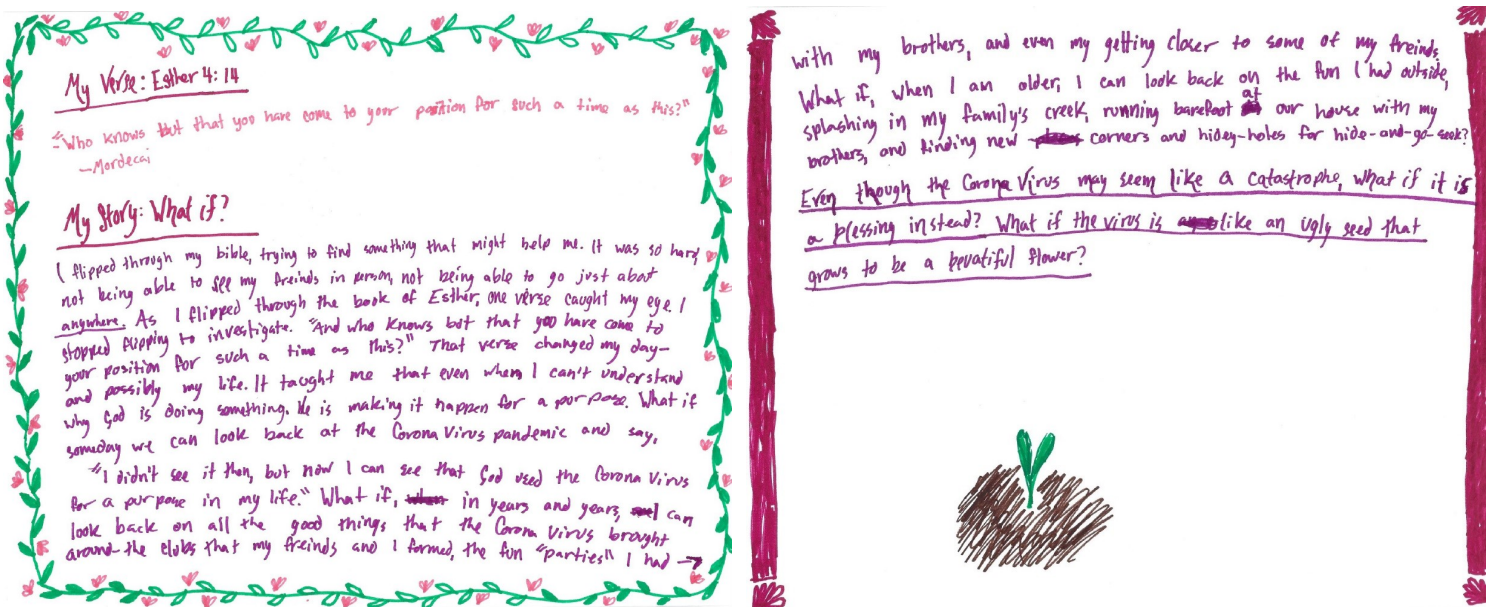
When I first felt my lump, I knew I needed to see my doctor right away, but I wasn't even sure I'd be able to get an appointment because offices everywhere were closed and not even seeing patients. Lo and behold, they said, "Sure, come right in." When the doctor felt my lump, she recommended I get further testing. All of those appointments happened within days because they were not busy at all. God truly cleared a path for me.

I had to go to all my initial appointments alone. No support people were allowed to accompany me. It was at my MRI appointment that the Holy Spirit spoke to me and said that this is the way it's supposed to be, and "You know you aren't alone. God is here with you, just like He promised you four years ago. It is still ONLY Him here for you."

I was sad to be diagnosed right as the summer was kicking off. I knew that I'd be missing out on my favorite season, but what a blessing really that the kids were off school and they could be shipped off and cared for by grandparents and family members while I recovered from surgery and while I start my chemo treatments. It was super disappointing to cancel all our summer plans. But I know our vacations would have looked very different this year, so I kind of feel like I'm not missing out that much.

People have stepped up to care for us in every way imaginable. We have seen nothing but love and support during this time. I have so much to be grateful for!

Becky Horst



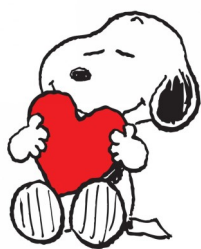
For such a time as this?

Sylvie Brubaker takes on the challenge of looking at the pandemic as a blessing and focusing on all the good things she has seen during it.





WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES



Phil & Ruth Anne Engle September 5
 Scott & Cindy Raboci September 9
 Landon & Grace Horton September 13
 Tariq & Angelina Waris September 20




Ryan Brubaker September 1
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 Stan Eyster September 11
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 Tom Hatch September 13

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 Nina Leister September 25
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SEPTEMBER 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
			6:30 pm Zoom Gathering	6:30 pm Fresh Hope meeting (basement)	11:00 am ZOOM Book Bunch	7:00 pm Prayer Gathering
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9:30 am Worship		Doulos Deadline 6:30 pm Human Trafficking Meeting (Strayers')	5:15 pm Corner Life	6:30 pm Fresh Hope meeting (basement)	11:00 am ZOOM Book Bunch	7:00 pm Prayer Gathering
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
10:30 am Worship	6:30 pm Safety Team Meeting 7:00 pm Women's Book Club		6:30 pm Zoom Gathering	6:30 pm Fresh Hope meeting (basement) 6:30 pm Leadership Council	11:00 am ZOOM Book Bunch 6:30 pm Deacons	7:00 pm Prayer Gathering
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
10:30 am Worship			5:15 pm Corner Life	6:30 pm Fresh Hope meeting (basement)	11:00 am ZOOM Book Bunch	9:00 am Prayer Walking 7:00 pm Prayer Gathering
27	28	29	30			
10:30 am Worship	7:00 pm Ministry Council (Zoom)		6:30 pm Zoom Gathering			

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