



# “THE STARTER” JULY & AUGUST 2021

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## Prayer for the Nation

*Almighty God, who has given us this good land for our heritage, we beseech thee that we may always prove ourselves people mindful of Thy favor and glad to do Thy Will. Bless our land with honorable industry, sound learning and pure manners.*

*Save us from violence, discord and confusion; from pride and arrogance and from every evil way. Defend our liberties and fashion into one united people the multitudes brought hither out of many kindred and tongues.*

*Endow with the spirit of wisdom those to whom in Thy name we entrust the authority of government, that there may be justice and peace at home, and that obedience to Thy law, we may show forth Thy praise among the nations of the earth.*

*In the time of prosperity, fill our hearts with thankfulness and in the days of trouble, suffer not our trust in Thee to fail; all of which we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

Thomas Jefferson



## Patriot-isms

*Patriotism is remembering the past, respecting the present and preparing for the future.*

*Patriotism is not what you say, it's what you do.*

*Patriotism is awe and wonder at what is and what can be.*

*Patriotism is duty and diligence.*

*Patriotism is an appreciation is an appreciation of peace and a willingness to defend it.*



*No matter how far you've walked away from God, the return trip is only one step.*

## Grace

*Grace breaks all the rules. Most people live with a sense of life that's akin to karma. Do good, get rewarded; do bad, get punished. Along comes this incredible good news that God loves us not because of who we are, but because of who God is. No matter what we've done, forgiveness is there for the asking. We expect the worst, and get the best.*

Philip Yancey



## Sunday Service Videos

*With state mandates being lifted our services are nor fully open. We have been experiencing difficulties with videotaping our services. For now we are suspending taping our service. Our previous services are still available on YouTube for your viewing pleasure.*

*We look forward to seeing you in person on Sunday mornings.*



## Landscaping

*Weeds are in full bloom if you have adopted part of our landscaping please remember to keep it neat and tidy.*



## Devotionals

*Starting out the morning with God is the best time of day. Remember to stop by and pick up “The Upper Room” and “Our Daily Bread” devotionals.*

*God's truths are not bricks to throw at people. They are bread to feed people.*  
*Randy Alcorn*



New Addresses

Lillian Mini and the Hoadley Family have new addresses. Lillian is in assisted living close to her daughter. The Hoadleys have moved to be close to Stephanie and the kids.

Lillian Mini  
205 Kenyon Dr.  
Springfield, IL 62740  
217.606.1999

Steve and Linda Hoadley  
1019 E. Union St. Apt. A  
Earlville, IL 60518



Christian Ed Board Report

Kids Armor of God Day was held on Wednesday June 16<sup>th</sup>. There were 10 children in attendance. We want to thank Vicki Hall, Dawn Tieman, Alice Brady and Jane Gabrielse for providing their leadership and support.

The adult bible class continues to study Revelations throughout the summer. Children's Sunday school is suspended for the summer. However there will still be children's church during the worship service. We will plan on another Sunday Funday during the summer.



Food Pantry and PADS

Don't forget the baskets in the hall are waiting to be filled with items to be donated to the two food pantries and PADS. And please do some shopping at Lily Pads. All sales help support the homeless shelter.



It's not too late to return your baby bottles for Abigail Women's Center.



*\*\*Pray for the health of Jane McClintock, Char & Pete Belski, Sonny Whittington, Marilyn Cobb, Rita Tieman, Dawn's parents*

*\*\*Please pray for daily grace for our shut-ins:*

- Myrle Sapienza      Beth Flaherty
- Carol Edgcomb      Don Walker
- Jane McClintock      Daryl & Lin Stuhr
- Lillian Mini

*\*\* Pray for Pastor Roy Jacob & Peace Mission in India caring for children and widows*

*\*\* Pray for Ed & Jane Skowron*

*\*\* Pray for Jews for Jesus*

*\*\* Pray for the Surbers and Supply & Multiply*

*\*\* Pray for Abigail Women's Clinic*

*\*\* Pray for Cup of Cold Water Ministries*

*\*\* Pray for Transport for Christ*

*\*\* Pray for PADS providing shelter to the Homeless*

*\*\*Pray that God will bring the next pastor for us that can inspire us to share his love with those needing to hear his word.*



*Bibles and Cell Phones*

*What would happen if we treated our Bibles like we treat our cell phones?*

*What if we carried it around in our purses?*

*What if we turned back to go get it if we forgot it?*

*What if we flipped thru it several times a day?*

*What if we used it to receive text messages?*

*What if we treated it like we couldn't live without it?*

*What if we gave it to kids as a gift?*

*What if we used it as we traveled?*

*What if we used it in case of an emergency?*

*Unlike our cell phones being disconnected, it can't happen with your Bible because Jesus paid the bill.*

*Never any dropped calls!!*

