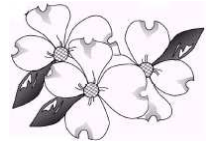


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SPIRITUAL SPOT

“Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.” Exodus 20:7.

The third commandment is possibly the most frequently broken of God’s Ten Commandments. Millions every day utter His name as a swear word. In fact one woman, when becoming a Christian, had difficulty getting used to saying the name *Jesus Christ*, because her father had so often cursed the Savior’s name.

But taking the Lord’s name in vain is not just uttering His name as a swear word. It means to speak His name “in an irreverent or blasphemous manner.”¹ Noah Webster said, “To take the name of God in vain, to use the name of God with levity or profaneness.”² *Levity* refers to using His name in a light, careless, or frivolous manner. Time and again jokes are made about our Creator, which is also irreverent and disrespectful to a holy God.

In truth we do not know how holy God is. Paul tells that God is “dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see.” 1 Timothy 6:16. And what do the angels do when they speak His name? “...Each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of His glory.” Isaiah 6:2, 3. They cover their faces.

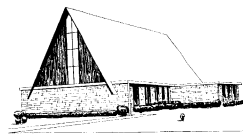
How much more should we humans have respect for the name of the Lord? Let us remember the words of the psalmist, and hold our Creator in reverence and awe. “He sent redemption unto His people: He hath commanded His covenant for ever: holy and reverend is His name.” Psalm 111:9.

¹ merriam-webster.com

² 1828.mshaffer.com

Kevin Wahl

CHURCH NEWS



BIBLE STUDY



Our Bible worker, Kevin Wahl, leads out in Bible Study each Tuesday, 7:00 PM at the church. We are currently studying from the “It Is Written” Bible study guides.

WELCOME

. . . to the Maphis family. Chad, Virginia, Kayleigh, and Austin became members of our church by Profession of Faith, Sabbath, April 22.

TEN-FIFTEEN

Remember to spend ten minutes praying and fifteen minutes studying God's word each day. "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." Psalm 119:105



There is nothing more calculated to strengthen the intellect than the study of the Scriptures. No other book is so potent to elevate the thoughts, to give vigor to the faculties, as the broad, ennobling truths of the Bible. If God's Word were studied as it should be, men would have a breadth of mind, a nobility of character, and a stability of purpose rarely seen in these times. Steps to Christ, p. 90

CHURCH OFFICERS

The new church officer year begins July 1. Let us all commit ourselves in service to our Lord as we reach out with the Gospel of Salvation to those around us.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEONS



There will be a soup & sandwich luncheon Sabbath, June 10 (no luncheon June 24.) Please note – the ovens will be off during the summer months. Please bring cold foods – sandwiches, salads, etc. Do not bring hot dishes unless they are in a crockpot. Luncheons are planned for the second and fourth Sabbaths, July 8 & 22.

CAMP MEETING 2017

It is time to begin planning to attend Camp Meeting at Union Springs, NY, June 23–July 1, 2017. Speakers include: Jose Cortez Jr.– Associate Ministerial Director for Evangelism at the North American Division; Mike Ortel– Retired Conference President, Dustin Hall–former New York Conference pastor. For information on accommodations, contact Priscilla English at the New York Conference Office, 4930 W. Seneca Turnpike, Syracuse, NY 13215-4203, Phone: (315) 469-6921.

No Sabbath Services are planned here for June 24 and July 1 during camp meeting.

THE CHILDREN'S OFFERING



The children's offering taken during the worship service sponsors our children at Camp Cherokee this summer.

Check out our church website at www.elmirasda.com



Downloadable sermons are available at this site.

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

A new church directory is being planned. Contact Jim or Sharon Reynolds with any changes to name, address, phone numbers or email.

ATLANTIC UNION GLEANER AND ADVENTIST WORLD

Any member who is not receiving these magazines each month, please contact Sharon Reynolds.



LABELS AND BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION



Please continue to save your General Mills Box Tops and Campbell's UPC symbols for the Holbrook SDA Indian School in Arizona. They can be given to Joyce Cmelko. Thank you for your help.

PRAYER LIST

Jeff Chase
Earle Stewart
Harold Washburn Jr.



Our shut-ins
Ongoing Bible studies
Outreach in Elmira

*Why should the sons and daughters of God be reluctant to pray,
when prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock heaven's storehouse,
where are treasured the boundless resources of Omnipotence?*

Steps to Christ, pp. 94 & 95.

If you have someone to be added to our prayer list, please let us know.

SABBATH SCHOOL



Our adult Sabbath School lessons during June continue in *1 and 2 Peter*. Beginning in July, for the third quarter, we will be studying *The Gospel in Galatians*. All are encouraged to study daily and come for our class discussion on Sabbath morning.

Please join us each Sabbath morning. Song service begins at 9:20. Classes are provided for adults and children.



Mission DVDs are normally shown on the fourth Sabbath of each month.

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – July 20 – CONTACT Sharon and Jim Reynolds at 734-1560 with newsletter information. You may also send your 813 Maple Avenue, Elmira, NY 14904, or e-mail us at shareyn@gmail.com



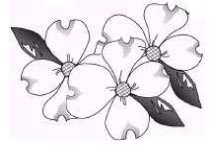
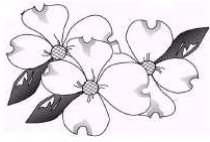
*It is not to be supposed that a law is set in operation
for the seed to work of itself
— that the leaf appears because it must do so of itself.*

*It is through the immediate agency of God
that every tiny seed breaks through the earth, and springs into life.*

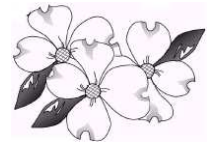
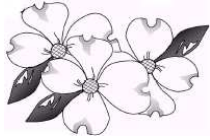
*Every green leaf grows, every flower blooms,
through the working power of God. . . .*

The Christian Educator, April 1, 1899.

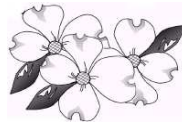




**Looking for that blessed hope,
and the glorious appearing
of the great God
and our Saviour Jesus Christ;
Titus 2:13**



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