

## Walker's Wanderings



#### A Little History Reminder.....

In two days, we will mark the 241st Anniversary of the founding of our country. This country was established on the proposition that all men are created equal and granted God given liberties. This grand ideal was not born without cost and has continued to be an expensive ideal for those committed to its continuation. Here are some interesting thoughts on those that paid the down payment on the freedom we enjoy today. Also, there is a quote from a visitor to our country just over 50 years after this country broke from Great Britain.

Fifty-six men signed the Declaration of Independence. Their conviction resulted in untold sufferings for themselves and their families. History has recorded what this commitment meant to these 56 men. Five were captured by the British and tortured before they died. Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost their sons in the Revolutionary Army. Another had two sons captured. Nine of the fifty-six fought and died from wounds or hardships of the war. Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships sunk by the British navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts and died in poverty. At the battle of Yorktown, the British General Cornwallis had taken over Thomas Nelson's home for his headquarters. Nelson quietly ordered General George Washington to open fire on the Nelson home. The home was destroyed and Nelson died bankrupt. John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their thirteen children fled for their lives. His fields and mill were destroyed. For over a year, he lived in forest and caves, returning home only to find his wife dead and his children vanished. A few weeks later, he died from exhaustion. Remember the price that was paid by these heroes for you and me to have this grand place to live.

French writer Alexis de Tocqueville, after visiting America in 1831, said, "I sought for the greatness of the United States in her commodious harbors, her ample rivers, her fertile fields, and boundless forests--and it was not there. I sought for it in her rich mines, her vast world commerce, her public school system, and in her institutions of higher learning--and it was not there. I looked for it in her democratic Congress and her matchless Constitution--and it was not there. Not until I went into the churches of America and heard her pulpits flame with righteousness did I understand the secret of her genius and power. America is great because America is good, and if America ever ceases to be good, America will cease to be great!" As the recipients of this great legacy of freedom, we as Americans must continue to strive to make America good and great. It must begin in our homes with training our children to be the kind of people that are pleasing to God. Those who learn that as children will be the foundation of future generations who not only will be great Americans sharing the light of freedom with the world. They will also be great Christians who will be sharing the light of Christ to a sin darkened world.

On this holiday as we remember the sacrifice of those great patriots who gave us this freedom, may we be renewed in our commitment to the freedom from sin that only comes through Christ Jesus. It's the only freedom that will survive after the nations of the world crumble and fall. We and our families can be standing tall and free forever in heaven, with our truest hero, Christ Jesus! He died so we could have the

greatest place of all to live eternally.

I Love and Appreciate You! Don

# **Trenton Tidings**

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#### **OUR ELDERS**

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#### ORDER OF WORSHIP

Announcements: Don Puryear

#### 10:30 AM Service

Lead Singing: Jeff Franklin
Opening Prayer: Matt Wheeler
Lesson: Don Walker
Scripture: Galatians 5:1, 13
Preside Lord's Table: Felix Cruz, III
Assist: Bruce Turner Mike Wheeler
Chas Holder Reed Gross
Closing Prayer: Ivan Wallin

#### 6:00 PM Service

Lead Singing: Dylan Knox
Opening Prayer: Felix Cruz, Jr
Lesson: Gary McDade
Closing Prayer: Buddy McKenzie
Preside Lord's Table: Felix Cruz, III

#### **ORDER OF WORSHIP**

WEDNESDAY 7/5
SINGING:
FELIX CRUZ, III
OPENING PRAYER:
KEN WHEELER
INVITATION:
GASTON GREEN
CLOSING PRAYER:

TYLER GRIFFIN

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO
SERVE ON SUNDAY OR

WEDNESDAY, PLEASE NOTIFY FELIX CRUZ BY CALLING OR TEXT

CALLING OR TEXT 347/403-5262



This Week's

#### Events

Today
Our Junior
Campers leave for
Fall Creek Falls
Bible Camp

Today @ 6 PM Summer Series with Gary McDade

SUNDAY	6/25
Bible Classes	55
AM Worship	80
Contribution	\$2346
Lads to Leaders	\$576
PM Worship	68
WEDNESDAY	6/28
Bible Classes	71

### Mighty Mites & TYG News

Today a group of our young people will be leaving for Fall Creek Falls Bible Camp after morning services. This is Junior Campers week (ages 10-13). Bible Camps holds a special memory for many of us and I hope you are encouraging and sending your children.

As summer gets started it's a time for us to have extra time and impact on our young people. Summer is always a special time in Trenton here great memories are made! We have folks who can help with the devotionals and planning the events, if you would like to host an event this summer for the TYG or MM. See Don Walker and he'll get you on the calendar and get it coordinated for you!

#### SHARPENING YOUR SKILLS

Ladies Bible Class and Digging Deep

There will be a special Ladies Bible Class and Luncheon on August 12 at Noon.

More details to follow but it will be something you don't want to miss. The men's breakfast will be July 15 with Ivan Wallin directing the discussion. These two classes along with the Monday night Ladies Bible Study and Digging Deep have become important parts of our growth and development! If you aren't attending some of these, it's a good time to start!

Hope to see you at some of these good events soon!

#### **FAMILY PICNIC AND FELLOWSHIP**

Tonight after evening services we will have our 1st Sunday night Fellowship. The theme this month with be Family Fourth Picnic! We will provide hot dogs, buns and drinks. You bring your favorite homemade ice cream and picnic foods and we'll have a great time with games, food, and fellowship! Make your plans to be here for this great night of memories after a wonderful day of worship together!



#### REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Nancy Bernhardt Krista Brock
Carmen Cruz Robert Gill
Tommy Hartman Cindy Howell
Russanna Jenkins Helen Lusk
Patrick & Annette McGuire
Sorita & Buddy McKenzie
Phyllis Mosley Bill Newby
Tara Osborne Taft Parker
Cloyce Purdon Janice Raines
Daniel Releford Lynn Releford
Cooper Jamie Walker Vicki Walker
Mitzi Webb Jewel Whitley

Freedom In Christ
Galatians 5:1, 13
I. Freedom in Christ Means
Freedom from Sin Jn 8:31-34
II. Freedom in Christ is Freedom
from the Mosaic Law Ro 8:2;
Ga 4-5, Ac 15:10;1 Jn 3:4
III. Freedom in Christ Does NOT
Mean Freedom from Christ
1 Jn 3:4; Ti 1:1; Ja 1:1; 2 Pet 1:1;
Jn 8:31; Ro 6:18;He 5:9;1 Pt 2:21;
5:5; Ga 5:13,14

## Freedom Is NOT Free!

IF YOU HAVE NOT COMPLETED A FORM FOR THE NEW DIRECTORY PLEASE DO SO THIS WEEK WHEN YOU ARE GIVEN A FORM. WE ARE TRYING TO GET IT COMPLETED AND WANT IT TO BE AS COMPLETE AS POSSIBLE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION IN THIS!

#### **CARD MINISTRY**

There are cards and addresses in the east lobby. If you would like to write them and leave them in the basket They will be mailed on the next business day. This is a great way to reach out!

#### **Sunday Evening Outline**

Brother Gary McDade will be our speaker tonight as our Summer Series continues. We have had great lessons presented so far and tonight will be no exception.

Gary is an outstanding gospel preacher. He also serves as an elder at the Tiftonia church of Christ just up the road from us. He has been part of great things happening at that congregation and we are delighted to have him speaking for us tonight on Teaching Others in Other Parts of the World-Matthew 28:19-20.

Make your plans to be here tonight and you probably will! Looking forward to seeing you tonight!



VBS 2017 is coming soon!
July 23-26,
2017

See Ken Wheeler or Jeanna Knox if you can help teach or provide food and support!