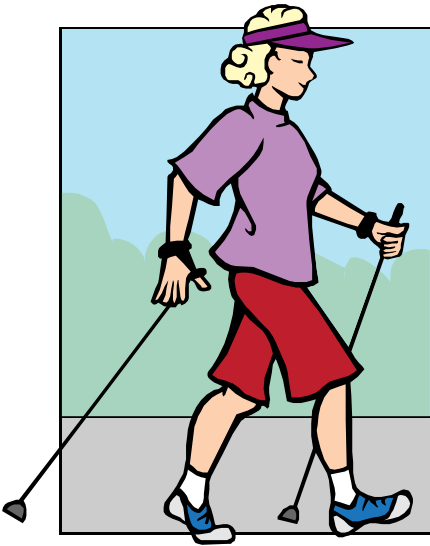


Lighthouse of Iowa

November 2012

Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I fear no evil, for though art with me.
Psalm 23:4



Ever since I started exercising four years ago, I've become an avid walker. When I first began my walk-for-fitness regimen, I was excited and enthusiastic. I read every article devoted to the topic and even got into competitive race-walking for a time. But as the months slipped by, my spirits began to flag, and I

searched desperately for something to keep me interested.

What occurred to me might seem strange to most people, but if you understand that I am an indexer (someone who creates those alphabetical lists at the back of books), it might not seem so unusual. I began to wonder how many quotes from the Bible refer to walking. I consulted an index to the Bible, a concordance, and found lots of references to "walk," "walketh," "walkest." Here are some of the "walking" references I found:

Thus you may *walk* in the way of good men, and keep to the paths of the just (Proverbs 2:20).

Walk in my presence and be perfect (Genesis 17:1).

Therefore, keep the commandments of the Lord, your God, *walking* in His ways and fearing Him.

(Deuteronomy 8:6).

You may not be a race-walker like me, but if there's some area where your interest is flagging, why don't you find a concordance and look up the appropriate heading. If your job seems flat or stale, look under "work" or "task". If you're bored with housekeeping, try "sweep," "wash" or "feed." If you have a problem with one of your youngsters, look under "children." You'll see that the problems that make up our daily lives are not so different from the problems people had in the ancient days of the Bible. And you might find, as I did, that this new knowledge brings you into a closer walk with the Creator of us all.

Dear Lord, let me find the inspiration to do new things that bring me closer to You.—
MaryTomaselli

Chariton

Meeting times—Sundays: 9:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:30 p.m.
Location—15th & Roland, Chariton, Iowa
For information call—Albert Schreck, (641)535-2381



Mary Jo Riekens' knee injury is not healing, so she is scheduled to have a total knee replacement on November 15th.

<p>November Birthdays</p> <p>21 – Clarence Van Egdom </p>	<p>November Anniversaries</p> <p>27 – Norm & Mary Jo Riekens </p>
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Dean Avenue

Meeting times—Sundays: 9:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.
Location—2907 Dean Ave., Des Moines, Iowa
For information call—John McNeece, (515)263-9428 or Don Warren, (515)967-5650

No news this month.

<p>November Birthdays</p> <p>3 – Mary Dobberke 18 – Karma Sharp 27 – Dillon Dobberke </p>	<p>November Anniversaries</p> <p>2 – Skip & Risa Schamel 13 – Earl & Mary Lou Allen </p>
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Fairview

Meeting time—Sundays: 10:00 a.m.
Location—22nd & Orange St., Clarinda, Iowa
For information call—Richard Negley, (712)542-3728 or Marvin Negley, (712)542-2972

Approximately two dozen brothers and sisters from the Pleasant Hill and Martensdale congregations spent the first weekend of October in Clarinda. Many camped on this very chilly weekend, but the warmth and enthusiasm the group brought far outweighed the outside temperature!!! We so enjoyed having full pews and lots of voices; but especially appreciated the readings, songs and messages from Tanner George, Carson George, Zach Wheeler, Kyle Bown, Alex Needham, Kelly George, Rodney

Ingle, Bob Flack and Ryan Ingle. Mary Swisher Smith, Alex and Aubri were able to join us for Sunday services, and we celebrated Will Crumm's 19th birthday and several other October birthdays, Mary Lou Madden, Alex Parrott, Steve Driftmier, and Lowree Crumm. Our topic this month was "Grace", which generated some great discussion.

Our thoughts have been with Mary Lou Madden as she spent some time in the local hospital,

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<p>November Birthdays</p> <p>6 – Marvin Negley 11 – Jack Swisher 19 – Judy Madden </p>
<p>November Anniversaries</p> <p></p> <p>20 – Steve & Tammy Driftmier</p>

Fairview

and with Jean Negley and her family on the death of Jean's brother, Alan.

Other visitors this month have included John, Deb and Maddie Negley; Paul, Dasha,

Timber, and Minka Negley; Jean Negley's cousin, Peg and Brian Martin.

We were thankful to have Wade Stanley bring us several great lessons October 27th - 28th,

and also enjoyed a fish fry/basket dinner on the 28th, a joint effort between Jack Swisher, the fisherman, and Eddie, Wes and Will Crumm the cooks!

Martensdale

Meeting Times—Sundays: 10:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:30 p.m.

Location—10985 44th Lane, Prole, Iowa (1.5 miles east of Martensdale, Iowa on Hwy. 92)

For information call—Duane Proudfit, (515)961-4470 or Mike Penick, (515)989-4165

Several members attended the vows renewal of Bill and Marta Weeks on October 6th.

Zach and Jenna Wheeler, Kyle and Jordan Bown and Tanner George all attended the ITBS campout and worshiped with the Clarinda congregation on October 7th.

Steve, Cerine, Isabelle, Emelia and Maylee Proudfit worshiped with us on October 7th while they were in the area visiting Steve's family.

Dan Turner from the Smart Road congregation attended services with Tanner George on Wednesday, October 10th. Chantelle Schreck and Tanner George have been meeting with us regularly on Wednesday evenings.

Mike and Tracy Penick and Drew and Courtney Tegtmeyer went to Missouri to visit family. They worshiped with the Smart Road congregation while there.

Tanner George attended the Young Men's Study and Jenna Wheeler attended the Young Women's Study both held in Brookfield, Missouri.

We had several visitors on October 15th. Dennis, Cindy, Joshua, David and Daniel Stanley as well as Joshua's fiancé, Shelby Northrup, attended services. They were in the area visiting Cindy's parents, Dick and Phyllis Bown. Charlie Deckler attended services with his wife Pam. Charles and Peggy Kuhn and Brenda and Gordon Hailey, all from Kansas, worshiped with us while they were camping in Winterset attending the Covered Bridge Festival.

We enjoyed an evening of fellowship on Saturday, October 20th when we had a progressive dinner. We had appetizers at Drew and Courtney Tegtmeyer's, then moved to Dave and Christy Henderson's for salads and ended our evening at Charlie and Pam Deckler's.

Neal and Peg Warren were our visitors on October 21st. Neal gave our morning exhortation.

Early on the morning of October 21st, Phyllis Bown suffered a heart attack. She

was taken by ambulance to Methodist hospital where they put a stint in. She spent a few days in intensive care and almost a week in the hospital. She is recuperating at home now. If you would like to send Phyllis a card, her address is: 1038 55th Ave., Prole, IA 50229. Please continue to pray for Phyllis and her family.

Stephanie and Ada Stephens were in the area visiting family and attended services with us October 28th.

Teresa, Kyle, and Jordan Bown spent a weekend in Lone Jack, Missouri, visiting friends and worshiped with the congregation there on October 28th.

November Birthdays

- 1 – Bill Weeks
- 12 – Jordan Bown
- 16 – Christy Henderson



November Anniversaries

- 13 – Charlie & Pam Deckler
- 28 – Al & Marlene Bown



Pleasant Hill

Meeting Times—Sundays: 9:30 a.m. & 6:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m.

Location—5091 E. University, Pleasant Hill, Iowa ♦ Website: pleasanthillchurchofchrist.org

For information call—Bob Flack, (515)262-7329; Lowell Hermon, (515)989-0727; or Mike Warner, (515)967-4529.

Julene Felice and Scott Pappan were married in a quiet ceremony at Toad Valley on September 16, 2012.

Thanks to the Clarinda congregation for everything they did for the ITBS. They were very hospitable to Rodney and Alena Ingle; Kelly George, Carson and Sophia; Megan Stevens; Brandon Ingle; Alex and Ryane Needham; Maddy Hermon; Emily and Aubrey McClurg, Nathan Williamson; Ryan and Jamie Ingle and Elijah; and Bob and Marge Flack.

Pam Sorensen was in Illinois visiting with her brother John and family.

Duane and Donna Needham were visiting.

Chad Landes and his wife from the Kansas City area were in the area visiting.

Marc and Ginger Hermon were in Indiana at a meeting. Marc was one of the speakers.

Rodney and Alena Ingle, Emily and Aubrey McClurg were at the Brookfield meeting.

Marty and Lisa Williamson were vacationing in Branson.

Laura McClurg was visiting with her daughter Jill at college in North Carolina.

Joyce Ingle was visiting with her parents.

Joe Medina and Alex Holdes were visitors. This is Teresa Brady's dad and niece.

Niki and Maddy Hermon were in Martinsville, Indiana.

Miles Wood and Alena Ingle attended the Ozark meeting.

Chip and Jennifer Albright and girls were in the St. Louis area with Chip's family.

Josiah and Alivia Pritchard announce the arrival of their brother Samuel Thomas, born Saturday October 27th. He weighed in at 8 pounds, 4 ounces and was 21 inches long. The parents are Dan and Amy Pritchard, and grandparents are Steve and Pat Thompson. Congratulations to the family on their bundle of joy.

Dan Turner from Smart Road is working in the area for a few months and has attended with us.

Nels and Marjie Turnquist were in Colorado visiting with their son Rick and family.

Nora Lee Ingle is visiting with daughter Cindy Morris and family for a few days.

Ava and Eden Brady were on the sick list, along with

Carly Felice and Jaden Brand. Justin Stevens has traumatic iritis as a result of being hit in the eye with a racket while playing racquetball.

Iowa Traveling Bible Study (ITBS)
The December 1 study will be at Kelly & Allison George's
Please check with host family to see if they would like you to bring any food.
Any questions, call Rodney Ingle at 515-669-0365.

November Birthdays

- 3 – Niki Hermon
- 8 – Tammy Brady
- 16 – Audrey Brady
- 18 – Ryan Ingle
- 19 – Emily Harvey
- 20 – Marge Flack
- 20 – Marty Williamson
- 23 – Chip Albright
- 23 – Justin Stevens
- 26 – Larry Brady
- 29 – Jaden Brand



Vandalia

Meeting Times—Sundays: 9:30 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. ♦ Wednesdays: 7:30 p.m.
Location—2.5 miles east of Runnells, Iowa on F70, then 1 mile north on 131st St.

Website: vandaliacoc.com

For information call—Greg Ingle, (515)994-2824 or Charles Ingle, (515)966-2537

A baby shower was given Saturday evening, October 20th for Jason and Staci Miller.

Devon Ingle underwent gall bladder surgery.

Bruce and Kelsey Fiorentin have moved to an apartment in Altoona.

Justin Dowdy visited family in Indianapolis recently.

Those attending a Ladies Retreat at Laclede, Missouri were: Morgan Cummings; Charity Ingle; Shonya Klein, Briana, and Kiana.

Our visitors were: Alex Dahms; Tiffanie Weekly,

Allison and Samuel of Old Lamine, Missouri; and Vanessa Groves of Brookfield, Missouri.

We sang with the residents of Mitchellville Nursing Home on a recent Sunday evening.

Brittney Dowdy spent a recent weekend visiting family in the Quad Cities, and another weekend visiting in Indianapolis.

Bobbi Duckstein, along with her grandson, Brad, enjoyed a few days' visit in Joplin, Missouri with Bobbi's brother, Lloyd Ditto and family.

November Birthdays

- 2 – Ellie Wiedemeier
- 3 – Tina Hinckley
- 15 – Cheyenne Goode
- 15 – Gavin Burkman
- 16 – Morgan Cummings
- 16 – Erin Ingle
- 17 – Nancy Clark
- 24 – Angela Ingle
- 29 – Doug Fiorentin
- 29 – Lynnette Dowdy
- 30 – Brett Cole



November Anniversaries



- 13 – Richard & Mary Ellen Goode



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