

Christian Assembly Foursquare Church

E-Newsletter August 2017



The Plus-Side of Being Under Pressure"

"My brethren, count it all joy when you fall in to various trials, knowing that the testing of your faith produces patience. But let patience have its perfect work, that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing" (James 1:2-4).

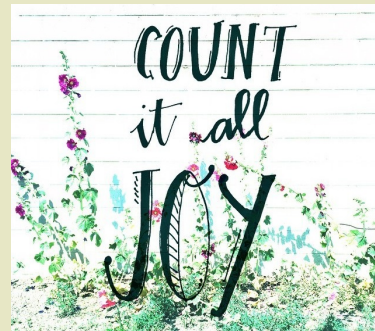
James, as he first appears in scripture, is the skeptical half-brother of Jesus (13:55-56; Jn.7:5). Thankfully, he becomes a follower of Jesus and assumes a prominent role in the leadership of the church in Jerusalem (Acts 15:13). He is regarded as an apostle, by the Apostle Paul (Gal.1:19).

James challenges us right from the start of his epistle. It is challenging because who wants to count it all joy when you fall in to various trials? Most people pull their hair out during periods of trials. Of all the inspired apostolic and evangelistic authors of the New Testament, James, is in my estimation, Mr. Practical! He wanted his audience to not only know what to believe, but how to live...faith to him was pointless and dead, if it didn't result in practical works of faith.

That's why this man of God tells us to embrace the difficult things that come in to our lives. Embrace them with joy because of what they (trial) can do to our faith...super charge it! I like how Eugene Peterson renders this verse so please read through this S L O W L Y.

"Consider it a sheer gift, friends, when tests and challenges come at you from all sides. You know that under pressure, your faith-life is forced in to the open and shows its true colors. So don't try to get out of anything prematurely. Let it do its work so you become mature and well-developed, not deficient in any way" (MSG)

My mom made a stew in an old-fashioned PRESSURE-COOKER that made an inferior cut of meat taste divine. I hope you get the point as I just ran out of room on this sheet...good things can come out from being under pressure!



With that in mind..."count it all joy!"

Pastor Mike

"RISE UP" YOUTH GROUP!

TUESDAY, AUGUST 1st @ 7:00 pm.

Come hear amazing testimonies from the youth that went on the missions trip to Mexico.

And...Nachos for everyone!

(Thank you to everyone who helped them with the trip.)

[Click here](#) for August's calendar and birthdays/anniversaries!

*****Jerry White & Ken Hedditch's Community Home Group** will be meeting on Tuesday, August 1st @ 7 pm. "Life in the Spirit" is the theme and everyone welcome.

Address is 713 Simons Dr.

*****Williams' Community Home Group** will be meeting on Thursday, August 3rd @ 6:30 pm, at 483 Hawks Lane/Stevensville, home of Robin & Sue Hawkinson. Everyone is welcome AND special guests are Gary & Pat Richards.

Don't see your birthday or anniversary listed?
Call the church office to update your information @ 721-6884,
Monday thru Friday, 8 am to 4 pm.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

Celebrate Recovery meets every Friday night at Christian Assembly!

Dinner starts at 6 pm and is open to everyone for a \$3.00 per person donation. We then gather in the Sanctuary at 7 pm for worship and teaching. At 8 pm we break out into small groups, At 9 pm, dessert & fellowship in the gym.

Contact Pastor Jerry White @ 240-4414 if you have any questions.

FAMILY FUN DAY - AUGUST 20

Be sure to put this date on your calendar!
After 2nd service, join us with a potluck lunch.
Church will provide the meat, and everyone please bring a salad/side dish or a dessert.



Lots of activities for the kiddos, archery in the gym, water balloons, hula hoop contest, sidewalk chalk, and more!
Bring your sunscreen and comfy lawn chairs!

Sign up at the Information Center to help.

LADIES RETREAT - SEPTEMBER 15 & 16

**You won't want to miss this special ladies retreat!
Christian Assembly will be hosting the retreat this year.**

[Click here](#) here for registration brochure.

Keynote Speaker

Christina Wagaman, Next Generations Director for the Northwest District

Saturday's Workshops

1. "It's Not About Tongues (although tongues are included)" with Colleen Richards
2. "What Was That You Said?" with Jan Morgan
3. "Worship Jewish Dance" with Vicki (Pengelly) Barrows
4. "Mentoring" with Rebecca Perrault

Cost

\$33 early registration by 8/31

\$38 after 8/31

\$20 for teens

There are volunteer forms at the Information Center for you to serve in many different areas at this retreat. Check off areas you are interested in helping with and return form to Marlene McGovern or leave at Information Center.

You can also [click here](#) to download the volunteer form.

VALLEY SCHOOL OF MINISTRY & LEADERSHIP

It's time to register for Fall 2017! Choose from the following two courses:



New Testament Survey

Online 11 weeks, starting September 30th. NT Survey is an 11-week overview of the New Testament. It will help students understand the history and purpose of each NT book of the Bible. Students will gain a detailed understanding of the historical significance of each book of the NT and a basic understanding of the key theologies of the NT including the plan of salvation, the Kingdom of God, and the Hope of Heaven.

Life Skills for Leaders

Monday nights from 6-8:30 pm for 11 weeks, starting October 2nd. Life Skills for Leaders is a leadership development course designed to refine a broad range of spiritual disciplines and leadership skills. It will challenge students to engage a variety of topics including- Upgrading Your Character, Increasing Personal Initiative, How to Inspire Teamwork, and Becoming Great Thinkers. This course will help students gain insight into the next steps in their personal faith and leadership development.

Courses are held at Christian Assembly (1001 Cleveland St.) on Monday nights or online weekly!

To register call Pastor Tana at 406-370-4260, or go to schoolofministry@4bible.com to print a student application for enrollment and learn more about our program.

MANY TRIBES KIDS AND FAMILY BIBLE CAMP,

NORTHERN CHEYENNE INDIAN RESERVATION 2017

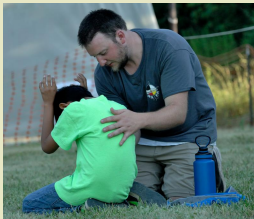


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He is Creator! These truths were expressed through highly creative and amazing crafts, action Bible Stories, skits and puppets, as children crowded into the massive 22 foot tipi or sat cross legged on a brown tarp spread out on the grassy grounds of a little church on the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation in Lame Deer, Montana.

Kids and Family Bible Camp 2017 will always be etched in our hearts as one of the most remarkable miracles we have ever experienced. Children and families from all over the reservation came to have a meal, play games, and be ministered to in the Word and prayer. Many Tribes Ministry had a dedicated team of 6 hardworking leaders. Northwest Church from Federal Way, Washington, sent 30 young people, trained and ready to minister love to these precious children and their families.

ONE EVENING THE INVITATION WAS GIVEN TO WALK THE NARROW PATH TO JESUS. Suddenly, nearly every one of the 83 kids who had registered that evening (altogether there were 136 children who registered) came to line up on the narrow path to receive Jesus as their Savior.



THE SQUIRRELY, ENERGETIC AND RESTLESS LITTLE KIDS STOOD WITHOUT A WORD OR EVEN MUCH MOTION, WAITING TO BE PRAYED FOR! EACH CHILD SINCERELY GAVE THEIR HEARTS TO JESUS. EACH ONE HAD "CHOSEN DAUGHTER" OR "CHOSEN SON" WRITTEN ON THEIR ARM, WHILE OTHER TEAM MEMBERS PRAYED AND PROPHESED OVER EACH CHILD!

We are so grateful to Pastor Elisa Johnson, Casey and the Pentecostal Church of God for welcoming us with open arms. We are so grateful for so many of you who prayed and financially supported Many Tribes as we prepared for this incredible mission's outreach. Thank you to all of you who donated school supplies. They were received with much gratitude! Thank you to God for His mighty hand moving among these precious children and their families. Several attended church that next Sunday who had never attended church there previously... Wow! So grateful for the camp!

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Jan and Corb Morgan - Many Tribes



COHORT CONFERENCE - AUGUST 11-13 Faith Center/Great Falls, MT

"It's time to be exactly who God has called you to be and do exactly what He has called you to do. It's time to follow Jesus; no turning back." - Kim Maas

This August 11-13, Faith Center hosts the Cohort conference, featuring speakers Dr. Rodney Hogue, Dr. Alan Hawkins, and Dr. Kim Mass. Historically, cohort refers to any band of soldiers. In Psalm 18:39, the psalmist says to God, "You equipped me with strength for the battle." Cohort is about equipping the saints of the church to fully step into their calling and be exactly who God has created them to be. During this weekend, conference attendees will be given the tools and encouragement to step into the world around them and conquer it with the power of God's love.

There is no cost for this conference - an offering will be received. For planning purposes, you MUST register to attend the conference.

For more information, call Faith Center @ 406.751.5737 or check out their website: [Click Here!](#)

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In addition, by utilizing a smart phone, you are able to scan the QR Code **OR** send text to 715-803-4772 and insert 1070824 as your text. User-friendly instructions will guide you through the process. You will receive a text with Continue to Give link. Giving kiosk is available between 1st & 2nd Sunday Services and after 2nd Service in the Foyer.



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