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Morning Devotion



Tender, Loving, Compassionate

“But thou, O Lord, art a God full of compassion, and gracious, long-suffering, and plenteous in mercy and truth.”

Psalms 86:15.

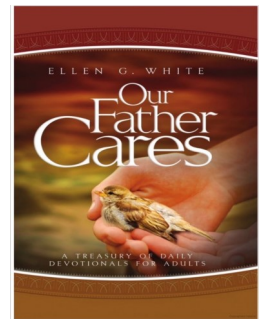
God has ordained according to the law of ministry that we should comfort one another in tenderness and love when great sorrows come upon us. No man liveth unto himself. No one dieth unto himself. Life and death both mean something to every human being. . . . God has enjoined the duty upon His human agents to communicate the character of God, testifying to His grace, His wisdom, and His benevolence, by manifesting His refined, tender, merciful love. . . . Jesus . . . was ever touched with human woe,

and our hearts should be softened and subdued by His Holy Spirit, that we may be like Him. . . .

Our work is to restore the moral image of God in man through the abundant grace given us of God by

Jesus Christ. Everywhere we shall find souls ready to die, and how essential it is that the compassion of Christ shall be given us of Him, in order that we may never place one soul in defiance by not manifesting long forbearance and pitying tenderness. . . . I inquire, Will we ever learn the gentleness of Christ? Oh, how much we need to know Jesus and our heavenly Father that we may represent Him in character! . . .

Jesus calls us to Himself not simply to refresh us with His grace and presence for a few hours, and then to send us forth from His light to walk apart from Him in sadness and gloom. No, no. He tells us that we must abide with Him and He with us. Wherever His work is to be done He is present—tender, loving, and compassionate. He has prepared for you and me an abiding dwelling place in Himself. He is our refuge. Our experience should broaden and deepen. Jesus has



opened up all the divine fullness of His inexpressible love, and He declares to you, Ye “are labourers together with God” (1 Cor. 3:9). O what meaning these words have—“Abide in me” (John 15: 4), “Take my yoke upon you” (Matt. 11:29). Will we take it? for the promise is, “Ye shall find rest unto your souls.” There is rest, complete rest in abiding in Christ.

Special points of interest:

- **Sabbath Morning Prayer: 9:15 am in the Sanctuary.**
- **Sabbath School: 9:30 am.**
- **Divine Worship: 11:00 am.**
- **Thursday Ladies’ Bible Study at The Ray’s: 11:00 am (Special Bible Topics).**
- **Friday Adults’ & Young Adults’ Bible Study at The Craig’s: 7:45 pm (It is Written Bible Studies).**
- **Women’s Ministries Meeting: Every 4th Sunday of each month at 1:00 pm at Ms. Pete’s (Women in The Bible) .**



Happy Birthday:

- 7— Brian soteeo.
- 14— Diana Walker.
- 15— Minerva Coker.
- 18— Safiatou Souare.
- 25— Alex Rantung.
- 29— Sandy Weaver.
- 31— Sarita Dandridge.



28 — David & Marcelle Hounslow.

“Am I a Christian?”

Ephesians 4:1 (KJV)

I therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you that ye walk worthy of the vocation wherewith ye are called.

Elder Mike Ray spoke this past Sabbath about the kind of Christian we can be and asked us this question, “What does it mean to be a Christian?”

As Christians, we must have a fundamental Truth about the Gospel of Jesus where all each Christian must belief and affirm. We, as Christians, also must have the fundamental Truth about how Christians ought to live in light of the belief.

Correct beliefs should lead to Proper Living and Proper Living should flow out of (a result of) Proper Belief. What is the use of believing all the truths, all correct doctrines or beliefs, if they do not impact the way we live our lives.

So, what does it mean to be a Christian? It means living in the center of God’s will.



THAI PINEAPPLE FRIED RICE RECIPE (VEGAN)

Ingredients:

- 1 cup Basmati rice (equals 3 cups cooked rice)
- 1 onion, chopped
- 3 cloves of garlic, chopped
- 1 tablespoon oil
- 2 carrots, cut into thin sticks
- 1/2 red bell pepper, cut into thin sticks
- 1/2 cup frozen peas
- 1/2 cup cashews
- 1 tablespoon soy sauce
- 1 tablespoon curry powder
- 1 cup pineapple, cut into small pieces
- 2 green onions, cut into rings
- salt, to taste

- black pepper, to taste
- red pepper flakes (optional)
- fresh cilantro (optional)

Direction:

- ◆ The Thai pineapple fried rice best with left-over rice from the day before. So cook the rice according to the instructions on the package and store it in an air-tight container in the fridge until you use it. Cook the frozen peas for about 7 minutes.
- ◆ In a large pan, heat the oil and sauté the onion for about 3 minutes. Then add the garlic, the carrots, and the bell pepper. Cook for 3 minutes.
- ◆ Then stir in the cooked rice and season with the curry powder and the soy sauce. Next, add the pineapple, the peas, the green onion, and the cashews. Season with salt, black pepper, and if using red pepper flakes. Stir until well combined.



This Thai pineapple fried rice recipe is one of my favorites for busy days! Super easy, healthy, and so yummy. Plus, it's SO colorfull!

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"And this Gospel of the Kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come." - Matthew 24:14 KJV



Coming Events

Elders' Retreat

May 11 — Nosoca Pines Ranch

2018 Lake Junaluska Camp Meeting

May 27-June 2 — Lake Junaluska

Summer Camp

May 27-July 13—Nosoca Pines Ranch

Summer Prayer Retreat

July 20-22 - Ridgecrest, NC

Southern Union Women's Retreat

Sept. 6-9, Chattanooga.

Hispanic Camp Meeting 2

Sept. 7-9, Nosoca Pines Ranch.

Carolina Retirees Retreat

Sept. 17-20, Nosoca Pines Ranch.

Men's Retreat (English and Spanish)

Sept. 27-29, Nosoca Pines Ranch.



Special Speaker

Pastor Christopher Rollins will be with us this coming Sabbath, May 26th.

This week Thursday Ladies' Bible Study will be at the home of Pastor & Mrs. Alex Rantung. For direction, please contact Lydia Ray.

Serving this Sabbath, May 26th, 2018

SABBATH SCHOOL:

Sabbath Morning Prayer: Elder Mike Ray.
SS Welcome, Opening Song & Prayer: Bonnie Craig.
Adult SS Teacher: Elder Mike Ray.
Youth SS Teacher: Bonnie Craig.
Junior/Primary SS Teacher: Lydia Ray.
Cradle Roll SS Teacher: Michaela Hounslow.
Special Feature: The Weavers.

DIVINE WORSHIP:

Children's Story: Pastor Christopher Rollins.
Tithes & Offering: Sandy Weaver.
Intercessory Prayer: Harol Sarmiento, Sr.
Scripture Reading: Harol Sarmiento, Jr.
Speaker: Pastor Christopher Rollins.
Deacons: Matthew Combs & Paul Walker.
Deaconess: Diana Walker.
Greeter: Diana Walker.
Choristers: Youth (Amaris, Eliana, Melanie, Michaela & Sydnee).
A/V: Kevin Craig.

Family Fellowship Meal: Traditional
If you plan to stay for fellowship meal, please let Magda Sarmiento know what would you like to bring.
Thank you!