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The Wonder and Joy of Easter

One Sunday while pastoring in Ohio all the children were found outside after worship. Their teacher made an entire lesson of watching a butterfly emerge from a chrysalis" One girl cried.

"Look how beautiful!" I was struck by the way her joy spilled over into my

own heart. I stood for a moment in awe of new life. Fresh beginnings.

The promise of spring and rebirth made visible. As we were getting ready for Easter, a season of renewal, it was the unbridled excitement the children displayed that let me experience joy in a new and unexpected way. And suddenly, I was reminded of the empty tomb and the childlike wonder of those who witnessed it—who stood at the entrance of the place where just hours before, the turning point in history had happened: human feet on holy ground. Hearts filled with the utter delight of God's love made visible in a way that it had never been before. That's what I want on Easter Sunday. Even more than our Easter egg hunts and large attendance. I want for you and to be filled with His joy in a new way, and let it spill out everywhere. And I believe the children in our lives have a lot to teach us about joy. Jesus knew it, too: He called a little child to him, and placed the childamong them. 3 And he said: "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven." (Matthew 18:2-3) Be humble: Children are curious and ask questions. They haven't yet convinced themselves that they're self-sufficient beings who should know most everything. If we've been following Christ for awhile, we'relikely very familiar with the facts about Easter morning. We feel safe knowing the answers and sometimes we let that be enough. But what if we ask God for more this year? Ask Him to nudge us out of our comfort zones into new experiences of His resurrection life? Sure, we can celebrate those cherished traditions, but let's show up with anticipation too—trusting Him to do a new thing.

Naturally. Genuine gratitude springs from being present in the moment, aware of even the simplest joys.

The Easter season, consider revisiting (or beginning) that gratitude list.

The more blessings you discover, the more you will be filled with praise for the One who provided them.

As you reflect on the empty tomb, you

heart will be worship-full!

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DEACONS' CARE GROUPS

<u> Laurie Jenkins - 561-487-4255</u>

Lisa Roubian
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Loan Ellis
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Donna LaCertosa
Mary, Sebastian, & Ariel Fernandez
Doug & Jenifer Hamman
Ryan Bullock
Carmen Gomez

Glades Annual
Easter Egg Hunt
April 11th, 2020 from
11AM-1PM
at Glades Presbyterian
Church

Rowena Avrich - 561-488-1897

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Doris Jackson
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Ladies Spring Tea

Saturday May 2, 2020 from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm at Glades Presbyterian Church RSVP by: April 18, 2020 Contact: Tracy Garlanger

954-471-3443 taylortracyc@aol.com



21- Lonna Bobko 30- Tabitha Roubian 30- Ashley Brown



Our next
Boca Helping Hands is
April 18th at 8:30AM at
Boca Glades Baptist Church

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IF YOU HAVE ANY NEEDS
OR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL YOUR
DEACON. DEACONS, IF YOU CAN'T
RESOLVE NEEDS OR QUESTIONS, PLEASE
CALL ONE OF THE CHURCH ELDERS:
BRIAN CLAXTON

561-504-0155 TERRY CROUT 561-852-9060

Deacons:

Class of 2020: Laurie Jenkins and Carmen Gomez Class of 2021:

Tracy Garlanger and Addie Cordes
Class of 2022:

Rowena Avrich and Linda Williams

Elders

Class of 2020:
Terry Crout and John Jenkins
Class of 2021:
Brian Claxton and Karen Sanchez
Class of 2022:

Bob Garlanger

2¢ a Meal

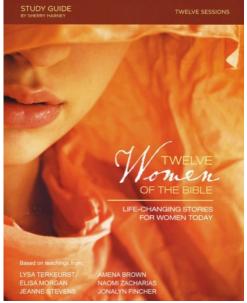
Take a small bank and put it on the table where you eat. Say a prayer and put 2¢ a person in the bank. These donations will grow and when filled, bring it to church and put it in the 2¢ bank. At the end of the year, these donations will be sent to several organizations who help others less fortunate.

CHOIR REHEARSALS ARE ON WEDNESDAYS AT 7:30PM. WE WELCOME NEW VOICES. PLEASE CONTACT BEVERLY NEWLAND AT 488-3690.

Pastor David's Phone Number: 937-307-6158

Pastor David's Office Hours: Wednesday and Thursday 11AM-4PM

Please pray for Raegan Mize (6 year old neighbor of Kernie's), who has terminal cancer.



Women's Bible Study

We are continuing our Bible study at 10:00AM in the C.E. building.

The new church office email address is: gladespc.usa@gmail.com

Men's Group

Meetings are on:

April at 7PM at April at 7PM at

Brian C. will be facilitating.