

November 2023

Happy  
Thanksgiving

Glades Gazette

## A NEW WAY

by Dr. M. Bruce Irwin

It's between you and God! This November will be deeply spiritual. In spite of all the challenges which occur in life, God has been so good! We live in an absolutely beautiful world. God gives us all that we need for our lives. God's love and faithfulness to us is never ending!

This November is your opportunity to Step Out In Faith by increasing your giving. An absolutely true and life changing experience happens when you Step Out In Faith by giving a significant amount more. You will discover that your relationship with God in Christ will deepen significantly, and your attitude toward life will become stronger and more positive. Not that problems will go away, but rather that your confidence and spiritual energy will be enabled by your faithful commitment to God as expressed by your financial Stepping Out In Faith.

Jesus' insightful words are "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be also". The amazing truth is that by increasing giving, you will discover a better relationship with God! Please, don't miss this opportunity to experience the wonderful joy of saying to yourself, "Yes, I trust God and in faith I'm going to stretch my giving significantly this year." (Some people can double their current giving, others can give \$1, \$5, \$10, \$20, \$50 more per week. Others might give 5% of the yearly investment income. Others cannot give any more or even must reduce what they are giving.). It's between you and God. November is the month set each year to re-evaluate your commitment as a faithful steward.

Because it's between you and God, this year's giving is called a Faith Promise. Stepping out in faith, you promise to God that you will try to increase your giving. If during the year you find that it is impossible to continue at the increased level, then cut back your giving. The Faith Promise is a promise to try. Even if you try and have to cut back, the deepened relationship with God that you made will continue!

Sunday, Nov. 5th      You will receive your Faith Promise Card in Church

Monday, Nov. 6th      Faith Promise Cards will be mailed to the rest of the congregation

Sunday, Nov. 12th      DEDICATING STEWARDS' SUNDAY! As part of the worship service, we will have the deeply spiritual opportunity of bringing the Faith Promise Cards forward to the Communion Table.

If you are unable to attend, bring your Faith Promise Card on another Sunday in November or mail your Faith Promise Card to Glades Presbyterian Church. The Faith Promise is between you and God. However, it is very helpful for Glades Presbyterian Church to know how much income to anticipate. So, please, return your Faith Promise Card to the Church. Please, note that your signature is optional. However, it may be a very significant spiritual opportunity for you to sign your own name as your promise to support God's work.

*Throughout November, be THANKFUL for GOD'S many blessings & be generous to others.  
HAVE A BLESSED THANKSGIVING !*

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21121 Judge Winikoff Road  
Boca Raton, Florida 33428

# **The Biggest Gift of All**

*Mark 12:41-44; Luke 21:1-4*

**Jesus went over to the part of the temple called the treasury. There, people came and put money in a special box. It was their way of giving He had given to them. At least that was the way it was supposed to be. But the religious leaders had turned the treasury into a place where the poor become poorer. There the rich looked very holy because they gave so much money. It was money they could easily do without.**

**Jesus and two of His disciples sat down and watched. They saw a poor woman, a widow. She had hardly anything. She did not put in great amounts of money like the rich had. Instead she dropped two very small copper coins into the box. These were hardly worth a penny.**

**"The truth is, this poor widow put in more than all the other people added together.**

**"They gave just a little from what they had left over. They gave what they could easily afford. She gave all that she had left. When she gave those two coins, she gave all that she owned."**

**The poor woman had given out of love. She trusted God would honor her gift. She knew He would help her continue on, even after she had nothing left. She believed in God and loved Him enough to give back her last coin. Such trust is worth more than all the money in the world.**

**The Word of the Lord.**

**Praise be to God.**

**Laurie Jenkins**

**PS: John and I pray that we can add to our pledge in 2024.**

## Glades' Events for November 2023

- 2. Bible Study, 12pm
- 2. Men's Group, 7pm
- 4. Church Work Day, 9am
- 5. Worship & Communion, 1030am**
- 9. Bible Study, 12pm
- 11. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 11. Game Night, 4pm
- 12. Worship & Faith Card Ceremony, 1030am**
- 12. Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes due
- 16. Bible Study, 12pm
- 16. Men's Group, 7pm
- 18. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 19. Worship, 1030am**
- 19. Thanksgiving Potluck, 12pm
- 20. Session, 630pm
- 25. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 26. Worship, 1030am**
- 26. Administration meeting, 12pm
- 30. Bible Study, 12pm
- 30. Men's Group, 7pm

## Glades' Celebrations for November 2023

- 6. Eric Armstrong's birthday**
- 17. Jimmy Hamilton's birthday**
- 18. Clarence Bloom's birthday**
- 24. Frank Romeo's birthday**
- 24. Hamilton's anniversary**
- 24. Jim Hamilton's birthday**
- 26. Carmen Gomez's birthday**
- 26. Alisha Walker's birthday**
- 27. Ryan Crout's birthday**

### DEACONS' CARE GROUPS

Terry Crout - 561-699-1139

Lisa Roubian  
Jim & Celeste Hamilton  
Marilou Lehner  
Wayne & Hortense Walker  
Laura Dorn  
Tom Serro

Linda Williams - 954-240-4785

Edith Vislocky  
Bill Eltringham  
Carmen Gomez  
Gretchen Schrieber

Ellie Wan - 347-308-2878

Eric, Ellen, Addison & Ryan Armstrong  
Lee Henderson  
Mini Dookhan  
Yvette Tiritto & David MacRae  
Debbie & Keith Berman  
Premela Dookhan  
Kitty Lai

Laura Dorn - 920-570-1069

Dawn Williams-Colozzi  
Didi Deary  
Beth Diente  
Connie Steward  
Marlene Kappes

#### Deacons:

Class of 2024:

Terry Crout & Edith Vislocky

Class of 2025:

Linda Williams & Pat Wilkins &

Dawn Williams-Colozzi

Class of 2026:

Rowena Avrigh & Celeste Hamilton &

Laura Dorn

Pat Wilkins - 561-299-8793

Terry, Cheryl & Ryan Crout  
Gail Bower  
Linda Williams  
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Celeste Hamilton - 561-715-9910

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Pat Wilkins  
Rowena Avrigh  
Lauren Romeo  
Ozcan Feyziolglo  
Santosh & Lalitha Mathen  
Ryan Bullock  
Mike, Brandy, Kourtney & Amanda Arbuthnot

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Don & Elaine Hulse  
Renata, Lydia & Michael Trager  
Linda Fabiani & Barry Marcus

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Ed & Brenda Romeo  
Frank & Liz Romeo  
Karen Sanchez  
Ellie Wan  
Laurie & John Jenkins

#### Elders:

Class of 2024:

Bill Eltringham & Marilou Lehner

Class of 2025:

Jim Hamilton & Gretchen Schrieber

Class of 2026:

Rowena Avrigh & Ed Romeo

**If you have any needs or questions, please contact your Deacon or an Elder.**

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### Sermon Series for November:

11/5: "Share While There Is Still Time"

11/12: "All That She Had"

11/19: "Flowing With Milk & Honey"

11/26 "A New Vision"

Luke 16:19-31, I Timothy 6:11-19

Luke 20:45 - 21:4

Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Isaiah 65:17-25, II Timothy 3:10-17

**Choir:** The Choir is ALWAYS looking for more beautiful voices in ALL vocal ranges, from bass to soprano! Please call either Gretchen Schrieber (561-859-5246) or Renata Trager (317-652-7853).

**Men's Group:** Every other Thursday evening at 7pm, men from Glades and other nearby churches meet at Duffy's (Mission Bay) to discuss Christian topics. For any questions, please call or text Jim Hamilton (954-621-5993).

**Boca Helping Hands:** Every Saturday at 830am, Glades' members and other volunteers gather at CrossBridge Church (located at the corner of 441 & Judge Winikoff Rd.) to hand out bags of food to the needy. Please consider becoming a part of this important food ministry.

**Healing Prayer Meeting:** A monthly healing prayer meeting (on Communion Sundays) will be held immediately after the service. All who need healing prayer or support are encouraged to attend. The meeting should last approximately 15 minutes. It is facilitated by Terry Crout (561-699-1139).

**Prayer contact:** [gladespc.usa@gmail.com](mailto:gladespc.usa@gmail.com)

**Emergency contact:** Laurie Jenkins, 561-488-9434

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**YOU ARE WELCOME TO**

**“A QUICK OVERVIEW OF THE BIBLE”**

**Thursdays, Noon to 1:30 pm**

**(Bring your own questions for the last half hour every Thursday)**

**OCT. 5 The Basics of what the Bible is**

**OCT. 12 No study group today!**

**OCT. 19 Learn the Old Testament in an hour**

**OCT. 26 The Synoptic Gospels**

**NOV. 2 The Gospel of John**

**NOV. 9 The Book of History – The Acts of the Apostles**

**NOV. 16 Paul’s Letters to the churches and individuals**

**NOV. 23 THANKSGIVING....No study group today**

**NOV. 30 The Book of Revelation**

**The Rev. Dr. M. Bruce Irwin, a graduate of Westminster College and Pittsburgh Theological Seminary will be our study leader.**

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## The Month in Photos: October 2023

