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## MY LESSON FROM CRYING

DR. M. BRUCE IRWIN

As the movie that I was watching came to an end, I unexpectedly began crying. I very rarely cry. The tears were like a flowing stream that poured out of my eyes. Where did all of that water come from? Was it stored in my head for months/years until somehow it was released? I don't know!

I find the whole body to be amazing! So much in the body happens automatically: we breathe, our blood circulates, the food that we eat is processed through our whole digestive system to take our exactly what we need and discard the rest. Maybe even more amazing, the body heals: broken bones knit back together and are restored. cuts and blisters heal, motion can be relearned, and most viruses go away automatically after fourteen days. Throughout our entire life, the body is automatic! We don't have to do anything! We don't have to think about how to make our body work! It just happens. We get up every morning and live!

Who made this incredibly automatic bodily system? Who designed us? Who fitted the many parts of us together as a body? Was there a designing force behind all of creation and evolution so that after a movie I could automatically relieve my pent-up feelings by crying?

I don't need complex theological theories to convince me that there is a God. The miracle of life, of someone who started this all, of a grand designer of my fantastic automatic body and in fact of all creation is to me self-evident! There is a God, no doubt about it! Every breath that I take, and everything I do every day re-presents God's presence. I don't think of God often because my life just happens automatically. But when something unusual happens, like crying uncontrollably and being aware of tears pouring out of my eyes occurs, the power and presence of life and creation become so real!

We are amazing creations. The world-wide automatic systems occurring everyday are also an amazing creation. Every day, we are surrounded by the real presence of God, our amazing creator!

IT'S TIME TO WORSHIP GOD

NOTE: Please feel free to make copies of the above article, and give them to people who are unsure about God.

Glades Presbyterian Church 21121 Judge Winikoff Road Boca Raton, Florida 33428

# **Glades' Events for July 2023**

- 1. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 2. Worship, 1030am
- 6. Bible Study, 2pm
- 8. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 9. Worship & Communion, 1030am
- 9. Healing meeting, 1145am
- 13. Bible Study, 2pm
- 13. Men's Group, 7pm
- 15. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 16. Worship, 1030am
- 16. Administration meeting, 1145am
- 20. Bible Study, 2pm
- 22. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 23. Worship, 1030am
- 24. Session meeting, 630pm
- 27. Bible Study, 2pm
- 27. Men's Group, 7pm
- 29. Boca Helping Hands, 830am
- 30. Worship, 1030am

# **Glades' Celebrations for July 2023**

- 1. Cheryl Crout's birthday
- 8. Ozcan Feyziolglo's birthday
- 11. Beverly Newland's birthday
- 13. Hortense Walker's birthday
- 16. Jenkins' anniversary
- 20. Linda Williams' birthday
- 26. Marlene Kappes' birthday
- 27. John Jenkins' birthday
- 27. Wayne Walker's birthday
- 29. Terry Dorsey's birthday
- 30. Romeo's anniversary

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### **DEACONS' CARE GROUPS**

#### **Laurie Jenkins - 561-487-4255**

Lisa Roubian
Jim & Celeste Hamilton
Terri Dorsey
Marilou Lehner
Wayne & Hortense Walker
Laura Dorn
Eric, Ellen, Addison & Ryan Armstrong
Lee Henderson
Mini Dookhan & Family

#### Linda Williams - 954-240-4785

Edith Vislocky
Bill Eltringham
Laurie & John Jenkins IV
Ryan Bullock
Carmen Gomez
Gretchen Schrieber
Ellie Wan

#### Pat Wilkins - 561-299-8793

Terry, Cheryl & Ryan Crout Gail Bower Linda Williams Beverly Newland

#### Edith Vislocky - 561-406-5730

Neyda Rodriguez
Ed & Brenda Romeo
Frank & Liz Romeo
Tracy Garlanger
Karen Sanchez

#### Carmen Gomez - 561-768-6442

Cathy & Dan Wantz
Pat Wilkins
Rowena Avrich
Lauren Romeo
Ozcan Feyziolglo
Santosh & Lalitha Mathen
Dawn Williams-Colozzi
Didi Deary
Beth Diente

#### Dawn Williams-Colozzi - 704-787-3761

Babbs Dahms Don & Elaine Hulse Renata Trager Linda Fabiani

#### **Deacons:**

**Class of 2023:** 

Carmen Gomez & Laurie Jenkins

**Class of 2024:** 

Tracy Garlanger & Edith Vislocky

**Class of 2025:** 

Linda Williams & Pat Wilkins &

Karen Sanchez & Dawn Williams-Colozzi

#### **Elders:**

**Class of 2023:** 

Rowena Avrich & Ed Romeo

**Class of 2024:** 

Bill Eltringham & Marilou Lehner

**Class of 2025:** 

Jim Hamilton & Gretchen Schrieber

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

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**Bible Study:** Join our upcoming 5-week Bible study, exploring the Holy Spirit. Our instructional book will be <u>Help Is Here</u>, written by Max Lucado. Classes will begin Thursday, July 6, 2023, at 2pm. The study will be facilitated by Brenda Romeo (561-251-6171). Please join us!

**Choir:** The Choir will be on vacation during July and August. During that time, we need people to perform Special Music for us each week... 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

Emergency contact: Laurie Jenkins, 561-488-9434

# **Pastors' Conference!**



Father's Day, 6/18/23





**Welcome New** 

**Glades Deacons!** 

Congregational Meeting, 6/25/23

# Thank you for serving as Glades Deacons!!!!

















Carmen

Karen

Laurie

Tracy

**Ellie** 

Laura

Celeste