



## ***FROM STRING TO CANDLE***

*Dr. M. Bruce Irwin, Pastor*

One of my best friends in life, who several years ago died in his 40's of a heart attack, led me to a wonderful book entitled *A Long Obedience In The Same Direction*. The premise of the book is that persistent obedience to a cause and to God is the most significant thing we can do with our living. Life is not won or lost, made meaningful or not meaningful by just one hour or one day or one month. What matters is the consistency of being faithful!

The certainly is the message of the Book of Revelation and of other scriptural passages as told over and over again about the need for patient, faithful endurance. The endurance is not just putting up with whatever comes along. Endurance is running the race in the direction of God's love and promises. Some days, we are stronger, and the race goes better. Other days, we are weaker, and we may even lose ground. But the long obedience in the same direction brings the final positive result.

An unknown author penned these words:

A candle's but a simple thing  
It starts with just a bit of string  
But dipped and dipped with patient hand  
It gathers wax upon the strand  
Until complete and snowy white  
It gives at last a lovely light.  
Life seems so like that bit of string  
Each deed we do a simple thing  
Yet day-by-day if on life's strand  
We work with patient heart and hand  
It gathers joy, makes dark days bright  
And gives at last a lovely light.

**May God always grant you the strength and courage to go through the difficult, less-fulfilling days so that you may emerge into the day of hope and light.**

## **Glades' Events for June 2022(**

### **2. Worship & Communion, 10:30am**

2. Healing Meeting, 12pm

2. Bible Study, 6pm (at Gretchen's)

6. Bible Study, 11am

### **9. Worship, 10:30am**

9. Bible Study, 6pm (at Gretchen's)

13. Bible Study, 11am

### **16. Worship, 10:30am**

16. Administration Meeting, 12pm

16. Bible Study, 6pm (at Gretchen's)

20. Bible Study, 11am

### **23. Worship, 10:30am**

23. Bible Study, 6pm (at Gretchen's)

24. Session Meeting, 6:30pm

27. Bible Study, 11am

### **30. Worship, 10:30am**

30. Bible Study, 6pm (at Gretchen's)

## **Glades' Celebrations for June 2024**

**2. Barry Marcus' birthday**

**8. Debbie Berman's birthday**

**11. Mini Wang's birthday**

**18. Jim Hulse's birthday**

**21. Yvette Doorhan's birthday**

**30. Hulse's anniversary**

### DEACONS' CARE GROUPS

#### Terry Crout - 561-699-1139

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

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

Babbs Dahms  
Gail Bower  
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(1) & Edith Vislocky(1) & Pat Wilkins(2)

##### Class of 2025:

Linda Williams(1) & Dawn Williams(1) & Laura Dorn(1)

##### Class of 2026:

Celeste Hamilton(1) & Ellie Wan(1)

#### Celeste Hamilton - 561-715-9910

Cathy & Dan Wantz  
Pat Wilkins  
Rowena Avrich  
Lauren Romeo  
Ozcan Feyziolglu  
Santosh & Lalitha Mathen  
Ryan Bullock  
Mike, Brandy, Kourtney & Amanda Arbuthnot

#### Carmen Gomez - 561-939-9763

Terry, Cheryl & Ryan Crout  
Linda Williams  
Don & Elaine Hulse  
Renata, Lydia & Michael Trager  
Linda Fabiani & Barry Marcus

#### Edith Vislocky 561-405-5730

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

#### **Elders:**

##### Class of 2024:

Bill Eltringham(1) & Marilou Lehner(1)

##### Class of 2025:

Jim Hamilton(2) & Gretchen Schrieber(1)

##### Class of 2026:

Rowena Avrich(1) & Ed Romeo(2)

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

# **The Glades Gazette**

## **June 2024**

### **Sermon Series for June:**

**6/2 "Do Not Lose Heart"**

**II Corinthians 4:13 - 5:5**

**6/9 "Entrusting Us With The Message"**

**II Corinthians 5:11-20**

**6/16 "Made Perfect In Weakness"**

**II Corinthians 12:2-10 II**

**6/23 "Getting Through Difficult Days"**

**Corinthians 6:1-13**

**6/30 "Unmatched Eagerness"**

**II Corinthians 8:7-15**

**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 second Thursday evening at 7pm, men from Glades and other nearby churches meet at Duffy's (Mission Bay) to discuss Christian topics. If you would like to join us, or if you have any questions, please call or text Jim Hamilton (954-621-5993).

**Bible Study:** The current Bible study is titled "The Mysteries of Heaven". There is a Thursday meeting at 11am, and alternately (for those who work during the day) a Sunday night meeting at Gretchen's house at 6pm.

**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:** romeobren@yahoo.com, 561-251-6171

**Emergency contact:** Laurie Jenkins: 561-487-4255

# The Month In Photos: May 2024

