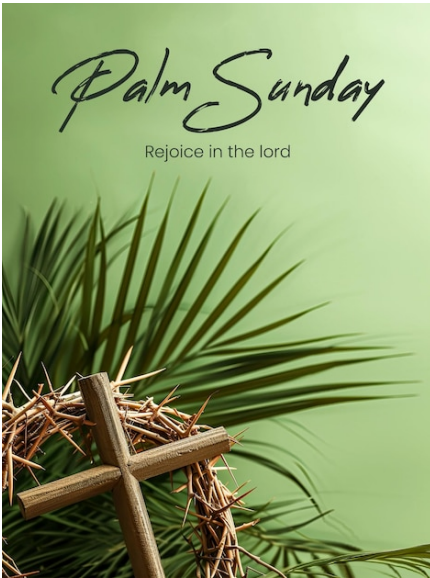


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March promises spring weather, whether we get it or not. It also gives us Daylight Savings Time whether it saves anything or not.

But this year March gives us Palm Sunday, Good Friday and Easter. And all three are some of the most important historical events ever recorded. On Palm Sunday Jesus rode into Jerusalem on a donkey which signified a King coming in peace. The people rejoiced, laid palms and even their own clothing on the ground to welcome their King. Jesus had been preaching, healing the sick and raising the dead for three years. Most recently He had called Lazarus from the grave who had been dead four days. His over 30 trillion cells were decaying and stinking. Jesus merely said "Lazarus come forth," and life

instantly returned to every cell in his body. Word spread like wild fire and many had come to see Lazarus. They welcomed Jesus as their King with great excitement! But by Friday they were calling out for His crucifixion at the behest of the religious leaders. What in the world could have happened to change so radically the crowd who cried "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the LORD the King of Israel!;" (John 12: 13) to suddenly call "Crucify Him! Crucify Him!?" (Mt. 27:22-23; Mk. 15:13-14; Lk 23:21; Jn 19:6)

The answer? Unbelief. " But done so many signs before believe in Him, that the word prophet might be fulfilled, "Lord, who has believed our whom has the arm of the revealed?" John 12:37-38

And cowardly belief.

even among the rulers many but because of the Pharisees

confess Him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue; for they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God." (John 12:42-43 (NKJV) Even the 11 disciples were silent. They ran when Jesus was arrested and Peter denied Him 3 times.



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"Nevertheless, believed in Him, they did not

Resurrection!



Over 500 saw Him at once. I Cor 15:3-6

We have a perspective they did not. We know of Christ's death and resurrection for us. We have Good News to share the 11 Disciples did not have at that point in time.

We live in a world that accuses us of hate crimes just for calling sin, sin; and for lovingly sharing Christ. Speaking up for the Lord can be daunting in our world too. But we have the full message of Salvation in

Christ and the indwelling Holy Spirit to help us. May God help us to be faithful.

News

A young man who was born prematurely, and who is now in his 20's, has had multiple surgery's. In recent months he received a long-awaited kidney transplant. I was able to help him get a car. His mother works full time. And his father is in prison. Now he can drive to his own doctor appointments.

Several residents in the nursing home passed away since I last wrote. Sometimes it is expected and sometimes not. One lady experienced a real change in attitude after I explained the Gospel over several weeks and led her in prayer. She was unable to state that she had received Christ but it appears she did. The others who passed away had made professions of Christ before I met them and had lived excellent Christian lives.



The

helpers from Frontier School of the Bible have been faithful in coming and visiting the residents. It takes time but relationships are forming. One lady is spending more time out of her room than before. Another looks forward to their weekly visits even though she has dementia and seldom is able to find her room. But she remembers the



visits from the Frontier Students.

Another young man who is a student teacher has volunteered to do visits with me. He is an excellent singer and the residents really enjoy him as we go room to room.

The young man who has been in a Bible Study together with me is still faithful. He is 15 years old and learning to drive. Recently we have been studying the Prison Epistles of Paul. Here is the latest fun project.



I gave the Youtube address of "God of Wonders" to two men who have their own computers in their rooms. One came to the Bible Study the next week for the first time. We have about 18 in the Nursing Home Bible Study and 5 in the Assisted Living study.



With your help I was able to provide 25 hymn books, made especially for the elderly, to another assisted living facility. You enable me to continue the Lord's work and I thank you so very much for that.

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