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APRIL NEWSLETTER

Rejoice in the Lord ALWAYS!

Is that really possible? Is that really a realistic thought in a time like this? How are we to rejoice in anything when there is so much fear and anxiety of the unknown? How do we really know, at this time, who has been infected or might be, in the type of profession they work in? We are worried about our wives, children, moms, dads, grandmas, grandpas, extended family, and friends, not to mention our own lives and the concerns of our stability in financial challenges that might be on the horizon. It has never been more real to us than it is today.

The person who wrote these words, "Rejoice in the Lord always", was not a guy who had it easy in life, or who was surrounded by family and friends, nor was it someone who was financially secure or set for retirement. No, the guy who wrote these words was a guy who was hated by many. He was whipped 39 times with leather strips that had glass and bones tied to the ends of them, three times he was beaten with rods, once he was stoned and left for dead, but survived. Three times he was shipwrecked, he had an illness that would never go away and the list goes on and on (2 Cor. 1:23). Even at the time he had said these words, "Rejoice in the Lord always", he was in chains in prison. He repeated himself just in case the people didn't get it the first time, "Again I will say rejoice" (Phil. 4:4). He said in one of his other writings a similar thing, "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in "EVERYTHING" give thanks for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you (1 Thess. 5:17) The reason this man was able to say the things he said was because of what he believed, where he spent his time in thought and he knew there was something or someone much bigger than himself (Phil.4:4-9). For him to live was Christ, to die was great gain. He knew in whom he had believed and that this life was temporary, but as a vapor, compared to his future of eternity. He, like many others over time was never moved by circumstances, tragedy's or catastrophic events because of his trust and confidence in the one who controls ALL things, Jesus Christ (Acts 20:24). Paul made sure everyone knew he was no different than the rest, "I know how to live on almost nothing or with everything. I have learned the secret of living in every situation, whether it is with a full stomach or empty, with plenty or little" (Phil. 4:12). God is still on the throne and always will be.

Pastor Terry Webb (COPC Board Member)



Upcoming Dates

COPC Chaplains Training
1st Tuesday of every month

Due to COVID-19, please go to our website for up to date list of our events.

Stay safe and healthy!

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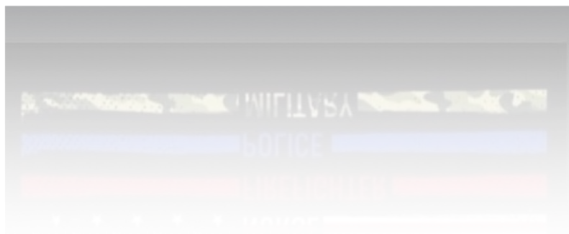
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