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# April 2017 West Waynesboro Witness

Happy Easter What love is: Jesus Christ Laid down his Life for us. 1 JOHN 3:16

join us for an **Paster egg hur** 

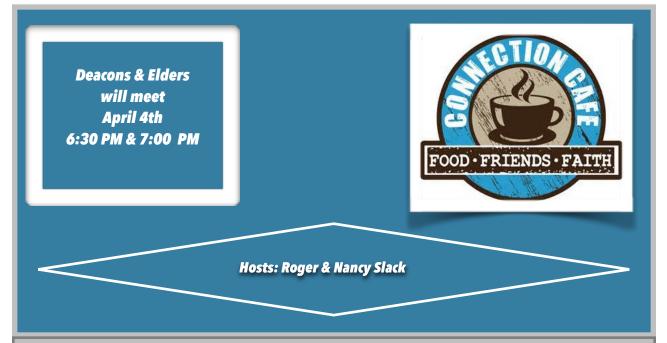


### Saturday, April 15th From 9:00 – 11:00 AM

We are in need of candy donations for the eggs. If you would like to donate candy, please place it in the box in the foyer. We will be stuffing eggs Friday, April 14th at 7:00 PM, if you would like to help, please sign up at the Information Counter/Mickey Center. Invite a friend to come out for the fun! Questions? Contact Andrew Fisher.







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#### **Amazing Grace**

Recently, I was reading an article in the February 2017 Christian Standard magazine (a monthly publication available in the foyer). This particular article was titled, "Finding Joy in the Journey," and offered some practical and Biblical instruction on how to deal with the ups and downs of life, specifically how God helped one man and Christian leader, turn temptation, trouble and trial into blessing and beauty. The author offered several helpful insights, but the one that impacted me the most, was this: EMBRACE GRACE. His words about grace spoke to and encouraged me, and as I share his words with you, it's my hope and prayer, that you will be ministered to as well through this powerful reminder about the life changing power of amazing grace.

"A life consumed by grace can never be shackled by fear, worry, regret, or hate. Grace forgets. Grace forgives. Grace frees. Grace lives outside of karma, religiosity, and legalism. Grace is messy, nonsensical, and even counterintuitive. You can't steal, buy, or earn it. Grace is a free gift, wholly divine, and unbelievably beautiful. Grace salves what failure slashes. We're all addicted to something, and grace is our deepest spiritual need. Grace allows us to forgive others and ourselves."

May we all remember just how much we need God's amazing grace, but may we not only receive it, may we also extend it in liberal amounts to the people all around us, who need it, just as much as we do.

Dependent Upon His Amazing Grace,



## ANDREW'S ANTICS

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In last month's article I wrote about all of the things that were going to happen at the Preteen Convention that we took the kids to, and didn't really get a chance to tell about the Conference that that older kids were going too. The week after the Preteen Convention we took the older kids to a conference called Dare 2 Share. This was a really awesome conference that taught the kids how to share their faith with people that they have just met, or even total strangers. It was very intentional the way that they put it together because it targeted kids in Middle/High School, and mentioned many times that this generation was the generation that could start a movement in sharing Christ and and get people excited to serve him again.

Everyone that went was having a good time until the end of the session on Friday night when they mentioned that there would be a time on Saturday when we would have to go out into the city and talk to people and try to share Jesus with them. Once the kids (and adults) heard that, some of them were a little freaked out because they had never really done that before with strangers. It is one thing to talk about Jesus with your family and friends, but when it comes to strangers it is a whole different ball game. Once the time came to go out and share Jesus or pray with people, we headed to the mall (which was huge by the way) not only to talk to people but also to get something to eat because it was lunchtime. Needless to say, it took us 10-15 min just to find a table to sit at so we could eat. Long story short, we eventually got a table and our food eaten, and it was time to go and talk to people. We decided to target one of the many stores in the mall so we wouldn't get lost. We split up the boys in one group and the girls in one group and went on our way.

The girls had a little better success than the boys did. Of the 6 people that were asked if they needed prayer, I think 3 or 4 of them said they didn't need any or didn't want to. They were a little disappointed, but they kept going and tried to talk to people, asking them if they needed prayer for anything. It was a really cool experience and hopefully they learned something about sharing their faith with people. My prayer is that they will be more willing to talk to their friends about Jesus and eventually lead them to Jesus.

In the Great Commission, in Matthew 28;19, 20, Jesus gave us all a simple command, to GO and make disciples of all nations. This is not just a command to people who are in ministry for a living, but for all people to go out and tell people about Christ. Just because you are not IN ministry does not mean that you can't DO ministry and reach people for Jesus. How many of us would be willing to step out in faith and share this gift that we have been given, Jesus?

**2 Peter 1:5-7(NIV)** For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love.

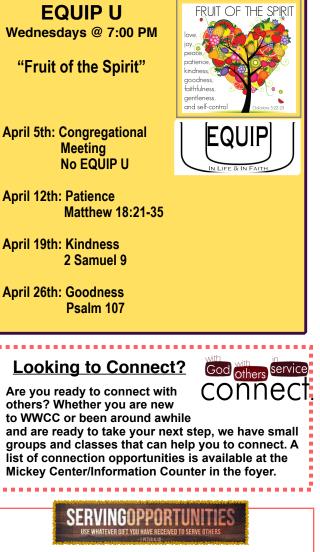


Ladies Spring Retreat "When fife Gives You Lemons" April 27th - 30th Attention Spring Retreat Ladies! There will be a very important meeting immediately after the worship service on April 23rd, please be there!! **Easter Flower Orders April 12th: Patience** A sign-up sheet is at the Mickey Center/Information Counter. Orders and monies are due by Sunday, April April 19th: Kindness 2nd. Your flowers will only be ordered. if paid for by Sunday, April 2nd. Give money and direct questions to Mary April 26th: Goodness Donna Beardsworth. www.westwaynesboro.com If you miss a sermon, you can listen to or download it on our website. If you prefer a CD, contact the office and we will make you one. Please email the office or drop off a note with information you would like in the May Newsletter by Monday, April 17th @ 10:00 AM. Our prayer room is 2 A Y L located downstairs, in ROOM Room #101 and is available before and after services, as well as during the week (office hours 9:00 AM -3:00 PM). There is a key hanging on the left

sinful nature with its passions and desires.

Galatians 5:22-24 (NIV) But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness,

gentleness and self-control. Against such things there is no law. Those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the

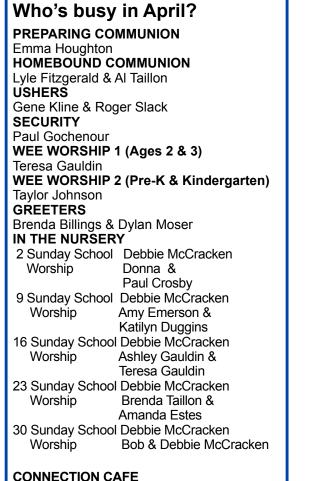


Interested in serving others at WWCC?

Please stop by the Mickey Center/Information Counter to sign-up to help prepare communion.

If you'd like to serve on sound during the service, see Al Taillon (280-8880) to learn the system. To help with video, see Teresa Wilt (294-3590). To serve in the nursery, contact Debbie McCracken.

# April



Roger & Nancy Slack

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