

# Living For The FUTURE, Trusting God



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News & Views

*Celebrating Jesus Every Day for 65 Years \* 1952-2017*

## **Pastor Phil's Thoughts... God Bless America**

This month we celebrate the birthday of our nation and the signing of the Declaration of Independence. It was a momentous decision for each one of the men who placed his name upon that Declaration. As John Adams signed, he said, "*Whether we live or die, sink or swim, succeed or fail, I stand behind this Declaration of Independence. And if God wills it, I am ready to die in order that this country might experience freedom.*"

It was that kind of patriotism which led men, armed with little more than hunting rifles, to engage in battle against what was the most powerful nation in the world. Many of our forefathers paid a terrible price in the Revolutionary War, but finally they won the victory so that you and I might be citizens of this "land of the free and home of the brave." What we often forget is that in declaring their independence from England, our forefathers made an equally strong "Declaration of Dependence" upon Almighty God.

The second paragraph of the Declaration of Independence begins with these words: "*We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are*



*endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.*" The closing words of their Declaration solemnly states: "*With a firm reliance on the protection of divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes and our sacred Honor.*"

It is important that we remember this declaration of their dependence upon God, for in a time of world turmoil the United States today is rapidly forgetting the God of our fathers, the God who gave this nation its birth and its greatness.

Some will recognize the name of Patrick Henry, but I'm afraid many of our school children know almost nothing of him at all. Patrick Henry was a famous statesman of colonial Virginia. Why do I mention these things about Patrick Henry? It is because I want you to realize that he was an important and respected leader in those days when our nation came into being.

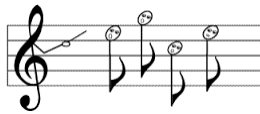
Now listen to his words. He said, "*It cannot be emphasized too strongly or too often that this great nation was founded not by religionists, but by Christians - not on religions, but on the Gospel of Jesus Christ.*"

***Pastor's Article .... Continued Inside ....***

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# NOTES TO SING BY

... Billie Schneider



July is the time we usually set aside to focus on the birth and history of our nation. We are aware that our country was founded by Christian men and women based on Christian values and Biblical principles, but sadly we see very little evidence of the founders' faith in our nation today.

Throughout history – that of America and the world – music has been an integral part of every worship experience. With that in mind, we will be celebrating July based on our **Heritage of Faith**, concentrating on the cherished hymns that have kept our minds and hearts centered on God down through the ages.

I realize some (maybe most) of the songs we will be highlighting may be totally new to you, but then again a fair number of our congregation may remember these expressions of faith through music as a special time spent in worship with multi-generational friends and family. You might also have acquired an appreciation for some of the older songs through the widely popular Gaither Homecoming Series which focuses on the hymns from an earlier era as well.

The Music Ministry at Dellview is always trying to tie our past to our future through the use of old and new songs that point us only to God. Any song, new or old, can be instrumental in touching the heart of an unbeliever, or warming the heart of a believer to create a closer walk with the Master. Please join us in July for a unique musical experience as we sing praises from our **Heritage of Faith**. Like King David, we will "Make a joyful noise unto God, all ye lands. Sing forth the honor of His name." (Psalm 66:1-2, KJV)



## CONTINUED.... FROM THE PASTOR

His Last Will and Testament was filed in the Brookneal County courthouse in Virginia. He left everything to his children, just as most people do, but the last paragraph in his Will is especially interesting. He wrote, "I have now given everything I own to my children. There is one more thing I wish I could give them and that is Christ, because if they have everything I gave them and don't have Christ, they have nothing."

I love reading about Patrick Henry and George Washington and John Adams and Thomas Jefferson and John Jay and many of the other patriots who gave of themselves so valiantly that we might enjoy the freedoms that are ours.

In Deuteronomy 8:7-14 Moses tells the people; "For the Lord your God is bringing you into a good land of flowing streams and pools of water...It is a land of wheat and barley...It is a land where food is plentiful and nothing is lacking. When you have eaten your fill, be sure to praise the Lord your God for the good land he has given you." Then he gives this warning; "But that is the time to be careful! Beware that in your plenty you do not forget the Lord your God and disobey his commands, regulations, and decrees that I am giving you today."

If you truly are concerned about America; if you earnestly want God to bless her - then live a life in harmony with the will of God. Only then does one truthfully have the right to say, **God bless America.**



## JULY

- 1 Sarah Green
- 3 Donna New  
Dana Villarreal
- 14 Mary Wilmoth
- 15 Enrique Garcia
- 19 Glenda Castro
- 23 Alvina Warren
- 25 Gloria Green
- 30 Martha Faz
- 31 Kathy Manegre

**Please note: if your birthday is not listed... we probably do not have it... please contact the office for additions or corrections.**

**CHILDREN AND YOUTH ...  
FROM CYNDI SANCHEZ**

I hope everyone is enjoying their summer! It has been a pleasure having your children for VBS and our Summer Day Camp!

A big Thank You for all who donated their time or supplies or assistance in any manner. I am looking forward to working with the youth this summer at Master's Camp.

I hope to be of assistance in bringing our children closer to Christ! My verse of the month is in Psalm 59:16--"*But I will sing of your strength, in the morning I will sing of your love; for you are my fortress, my refuge in times of trouble.*" Have a blessed day!



**LOVE TO READ???**  
**CHECK OUT OUR NEW BOOKS**

*"The Memory Weaver"* - Based on true events, *"The Memory Weaver"* is New York Times bestselling author Jane Kirkpatrick's latest literary journey into the past, where threads of western landscapes, family, and faith weave a tapestry of hope inside every pioneering woman's heart.

*"Threads of Suspicion"* by Dee Henderson - Get inside the minds of Evie Blackwell and the best of the best investigative team as they re-open cold cases for the Governor's new Missing Persons Task Force. Each has their own style when it comes to their search methods. Become a part of the intense details and find yourself on the edge of your seat as they pull that next thread that leads them yet another step closer to finding the abductors.

*Rosa's Land* -- First in a brand-new series from bestselling author Gilbert Morris, *Rosa's Land* follows the unexpected journey of young Lafayette Riordan. When faced with an opportunity to realize his dream of becoming a Wild West marshal, can he summon the courage to hunt down the outlaws. . . and capture a female rancher's heart.

**If you want to check out books on the Library cart in the foyer... just pull the card from the book, sign your name on the card and drop the card in the blue file box on top. Be sure to bring the book back in a timely manner!**

**All dvd's are located in the library room.**

**WE HAVE MORE NEW BOOKS ON THE LIBRARY CART!**

**If you have a recommendation for new books or dvds just email the office .... we'll get the information to Glenda Castro, our church Librarian!**

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**MEMORIALS GIVEN TO DELLVIEW BAPTIST IN MEMORY OF ROY HART**

**By... Edith Sartain**  
**By ...Doug & Dawn Harrison**

**Memorials may be given at any time and may be given to the general budget, the Library Fund, the Justus P Selph Scholarship Fund, etc. The family will be notified of your gift.**





**FIRST WEDNESDAY  
BIBLESTUDY ON  
JULY 5  
IN THE SANCTUARY**

**Welcome New Members  
Helen and Ed Luckey**

**LUNCH BUNCH JULY 16**

**LORD'S SUPPER on July 2  
at 10:45 a.m.**



SIGN UP IN THE FOYER FOR FREE VOUCHERS FOR OUTFIELD RESERVED SEATS ...  
(BASED ON AVAILABILITY.) UPGRADE TO INFIELD RESERVED FOR \$2 OR A BOX SEAT FOR \$4

**ONLY 15 TICKETS ARE LEFT! Friday, July 7**



**Popcorn and Lemonade on the Breezeway - July 9 to celebrate  
Heritage of Faith Sunday! (FREE!!!)**

**JULY 2017**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>25</b> 9:00 AM Finance Team 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM W/Team Practice 10:45 AM Worship	<b>26</b> Gym Closed for waxing	<b>27</b> Gym Closed for waxing	<b>28</b> Gym Closed for waxing 7:00 PM Choir Practice	<b>29</b> Gym Closed for waxing	<b>30</b> Gym Closed for waxing	<b>1</b> Gym Closed for waxing
<b>2</b> Kids Sunday-kids stay in church with parents 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM W/Team Practice 10:45 AM LORD'S SUPPER ORDINANCE 10:45 AM Worship	<b>3</b> 6:30 PM Deacon's Meeting	<b>4</b> Independence Day Office Closed	<b>5</b> 7:00 PM First Wednesday Bible Study	<b>6</b> 	<b>7</b> 7:00 PM Habitat For Humanity Pack the Park Missions Baseball Game	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> 9:00 AM Finance Team 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM W/Team Practice 10:45 AM HERITAGE OF FAITH SUNDAY - HOW I MET JESUS 10:45 AM Worship 12:00 PM Popcorn and Lemonade on the Breezeway	<b>10</b> 	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 7:00 PM Choir Practice	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 9:00 AM Men's Breakfast La Victoria
<b>16</b> PASTOR PHIL'S LUNCH BUNCH 9:30 AM Bible Study 9:30 AM W/Team Practice 10:45 AM Worship 	<b>17</b> MASTER'S CAMP AT ALTO FRIO	<b>18</b> MASTER'S CAMP AT ALTO FRIO	<b>19</b> MASTER'S CAMP AT ALTO FRIO 7:00 PM Choir Practice	<b>20</b> MASTER'S CAMP AT ALTO FRIO	<b>21</b> MASTER'S CAMP AT ALTO FRIO	<b>22</b>
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