

PRESIDENTIAL ADDRESS

THE CHARLIE SCHULTZ PHILOSOPHY

[Creator of the "Peanuts" comic strip]

1. Name the five wealthiest people in the world.
2. Name the last five Heisman trophy winners.
3. Name the last five winners of the Miss America pageant.
4. Name ten people who have won the Nobel or Pulitzer Prize.
5. Name the last half dozen Academy Award winners for the best actor and actress.
6. Name the last decade's worth of World Series winners.

The point is.... None of us remember the headliners of yesterday.

These are no second-rate achievers.

They are the best in their fields.

But the applause dies....Awards tarnish.

Achievements are forgotten.

Accolades and certificates are buried with their owners.

Here's another quiz....See how you do on this one:

1. List a few teachers who aided your journey through school.
2. Name three friends who have helped you through a difficult time.
3. Name five people who have taught you something worthwhile.
4. Think of a few people who have made you feel appreciated and special!!
5. Think of five people you enjoy spending time with.

Easier?

The lesson:

The people who make a difference in your life are not the ones with the most credentials....the most money....or the most awards.

They simply are the ones who care the most.

Don't worry about the world coming to an end today. It's already tomorrow in Australia!!

"Be Yourself. Everyone Else Is Taken!!"

Until next time,

Joe

SENIOR CRIER MAY



Quarterly Luncheon
May 20th – FLC – 11:00 AM
David Donnelly Speaker
Hurricane Preparedness

FROM BRO. TIM:

I came across the story to the old hymn we sing **Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)** and wanted to share it with you this month, so here it is.

These are the original words John Newton wrote with his pen. At the end of the song the chorus that was added by Chris Tomlin. May God speak to your heart as He has mine.

Amazing Grace

*Amazing Grace How sweet the sound
That sav'd a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
Was blind, but now I see.*

*'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears reliev'd;
How precious did that grace appear,
The hour I first believ'd!*

*Thro' many dangers, toils and snare,
I have already come;
'Tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.*

*The Lord has promised good to me.
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be,
As long as life endures.*

*Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail,
And mortal life shall cease;
I shall profess, within the veil,
A life of joy and peace.*

The earth shall soon dissolve like snow,

*The sun forbear to shine;
But God, who call'd me here below,
Will be for ever mine.*

CHORUS

*My chains are gone I've been set free.
My God my Savior has ransomed me.
And like a flood His mercy reigns,
Unending love amazing grace.*

A Brief History of John Newton

John Newton wrote the words to one of the most beloved hymns of all time (Amazing Grace) between 1760 and 1770, while working as an evangelical pastor. Son of the commander of a merchant ship, Newton was captain of a slave ship for many years, until he underwent a dramatic religious conversion while steering his vessel through a storm.

Repenting and regretting the misery he had inflicted on the thousands of human cargo he had transported across the Middle Passage for many years, he devoted his life to the Church, and wrote the lyrics to many hymns which are still popular today.

In 1780 Newton left Olney to become rector of St. Mary Woolnoth, St. Mary Woolchurch, in London. There he drew large congregations and influenced many, among them William Wilberforce. Newton continued to preach until the last year of life, although he was blind by that time. He died in London December 21, 1807.

Blessings In Christ, Bro. Tim
Jer. 29:11

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- MAY** 3rd - Bob & Shirley White
- 5th - Geof & Susan Grooms
- 12th - Marshall & Sandra Carlton
- 18th - Richard & Jackie Lavinder
- 19th - Turk & Joann Thomas
- 24th - Victor & Martha Young
- 25th - Ray & Cindy Gallop
- 26th - Terry & Sherylle Buehler, Jr
- 28th - Brant & Susan Davis

STAFF ANNIVERSARY

- MAY** 25th - Nick & Natalie Carter
- 29th - Stan & Theresa Stone

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- MAY** 1st - Beverly Jones
- 1st - Inez Keen
- 2nd - Gene Petteway
- 2nd - Robbie Thompson
- 3rd - Gisele Arrendell
- 4th - Bryan Olmert
- 6th - Alan Boyd
- 6th - Mae Patterson
- 8th - Joe Elder
- 8th - Pat Piper
- 8th - Ed Willcox
- 9th - Wanda Miner
- 9th - Glenn Rorabaugh
- 10th - Corky Davis
- 10th - Linda Hollingsworth

- MAY** 11th - Michele Faulk
- 11th - Bill Sexton
- 11th - Turk Thomas
- 13th - Terry Buehler, Jr
- 16th - Marvin Blankenship
- 16th - David Rendek
- 19th - Martha Floyd
- 19th - Gary McPhearson
- 20th - Jackie Stevens
- 24th - Brant Davis, Jr
- 26th - Carol Combs
- 29th - Tim Hiatt
- 30th - Jerry Carter
- 30th - Jackie Lavinder
- 31st - Hazel Lee

STAFF BIRTHDAY

- MAY** 13th - Pam Harris
- 26th - Theresa Stone

CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY

Linda Baldwin & Family in the passing of her husband, Charlie Baldwin.

The Family of Vanice Stone in her passing.

DATES TO REMEMBER

- MAY** 20th - Quarterly Luncheon
David Donnelly –
Speaker – Hurricane
Preparedness – FLC –
11:00 AM
- SEPT.** 16th - "Save Our Seniors"
Details to come
- OCT.** 26th – 30th - Annual Trip
Pigeon Forge, TN