

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

A clothesline was a news forecast to neighbors passing by,
There were no secrets you could keep, when clothes were hung to dry.

It also was a friendly link for neighbors always knew
If company had stopped by to spend a night or two.

For then you'd see the "fancy sheets" and towels upon the line,
You would see the "company table clothes", with intricate designs.

The line announced a baby's birth from folks who lived inside,
As brand new infant clothes were hung so carefully with pride.

The ages of the children could be so readily known,
By watching how the sizes changed you'd know how much they had grown.

It also told when sickness struck as extra sheets were hung,
Then night clothes and a bathrobe too haphazardly were strung.

It also said "On vacation now" when lines hung limp and bare,
It told "we're back!" when full lines sagged with not an inch to spare.

New folks in town were scorned upon if wash was dingy and gray,
As neighbors carefully raised their brows and looked the other way.

But clothes lines are of the past, for dryers make work much less.

Now what goes on inside a home is anybody's guess.

I really miss that way of life, it was a friendly sign

When neighbors knew each other best,

By what hung on the line.

In Christ,

Bro. Warren

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FROM BRO. TIM:

The following are interesting facts about Senior Adults:

A 2010 poll by the Pew Research Center found the following:

84% of those 60-69 consider themselves Christians as do 88% age 70 and up.

53% of those 65 and older attend church services at least weekly compared to 39% for the total population.

43% of those 65 and older read scripture daily; 68% pray daily.

69% of those 65 and older say religion is "very important" compared to 56% for the total population.

77% of those 65 and older are absolutely certain in God's existence.

ON VOTING

79% - Percentage of U.S. citizens age 65 and older who were registered to vote in the 2004 presidential election. Seniors make up the highest percentage of registered voters in any age group.

71% - Percentage of seniors 65+ who were registered to vote and reported that they voted.

19% - Of all voters in the 2004 election, this percentage was 65 and older.

41% - Of all votes expected in the 2040 presidential election, this percentage is projected to be cast by seniors 65 and older.

Without the older population in the U.S., everything would be completely different.

I want to challenge all of you to consider the opportunity you have to mentor someone, be their Paul.

I currently mentor three guys and I believe this has been extremely fulfilling.

In my opinion as a Christian, this has been the downfall of the church today. I wish someone had invested in my life, one on one, years ago.

Please, consider becoming a Paul in someone's life today. Leave a Legacy. Why? Keep reading.....

Jethro mentored Moses. Moses mentored Joshua and the elders of Israel. And Joshua mentored the other remaining leaders of his army.

Eli mentored Samuel. Samuel mentored Saul and David. Ahithophel and Nathan the prophet also mentored David. David became Israel's greatest king. David mentored his army commanders and government officials to establish the united nation of Israel. David also mentored Solomon. Solomon mentored the Queen of Sheba, who returned to her people with his wisdom in the form of Proverbs that applied God's laws.

Elijah mentored Elisha. Elisha mentored king Jehoshaphat and others.

Daniel mentored Nebuchadnezzar, who humbled himself before God.

Mordecai mentored Esther. Esther mentored King Artaxerxes, which led to the liberation of God's people.

Priscilla and Aquila mentored Apollos, and this resulted in a much-improved ministry for Apollos.

And finally, Jesus mentored the twelve apostles who established the Christian church.

Excerpted from the young adult ministry handbook, Context. For practical tips on how to make connection, responsibility, depth, and community integral parts of your young adult ministry.

Blessings, Bro. Tim
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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- FEB.** 6th - Ed & Linda Willcox
11th - David & Kellie Rendek
12th - Cesar & Ethel Cerda
14th - Mike & Gwen Ellis
14th - Jeff & Bonnie Moran
15th - Robbie & Kim Teele
17th - Gary & Marilyn Bennett
17th - Arthur & Alma Ortiz
19th - Mutt & Jean Marshall

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- FEB.** 1st - Marilyn Bennett
1st - Wyman Fowler
1st - Melvin Horton
1st - Jose Valdes
2nd - Ed Carter
3rd - Betsy Wenzel
4th - Mary Dave Fitzgerald
4th - Wayne Hollingsworth
5th - Linda Petteway

- FEB.** 5th - Angel Rivas
6th - Elizabeth Clark
6th - Peggy Thomas
8th - Dick Coburn
9th - Frank DeLoach, Sr.
9th - Larry Skaggs
10th - Belle Boland
10th - Tarie McPhearson
10th - Pat Patterson
12th - Jim LaRosa
13th - Carolyn Keene
13th - Kim Sweat
13th - Tommie Thomas
13th - Bill Westmoreland
15th - Doreene Gaff
15th - Beth May
16th - Randy Keene
17th - Trudie DuBose
19th - Lamar Carmichael
19th - Penelope Douglas
23rd - Belinda Hollingsworth
23rd - Pam Meadows
27th - Linda Highlander

STAFF BIRTHDAY

- FEB.** 11th - Derek Lambert

CHRISTIAN LOVE AND SYMPATHY

Linda Yates & Family in the passing of her husband, Ron Yates.

Wynona Trevarthan & Family in the passing of her husband, Bill Trevarthan.

Virginia Hearn in the passing of her sister, Ila Bylsma.