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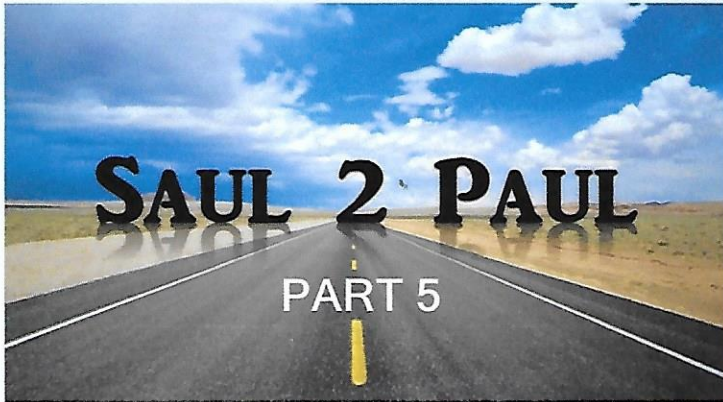
Week of August 26, 2018

Services held at Imagine School
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A Note from Pastor Derrick



Discouragement and Encouragement in Corinth

No man or woman on this earth has ever received a discouragement exemption from God, including Paul. But if you numbered Christians by the stars, ten galaxies of them would shout in unison that He delights in encouraging us when circumstances or people zap our confidence and enthusiasm.

Paul, a passionate man about his work and mission in the world, could have thrown in the towel after his experience in Corinth. Ministry in that city was very difficult. But God wouldn't let him. He encouraged him in the midst of his discouraging circumstances.

God works like that in our lives.

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STUDY GROUPS

THIS WEEK

MONDAY

Small Group Meeting
At the Church Office - 6:30 P.M.

TUESDAY

Pastor's Bible Study @ 6:00
Worship Team Practice @ 7:00
Both held in Church Office
Gene & Kim Hurst Community Group
@ 6:30 - Call Gene for Location

WEDNESDAY

The Youth Group will be returning to their regular schedule of meeting at 6:30-8:00 pm at 1276 44th Avenue, Vero Beach every Wednesday unless otherwise noted.

TAKE NOTE:

Next Ladies Bible Study will begin on Thursday, September 6th at 6:00 P.M. and will be held at the home of Wanda Smith - 325 28th Court SW, Vero Beach

Directions - Call Wanda 772-321-5525

Questions? Call Gloria 633-0209

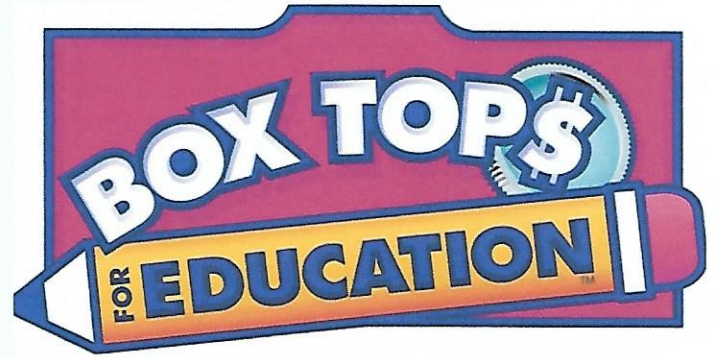


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BIRTHDAY TODAY!



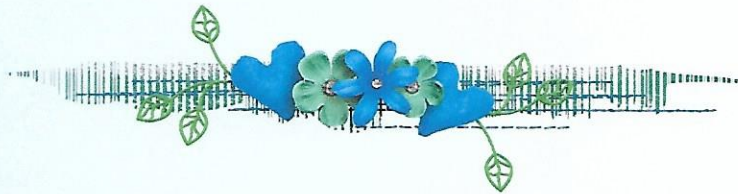
May he give you the desire of your heart and
make all your plans succeed. (Psalm 20:4)

MISSION OPPORTUNITY



Imagine School is a participant in the Box Tops for Education Program in an effort to raise funds for the school. Please take an inventory of your pantry and if you have any boxes with the above emblem on the box, please clip it and give it to Dawn West. The 'Power of a Box Top' is 'unimaginable' so let's help Dawn help Imagine School.

The Program is ongoing- as you do your grocery shopping please watch for products that support the Box Top for Education Program so we can assist Imagine School throughout the school year.



The One in a Million: Journey to Your Promised Land Bible Study ended this past Thursday evening. The ladies agreed that this was the fastest seven weeks of the year. The Bible Study was enjoyed so much - along with the time of fellowship prior to the study and the discussion afterward that it was agreed to do another Study before Thanksgiving. **THEREFORE**, a new Study will begin **SEPTEMBER 6th** AT 6:00 P.M. and will be held at the home of Wanda Smith, 325 28th Court SW, Vero Beach



One More Thing-

In one of my garden books there is a chapter with a very interesting heading, "Flowers that Grow in the Gloom." It deals with those patches in a garden which never catch the sunlight. And my guide tells me the sort of flowers which are not afraid of these dingy corners--may rather like them and flourish in them.

And there are similar things in the world of the spirit. They come out when material circumstances become stern and severe. They grow in the gloom. How can we otherwise explain some of the experiences of the Apostle Paul?

Here he is in captivity at Rome. The supreme mission of his life appears to be broken. But it is just in this besetting dinginess that flowers begin to show their faces in bright and fascinating glory. He may have seen them before, growing in the open road, but never as they now appeared in incomparable strength and beauty. Words of promise opened out their treasures as he had never seen them before.

Among those treasures were such wonderful things as the grace of Christ, the love of Christ, the joy and peace of Christ; and it seemed as though they needed an "encircling gloom" to draw out their secret and their inner glory. At any rate the realm of gloom became the home of revelation, and Paul began to realize as never before the range and wealth of his spiritual inheritance.

Who has not known men and women who, when they arrive at seasons of gloom and solitude, put on strength and hopefulness like a robe? You may imprison such folk where you please; but you shut up their treasure with them. You cannot shut it out. You may make their material lot a desert, but "the wilderness and the solitary place shall be glad, and the desert shall rejoice and blossom as the rose."

--Dr. Jowett

"Every flower, even the fairest, has its shadow beneath it as it basks in the sunlight."

Where there is much light there is also much shade.

