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In Pastor Derrick's absence, we welcomed Rev. Jim Sanderson to deliver the message today. We were reminded to continue to lift up a group of men from our congregation who have set aside this weekend for a time to strengthen their walk with the Lord and grow closer to Him.

Rev. Jim's message began by sharing that there really is no such thing as just "mere coincidence". The a 'coincidence' is used only once in the Bible and that was by Jesus Himself when He was teaching the parable of the Good Samaritan. In Luke 10:31, Jesus said, "And by a coincidence a certain priest was going down in that way, and having seen him, he passed over on the opposite side." A biblical definition then would be "what occurs together by God's providential arrangement of circumstances.

He then shared a few personal stories of how *God's Coincidences* redirected his life.

Thank you - Rev. Jim Sanderson



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### **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

Youth Group - 6:30 - 8:00 PM at 1276 44th Avenue, Vero Beach

#### **THURSDAY**

Ladies Bible Study 6:00 P.M. at the home of Wanda Smith 325 28th Ct. SW, Vero Beach

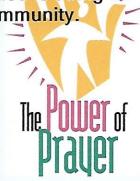


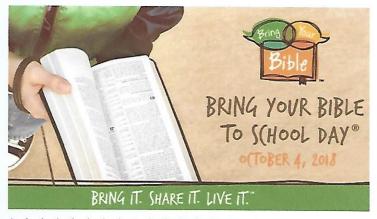


# A YOUTH FOR CHRIST PRAYER WALK

SEPTEMBER 22
9:00 AM IN THE COURTYARD AT
VERO BEACH HIGH SCHOOL
1707 16th Street, VB
Youth of ALL AGES, please join the Prayer
Walk as we pray for our students, teachers, administrators and our community. We will worship and celebrate all God is doing in our Schools & our Community.

Questions regarding the Prayer Walk or Bring your Bible to School Day?? Call Libby Sanderson





Please pray for the Beatty Family as they mourn the death of Colleen Beatty; AND remember to pray for Pastor Derrick, Larry, Ron & Tom as they return from The Walk to Emmaus this week.

## PLEASE NOTE:

DATE CHANGE FOR LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON
TO: DECEMBER 15, 2018
LOCATION: THE PLAZA
MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW

## FRIENDLY REMINDER TO SAVE THESE DATES

Walk to Emmaus/Women's Retreat - September 27 - 30
Men's Breakfast - October 13th
Contact Larry Irwin 502-817-8348
Operation Christmas Child - November 12-19
Ladies Christmas Luncheon - December 15th
AND - PLEASE don't forget Box Tops for Dawn West

One More Thing-

"Whosoever will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me" (Mark 8:34)

The cross which my Lord bids me take up and carry may assume different shapes. I may have to content myself with a lowly and narrow sphere, when I feel that I have capacities for much higher work. I may have to go on cultivating year after year, a field which seems to yield me no harvests whatsoever. I may be bidden to cherish kind and loving thoughts about someone who has wronged me--be bidden to speak to him tenderly, and take his part against all who oppose him, and crown him with sympathy and succor. I may have to confess my Master amongst those who do not wish to be reminded of Him and His claims. I may be called to "move among my race, and show a glorious morning face," when my heart is breaking.

There are many crosses, and every one of them is sore and heavy. None of them is likely to be sought out by me of my own accord. But never is Jesus so near me as when I lift my cross, and lay it submissively on my shoulder, and give it the welcome of a patient and unmurmuring spirit. He draws close, to ripen my wisdom, to deepen my peace, to increase my courage, to augment my power to be of use to others, through the very experience which is so grievous and distressing, and then—as I read on the seal of one of those Scottish Covenanter's whom Claverhouse imprisoned on the lonely Bass, with the sea surging and sobbing round—I grow under the load.

--Alexander Smellie

"Use your cross as a crutch to help you on, and not as a stumbling block to cast you down."

