

MORE TO LIFE THROUGH GOD

MAY 2011

The Great Need For Godly Mothers

Sunday, May 8, the world is going to be honoring mothers who fulfill their responsibilities toward their children with wisdom, great love and devotion.

Our society, today, more than ever, needs the influence of godly mothers. I am so thankful for both a mother who has taught me God's truth, not only verbally, but by example as well. Here are six great needs that should be, and need to be visible in your life to set examples for your children to follow.

1) Model Yourself After Godly Mothers- Strive to be as prayerful as Hannah (1 Samuel 2:1-11; 1 Samuel 1:1-28), as humble as Mary (Luke 1-52), as faithful as Sarah (Genesis 17:19; Genesis 18:11; Genesis 18:9-14; Hebrews 11:11), as kind as Ruth (Ruth 1-3), as sacrificial as Jochebed (Exodus 6:20; Exodus 2:1-3), as courageous as Rahab (Joshua 2:1-22), as instructive as Eunice and Lois (2 Timothy 1:5), as wise as the mother of Lemuel (Proverbs 31:1-9), as joyful as Elizabeth (Luke 1:36-44). Make yourself rise to the challenge of being the kind of person you would want your children to imitate, by imitating these righteous women in the Bible.

2) Obey The Lord Yourself - It's pointless to try to persuade your children to do what God commands if they don't see you obeying Him in all that you do. Don't just talk the talk, you need to walk, the walk. There's much truth in the old axiom that states, "children become what they see" (Philippians 4:9; Philippians 3:17). If you want your children to grow into faithful Christians, they need to "see" their mother faithfully following Christ. Children are smarter than adults give them credit for, and are not easily fooled by any "do as I say and not as I do" behavior.

3) Teach Your Children God's Word — Moses instructed the Israelites with God's wise counsel, "These words which I command you today shall be in your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up" (Deuteronomy 6:6-7 KJV). The world has a lot of sin in it and will get to your child, you have to get to them first. And note the word "diligently" in the above passage. This means we need to teach them every day about God's word and how He wants us to live righteously.

4) Honor Your Own Parents And Husband - If you want your children to respect you, they need to see you show the respect and honor to your parents, living or deceased. The principle found in Ephesians 6:1-3, has lifelong application. If you want your children to eventually become loving husbands or wives, they need to observe your example in the conduct of your own marriage. Let them see the truth and beauty of Ephesians 5:22-33 at work in your home.

5) Encourage Your Children Often - Children, like flowers in the garden, need nurturing. Let your children "hear" that they are loved and valued, and let them hear it often. Praise their good efforts, and help them learn from their mistakes. Show them that you regard them as a heritage from the Lord (Psalm 127:3).



**PENTECOSTALS
OF BILLINGS**

SERVICE TIMES

SUNDAY- 10 AM
6 PM

WEDNESDAY- 7 PM

SATURDAY PRAYER-
7 PM

2335 Lewis Ave
406-652-2443
www.pobmt.org

**FRIENDS DAY
SUNDAY, MAY 30
10 AM**



(The Great Need For Godly Mothers continued)

6) Rebuke When Necessary — Don't be afraid to admonish your children for wrongdoing (Proverbs 13:24; Proverbs 22:15; Proverbs 23:13). Correction must be done without breaking the child's spirit, but if the child never receives correction, he or she cannot mature (Proverbs 13:24; Proverbs 19:18; Proverbs 22:15; Proverbs 23:13; Proverbs 29:15; Proverbs 29:17). Respect for the laws of God and society grow out of a healthy respect for the authority of parents in the home.

The joys and blessings received by children who have experienced a godly mother and grandmother, cannot be over emphasized (2 Timothy 1:5; 2 Timothy 3:15). In the words of the old song, "Put them all together, they spell M-O-T-H-E-R." Next to "Christian," it's the most beautiful title any woman on earth can wear.



*Whatever you do, work
at it with all your heart,
as working for the Lord, not for
men, since you know that you will
receive an inheritance from the
Lord as a reward. It is the Lord
Christ you are serving.*

Colossians 3:23 - 24



A GODLY MOTHER

*"And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men."
Colossians 3:23*

Being a mother is a great responsibility. And it begins not with your children, but with allowing the Holy Spirit to guide you in all that you do. As Christians, we are called to be dependent on God for how we live and the decisions we make. As Christian mothers, that calling is so much greater, as we are responsible not only for putting God first in our own lives, but also for leading our children to do the same. Being a godly mother does not come easily; it can only be accomplished when Jesus leads the way. Invite Him to be a part of every decision you make and every child you nurture.

Up Coming Events:

May 8- Mothers Day
May 29th- Friends Day
May 30- Memorial Day
July 7th-9th- VARIETY- Rawlins, WY
August 1st-4th- Family Camp- Hungry Horse

RECIPE BOOKS FOR SALE:

Support our youth and buy a copy of our very own
United Pentecostals of Billings Cook book.
Thank you to all that submitted your recipe to help
make this happen.
\$12



SOLD OUT -YOUTH GROUP

We are the young army of God and we are **sold out** to Christ!
Come join the fellowship and fun nights on Friday nights at 7 pm and
our Youth Service every Sunday morning at 10 am
Ages 12 + is welcome to come.

If you have questions please contact Alan or April Coonfare @ 855-6256

CHURCH PRAYER REQUESTS

John Bailey
Loretta & Mel Corchado
Louie Dauenhauer
Shawn Jacobi
Michael Kruger
Marty McFate
The Matilla family
Tyler Sapp
Michelle Simmons
The Welch family



May 2011



S	M	T	W	T	F	S
1	2 7:30 pm Men's Softball Poly Vista Park	3	4	5	6	7
8 mother's DAY	9 6:15 pm Men's Softball Poly Vista Park	10	11 Rev. Derrick Pohl	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21 4:30 pm Music Practice 7 pm Prayer
22 6 pm - Rev. Ryan Schoppe	23 6:15 pm Men's Softball Poly Vista	24	25	26	27	28
29 Friends Day 10 am One Service Only	30 Memorial Day	31				

RECIPE OF THE MONTH



Potato Casserole

1/2 cup chopped onion
2 cups shredded Cheddar cheese
2 cups crushed corn flakes
1/4 cup melted ole- cook onion in this
1 (10.75 ounce) can condensed cream of chicken soup
1 (2 pound) package frozen hash brown potatoes, thawed

1 pint sour cream
1/4 tsp. pepper
1/2 cup melted butter

Preheat oven to 350 degrees

Stir in potatoes, soup, pepper, sour cream and cheese. Bake in a greased 9x12 pan. Bake 25-30 minutes.

Combine cornflakes and 1/4 cup ole and sprinkle over casserole. Bake 10-15 minutes.



Inspirational Thought: "Under the Spirit's Influence"

On the day of Pentecost, the believers were filled with the Holy Spirit and were accused of being drunk (Acts 2:13). Just as a drunken person is influenced by alcohol, so a believer should be controlled by the spirit. The drunk person loses self-control, but the spirit gives the believer self control (Gal. 5:23). The drunken person has an artificial happiness that does not last, while the spirit-filled believer has a deep joy in the Lord, and lives to the glory of God.

The Dash Between The Dates



Memorial Day was over now, all had left and I was alone. I began to read the names and dates chiseled there on every stone. The dates which showed whether it was Mom or Dad, or daughter, or baby son. The dates were different but the amount the same, there were two on every one.

It was then I noticed something, It was but a single line; It was the dash between the dates placed there, it stood for time. All at once it dawned on me how important that little line. The dates placed there belonged to God, but that line is yours and mine.

It's God who give this precious life and God who takes away; But that line between He gives to us to do with what we may. We know God's written the first date down of each and every one, And we know these hands will write again, for the last date has to come. We know He'll write the last date down, And soon we know for some. But upon the line between my dates I hope He'll write "well done." - Anonymous

Memorial Day emerged from the grim shadows of the American Civil War. Before the close of the war, women began decorating the graves of soldiers who had died in that war. The practice quickly spread, and a few years later May 30, 1868, was designated as Decoration Day — a day for placing flowers on the graves of Union and Confederate soldiers throughout the United States.



In 1882, Decoration Day became known as Memorial Day, and soldiers who died in other wars were also honored. Over the years, it has become a day when all loved ones who have died — in war and otherwise — are remembered. In 1971, the United States Congress declared Memorial Day a national holiday to be observed annually on the last Monday in May.

On this Memorial Day, remember those who gave their lives for our country. Also pray for those who continue serving to keep America free, especially those who are in harm's way.

Voices Needed for Audio Bible

Romans 10:17: *So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*



Lately, I have noticed in Christian bookstores and secular bookstores as well, the number of Bibles in audio version. These are recorded by Hollywood stars and other famous people. The prices range anywhere from 70 to well over a hundred dollars. While there is nothing wrong with this, the thought occurred to me "why should Hollywood capitalize on the reading of the Bible"?

Then I thought how awesome it would be if we had an audio Bible made by current and past members of the Pentecostals of Billings. Imagine listening to the Word of God in your home, car, or MP3 player as it is being read by Bro Bill Sapp or Sis Stella Hanson. Of course, it is not possible to hear from some of our own who have gone on to their reward. But there are still quite a few of us here in Billings and also a number of former church members who now reside in other areas of the country.

With modern forms of communication, it wouldn't be that difficult to arrange for our own Audio Bible to be made over the course of the next few months. The logistics would need to be worked out, but I already have a pretty good idea how to handle that. If this is to become reality, I will need a list of any and all who would be interested in participating in this endeavor. This newsletter goes out to current members of the Pentecostals of Billings. It wouldn't take too much effort for each individual to forward copies to former church members they know. Within a month we could have a list of people who would like to take part in this. Then it would just be a matter of assigning chapters to read and upload and I would put it together. When completed, it would be available in regular CD format and MP3 format as well as any other format necessary so a person would be able to listen to it in their car, home, ipod, etc. There would be a cost involved, but it would be much more affordable than the "Hollywood" versions and the personal appeal would make it much more special when listening.

I would only ask that you have a fairly smooth "out loud" reading voice and able to add inflection while reading. However, if you have a tendency to stumble over words, editing is not that difficult. I will set up a special e-mail account which will be available in the next POB newsletter for you to respond if this is something you would be interested in participating. The money raised would go to the POB Building Fund, or to special needs in the Music Dept, or any other special need the church in Billings may have. Think about it and let me know when the next POB Newsletter comes out in late May or early June.

Please contact Mike Hanson with questions or if you are wanting to be a part of this recording.



SOLD OUT

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER A 3 month plan to live out your faith

I came across this plan, for teens to do in the summer months and thought it would be good for you youth to try out. They will keep you connected with God As you enjoy your summer vacation. These next 3 months we will put the following months plan in this news letter. Take time to live for God and see yourself transform into a stronger being.

June

- Commit to reading one Christian novel during the month. For suggestions, see Cool Reads in the print version of Ignite Your Faith. Either read it alone or find a friend or two to read it along with you.
- At the beginning of the month, place an empty jar on your dresser. At the end of each day, toss the change from your pocket into the jar. At the end of the summer, put the change in your checking account and then write a check (or make a debit card payment) for this amount to a charity or mission organization of your choice.
- Read the parable of the Lost Son in Luke 15:11-32. Rewrite the parable with a modern setting and told from the perspective of the lost son—imagine that you are the lost son or daughter. Rewrite it again, this time imagining that you are the son/daughter who never left.
- Put prayer requests in your online calendar or cell phone calendar. Set the alarm to go off each day at a different time for each request. Say a quick prayer each time the alarm goes off. Use this prayer method throughout the summer.
- Find out when your church plans to hold its Vacation Bible School. Volunteer to teach or help out.
- Read one psalm each day of the month. Highlight one verse in each psalm that's especially meaningful to you. After reading 30 psalms, go back and reread each verse you highlighted. Pick one verse to memorize.

A prayer for one's family

Our heavenly Father, we come as your children to praise you for putting us in our family. We thank you for the love and nourishment we have received from those in whose presence we have been placed. We confess our need for your guidance in our families. Please grant us harmony in our homes and enable us always to show respect and love for one another. In Christ's name, Amen.



"Yes, the disciples followed Jesus...
but not on Twitter."



May

- 2-Heather Rennich/Barry Ziegler
- 6-OkHui Woeppl
- 7-James Shields
- 11-Leonard Woeppl/Ron Lafontaine
- 14-Aaron Gopher
- 15-Belle Laverdure
- 19-Edna Sapp
- 27-Alan Coonfare/Acacia Rennich

Ponder This...

“In the time of your life, live — so that in that wondrous time you shall not add to the misery and sorrow of the world, but shall smile to the infinite variety and mystery of it.”

—William Saroyan

Mothers write on the hearts of their children what the world’s rough hand cannot erase.”

—Author unknown

“Ours is a world of nuclear giants and ethical infants. We know more about war than we know about peace, more about killing than we know about living. We have grasped the mystery of the atom and rejected the Sermon on the Mount.”

—General Omar Bradley

If you would like a personal Bible study simply give us a call - 652-2443. In your bible we will show you the Lord commands us that we are to be born again.



Mothers’ Prayers in the Bible



Hagar- Genesis 21:16-19

Hannah- 1 Samuel 1:20-11, 27-28; 2:1-10

Leah- Genesis 29:31-35

Mary- Luke 1:46-55

Naomi- Ruth 1:8-9; 2: 20

Rachel- Genesis 30:22-24

Syro-Phoenician Mother: Matthew 15:22-28

Elijah on behalf of Zarephath widow-
1 Kings 17:17-22



Keys to a Successful Marriage

Husbands and wives focus often on God, who holds them together. When two become one in a Christian marriage, they vow to remain one until death parts them. Oneness takes thoughtfulness, constant communication and daily deeds of kindness.

Words are extremely important to sustain a marriage. Words hotly spoken can kill love, while words tenderly spoken can enhance love. Husbands and wives need constant assurance by hearing words of love and by deeds done to show love in action. Remember that the bonds of matrimony are a good investment only when the interest is paid daily.