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**Ms. Avery Pearl
Pet Columnist**

Pet Perspective with Ms. Avery Pearl



me on Facebook at Ms Avery Pearl.

Happy Father's Day! I am so blessed

to have my Pappy! That man is the best dad and Pappy, ever!

He is so kind and loves teaching all the kids about the Lord, fishing, and sports especially, football.

He has always worked so hard to provide for his family. He says that's what dads are supposed to do.

Mimi says that Pappy is our biggest blessing. You know what? I think she is correct. He is pretty awesome!

We are so thankful for this man we call Dad and Pappy.

I just wuff my Pap so much! I wuff him even more than bacon and ham! You know what?

I think he wuffs me just as much. He calls me Pappys girl. That always makes my heart smile.

For more of my Pet Perspective like and follow

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DLARMC CHANGE IN MEETING

The Deer Lodge Abner Ross Center has changed its meeting date. We will now meet on the 3rd TUESDAY of the month at 6 PM. All are invited to attend.

Coalfield Genealogical and Historical Society Meets the second Tuesday of every month Senior Citizens Building at 6:00pm

Morgan County Republican Party meets the last Thursday of every month at 7pm at the American Legion in Wartburg

BINGO for adults is held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 10:30 – 11:30.

Our current hours are Monday 10:30-3:00, Tuesday 3:00-7:30, and Wednesday 9:00-12:00.

Oakdale Public Library Hours are Mondays 1:00 – 3:00, Tuesdays 4:30 – 7:00, Wednesdays 9:00 – 12:30 and Thursdays 9:00 – 1:00. On the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month, there is Preschool Story Time from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. and on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays there is Family Story Time from 10:00 – 11:00. BINGO for adults is on the 3rd Wednesday of each month from 10:30 – 11:30. For more information, follow Oakdale Public Library on Facebook or call 423-369-3051.

The Morgan County Tourism Alliance meetings are on the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm held at Tanners Cafe.

The City of Sunbright is taking applications for employment for a part time/full time employee. Applications can be picked up at 120 Melton Dr. in Sunbright.

VENDORS NEEDED FOR 4TH OF JULY CELEBRATION

The Deer Lodge Abner Ross Memorial Center is soliciting vendors for the 4th of July Celebration to be held on Tuesday, July 4th in Deer Lodge, rain or shine. Booths are \$30.00 in advance for a 16x16 area. Electricity is available for an additional \$10.00. Bring your own tent, table and chair. The 4th of July Celebration starts at 11am (EDT) with the parade and concludes with fireworks at dusk. For more information call Bob Brimi at 423-628-2850.

PUBLIC NOTICE
Joseph Calandrino d/b/a Luciano's
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Anyone having reason to believe that this permit should not be Issued, must appear before the City of Wartburg Beer Board on the 2nd day of June , 2023 at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room at City Hall

ORDINANCE 404-23 Amended
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #381-16 OF THE CITY OF WARTBURG PERTAINING TO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

WEEKLY WEATHER



Tue 20 **78°/64°**

Wed 21 **79°/62°**

Thu 22 **79°/63°**

Fri 23 **80°/63°**

Sat 24 **81°/64°**

Sun 25 **83°/65°**

Mon 26 **84°/66°**



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In Loving Memory

Roberta June McCartt, 90

Roberta June McCartt Kelly of Sunbright passed away June 10, 2023. She was born September 6, 1932.



nieces, nephews and extended family.

Pall-Bearers: Adrian Covell, Casey Manning, Michael Curl, T.J. Hall, Mikie Collons and Curtis McCartt

Honorary Pall-Bearers: Nicole Peaden, Rebecca Manning, Johnathon Curl and Autumn Curl.

The family will receive friends Saturday, June 17, 2023 at Schubert Funeral Home in Sunbright from 12-2:00 p.m. with the funeral to follow at 2:00 p.m. with Rev. David Dail officiating. Interment will follow in the Diden Cemetery in Sunbright.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Roberta June McCartt Kelly.

She is preceded in death by her husband A.D. Kelly; daughter Jane Covell; parents Pleas and Annie Silcox McCartt; brothers James, Robert, M.D., L.A., Johnny, Sammy and Glen McCartt; sisters Janie, Emma, Betty, Phyllis and Sally.

Roberta leaves behind her daughter Betty and husband Jessie; grandchildren Adrian Covell and girlfriend Keala Nabors, Nicole and Pete Peade, Casey and Rebecca Manning; brothers P.J. McCartt; sisters Ella and Billy Smith, Sue and Robert Moore, and Gladys and Eva; great granddaughters Autumn & Michael; great grandson T.J.; great great grandson Johnathon and a host of

Patricia Irene Kring Thompson Brown, 75

Patricia Irene Kring Thompson Brown born April 10, 1948, went to her forever home on June 11, 2023.



She was preceded in death by her dad, Lester Kring; her mother, Nella Williams Kring, her brother Michael Kring, a stillborn daughter named Heather and her best friend Carrie.

She is survived by her husband, David Ray Brown (Wartburg) her brother Lester Charles Kring (Hixson, Tn.) her sister Barbara Brinkley (Elijay, Georgia); her children: Susan Stout (Zambia), Rebecca Webb (Wartburg), Nancy Hamby (Wartburg), Benjamin Thompson (Georgia), Jason Thompson (Tennessee), Sarah Thompson (Wartburg) and many adoring grandchildren and great grandchildren.

Special people in her life that she would want mentioned are a whole host of Browns that welcomed her as their own and truly became her people, her dear friend Linda, Brit-

tany Miles an adopted daughter in her heart (Sarah's caregiver) and Tiffney who helped take care of Sarah Grace during mom's illness.

She was known for her kindness, generosity to all those around her and her

strong work ethic. Her loving heart is represented in her children. She worked for years at Life Care Nursing home in Wartburg and drove the special needs bus for Morgan County Schools.

She will be missed by all who knew her and enjoyed by all those who are welcoming her home in Heaven.

The family will receive friends Wednesday, June 14, 2023 at Schubert Funeral Home in Wartburg from 12-1:00p.m. with the funeral to follow at 1:00 p.m. Interment will follow at Coal Hill Cemetery in Coalfield.

Schubert Funeral Home is honored to serve the family of Patricia Irene Kring Thompson Brown.

Roy E. Jones

Roy E. Jones a long time resident of Wartburg passed away May 15, 2023 at Methodist Medical Center of Oak Ridge. Roy was a Veteran of the Korean War and the Vietnam War. He gave 22 years of service to our country with the Marines, reaching rank of MGYSGT. Roy also spent 18 years as a police officer in Oliver Springs retiring as captain.



He is preceded in death by his parents Ross & Juanita Jones; brothers Junior & Jack and wives Ursula, Carol and Wanda.

He leaves behind brother Larry Jones; children Holly, Roy, Terry Jones, Rosalie Sheldon, Monday Daniel, Dawn Curry, Robin Gibson and Kellie Figeruo; special friends Colonel Tim Hunt, Brad Brewer and Jerry Gibson.

The family will be having a private graveside service.

Roy enjoyed flying planes, skydiving, visiting Biloxi, MS, and gardening.

Obituaries must come from a funeral home to be in the newspaper.

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Minimum Qualifications:

- Minimum of a bachelor's degree in nursing (BSN), master's degree (MSN) is preferred.
- Must provide evidence of current, valid State of Tennessee licensure as a registered nurse.
- Five (5) years of nursing experience and supervisory experience in the nursing field.
- Experience working in a long-term nursing facility is considered a plus.
- Teaching experience is considered a plus.
- Must possess strong organizational and communication skills.
- Strong computer skills (i.e., Microsoft Office applications, email, etc.) are required.
- Ability to establish and maintain positive working relationships with students, staff, and medical industry personnel is essential to the position.
- Must be willing to travel.

General Duties:

- Manage/coordinate the following technical programs: Practical Nursing, Pharmacy Technology, Nursing Aide, and any other allied health program that may be developed at TCAT Oneida/Huntsville or TCAT Jacksboro.
- Coordinate the recruitment and selection of students for all nursing and allied health programs and assist graduates with placement opportunities.
- Train, evaluate, and supervise faculty in the nursing and allied health programs.
- Facilitate professional development programs for nursing and allied health faculty.
- Assign teaching and non-teaching job responsibilities, assist with teaching for at least 20% of the program's time in nursing, and act as a mediator between students and teachers.
- Prepare annual reports for accrediting bodies and maintain records for the State Board of Nursing.
- Maintain required annual 60% completion, 70% placement, and 70% program licensure rate pursuant to the Council on Occupational Education (COE) accreditation standards.
- Provide leadership in teaching, service, research, clinical practice, and developmental tasks for the departments.
- Develop clinical partnerships and collaborate with partners regarding program initiatives and training methodologies.
- Ensure compliance with all TBR, institutional, state, and federal requirements.
- Perform all duties assigned by the President and/or Vice President of the College.

Work Schedule: 8:00 a.m. until 4:30 p.m., Monday thru Friday with time split equally between TCAT Oneida/Huntsville and TCAT Jacksboro. The job is an exempt position and may require additional work beyond the normal schedule depending on program needs.

The Tennessee College of Applied Technology-Oneida/Huntsville does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, disability or age in its programs and activities. The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the non-discrimination policies: Amy West, Assistant Director, 355 Scott High Drive, Huntsville, TN 37756, (423) 663-4900, awest@tcatoneida.edu.

Salary: Commensurate with Tennessee Colleges of Applied Technology salary guidelines.

*A criminal background check will be required for the selected applicant.

Applications and Resumes should be submitted online at:
<https://careers.tbr.edu/jobs/coordinator-nursing-and-allied-health-oneida-tennessee-united-states>

A Picture says a Thousand Words!



Michael Nance
Columnist

Did you ever wonder where the cliché “a picture says a thousand words” originated? Also

did you ever wonder how art and pictures reflect the struggles a society is experiencing? I have a personal example of both, that I want to share in this article with the readers of the Morgan County Today.

According to www.phrases.org.uk: “The phrase, “a picture is worth a thousand words,” “emerged in the USA in the early part of the 20th century. Its introduction is widely attributed to Frederick R. Barnard, who published a piece commending the effectiveness of graphics in advertising with the title “One look is worth a thousand words”, in Printer’s Ink, December 1921. Barnard claimed the phrase’s source to be oriental by adding “so said a famous Japanese philosopher, and he was right.”

We all know that a picture is worth a thousand words as humans are visual creatures and pictures or graphics help us understand everything about the world. But pictures and personal art can convey a story, and sometimes, maybe a story that comes from the subconscious of the artist, or at least that is my theory.

I base this theory on a personal experience that happened to me in March of 2020. During that time, I was working in downtown Knoxville on a renovation project on a high-rise

for money.

One of the ladies that was always on the sidewalk caught my attention. She was obviously down on her luck, and always selling pencil sketches. She had obvi-



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building. Every afternoon I would leave the building and walk down the street to a parking lot to my car and drive home. As I would walk down the street often there would be peddlers trying to sell flowers, pencil sketches, and sometimes not selling anything at all, just asking

ous talent, and I stopped by and spoke to her one afternoon. I gave her \$20 and she insisted that I take the sketch pictured in this article. I asked her what her name was, and just how a lady with her talent found herself on the street corner sketching pictures for passersby.

She had a story that we all are too familiar with, but her life had been improving until recently when the many businesses in downtown Knoxville began closing their doors. As we all remember, in March of 2020 the world was in the beginning throes of Covid-19 lockdowns. I remember the lady telling me that the Covid-19 policies had affected all parts of her life, and she had just lost the part time employment as the place she was worked had shut down due to Covid.

I believe this sketch depicted how she felt during this time. A lady trapped in an aquarium, dependent upon others and unable to interact with the outside world for what she needed to survive. In this sense, I believe this sketch is a marker to the pandemic of Covid-19 and the government policies that were enacted at the time.

Personally, the lesson I took from this experience is that government policies often impact the downtrodden more than any other segment of our society, even if they are borne of the best intentions.

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NOW HERE'S A TIP

By JoAnn Derson

* Use the measuring cups when adding detergent to the washer. It avoids using too much, which can get costly. And it will avoid residual soap left in the fabric.

* If you use air-conditioning, use a programmable thermostat. You can set it to a higher temperature overnight, when it's naturally cooler, and have it cool down the house right about the time you'll get home, so there's no wasted energy cooling a house with no one in it.

* When putting woody-stem flowers, such as roses, in a vase, cut the stem diagonally and whack with a small mallet. It will absorb water much better this way. -- A.R. in Mississippi

* Save small milk cartons and wash well. Fill with water and freeze. You can use these in your picnic basket for an easy

cold pack to keep foods chilled.

* Too many suds in the sink? Try sprinkling them with salt. The foam will settle down quickly!

* Shower rings (the hooks that hold your shower curtain to the curtain bar) can be used for lots of things: I keep one in my sewing basket to hold safety pins. It's terrific, and the pins are orderly and easy to find. -- E.L. in Utah

Send your tips to Now Here's a Tip, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.

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STRANGE BUT TRUE

By Lucie Winborne

* Amazon founder Jeff Bezos originally wanted to name the company Cadabra, but thought better of it after people kept mishearing the moniker as "cadaver."

* The unenviable record for longest sneezing fit belongs to U.K. resident Donna Griffiths, who began "ker-chooing" Jan. 13, 1981 and by July 26 broke the previous record of 194 days. Griffiths sneezed an estimated million times in the first 365 days and finally stopped on Sept. 16, 1983, after 977 days. The exact reason behind her ordeal is still not fully clear.

* Scientists believe Earth's core, made up primarily of iron and nickel, may be even hotter than the surface of the sun, with temperatures

reaching up to 9,932 degrees F.

* Smoking a cigarette causes damage not in years, but minutes.

* Speaking of smoking, a Japanese company awards employees who don't indulge in the habit an extra six days of paid leave per year. The incentive was launched after it became clear that workers who took smoke breaks had more than 15 minutes of extra time away from their desks each day.

* Platypuses may be cute, but are also so odd-looking that when scientists first discovered them, they thought the animal was a hoax.

* People are 30 times more likely to laugh at something if they're with someone else.

* In the early 20th century, ra-

dium was commonly mixed with water, sold as an over-the-counter "energy" drink under the brand name Radithor, and marketed with the slogan "A Cure for the Living Dead," until the federal government stopped its production in 1932.

* Ancient Roman soldiers sometimes wore breastplates encrusted with diamonds in the belief that the gems offered them extra protection.

Thought for the Day: "I always wanted to be somebody, but now I realize I should have been more specific." -- Lily Tomlin

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Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

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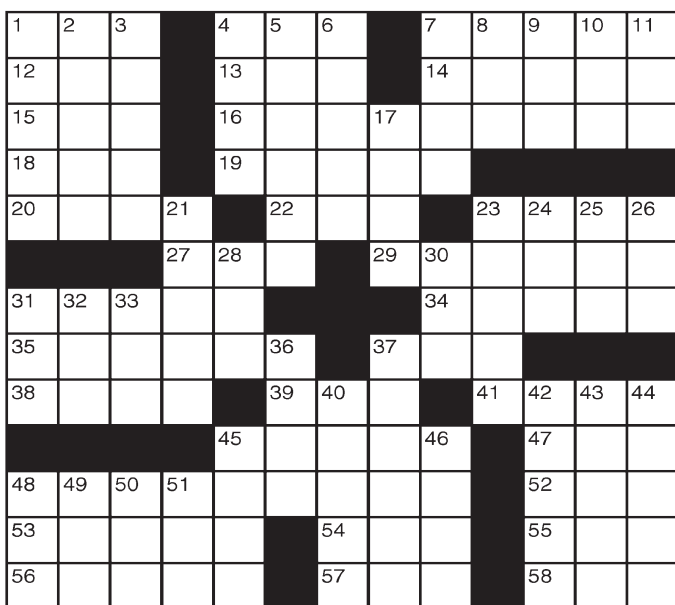
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◆◆◆ HOO BOY!

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Fireplace residue
- 4 Height of fashion?
- 7 "Serpico" director
- 12 Scary cry
- 13 Oklahoma city
- 14 Sports venue
- 15 Takes too much, briefly
- 16 First-rate
- 18 Mafia boss
- 19 "Once upon —"
- 20 Send forth
- 22 Author Umberto
- 23 Hardly hirsute
- 27 Do sums
- 29 Composer Prokofiev
- 31 New Zealand native
- 34 Daydreamer Walter
- 35 Hansel's sister
- 37 Center
- 38 Round Table titles
- 39 Jargon suffix
- 41 Winds up
- 45 Michelangelo masterpiece
- 47 Have the flu
- 48 First-rate
- 52 Bikini top
- 53 Worth
- 54 Samovar



- 55 Slugger Mel
- 56 Brownstone feature
- 57 "The Bells" author
- 58 "See ya!"
- DOWN**
- 1 Home
- 2 Sin city
- 3 Egypt's Mubarak
- 4 "Funny!"
- 5 Redacted
- 6 Wizardry
- 7 Chantilly, e.g.
- 8 Web address
- 9 "Give — break!"
- 10 Em halves
- 11 Prof's helpers
- 17 Med. plan options
- 21 Small fruit pies
- 23 Illegal payment
- 24 Literary rep
- 25 Allow
- 26 Hobbyist's abbr.
- 28 Conk out
- 30 Outback bird
- 31 Brit. sports cars
- 32 Onassis nickname
- 33 Not 'neath
- 36 "Star Wars" royal
- 37 Straight, for short
- 40 Clinch
- 42 Mogul
- 43 Begrimed
- 44 Roofing material
- 45 Get ready, briefly
- 46 "Rule, Britannia!" composer
- 48 Den sets
- 49 Feedbag bit
- 50 Mideast org.
- 51 Pair with an air

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FEAR KNIGHT

By: rj johnson

DOUBT? ... OR DARE!

TGE

- ♥ SLEDIA
- ♥ LYSIT
- TGSI
- TUDPEN
- ♥ YEB
- ♥ UTAN
- BEGER
- ♥ IGB
- PYRANE
- ♥ EGBLA
- ♥ ULBR

Unscramble these twelve letter strings to form each into an ordinary word (ex. HAGNEC becomes CHANGE). Prepare to use only ONE word from any marked (♥) letter string as each unscrambles into more than one word (ex. ♥RATHE becomes HATER or EARTH or HEART). Fit each string's word either across or down to knot all twelve strings together.

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David Zubler
Columnist

New electric vehicle credit

Vehicles purchased in 2023 or after may qualify for a clean vehicle tax credit of up to \$7,500. The Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 changed the rules for this credit for vehicles purchased from 2023 to 2032. You must buy the vehicle for your own use and use it primarily in the U.S. to qualify for the clean vehicle tax credit. Additionally, your modified adjusted gross income (AGI) may not exceed \$300,000 for married couples filing jointly, \$225,000 for heads of households, and \$150,000 for all others. You

can use your modified AGI from the year you take delivery of the vehicle or the year before, whichever is less. If your modified AGI is below the threshold in 1 of the two years, you can claim the credit. The amount of the credit depends on when you placed the vehicle in service (took delivery), regardless of the purchase date.

For vehicles purchased from January 1 to April 17, the credit is:

\$2,500 base amount

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For vehicles purchased after April 18, the credit is:

\$3,750 If the vehicle meets the critical minerals requirement only

\$3,370 If the vehicle meets the battery components requirement only

\$7,500 If the vehicle meets both of the two above requirements

You must buy the vehicle new, and the seller must report the required information to you at the time of sale and to the IRS. The vehicle's

manufacturer suggested retail price (MSRP) can't exceed \$80,000 for vans, SUVs, and pickup trucks, and \$55,000 for other vehicles.

To qualify, a vehicle must:

Have a battery capacity of at least 7-kilowatt hours

Have a gross vehicle weight of less than 14,000 pounds

Be made by a qualified manufacturer

You can find your vehicle's weight, battery capacity, final assembly location (listed as "final assembly point"), and VIN on the vehicle's window sticker.

The credit is nonrefundable, so you can't get back more on the credit than you owe in taxes. Unfortunately, you can't apply any excess credit to future tax years.

Since several income tax return factors impact the credit and it's a nonrefundable credit, it may be a good idea to do some tax planning before you purchase the vehicle, to determine the amount of your credit before buying the vehicle.

Additional information can be found in the IRS Credits and Deduction Under the Inflation Reduction Act of 2022.

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SENIOR NEWS LINE

By Matilda Charles

When It's Time for a New Cell-phone

Like it or not, sometimes we just have to buy a new cell-phone. When the old one won't hold a charge anymore or it won't take the newest security updates, we have to cave in and begin a hunt for a new one.

Sometimes it's easy. You take the old phone to the same store where you bought it and tell them you want an upgraded version of that phone. You look it over, press all the buttons, like it, and there you go ... a new phone.

Most of the time, however, it's not that easy. Technology moves along so quickly, and so do the capabilities of new phones. If it's been more than three years since your last phone purchase, talk to friends and family. Play with their phones and see how they

feel in your hand. Look up cellphones on the internet and compare the features -- all before you even head to a phone store.

Your choice of phones depends in part on what you want it to do. If you want to keep things simple, check out RAZ phones and the Jitterbug lineup. The RAZ phones, for example, only do regular voice and video calls.

For fancier options, do you want to cruise the internet, send email, watch videos, make calls, take photos, send text messages or play games? Most of the phones out there now do all of this.

Decide in advance how you want to handle the purchase of the phone. Do you want it to be part of a monthly plan or pay for it completely? Do you want to be on a monthly plan at all, which may involve signing a contract?

Additionally, ask at the store whether they'll give you anything for trading in your old phone and whether they'll transfer your information to a new phone.

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FLASHBACK

By Mick Harper

- 1. On which album does Black Sabbath's "Iron Man" originally appear?**
- 2. "Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head" was penned for which 1969 film?**
- 3. Who released "Baby Don't Forget My Number"?**
- 4. What is Juice Newton's real first name?**
- 5. Name the song that contains these lyrics: "Wednesday morning at five o'clock as the day begins, Silently closing her bedroom door."**

Answers

- 1. Their "Paranoid" album, released in 1970. It was their live version on the "Reunion" album in 2000 that netted them a Grammy for Best Metal Performance.**
- 2. "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid." The song, which a few others had declined to record and which was generally disliked by those in the film, went on to become a massive hit.**
- 3. Milli Vanilli, in 1988. It was discovered the following year that the duo was lip-syncing every song when the behind-the-scenes recording got stuck and started repeating a line during a live performance.**
- 4. She was born Judith but in 1978 legally changed it to Juice.**
- 5. "She's Leaving Home," by the Beatles, in 1967. The story, about a girl leaving home and not telling her parents, was taken loosely from a news story about a teen girl in London.**

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**City of Wartburg
General, State Street Aid & Drug Fund
Amended & Proposed Budgets**

General Fund	Amended Budget	Proposed Budget
	2022-23	2023-24
Revenues		
Total Local Taxes	\$829,198.35	\$766,975.00
Total State Govt. Allocations	\$239,397.48	\$ 96,250.00
Total Other Revenues	\$482,703.30	\$192,825.64
Total Revenues	\$1,551,229.13	\$1,056,050.64
Expenditures		
Total Expenditures Gen. Govt.	\$ 166,018.55	\$151,113.00
Total General Govt. Salaries	\$ 54,652.98	\$ 54,000.00
Total Public Safety Expenditures	\$ 132,394.32	\$172,500.00
Total Public Safety Salaries	\$ 203,490.80	\$189,550.00
Total Public Works Expenditures	\$ 149,555.77	\$233,136.00
Total Public Works Salaries	\$ 177,576.10	\$203,540.00
Total Recreational Expenditures	\$ 222,102.03	\$ 52,221.64
Total Expenditures	\$1,105,790.55	\$1,056,050.64
Excess Revenues/Expenditures	\$ 445,508.58	\$ 0.00
Beginning Fund Balance	\$1,022,793.00	
Ending Fund Balance	\$1,481,283.92	

The General Fund has 10 full time employment positions and 1 part time employees

State Street Aid	Amended Budget	Proposed Budget
	2022-23	2023-24
Revenues		
State Gas & Fuel Tax	\$ 29,367.05	\$ 30,000.00
Other Income	\$ 241.54	\$ 225.00
Total Revenues	\$ 29,608.59	\$ 30,225.00
Expenditures		
Asphalt, Paving Materials	\$ 7,447.00	\$ 1,975.00
Purchase of Equipment	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 4,000.00
Street Lighting	\$ 25,776.51	\$ 24,000.00
Misc. Expenditures	\$ 0.00	\$ 250.00

Total Highways & Streets	\$ 35,723.51	\$ 30,225.00
Excess Revenues/Expenditures	\$ (6,114.92)	\$ 0.00
Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 92,011.00	
Ending Fund Balance	\$ 85,896.08	
Drug Fund Account		
	Amended Budget	Proposed Budget
	2022-23	2023-24
Revenues		
Sale of Equipment	\$ 62,703.00	\$ 25,000.00
Total Drug Investigation Revenues	\$ 5,960.00	\$ 6,000.00
Interest Income	\$ 6.33	\$ 7.00
Other Revenues	\$ 2,500.00	\$ 500.00
Total Revenues	\$71,169.33	\$ 31,507.00
Expenditures		
Drug Investigation Costs	\$ 316.00	\$ 10,000.00
Purchase of Equipment	\$ 6,973.18	\$ 10,000.00
Miscellaneous Expense	\$ 4,362.63	\$ 11,507.00
Total Expenditures	\$ 11,651.81	\$ 31,507.00
Excess Revenues/Expenditures	\$59,517.52	\$ 0.00
Beginning Fund Balance	\$ 38,179.00	
Ending Fund Balance	\$ 97,696.52	

**ORDINANCE No. 406-23
AN ORDINANCE OF THE
CITY OF WARTBURG, TENNESSEE
ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING JULY 1, 2023 AND ENDING
JUNE 30, 2024**

**ORDINANCE #405-23
ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF WARTBURG, TENNESSEE
AMENDED BUDGET FUNDS
FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
JULY 1, 2022 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2023**

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Tom Redmon
Columnist

What Will Heaven Be Like

I have already written an article about the rapture of the church and the end times. In the way of review, I will tell you that although every Christian's spirit goes to Heaven immediately

when they die but the body remains in the grave until Jesus comes in the rapture and they will be the first called up to be with Jesus (1 Thessalonians 4:13-17). In verse 16 Paul says the dead in Christ will raise first. In the rapture Christ's feet never touch the earth. He appears to meet believers "in the air" (1 Thessalonians 4:17). But in the second coming the Lord's feet will touch the earth so there are two different events. The rapture can happen at any time. At the rapture, Jesus will return to Heaven with His believers. But at the second coming Jesus will return to earth with believers to establish His kingdom.

The rapture is not mentioned in the Old Testament and involves only His church. The second coming is predicted many times in the Old Testament.

After the rapture, believers will be judged at the judgement seat of Christ. If we have trusted in Jesus Christ as our Savior there is nothing that will keep us out of Heaven. But our works will play a large role in determining our riches in Heaven. If you look at Ephesians 2:8-10, 1 Corinthians 4:15, 2 Peter 1:11, Revelation 2:7, Luke 12:37, 1 Peter 5:4, 2 Timothy 2:12, 1 Corinthians 3:15, and Matthew 25:21 you will find out a lot about the judgement of Christians after the rapture.

What will our resurrected bodies be like?

Scripture promises that our resurrected bodies will be like Jesus' resurrected body. John wrote, "Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is." (John 3:2).

Our bodies will be physical. The Greek word for body is soma. In every instance in the New Testament, soma refers to a physical body. Paul made it clear that our resurrected bodies will be just as physical as our natural bodies are. Unlike our earthly bodies our Heavenly bodies will be perfect. Where our earthly bodies decay; our Heavenly bodies will endure, and our earthly bodies are infected with sin; our Heavenly bodies will be free from sin. In 1 Corinthians 15:52 we will not become someone else we will become as God intended us to be. We will have similar talents that we had on earth but they will be upgraded and have new features. Part of our distinctive identity is that we will keep our own individual names in Heaven. Jesus will call us in Heaven by our earthly name but some will be given an additional name in Heaven. In Revelation 2:17 Christ said, "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it." We will wear clothes in Heaven. When John saw the resurrected Christ on Patmos, Jesus was clothed in a robe reaching to his feet, and girded across His chest with a golden sash (Revelation 1:13). Also look at Revelation 3:5 which John confirmed with his own eyes in Revelation 7:9.

In Heaven we will retain our sexual identities. When Paul proclaimed that there is neither male nor female in Christ Jesus in Galatians 3:28 he was referring to our gender in this life not that in our Heavenly life.

What will we do in Heaven? Just like Adam, when he was created, God gave him two primary responsibilities: to work and to worship we will have two primary responsibilities in the New Heaven and Earth.

In Heaven we will be seeing Jesus face to face and that will be one of the most remarkable aspects of our worship in Heaven. Our response to that exposure will be unlike anything we've ever known on earth. In Revelation 5:11, John tells us that the angels number in the hundreds of millions. Can you imagine that sound when they deliver their praises to Jesus? It will be unlike anything heard on earth. Read Revelation 7:9-10.

But in Heaven there's more to our Heavenly worship than on earth. Here on earth on Sundays we might go through the motions of worship. In Heaven there will be no merely mouthing as we go through the motion of worship; all will sing with hearts aloud. Worship in Heaven will be spontaneous, genuine, and exhilarating rather than having a setting for worship in the new Heaven and Earth, this kind of worship will take place every time we are in the presence of God.



In Heaven we will have invigorating work that we actually enjoy. God is a worker. Jesus declared, "But Jesus answered them, My Father worketh hitherto, and I work." (John 5:29). Since we are created in the image of God, it should be no surprise that we have been created to work as well. God gave Adam and Eve the responsibility to work. And the Lord God took the man, and put him into the garden of Eden to dress it and to keep it (Genesis 2:15).

Although Eden was perfect, it was not self-sustaining. Yes, it was a paradise on earth but God gave Adam and Eve the responsibility of cultivating it by tilling the soil and planting and harvesting crops.

I don't know about you but I really enjoy work. Four seventeen years I planted a garden on my land here on Liberty Road.

My neighbors were concerned about me because they thought I was working too hard. The only reason we will embrace the concept of working for eternity is because our labor on earth has been burdened by the effects of sin's curse: bodies that grow tired, relationships that become strained, government regulations that are burdensome, and an environment that is uncooperative. But according to (Revelation 22:3) work will be nothing but exhilarating in

Heaven.

We know without a doubt that in Heaven some jobs will disappear. We will not have a need for doctors because sickness and disease will be eradicated. Since there will no longer be destruction the Fire Fighter jobs will be eliminated. Law Enforcement jobs will no longer be needed since we will no longer have sin. (Habakkuk 2:14). Maybe what was a hobby on earth will become our vocation, or maybe God will assign something for us to do that we enjoy. What we know for certain Heaven is going to be a place that we are happy with. There will be no tears, no goodbyes because of no deaths. Funeral homes will be eliminated.

How should Christians live with the end approaching?

We know that the rapture is the next event in God's prophetic timeline. Paul encouraged us in Titus 2:13, 13 Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour

Jesus Christ. This does not mean that we should quit our jobs, move to a commune, or max our credit cards out and go to Disney World. We should live each day with the realization that at anytime the trumpet could sound, the clouds could part, and the Lord could appear for His own.

While waiting for the Rapture we need to be salt and light in our nation and world (Matthew 5:13-16). Although we cannot prevent ultimate destruction of the world, we may be able to postpone it. We need to work to get the lost people out there saved. Do you remember back in the 1950's a county gospel song came out that was titled, "Wait a Little Longer Please Jesus"?

2 Peter 3:11-12, 11 Seeing then that all these things shall be dissolved, what

manner of persons ought ye to be in all holy conversation and godliness, 12 Looking for and hasting unto the coming of the day of God, wherein the heavens being on fire shall be dissolved, and the elements shall melt with fervent heat? We need to be spreading the gospel to everyone on earth (Matthew 24:14). The question is, "What will we be doing when Jesus returns?" If we are looking for His return, then we should be ready. Remember the rapture could happen at any time.

My sources for this article were the Holy Bible and Dr. Robert Jeffress' book titled "Clear Answers to our Questions About the End of Time."

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John Burns
Opinion Columnist

Jeremiah 31

To understand Jeremiah, an understanding of gentile history is required. Babylon under Nebuchadnezzar has defeated the Assyrian Empire. He would go on to defeat Egypt and subjugate Judah by placing Zedekiah on David's throne. Jeremiah is the son of an Aaronic priest from Anathoth. As a Levite he would own no property. He was a Jewish patriot. He is an incredible example of courage. He wrestled with the thought of God using him. He was unwavering in his warning to the southern kingdom, as they allowed for pagan practices to become mainstream in their religious life.

Jeremiah is entrusted with revelation as to the coming Babylonian captivity, prophecies involving the first and second advents of Jesus Christ, and the unveiling of the final battle between the satanic trinity and our Lord Jesus Christ. God wins!

It is the prophet Jeremiah who is taken behind the veil of eternity, as he is given visions about the people of Israel. It is Jeremiah who reveals the 70 weeks prophecy which holds the key to solving the puzzle of Israel's history, past, present, and future.

Jeremiah is given an understanding only a prophet weeping for the nation he loved would be trusted with. God reveals to Jeremiah that Israel would indeed be in Babylon for 70 years, but a future regathering of the descendants of Jacob would occur far in Israel's future.

Jeremiah came to Judah at a time when pagan practices in the temple dedicated to God, became accepted by the priests separated by God to serve only him. The men called to lead Israel and Judah in the worship of God, had compromised with the Babylonian fertility holidays and gods and were teaching the people that God was ok with it?

The God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob had taught the Jewish people he delights in making and keeping his promises. He promised them that if they turned away from him in any way, he would be forced to abandon them and disperse them over the face of the entire earth.

Jeremiah has been called the weeping prophet. His love for his nation and people was second only to his love for God. Jeremiah teaches a Christian who is a biblical patriot. He warns his family, his government, and the priests, that God has lost his patience with those who allow for idol worship in any form.

Jeremiah understands the covenants God had made on behalf of Israel, and he understood Israel was prostituting itself with its pagan neighbors. The nation called to establish true monotheism in men's lives, was allowing for polytheism to hold an equally exalted place in Israel.

The time of Jeremiah is the time of today! Christian patriots are warning those caught in Roman religious bondage and they are being warned to return to the covenants of the Bible. Those covenants were established by the God who you claim faith in.

The land of Israel was promised to the descendants of Abraham forever. Learn the difference between the descendants of Abram and the biblical descendants of Abraham. Understand the reason the patriarchs took gentile brides.

Understand the Akedah of Genesis 22. The pattern of a willing son being sacrificed by a loving father is the key to Christian faith and witness. Without the death of the son at the hands of the father, there would be no resurrection of the dead!

Understand the promises given to king David by the prophet Samuel. He was promised that his offspring would sit upon the throne of Jerusalem forever. David is a descendant of Judah. Jesus Christ

will one day fulfill the Davidic covenant of 2 Samuel 7:14.

The throne of God will once again dwell with men. The millennial reign of Jesus Christ is a literal kingdom from Jerusalem that will not be established until Judah and Israel are chastened like never before by the God who loves them!

Jeremiah 31:31 is the eternal promise from God that he would make a new covenant with Judah and with Israel. That promise has never been realized wholly by the nation God labels the apple of his eye forever.

God promises Jeremiah that in the future God would write his laws on their hearts. God would once again become their God and they would be his people. This is the story of what occurs at the end of the gentile church age which finishes in Revelation 3 with the rapture of the bride of Christ.

Jeremiah reaffirms this in Isaiah 11:11. Isaiah pointed to a regathering of the nation of Israel from all the nations of the earth, a second time. At the time of Isaiah, they were in the land and prospering? They were 145 years away from the future Babylonian captivity.

Jeremiah is a great example of faith in the God of the Bible. His faith was born out of questioning the sovereignty of God many times. His ministry was one of incredible color. Jeremiah did not care what men think, he cared and said only what God revealed to him. He did it because he loved his nation!

To become a watchman and a weeping prophet, Jeremiah had to be hastened to hard truths about his family and his country. He had to learn courage by telling the truth which most often ended in his punishment by the religious leaders.

Jeremiah pointed all believers to the sovereign plan of God playing out in the lives of his countrymen. His message was not received and Judah would be destroyed and his people enslaved in Babylon. To add insult to injury, those who survived still would never listen to this great man of God.

Jeremiah understood his people's future and he called them to repentance. Will you hear what this great man of God is saying to America today?

He was crucified upon a cross of wood, yet he created the hill upon which it stood.

He is alive forevermore, and he is returning for his virgin bride very soon. John Burns 9-30-2022

Staff Sergeant John Burns enlisted into the United States Army on September 23, 1987 as an 11C Infantry Mortarman. He graduated from the 7th Infantry Division, Ranger Class 11/89 and served in the invasion of Panama, Desert Storm and the Battle of Mogadishu while assigned to the 75th Rangers.

Some of his many decorations, awards and badges include; Bronze Star Medal for Valor, Purple Heart, Meritorious Service Medal, Sniper Badge, Pathfinder Badge, Master Parachutist Badge, Combat Infantry Badge and Expert Infantry Badge. Throughout his prestigious military career, he traveled to forty-five countries on five continents and all but two states while serving in the military.

He currently serves as the Chaplain for the Special Operations Warrior Foundation. His devout faith demonstrates to all he comes into contact with that he believes nothing but the blood of Jesus Christ can cleanse us from all unrighteousness. He enjoys writing and teaching God's Word while sharing his faith with a dying world.

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Historically Speaking

Historic mercury discharge revelation made 40 years ago

By Ray Smith - Oak Ridge City Historian

Carolyn Krause provides insight into repercussions of the 1983 revelation that there had been mercury from Y-12 that had gotten into East Fork Poplar Creek. This information resulted in several levels of investigations and reports. Carolyn gives examples of the events and reports as well as the people involved in the historic mercury investigations.

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On May 17, 1983, 40 years ago, the Department of Energy made an historical announcement about its releases of mercury from the Oak Ridge Y-12 Plant to the environment. It was a watershed in the history of U.S. efforts to protect human health and the natural environment.

The massive political, governmental, media, managerial, scientific and engineering responses to this announcement set into motion the ongoing nationwide remediation of government sites contaminated with radioactive materials, heavy metals and chemicals.

Environment, safety, and health became a high priority when John Herington became Secretary of Energy in February 1985 under President Ronald Reagan. Since then, major priorities at DOE facilities have been health and safety, waste management, and environmental restoration.

In 1969-70 Swedish and Canadian scientists determined that inorganic mercury released to streams could be converted to methylmercury, which is taken up by edible fish. Methylmercury in fish and other mercury compounds can cause brain and nervous system damage in humans.

In 1982, because of a study by Oak Ridge National Laboratory, the state of Tennessee and later DOE posted warnings against eating fish from Poplar Creek and East Fork Poplar Creek in Oak Ridge. The ORNL work showed that bluegill fish in EFPC had higher-than-permitted levels of mercury and that the Y-12 Plant was a continuous source of mercury to the creek.

In response to a newspaper reporter's 1982 inquiry under the Freedom of Information Act, DOE disclosed on May 17, 1983, its large historic losses of mercury (18,000 gallons out of 200,000 gallons used) to the environment. The accidental discharges came from secret lithium separations work in support of hydrogen bomb development. President Truman had announced plans to develop the H-bomb in 1950, and Y-12 Plant workers separated lithium isotopes using mercury from 1955 to 1963.

On July 11, 1983, a congressional hearing on the government's role in mercury contamination of Oak Ridge was held in the city. U.S. Representatives Al Gore and Marilyn Lloyd, both of Tennessee, were present at the hearing.

In 1985 DOE's Inspector General published "Alleged Cover-up of Mercury Contamination," a report on the DOE Oak Ridge Operations' han-

dling of mercury contamination. In the same year DOE started an ongoing project at Y-12 to reduce mercury in plant effluents into EFPC. As a result, biologists have been finding more fish of various species in the creek, once called an "aquatic desert."

Over the next 10 years, ORNL researchers measured the relative concentrations of different forms of mercury in Lake Reality (a spill-control impoundment built at Y-12 in 1988), in EFPC and its sediments, in floodplain soil and groundwater and in air.

They also found that the deepest sediments of

continued environmental monitoring.

In 1993 remediation goals for mercury in EFPC floodplain soils were determined. One concern was that children could get mercury poisoning from eating floodplain soil; it was assumed that a child might drop a lollipop on the soil, pick it up and lick it.

The original cleanup goal for the EFPC floodplain was 50 parts (of mercury) per million (parts of soil). In other words, soils with a mercury concentration greater than 50 ppm had to be removed at an estimated cost of \$370 million. This cleanup goal was based on an EPA assumption that the soil mercury was mostly mercuric chloride, a toxin easily taken up by the body's organs.

Oak Ridge researchers confirmed earlier evidence that the dominant mercury compound in the floodplain soil is mercuric sulfide, which the organs do not absorb, and which readily leaves the body. Because this compound is nontoxic, DOE recommended a cleanup goal of 180 ppm.

At a January 1995 public hearing, Oak Ridge citizens argued that DOE's cleanup goal of 180 ppm for mercury in EFPC floodplain soil was too conservative considering local scientific findings.

In its Record of Decision for the EFPC floodplain, issued in November 1995, DOE changed its cleanup level from 180 to 400 ppm, reducing the remediation cost by hundreds of millions of dollars.

In 1996-97 DOE's Oak Ridge Environmental Management Program supervised the removal and replacement of mercury-contaminated soil on 13 acres at two floodplain sites along Lower EFPC. The total cost: \$8 million.

A report issued in 1997 by the state of Tennessee's Oak Ridge Health Project concluded that this significant Cold War

pollution event posed no threat to public health. The highest risk from methylmercury was to the unborn children of pregnant women who ate large amounts of fish from the Clinch River and Poplar Creek in the 1950s and 1960s. That's when Y-12 mercury releases were the highest and when mercury was not thought to be a health hazard in waterways.

In the past 26 years, Y-12 has continued to reduce mercury discharges to EFPC. A water treatment plant has been built at the head of EFPC to prevent future releases of mercury to the creek. East Fork Poplar Creek is currently a test bed for ORNL studies of mercury, fish, and the roles of different bacteria in increasing or decreasing methylmercury concentrations in water.

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Thank you, Carolyn, for your review of the mercury issue and the details surrounding the investigation and reporting of the issues related to mercury in East Fork Poplar Creek.



The Department of Energy posted warning signs along East Fork Poplar Creek



Oak Ridge National Laboratory researchers sampled East Fork Poplar Creek for fish to assess the health of the creek

Lower Watts Bar Reservoir are contaminated with mercury as well as arsenic, chromium and radioactive cesium-137. Because mercury was trapped in deep sediments, scientists later determined that the contaminant of most concern for fish eaters is PCBs from industrial sources.

Researchers with SAIC and Oak Ridge Associated Universities also made a variety of mercury measurements. ORAU tested the garden soil and vegetables of residents, finding no threats to health.

In 1989 the Environmental Protection Agency made DOE's Oak Ridge Reservation a Superfund site, requiring it to be cleaned up to comply with the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act. The Clinch River Environmental Restoration Program was established at ORNL to provide a scientific basis for the government's remedial plans.

In 1990 news media reports that sediments in Lower Watts Bar Reservoir are contaminated with mercury and other pollutants caused resort owners to be concerned about possible declines in the tourist trade, so they filed a successful lawsuit in 1991 against the DOE contractors. DOE agreed in September 1995 to implement institutional controls such as posting of advisories against eating the reservoir's fish, evaluating sediments for high levels of contaminants, and

1 Peter Chapter 5

(1 Peter 5:1-11) Admonitions to elders and others: The apostle now offers an exhortation to elders as leaders of the respective congregations with which they are identified, noting in the process that he also is a fellow-elder. The term “elder” (literally suggesting an older man, but contextually suggesting an officeholder) is the equivalent of a “bishop” (Acts 20:28), “pastor” Eph. 4:11), or “presbyter” (1 Tim. 4:14). The qualifications for the position are listed in 1st Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:5-16. The apostle declares he was “a witness of the sufferings of Christ” (Acts 3:15; 10:39), and that he, even now, partakes of the glory of his resurrected Lord, which will be even more glorious in the future, at the event of the Savior’s “revelation.”

Peter urges his fellow-elders to tend (pastor) the flock of God among you (v.2). “Tend” carries the idea of “pursuing the role of shepherd,” which includes “feeding” (Acts 20:28; 1 Cor. 9:7) and protecting. The term also suggests a level of authority (“oversight” is related also to “bishop,” or overseer), but such is limited to the local “flock” which is “among you.” No bishop or elder has authority over multiple churches (as Catholicism claims for Peter). In each congregation where there were qualified brothers, a plurality of men served in the “eldership” capacity (Acts 14:21; Phil. 1:1; Tit. 1:5). Moreover, the elders’ oversight has to do with matters of expediency (exercising good judgment in optional situations), not in issues of doctrine, which are regulated by inspired revelation (Scripture).

Elders were not to be pressured into serving (“I really don’t want to, but I will”). They must possess the imposed qualifications and be willing to commit their time and talent to the sober responsibility. “Elder” is not a mere title or glorified position, it is an exhausting, soul-wrenching labor of love that fulfills the “will of God” relative to church leadership. Some elders were so involved in their leadership roles that financial support for them was warranted (1 Tim. 5:17-18), yet no one was to be motivated by a quest for “filthy lucre”; instead, serving was to be generated by “a ready mind” (v.2).

Elders are to lead wisely and gently, not “lording” it over the flock. No elder will be successful who is a domineering church dictator (3 Jn. 9-10). A flock can be led; it will not be driven! Elders are to be “examples” (v.3). Jesus knew the power of example in that he “began both to do and to teach” (Acts 1:1). Without the former, the latter will never be effective. Christ is designated as the “chief Shepherd.” The Greek word is the basis of the English expression, “archbishop.” There is no archbishop over the church of Christ except the Lord himself. Others who claim this distinction are “thieves and robbers” (Jn. 10:8). Our chief Shepherd will ultimately bestow a “crown of glory,” which will never fade like the material garland of ivy given to the victor, so prominent in that day (v.4).

There now is a word of admonition to those “younger” (in the faith or in years). They are to follow the leadership of the more mature. “Elder” may be used here in a non-official sense (1 Tim. 5:1). There is wisdom in age and experience. The fact is, everyone needs to “gird himself” in the garment of humility, serving one another. God opposes the arrogant and dominant, but bestows favor upon the humble (v.5). Therefore, we must humble ourselves under God’s mighty hand, and he will exalt us at the appropriated time. The Christian must learn to throw his worries upon the Lord, with

every confidence that he constantly cares for us (Lk. 21:18).

The Christian is challenged to be serious and urgently watchful, for our “adversary,” Satan, constantly is active in seeking the vulnerable whom he may devour (v.8). He is not a curious “myth” of antiquity, but a real “enemy” (Mt. 13:28). We must “withstand” him (Jas. 4:7), and such is accomplished only by depending upon “faith.” “Faith” can either refer to one’s personal faith or “the faith” system (in the objective sense; the article precedes “faith” here). It can embrace both ideas when the context lends itself to such. We should take courage from the fact that we are not alone; we have faithful brothers elsewhere in the world (v.9).

Here is our hope. The “God of all grace (favor)” called us (by his gospel) (2 Thes. 2:14) to be ultimately in his eternal glory. Such will be because of our relationship with his Son, and after we have suffered a little while (relatively speaking), he will take care of us. He will “perfect” (mend) (Mt. 4:1) us, make us firm and strong. An anthem of praise goes up to him who reigns in such a glorious fashion (v.11).

(1 Peter 5:12-14) The conclusion: Peter concludes by making reference to Silvanus, elsewhere designated as Silas (Acts 15:22, 32, 40; 1 Thes. 1:1; 2 Cor. 1:19). He is characterized as “our faithful brother.” The apostle seems to suggest that Silas will deliver the letter. He may have transcribed it as Peter dictated the major portion (Rom. 16:22), perhaps penning this final paragraph with his own hand (Gal. 6:11; 2 Thes. 3:17). Peter testifies that his inspired messages reflect the “true grace of God,” and he urges them to stand fast in that grace---an admonition that would have been wholly unnecessary if the saved could do nothing but stand fast (as Calvinism asserts).

The narrative closes with an ambiguous reference. “She who is in Babylon, chosen along with you, salutes you” (v.13). The Greek construction is flexible enough to embrace the idea that “she” is either a woman (perhaps Peter’s wife) (1 Cor. 9:5) or a reference to a church. “Babylon” has been viewed as either the literal city of Mesopotamia or a code name for Rome. Some argue for the latter (Keley); others contend vigorously for the former (Woods).

Peter also conveys a greeting to the churches from “Mark, my son.” This obviously is a reference to John Mark, the son of Mary (Acts 12:12), the cousin of Barnabas (Col. 4:10), and a companion of Paul (Philem. 24). He had abandoned Paul and Barnabas on their missionary trip into Asia Minor (Acts 13:5, 13), which later caused dissension between the two missionaries (Acts 15:37-39). Later, however, Paul considers Mark to be useful (2 Tim. 4:11). Mark seems to have been one of Peter’s converts (“son” with “child”) (1 Tim. 1:18; Philem. 10). Testimony from church history suggests that Mark wrote his Gospel narrative under the influence of Peter. The apostle concludes, sanctifying the common practice of greeting by a “kiss.” Such should be restricted to a greeting that is “holy” (Rom. 16:16) and out of Christian affection (v.14), rather than in any way that hints of sexual interest. Peace is conveyed to all “in Christ.”

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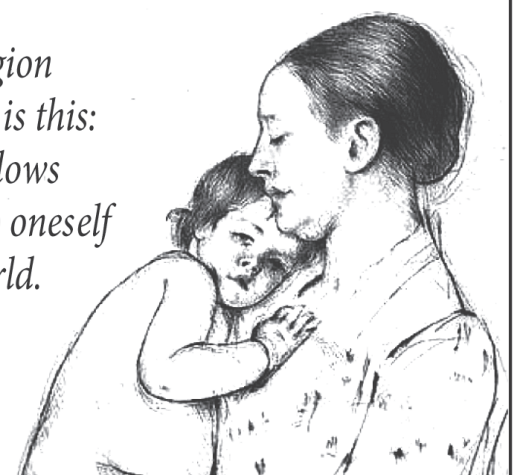


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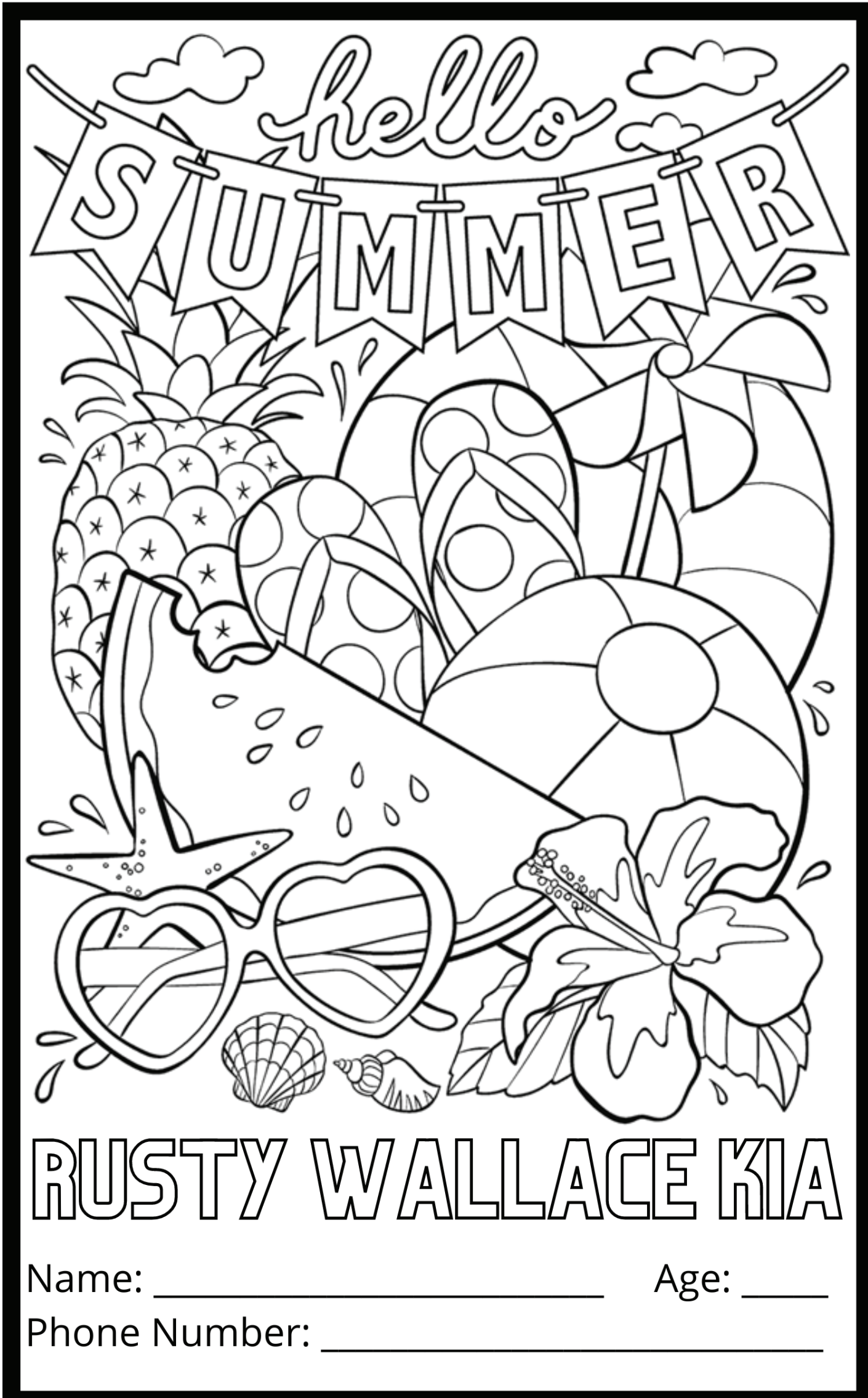
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