## READINESS

So when the LORD saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Exodus 3:4

What if God called your name?

Be careful not to be so busy telling God where you want to go and what you want to do that you don't hear Him calling you. God does not need a résumé from you. You may have talent, skills and experience that make you fit for the work you have in mind. You may have no doubts about your ability in certain areas.

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On the other hand you may be totally unprepared, or inclined, for some work, having none of the skills, talents, and experience to equip you for the job.

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To be baptized into Christ is to give your life to God. As a result of hearing the message of the gospel, your heart is convicted and you know that God is calling your name. All of a sudden everything is very clear...the fog has gone...burned away by the presence of God. Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus we would say...

... "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?" Luke 24:32

Now we know that He loves us, and that He wants us to be with Him, and it does not matter if He asks us to do something big or something small. He simply wants to know if I am a *ready* soul. That bush that burned yet was not burned up...guess what? It still has not burned up. God is still calling His people to use as instruments of salvation in this lost world. He does it by calling us first to Him; a ready person does not have to get ready.

Are you ready?



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## WELCOME!

Sunday Bible Class- 9:30 a.m. Worship- 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Class- 6:30 p.m.



- Today's Sermon: Comfort Each Other.
- Sermons are recorded and are available for listening on the church website.
- Bulletins are archived on the website.

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#### Scripture: Romans 8:19-23

Hymns: 494 O Happy Day; 853 When We All Get To Heaven; 349 Ten Thousand Angels; 867 To Canaan's Land; 564 I Must Tell Jesus

### UPCOMING EVENTS...

- Men's Breakfast, Saturday, October 3<sup>rd</sup>.
- Ladies Class, Tuesday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. The lesson will be from pages 117-122 of our study book. Please invite friends!



- **Potluck Today!** Please stay and eat and fellowship with us.
- We have classes for children! Cindy and Megan Patrick have decorated classrooms, planned lessons and taught lessons already! Thank you, ladies! We can use help! Teachers, crafters, organizers and other kinds of helpers would be greatly appreciated. Let's make the best of having children amongst us as the result of the huge effort that went into the VBS!
- Our newest brothers and sister in Christ are Ron Moulton, his son, Parker Moulton, and Felicity Hicks. All three put on Christ in baptism in the last few weeks.
- There is food for those who need it in the back room. Darlene Elsbree donated it from her fatherin-law's pantry, which he asked her to clean out. There are spices and herbs that have been

# PRAYERS...

- We are thankful that Emily Barry, Arthur and Sandy's daughter of Palmer, AK, has a job as a school bus driver, pending successful road tests. She and Aidan were able to recover their dog from the SPCA too.
- Pray that our three newest brothers and sister in Christ continue to seek God's wisdom in their lives and that we can help.
- Pray for our children's classes that are getting started and for the teachers.
- Pray for Katie Grissies, the friend of Tiffany Cantrell from Prattville, AL, who was pregnant and has cancer. She had her baby a few weeks ago and is now going through an aggressive form of chemo, which is making her really ill. Her little girl, however, is in perfect health.
- Amy Palmer, from Kittanning, is a young woman who gave birth and then had a severe epileptic seizure and lapsed into a coma. After three weeks, her ventilator was removed, and she appears to be making a recovery.
- Rhonda Washburn's friend, Brenda Clair's son, Phillip, of East Midfield, PA, has a golf ball sized non-cancerous tumor on his liver. Doctors have decided not to operate at this time, but to monitor it. Please pray that it continues to be non-cancerous and shrinks.
- Suzie Temple, who came from Milton, FL to knock doors, has a sisterin-law, Martha Todd, with secondary breast cancer that has spread to her lungs and brain. She is not expected to recover.
- Felicity Hicks' whole family is sick this weekend.
- Marilyn Patrick, Tom's mother in SC, who recently had surgery for colon cancer, had a minor stroke and was again in hospital. She was able to move to SC to her new home last week. Pray that she continues to improve.
- Ron Moulton is in a lot of pain daily from his MD.
- Jimmy Davis, of Antioch Initiative, is recovering from knee surgery and his wife Judy is also having knee surgery to correct an injury.

If you have any prayers or news that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy Barry **barncat7237@gmail.com** or text or call (607) 261-0911.