

IS YOUR NAME MEMORIALIZED IN HEAVEN?

The designer of the Vietnam memorial was Maya Lin, a Yale University architecture student who entered a nationwide competition to create a design for the monument. Lin, born in Ohio in 1959, was the daughter of Chinese immigrants.

Many veterans' groups were opposed to Lin's winning design, which lacked a standard memorial's heroic statues and stirring words. However, a remarkable shift in public opinion occurred in the months after the memorial's dedication. Veterans and families of the dead walked the black reflective wall, seeking the names of their loved ones killed in the conflict. Once the name was located, visitors often made an etching or left a private offering, from notes and flowers to dog tags and cans of beer.

The faithful have a place in Heaven and God watches over us. He watches over us here on Earth and also in Heaven. That has everything to do with the fact that Christians are those who have died to themselves in order to live for Christ.

For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God.
Colossians 3:3

The Bible actually tells us that our names are written in Heaven, and Paul talks about that:

Yes, I ask you also, true companion, help these women, who have labored side by side with me in the gospel together with Clement and the rest of my fellow workers, whose names are in the book of life.
Philippians 4:3

There were those who wanted statues or inspiring words to be the memorial for those who died in Vietnam, but once they walked the wall and read the names, they were struck by the powerful witness they experienced. Thirty five years later that granite wall is still in good shape, but it won't last forever. Given enough time those names will become hard to read.

Imagine what it would be like to walk the memorial wall that is the book of life. There will be no erosion in Heaven; our names will be perfectly clear whenever we get there. How comforting it is to know that Jesus will not blot our name out of His book if we remain faithful. (Revelation 3:5)



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WELCOME!

Sunday

Bible Class- 9:30 a.m.

Worship- 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class- 10:00 a.m.

Thursday

Home Bible study-7:00pm

But nothing unclean will ever enter it, nor anyone who does what is detestable or false, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life
Revelation 21:27

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On this day in 1982 the Vietnam Memorial Wall was dedicated in Washington D.C.



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## Today's Sermon: *Ripe for Judgment*

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**Scripture:** Matthew 3:1-12

**Hymns:** TBA

## ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS...

- **Next potluck: November 20<sup>th</sup>.**
- **Ladies Class: 10am, Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>.** We are using **Human and Holy** by Michelle Goff. We are preparing chapter 9 for Tuesday.
- **Midweek Bible study @ McElhaney's Thursday nights at 7pm.** Coffee and dessert is usually served. All contributions gladly accepted!



- **Claire Albro, stepmother of Ruthie and Patty Albro, of Jamestown, NY, passed away on Friday morning.**
- **Sam Ologuen was baptized into Christ the evening of November 4<sup>th</sup>.** If you haven't already, be sure to give Sam a warm Christian welcome into the brotherhood!
- **Two couples from the Kittanning church would like to travel up here the first weekend in December for the purpose of preparing and serving a Thanksgiving meal to as many of us as can come on that Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>.** ❤️
- **Next Sunday is our regular 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday potluck. Please come**

and join in the fellowship!



- **Be sure to check whether anyone needs a ride to or from worship if you are blessed with a vehicle. Thank you to all those who have been so eager to help with this work.**



**Please read the calendar posted on the office window to**

**see who has a birthday coming up.**



## PRAYERS...

- Remember to pray for Lori Kashorek, from the Plattsburgh, NY church, who has lung cancer. She has asked for prayers that a new drug that is being tested will be the cure she has been looking for. She also had good news last week when she had a PET scan. Her cancer has shrunk for the first time since she started treatments a year ago.
- Harold Perry of Sayre asked for prayers for struggles he is trying to overcome in his life, and pray that his Bible study will lead him to the Truth. "Rocky", as he prefers to be called, attended midweek Bible study with us on Thursday.
- Pray for Patty and Ruthie as their stepmom passed away with cancer.
- Darlene Elsbree has been having trouble with her vocal chords. She has been advised by her specialist to give them a rest for a few days. The scope that she had last week did not reveal any nodes or polyps there.
- Remember to pray for Matthew Lowe.
- Remember to pray for Richard Beiber, Darlene's father.
- Keep praying for the Endless Mountains church in Tunkhannock and their search for a preacher. They are a very small group and need encouragement.
- Continue to pray for Sandy and Arthur's brother in law, Ken Wilkins, of Gray, TN.
- Iris Rivera, Arthur and Sandy's granddaughter, age 5, had a scope November 8<sup>th</sup> which diagnosed her Celiac disease more accurately.
- Aidan Barry's grandmother, Edna Jarrett, of the Bronx, has been diagnosed with cancer of the linings of her veins and arteries.

If you have any prayers or news that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy Barry

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