



the messenger

a river of hope in a thirsty land

November 2021



1 Thessalonians 5:18



November

AWANA in November



How are you doing on your King-Sized Faith memory verses???
Matthew 17:20, 2 Corinthians 5:6-8, Hebrews 11:1-3, Hebrews 11:6,
Romans 1:17, Ephesians 2:8-9

Adults can earn a King Sized Candy Bar for participating too.

Nov 3 Awana

Nov 10 **RED, WHITE & BLUE** (we are needing old United States flags
for our retirement ceremony on this night. See an **AWANA** leader to donate)

Nov 17 Awana

Nov 24 **NO AWANA** Happy Thanksgiving!

DECEMBER 1 AWANA is Cookies with Moms Night



C4



Children's Church C4 will finish up this month on November 28th!
We will take a break during the month of December and return January with more
worship, incredible Bible stories and great application. C4 is for K-4th graders
during the 8 & 10:30 am Sunday worship hours.

Kid's Bible Study

KID'S Precept in the book of James this semester will wrap up with a service project to the Isaiah 117 House. We are so thankful for God's Word, the many parents, adults and 15 kids who have completed this book **TOGETHER**. Bible study, food and fellowship across many generations.

Coat & Hoodie Drive for Isaiah 117 House. We need all children's sizes from toddler up to teenagers, boys and girls. Please place **NEW** donations in the box in fellowship hall

Kids Precept study begins again in **FEBRUARY** for 3-6th graders and any parents who wish to attend with them. We will be studying the book of **REVELATION** Part 1 and will do Part 2 beginning in September



Sunday School

SUNDAY SCHOOL, it's where you learn Bible truths with loving mature adults and your friends every week at 9:15 am! Don't miss out.

Thank you! I cannot say it enough or in enough places to let you know my gratitude church for allowing me time away to study and rest. Also, I am so thankful to be able to be away and entrust that ministry continues on without me in the capable hands of student leaders. They are a great group of individuals who willingly serve the Lord and love the students they serve. Thank you Student Dream Team for taking on full responsibility in my absence.



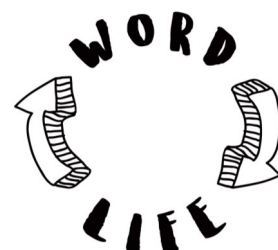
November is one of my favorite months in the ministry calendar. The colder weather and early darkness tends to provide an excitement when we gather inside the StuB each Wednesday night. Add on top of that a rather new tradition of Friendsgiving where we have traditionally invited friends and taken time to express our gratitude for them with our words. After a COVID year, which left us having a virtual dinner party, we are looking forward to breaking bread physically together. And this year we are inviting Bellefounte Baptist's student ministry to join us in a biblical desire for unity and gratitude for their presence in a shared community. I look forward to how we can be a blessing and an encouragement to another church.

This year we will also be having our Fall Retreat. We are focusing on "The Pursuit" inspired by the book "The Pursuit of Holiness" by Jerry Bridges. A follower of Christ's holiness is positional before God in that Christ has made us holy before God. However, in the Scriptures we also see a process of sanctification where the Holy Spirit is transforming us into the image of Jesus Christ. There is an active role we play as followers of Jesus in this process where we daily choose to submit to the will of the Lord or to our own will. We will be encouraged and challenged to pursue holiness not out of duty but out of gratitude for what our Lord and Savior has done for us.

Would you please pray for our Friendsgiving that we would be a source of encouragement to Bellefounte and our personal friends? Pray that students would embrace the pursuit of holiness in their own lives. And pray that we would surrender autonomy of our lives to the LORDSHIP of Jesus Christ.

Humbly Desiring to Serve,

Jonathan Kyle



- ⇒ Wednesday, November 3rd-STIRR Team Meeting following Life122
- ⇒ Wednesday, November 10th-Student Dream Team Meeting
- ⇒ Wednesday, November 17th-Friendsgiving w/Bellefounte Baptist Church's Student Ministry from 6-7:15pm.
- ⇒ November 19-20th-Fall Retreat @ Johnston Woods.
- Deadline Sunday, November 7th.**
- ⇒ Wednesday, November 24th-No Life122

CCA epistola



“Education is the act of investing in our students’ bodies, minds, and souls, with the hope that they will love God and neighbor, be lifelong learners, and pursue kingdom life.”

Upcoming Dates

November 6th - Royal Fun Run @ 9am

November 9th - CCA Night @ Dos Bros

November 18th - CCA Night @ Shane’s Rib Shack

November 19th - Thanksgiving Lunch

November 22-26 - Thanksgiving Break

Education in Full

“Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord” (Ephesians 6:4).

What is the purpose of education? Many students view their education in grade school as a necessary rite of passage to move from childhood into adulthood. They think, “If I can get from Kindergarten to 12th Grade with a minimal amount of effort, then I will be an adult and can make my own decisions.” Meanwhile, parents often see education as essential for their children to acquire the necessary intellectual and social skills to attend college or a trade school, secure a job, and establish a career. In short, they want their children to have the necessary skill set to pursue and experience the “American Dream.”

At CCA, however, we believe that education has a far higher purpose. Education is the act of investing in our students’ bodies, minds, and souls, with the hope that they will love God and neighbor, be lifelong learners, and pursue kingdom life. Over the years, our culture has taken a utilitarian approach to education. In other words, education serves a singular purpose: to be practical or useful in a specific field or trade, producing the greatest good for the greatest number. This is largely a result of compulsory education where students become citizens whose primary purpose is to serve the State and what the State determines is the greatest good for the greatest number. Consider the following quote in *The Liberal Arts Tradition*:

“As long as education is merely about learning intellectual skills to help young men and women prosper in the American economy, it poses no moral challenge to the parents of those children. They must only drop them off at the school, pick them up, and attend a few performances or games. Education is largely outsourced in the model because it has the semblance of neutrality.”

As believers, it is incumbent upon us not to limit the education of our children to intellectual, practical, and social skills. Moral character, in light of the scriptures, must be taught, modeled, and developed. Ephesians 6:4 commands us to bring up our children in the “discipline and instruction of the Lord.” The Greek word *paideia* is translated “discipline,” but it does not capture the Greek thought. The Greeks’ idea of *paideia*, in addition to gaining intellectual abilities, also included shaping loves, virtues, and values. Paul uses the Greek notion of passing the intellectual and moral baton from one generation to the next. We find the same emphasis given thousands of years earlier to Hebrew parents in Deuteronomy 6:4-9.

We do not want our students to have a limited view of their education but a holistic one. A holistic view includes moral virtues, leading students to be earnest young men and women, faithful spouses, good neighbors, and servant-leaders for the good of others and the glory of God.

Learning Education,
Pastor Dave



Coaches Corner

Dear **Fellow Workers**,

By faith, we are working toward 2021 Natural Gospel Conversations one person at a time until ALL have heard.

Knowing the gospel hooks out of the CCBC definition of the gospel, hopefully has made dripping King Jesus into conversations more doable.

GOD (Holy, Creator)

- The Bible is centered on a **holy**, relational GOD.
- GOD **created** a beautiful world, including man, for His glory, and it was good.

MAN (Rebellion, Sin)

- MAN's sin all started when Adam and Eve rebelled against God's Word.
- MAN's **rebellion** & **sin** has led to brokenness, darkness, destruction & death.

JESUS (Crucified, Risen, King)

- God created a people through whom the Messiah would come. JESUS is The **King**.
- JESUS redeems us by bearing our sins in His death on the **cross**, overcoming evil.
- The **resurrected** JESUS restores us to a new life for God's glory & purposes.

SURRENDER (Faith)

- Salvation is made possible by grace through **faith**.
- (An initial SURRENDER leads to an on-going, life-long *surrendering*.)

Surrendering
Abiding
Worshiping
Gathering
Equipping
Loving
Living Sent
Inviting Along
Proclaiming Christ

The gospel hooks come with biblical conviction.

The gospel hooks are being field tested for clarity.

We are asking you to give this your focus.

By divine activity & human responsibility, we make progress.

It is a joy to serve King Jesus and His body,
Pastor Stan

PS. **The ReFocus Vision Team** (Stan, Jonathan, Christy, Tom, Dennis)
would love to hear from you... finish the sentences.

- Our church would be better if we only...
- The one thing I wish our church leadership knew is...

PRAISE THE LORD!

Given in October	\$75,327.34
Expenses in October	\$73,029.28
Given 2021 YTD	\$673,783.63
Expenses 2021 YTD	\$613,875.83
Lottie Moon	\$4,667.50

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You will enter your account phone number every time that you checkout at Publix to receive credit for qualifying purchases. Thank you for all of your support for CCA!



Church, we will take time in the service on Sunday, November 7th to publicly say "Thank You" to Wendy Scott for her 10 years of faithful service in the role of custodian. Wendy stepped in on August 1, 2011 taking over for long time custodian Shirley Maples who served in that role for 16 years. Wendy is well liked by all of the staff both in the school and church because of her likable and fun personality. Continually, Wendy is a hard worker and has a true servant's heart. The one thing that I always say about her is that "She will do anything that you ask her to do." Thank you Wendy for your 10 faithful years of serving the people at Candies Creek Baptist Church behind the scenes. May God bless you and your family!



NOVEMBER IS SHOEBOX TIME!!!!

Hope you're taking this opportunity to be packing shoeboxes with your children or grandchildren. It's a great way for them to be a part of missions and the privilege of helping to further God's Kingdom. Here are a few dates you need to be aware of:

Sunday, Nov. 7th.....Shoebox Offering Sunday. Believe It or Not....half of our shoeboxes already have shipping labels on them which means postage is paid for them to go! Thus....there are still 650+ shoeboxes that need labels which equates to about \$5850 still needed.

Sunday, Nov. 14th....Bring your shoeboxes in and place them on the Worship Center platform with the others. **Tuesday, Nov. 16th**...The final cartonizing of the shoeboxes will be done and delivered to the First Baptist drop off location.

Tuesday, Nov. 30th...*There are still a few spots left to go to the Atlanta Processing Center and be amazed while you help to process over 1,000,000,000 shoeboxes!!!! Sign up with Christy Johns or Jean Dunn.*



Candies Creek Baptist has been a faithful supporter of Operation Christmas Child for many years. The Shoebox Sisters (and Brothers) thank you for your prayer and financial support.

*Our Christian sympathy
is extended to:*

*Alison Nation & Family for the
Loss of her grandmother
Charlotte Faye Roark*

*The Hooper, Cody, & Beaty Families
For the loss of
Midge Crawford*

Dear Church,

God is good. He continues to be good and gracious to our team as we continue to meet, to work and to trust in His perfect timing of all things. Due to the longevity of this search process, a new baby coming and him no longer feeling invested in the process, Jake asked to be removed from the team. We are thankful for his input over the last year and a half and are thankful that although he is gone, it was not due to conflict with other team members or drama that can sometimes divide search teams. We still praise God for the spirit of unity He has given us and pray God's best for Jake and Lindsey as they welcome baby #2 into their home. We went through a somewhat dry, waiting period since the beginning of 2021, where most resumes we received had big red flags or issues that quickly disqualified them from our search. Recently, we have been encouraged to receive resumes from candidates who are not only qualified but seem to possess a true heart for worship and shepherding God's people. We are having conversations with candidates and references and continue to press on with this task that we have been called to complete. Again, to complete in HIS timing....not ours. Please continue to pray for our team - for continued unity, for patience as we wait, for discernment and wisdom as we speak to candidates and for above all God's perfect peace to know and remember that He is the One in control and we are along for the ride. And oh, what a ride it has been!

The Worship Pastor Search Team

Judi Renfro

Candra Gluckner

Julie Adolph

Tom Jolley

Shawn Williams

Don Markham



Students Fall Retreat-"The Pursuit"
November 19-20th at Johnston Woods.
Jackie Watts will be our speaker as we look at
THE PURSUIT of Holiness. Cost is \$90
Deadline with Deposit is November 7th.

Candies Creek Academy



Saturday, November 6, 2021 - 9 AM at CCA

1 mile walk - \$15 for students, \$20 for adults

5K - \$25 for students, \$30 for adults

(Includes T-Shirt)



Come join us for a morning of fellowship, fun, and exercise to support our school! Register using the QR Code, on Sycamore, or call the school office at 790-5660 by Friday, November 5th at 3 PM.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Cleveland Emergency Shelter Meal Night - 5:45 pm <u>411 - Kerley</u>	3	4	5	6 CCA FUN RUN 9:00 am
7  Shoebox Offering! Kid's Precept/4:00pm MDT Mtg. 4:30	8	9	10	11	12	13 Ladies Acts 2:42 Gathering 10:00 am
14 Church Members Business Mtg. 4:30 pm Kids Precept/4:30pm	15 Ladies Acts 2:42 Gathering 6:00 pm	16	17 Life 122 Friendsgiving 6 pm	18	19 	20
21 After Church Fellowship Lunch	22	23	24 NO Children or Youth Gatherings	25  Thanksgiving Break	26	27
				Office Closed		
28	29	30				

SUNDAYS

Early Worship8:00am
 Community Groups9:15am
 Late Worship10:30am
 Choir Practices.....6:00pm

WEDNESDAYS

AWANA.....6:00pm
 Life 122.....6:15pm
 Prayer Meeting.....6:00pm

THURSDAYS

Men's Prayer Meeting6:30am
 Ladies Bible Study.....9:00am





CANDIES CREEK BAPTIST CHURCH
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Stan Gibson, Lead Pastor
Jonathan Kyle, Co-Pastor & Student Pastor
Christy Johns, Preschool & Children's Director

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1st	Traci Blackburn, Noah Loudermilk
2nd	Kathy Lane, Nicolas Burnette, Josh Ensley, David Delmotte, Nate Higgins, Charlie Wattenbarger
3rd	Benjamin Locklear, David Gluckner, Tom Carroll
4th	Rush Higgins
6th	Sadie Gibson, Liam Coleman, Chandler Hunt, Tommy Allison
7th	Holli Simko, Gary Cooke, Chris Brown
9th	Emmi Black, Noah Strickland, Jordan Lopez
12th	Gretchen Shoemaker, Betsy Gentry
13th	Tammy Willis
15th	Tawnie Locklear
16th	Racean Edmonds, Josh Olmstead
19th	Knox Witte, Kristian Soto
20th	Billie Jean Strike
21st	Marsa Garner, Charlie Koozer, Phil Taylor
22nd	Martha Wattenbarger, Teresa Borders, Eve Beard, Kevin Goodwin
24th	Sydney Delmotte
26th	Rick Adolph
27th	Kirk Martin
28th	Wyatt Simko, Parker Roberts, Harold Bibee
29th	John Missinne
30th	Capri Nation, Tom Jolley

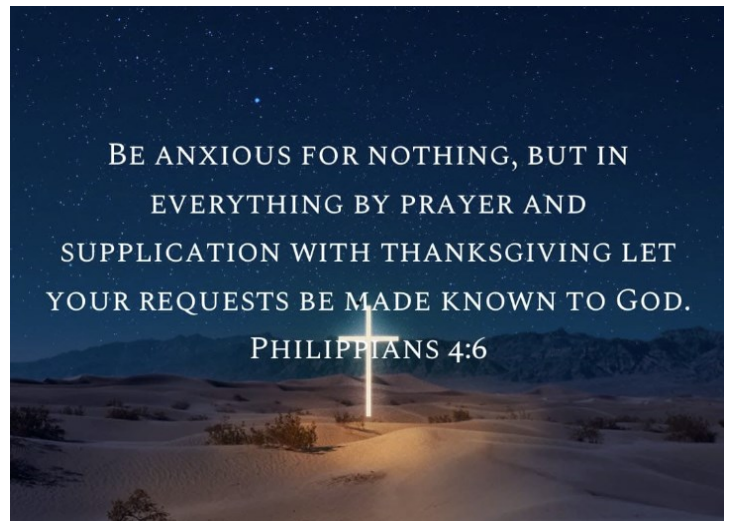


One Minute Clinic

The real bases of prayer is not a religious duty, but an attitude of gratitude inspired by our love of God. Notice “prayer and petition” are a reflection of what we do, but “with Thanksgiving” reflects who and what we are before the Lord.

**BE ANXIOUS FOR NOTHING, BUT IN
EVERYTHING BY PRAYER AND
SUPPLICATION WITH THANKSGIVING LET
YOUR REQUESTS BE MADE KNOWN TO GOD.**

PHILIPPIANS 4:6

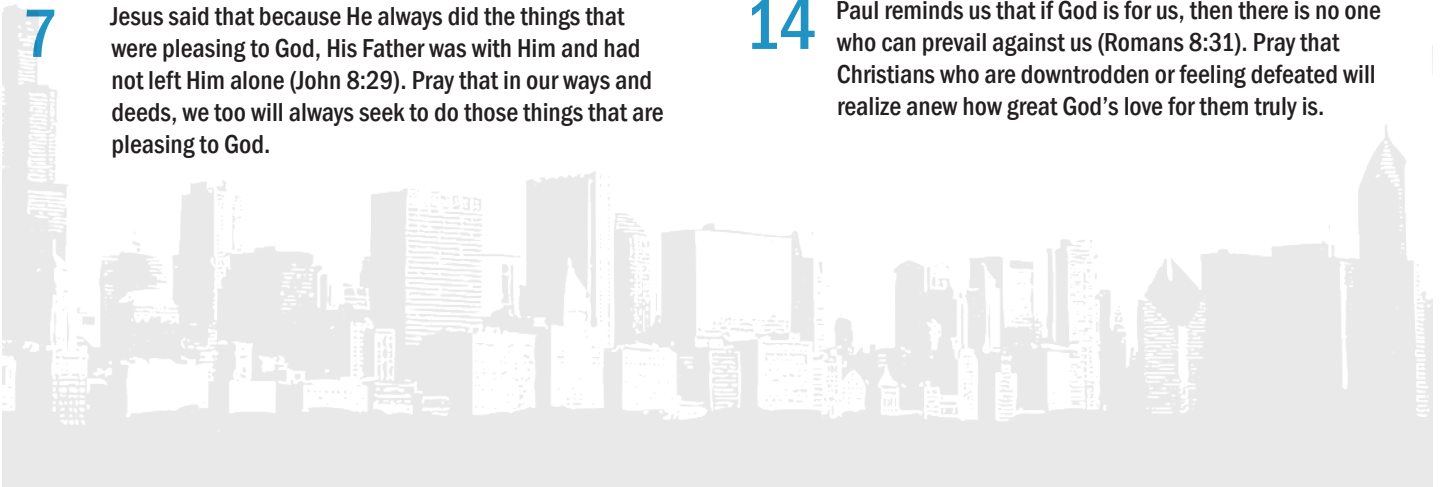


FOLLOWING JESUS' EXAMPLE OF RELATIONAL PRAYER

Therefore Jesus answered and was saying to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of Himself, unless it is something He sees the Father doing; for whatever the Father does, these things the Son also does in like manner. For the Father loves the Son, and shows Him all things that He Himself is doing; and the Father will show Him greater works than these, so that you will marvel" (John 5:19-20 NASB).

Martha then said to Jesus, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother would not have died. Even now I know that whatever You ask of God, God will give You" (John 11:21-22).

- 1 Pray that the church will understand and follow Jesus' example of prayer, going deeper in her love relationship with God in order to know and pray according to His will (John 5:19).
- 2 Jesus said that when we have and keep His commandments, we demonstrate our love for Him (John 14:21). Pray that your local church's love for Jesus will grow, and obedience to His commands will be a normal part of everyone's daily walk.
- 3 Jesus said He would disclose Himself to those who genuinely love Him (John 14:21). Since knowing Jesus better will help us pray according to His will, pray that this process of obedience on our part and disclosure on His part will take place daily.
- 4 God's dynamic presence within His children always makes prayer come alive! Pray that your Christian friends will be so committed to keeping the words of Jesus, that both the Father and Son will be pleased to abide with them in an ongoing way (John 14:23).
- 5 Just as Jesus did nothing on His own initiative but looked to the Father to guide Him, pray that we will do the same thing while praying and ministering in His name (John 5:30).
- 6 Just as Jesus always sought the will of the Father, pray that this same commitment will drive us, especially while we are praying (John 5:30; 6:38).
- 7 Jesus said that because He always did the things that were pleasing to God, His Father was with Him and had not left Him alone (John 8:29). Pray that in our ways and deeds, we too will always seek to do those things that are pleasing to God.
- 8 Jesus was so close to God that He did not even speak on His own initiative, but spoke what the Father commanded Him to say (John 12:49). Ask God to teach us to speak and pray like Jesus, with words that are initiated by God the Father.
- 9 Jesus told His disciples that if they had seen Him, they had seen the Father (John 14:9). Pray that we will be so close to Jesus that when people encounter us during the week or hear us praying, they will sense the Spirit of God in us.
- 10 Jesus said in John 14:12 that those who believe in Him would do greater works than He did because He was going to the Father. Pray that the Holy Spirit will accomplish in our generation all the great, redemptive works God intends to see performed through His children.
- 11 The Father is glorified through the Son when we pray that God's will be done through the authority of His Son's name (John 14:13). Pray that your church family will be so close to Jesus that they can pray at His direction and with His authority and power.
- 12 Pray that your church family will not take the credit for prayers that are answered, but will, like Jesus, give all the glory to God the Father (John 14:13).
- 13 Paul states in Romans 8:35 that there is nothing that can separate us from the love of Christ. Take a few moments to thank God for making available to us such a strong, enduring love relationship.
- 14 Paul reminds us that if God is for us, then there is no one who can prevail against us (Romans 8:31). Pray that Christians who are downtrodden or feeling defeated will realize anew how great God's love for them truly is.



- 15** Because God loves those who are called according to His purpose, He causes all things to work together for good that they might be conformed to the image of His Son (Romans 8:28-29). Pray that those facing challenges will understand how God uses their trials to grow their love for Him.
- 16** Jesus commanded His disciples to love one another (John 15:17). Since praying for each other is a great way to demonstrate God's love, take a moment right now to pray for your best friend. Pray that they will experience God's manifest love in a very tangible way.
- 17** Pray today that your pastor will experience God's love in a special way. Pray for those in authority over you to have a spirit of wisdom and revelation in their knowledge of Christ (Ephesians 1:17).
- 18** Pray for your church staff to have the eyes of their hearts enlightened so they will know the hope of Christ's calling in their lives. Pray that they will understand the true riches that come from being a part of His forever family (Ephesians 1:18).
- 19** Pray that the members of your church family will not be apathetic in their love for God, but will see and experience the surpassing greatness of His power on their behalf (Ephesians 1:19).
- 20** Just as Jesus prayed for Peter's faith to not fail, pray for someone you know who is going through a tough time to be strengthened with an equally great faith—the kind that will sustain them even in the midst of Satan's great attacks (Luke 22:31-32).
- 21** Before He raised Lazarus from the dead, Jesus lifted His eyes toward heaven and thanked God for hearing His prayer (John 11:41-42). Pray that we as God's children will be so close to God that we can know His will and be able to thank Him with confidence that our prayers have been heard.
- 22** Our confidence in praying and seeing prayers answered comes when we pray according to God's will (1 John 5:14-15), and we can know He always hears us. Pray that your church family will be committed to seeking God's will in everything for which they pray.
- 23** We desperately need the help of the Holy Spirit when we pray (Romans 8:26-27). He knows God's will and helps us pray accordingly. Pray that Christians in your community will welcome the Holy Spirit's guidance in prayer and depend on Him as they seek to pray according to God's will.
- 24** Jesus said the Holy Spirit guides us into all the truth (John 16:13). Ask God to fill your church family with His Spirit so members can pray in agreement with the truth the Spirit reveals.
- 25** One of the Holy Spirit's tasks is that of disclosing what is to come (John 16:13). As your church's leadership seeks God's will, pray that the Holy Spirit will show them everything they need to see in order to lead your church family into God's will for the future.
- 26** When we love Jesus, we experience the love of the Father (John 16:27). Pray that your entire family will love Jesus more and more. If there are any family members who are lost, pray that very soon they will come to know Jesus as their personal Savior and Lord.
- 27** Just as Jesus did these things, pray that everyone in your church family will honor God the Father, walk in all His ways, love Him, serve Him with all their heart and soul, and keep His commandments (Deuteronomy 10:12-13).
- 28** Pray for your church family to be bold in publicly loving and praising God. Pray that He will be so gloriously seen in the lives of your fellow church members that even those in your community who are lost will bless His holy name (Psalm 145:21).
- 29** Pray that the love with which God loved Jesus will be in us and that we too will help others come to know and experience God's wonderful gift of eternal life (John 17:26).
- 30** Just as Jesus makes intercession for us, pray that in our relationship with the Father we will be quick to pray for the needs of those we encounter (Romans 8:34).