

Methodist Men “Menistry”



Wednesday Feb. 10

Topic: Columbarium/The Memorial Service
Presenter: J.T. Greenleaf
When: Wednesday 11:30
Where: Weeks Hall

This month we have a program about our own church facility and planning services. J. T. has prepared a way to help you understand the use of the columbarium. He will also help in the sensitive matter of planning the memorial service that will be shared with family and friends. We will continue to meet in Weeks Hall and provide a lunch. I am sure there will be questions about this topic. Although this is not a program that one might look forward to, it is an important service to bring closure to one's life.

We will provide the pizza luncheon for \$5.00. If you would like a sub sandwich, let me know. If you are able to attend, call 792-7059 for a reservation. A reservation made, is a reservation paid.

Mark your calendar

Feb.	10	Our Own Columbarium Rev. J.T. Greenleaf
Mar.	9	Trusts and Wills
April	13	Working with Mortuary's services
April	16	Men's Breakfast at Applebee's
May	11	TBA

What you Need to Know about our Columbarium?

We are fortunate to have a final resting place for family and loved ones on our own church grounds. The Columbarium will hold up to 120 people in the Dike Chapel Garden. Since the inception we have about 20 members whose remains are memorialized. What a nice way to remember our family and have such an easy way to visit them spiritually. Each Sunday will be a reminder of the presence and keep alive good feelings for them. Our program this week will help you to know how to use this facility. If nothing else, the cost will be of significant saving for the family financially. Many who have looked into the funeral costs will realize how this can help everyone involved. There is room for more memorials in the garden if the existing one is filled.

Howard Cutter Annual Breakfast

This year again we are planning the breakfast at Applebee's in Redlands. There are some changes that we will have to follow to make this a success. One, we need to sell a minimum of 100 tickets to the breakfast. We will need at least 10 helpers to serve and clear tables. No one will be allowed to go back into the kitchen this year. All the drinks, coffee, juice, and water will all be outside the kitchen area. Each person working will have to sign a waiver to participate at the restaurant. Our goal is to make at least 500 dollars. Since we donated \$1,000.00 to the church to end the year, this money will help us to rebuild the account for camper scholarships and other noteworthy things for our church.

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Meditation

“May the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in thy sight.”

Romans 8:38-39 Neither death, nor life, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God.

We have the comfort that even when we are afraid, we have the promise of God’s unrelenting love. We are given strength to carry on in adverse conditions. This verse can be very comforting to us as we face each day of our lives. Only Christians can say with confidence that we are able to feel the presence of God to help us in times of trouble.

If you have information that you would like to share in the newsletter, let me know. I do the newsletter about 10 days before each monthly meeting. Drop me a line at my email address: mcaminiti@aol.com

Slice of LIFE

Bert Jones was a middle aged man who recently had a heart attack and was taken to the hospital. While on the operating table he had a near death experience. During that experience he saw God and asked if this was the end of the road for him. God explained that he had another thirty or forty years longer to live.

Upon his recovery he figured if he had thirty more years he might as well stay in the hospital and have some reconstructive surgery. He had a face lift, a tummy tuck, hair transplant, and a nose job.

After he had healed from all of this surgery he walked out the front door of the hospital and was struck by a car and died. When he appeared at the pearly gates of heaven he asked, “I thought you said I had another thirty to forty years to live?”

God calmly replied. “Sorry Bert, I just didn’t recognize you.”

Isn’t humor a fun way to give life meaning?

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