

Hickory Switch

May
2010



Upcoming Events

May 5th-7:00
Women's Fellowship
May 6th- National
Day of Prayer
May 7th-8th Never
Too Young Confer-
ence
May 8th-6:00
Mother ~ Daughter
~ Friend Banquet
May 9th-Mother's
Day
May 12th-7:00 Bible
Study
May 18th-7:00 Dea-
con Meeting
May 19th-7:00 Bible
Study
May 26th-7:00 Bible
Study
May 30th-Sunday
School Promotion

M IS FOR THE MANY THINGS
SHE GAVE ME...

Happy Mother's Day

Some moms bake cookies
And stay home all day.
They're waiting inside when their
kids come home from play.
I guess that's just something that
I wasn't meant to know
Cause you are the kind of mom
who's always on the go.

From the time I was little and
then as I grew
I had to run so fast and hard just
to keep up with you
Now I thank you Mama for
showing me how to have fun
You made work seem like play,
but you always got it done.

Happy Mother's Day,
we bring smiles your way
We just want to show
how much we really care
Happy Mother's Day
and we want to say
You're the greatest mother
anywhere!

How can I thank you
for helping me
Strive to be everything
that I should be
You led by example,
you used humor too
We lived a lifestyle
we called "We can do".

So in conclusion,
I feel I must state
When it comes to mothers
I think you are great
I hope that I honor you
in every way
Because you are truly
the queen of Mother's Day

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We bring smiles your way
We just want to show
how much we really care
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You're the greatest mother
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PASTOR'S PEN

APRIL SHOWERS BRING LOTS OF STUFF

The old saying goes: "April Showers Bring May Flowers". They are a reminder that spring is here. Sometimes the April showers come in gentle rains, sometimes in not so gentle downpours. The onset of the spring rains are necessary for the coming forth of all the wonderful flowers that emerge. You will see flowers pop up in places that you know they were never purposely planted; perhaps the seeds were carried there by a gentle breeze. The flowering dogwood and magnolia trees are beautiful sights to behold. Though they are not flowers, the delicious morels are also a result of spring rains and worthy of honorable mention.

Ah yes, the April showers do bring forth May flowers. Unfortunately, dandelions are one of those flowers. They are usually considered a nuisance by most home owners. They too pop up in places you never wanted them to grow. And then there are the lawn keeper's delights – MOLES. They love a good spring rain. It makes it so much easier to tear up your lawn and your new May flowers. And then there are the weeds. They seem to grow in your garden better than what you planted.

Surely there is a lesson to be learned in this saying. Perhaps it is that God sends the blessing of spring rains that make the flowers, but that rain will bring other things as well. It depends on where we want to focus our attention. We can be so busy spraying the dandelions that we miss the beauty of the flowers. We can focus so much looking down at the mole hills that we don't look up to see the dogwood blooms. You see April showers bring lots of stuff; it just depends on what we want to take the time to see.

My friends, that is life. Every stage of life, whether personal, family or church, brings the good and the bad. A new baby is a bundle of joy until it is 2AM and neither parent wants to get up and change poop pants. A new marriage is great until the 1st argument or a missed anniversary card. Life brings lots of stuff. It will happen, just as moles will come and a garden will be invaded by weeds. That is life.

Do we get discouraged and plow up our yard, just because of a few dandelions? Do we pour concrete in our flower beds to keep the moles from poking through? Of course not. We learn to take the bad along with the good. They come together. Are you having struggles in your life? A few dandelions? A couple of moles? Welcome to life. What are you going to do about it? Suggestion: "Try focusing on the flowers".

~Pastor Ken



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Hickory Grove Church

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3	4	5 Terry Dill 7:00 Women's Fellowship	6 Carol Tarver Darin Bishop National Day of Prayer	7 Bob Tobey Never To Young	8 6:00 Mother ~ Daughter ~ Friend Banquet Never To Young
9 Mother's Day	10	11 Mary Blount	12 7:00 Bible Study	13	14 Joe & Carolyn Clothier	15
16	17	18 Jade Wharff 7:00 Deacon's Meeting	19 7:00 Bible Study	20	21 John Bailey	22
23	24 Jared Miller Skip & Jean Barnes	25 Tom Armstrong Brian & Shawn Cain	26 7:00 Bible Study	27	28	29
30 TJ Barrett Sunday School Promotion	31	1	2 7:00 Women's Fellowship	3 Jordon Campbell	4	5 Alexis Kelly

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"Amazing Grace, how sweet the sound, That saved a wretch like me. I once was lost but now am found, Was blind, but now I see."
 ~John Newton (1725—1807)

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP-APRIL 2010

Women's Fellowship met at home of Marilyn Crowel on April 6, 2010.

President Judy Crowel presided over the meeting. Judy opened with "Not Every Day is a 3 Cookie Day". Shannon Kelly gave devotions on Spring Clean up for Heart and Soul. Take care of our "spiritual house", the Word of God is the only cleaning tool needed.

18 Women answered roll call by providing a cleaning tip. Secretary and Treasurer reports were read and approved with a balance of \$989.37 at April 1, 2010. Committee reports were given. No bridal/baby showers announced. Sara McManus gave library report on "Women in Cuba" by Christina Garcia. Diane Bailey and Judy Crowel gave report on Relay for

Life book sale. It has been very successful thus far! They plan to sell bottled water the day of walk as fundraiser.

Mother, daughter and friend banquet is to be held May 8th at 6. \$3 per person cost, all interested in attending must sign up and pay by Sunday May 2nd.

Marilyn served a colorful and tasty Easter jello for refreshment and made little Easter baskets with candy for those who attended.

The next meeting is to be held at Ruth Crown's on May 5th. Roll call is your most memorable teacher.

Submitted by Secretary: Brenda Johns

GOLDEN AGERS

Submitted by Della Dill

Thirteen Golden Agers enjoyed lunch together April 14th at USA Family Restaurant in Monticello.

Dieter Hantschel offered the blessing.

After the meal, Arleen Stangle read about "The Last Supper" and "An Old Farmer's Advice" which brought a smile of remembrance. Next months luncheon will be held on May 12th at 11:30 at USA Family Restaurant.

*Many children go through life
without a mom like you*

*Oh how sad! For they don't know
a mom's love as I do*

*These words I write, I dedicate
to you my mom, so dear*

*Hold them close within your heart
through every passing year*

*Even when the Lord deems time
to call us home, above*

*Remember nothing separates
this child and mother's love*

-KJ Cochran

An Old Farmer's Advice

- ♥ You cannot unsay a cruel word.
- ♥ It doesn't take a very big person to carry a grudge.
- ♥ Remember that silence is sometimes the best answer.
- ♥ Forgive your enemies. It messes with their heads.
- ♥ If you get to thinking you're a person with some influence, try ordering somebody else's dog around.
- ♥ The biggest troublemaker you'll probably ever have to deal with, watches you from the mirror every morning.
- ♥ Live simply. Love generously. Care deeply. Speak kindly and Leave the rest to God.



FOR THE YOUNG AT HEART

Mother's Day Word Search

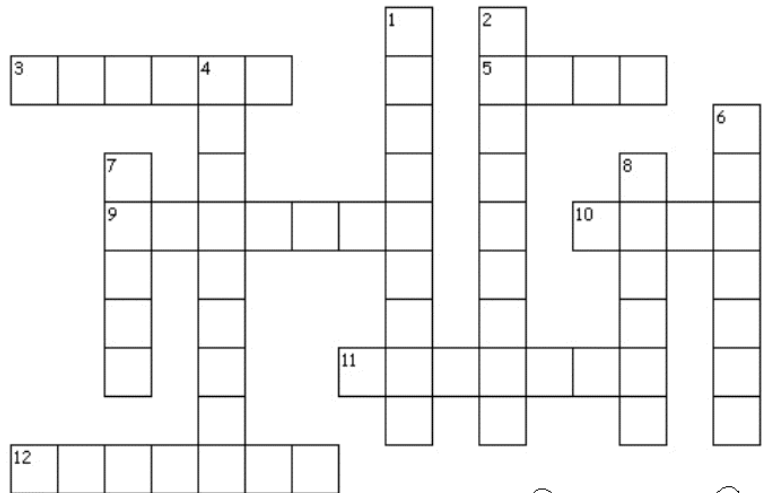
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AWESOME
 BRUNCH
 CANDY
 CELEBRATE
 CHOCOLATE
 FLOWERS
 HUGS



JEWELRY
 KISSES
 LOVING
 MOTHER
 NURTURING
 PRESENT
 WONDERFUL

Mother's Day Crossword



Word List: awesome, brunch, candy, celebrate, chocolate, flowers, hugs, love, mother, nurture, present, wonderful

Across

- 3. Special meal between breakfast and lunch.
- 5. Tight squeeze.
- 9. Inspiring awe.
- 10. The feeling mom has for her children.
- 11. To help someone grow up.
- 12. A bouquet of these will make mom's day!

Down

- 1. Amazing or astonishing.
- 2. Mom's favourite cocoa indulgence.
- 4. To engage in festivities.
- 6. A gift.
- 7. Sweet treats.
- 8. The woman who loves you no matter what!



Slow Cooker Lasagna

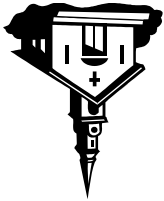
Ingredients

- 1 pound ground beef or sweet sausage
- 1 tablespoon Garlic Basil Seasoning
- 8 oven ready lasagna noodles, uncooked (You may use regular uncooked lasagna noodles)
- 1 Spaghetti Sauce Mix, prepared according to package label
- 1/2 Cup Water
- 1 4 oz can of sliced mushrooms
- 1 15 oz container of Ricotta cheese (or cottage cheese)
- 2 Cups Shredded mozzarella cheese

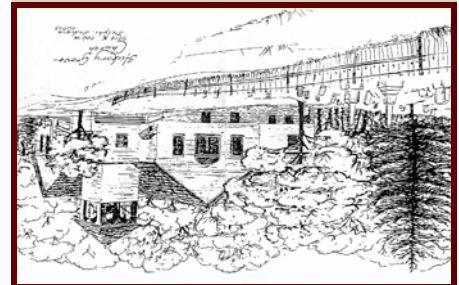
Directions

- 1. Cook meat with Garlic Basil Seasoning until meat crumbles and is no longer pink; drain well.
- 2. Lightly spray slow cooker with cooking spray. Layer the ingredients as follows: 4 noodles (broken as needed), 1/2 of meat, 1/2 of sauce, 1/2 of water, 1/2 of mushrooms, 1/2 of Ricotta cheese and 1/2 of mozzarella. Repeat layers with remaining half of ingredients.
- 3. Cook on low for 5 hours until heated through.

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Have something you want to share...

If you have any minutes to meetings, class party info or anything you think the rest of us might enjoy hearing about, please get it to Amy or Brenda. We can be reached at:

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Sundays in Review...

Did you miss a Sunday recently? No problem, you can now borrow a taped copy of the Sunday service! Copies are made every Sunday to be distributed to Shut-ins or those who were absent for whatever reason. Just contact anyone from the church, and they can get you a copy!

