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The Walking Stick

A few weeks ago, a dear old friend asked if I would make him a walking stick. I went to the barn and found a maple stick that I've had drying for several years. Taking it to the workshop, I peeled the bark away, sawed off the knots, and sanded it down smooth. Several coats of finish were then added along with a paracord wrap for a handle. I even took the wood burner and put his initials near the top. I believe it will be a good walking staff and serve him well.

The walking stick is a great tool for the walker and can lend great assistance. The use of a walking stick or staff has been around for a long, long time. Early in the bible record, Jacob said that he used his staff to assist him in crossing over Jordan (Gen. 32:10). In many ways, the use of a staff can be compared to the bible, God's word.

The shepherd's staff provided protection and comfort to the flock (Ps 23:4), God's word gives us comfort as well with His promises of love, forgiveness, and eternal life. The walking stick can prevent the traveler from stumbling and falling. Developing the godly characteristics described in the bible will also prevent us from spiritual stumbling (2 Peter 1:2-10). The staff can also be used as a weapon to ward off danger. Having God's word in our minds and hearts will help us defeat the devil when he tries to destroy our faith (1 Peter 5:8). A good, strong walking stick can serve you for many years. The inspired Scriptures, once learned and applied, can and will take us through our lives and into eternity (2 Tim. 3:15).

Jay Launius – 2023 Maud church of Christ

NEWS & NOTES

Feb. 4 & 18- 9:30 am
Tuesday morning Ladies Bible Study

Feb. 8th- 10a-12p- Ladies Bible Study at the church building.

Feb. 15 - 9 am- Men's breakfast
See Ron or Jay on what to bring.

Feb. 20-Preacher's Meeting for all our area preachers. Sign up sheet in back for anyone who would like to help provide food.

Remember to contribute to Spooner House food collection and our own food pantry..
BARNABAS PROJECT- IF INTERESTED in joining contact
MaryLou(475)529-5751

Prayer Request

*Pray for **Lisa Saracino** who is recovering from pneumonia.

*Pray for all those affected by the recent southern California wildfires and those affected by the recent plane crashes.

*Pray for Doreen Palmer's daughter, **Christina**, who is struggling with health challenges.

*Pray for **Jordan** (daughter of Tracy Walkup's sister in Christ, Sylvia) who is experiencing extreme pain Levels.

*Pray for Ray's brother **Mike**, who is recovering from a recent vascular procedure.

*Pray for the **Eddy family** who are all sick.

*Pray for **Paul mCMullen** (Pancoasts S-I-L's father) recently hospitalized and undergoing testing.

*Pray for **Linda Cerminara**, she will have shoulder surgery Feb. 3.

*Pray for **Desrine Forbes** who is dealing with a few medical issues and is unable to work.

*Pray for all those affected by the California wildfires.

*Pray for **Chris Baxter** dealing with personal issues.

*Pray for **Judy Ragland** (Chelsey's grandmother, diagnosed with stage 4 colon cancer.

*Pray for Kris Eddy's coworker whose wife, **Jackie** was recently diagnosed with cancer.

*Pray for **David** (Derin's father) who is in congestive heart failure.

*Pray for **Debbie Christy and family**, her niece, Carrie, passed away.

*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- **Judith Gomez, Cohen** (Ron's friend), **Tom Byer** *Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones this past year.

*Pray for **families, relatives, friends and people we are reaching out to**, that they may turn to the Lord. Special prayers **for our church leaders**. Prayers for all families caring for their elderly or sick loved ones: Allie Saracino-Cherie, Bob and Joanne Discala-Virginia, Greg & Linda, Gina Porto

***Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses:** Emille Jones, Mike Ross, Ted & Toni Bonadio, Kevin Early, Nadine Keller, Greg & Linda Cerminara, Pat Yaglowksi. Meegan and Irene, Nuris Gomez, Mildred, Karen O, Anthony Katz., Jasmyn Malagutti, Daniel Ruiz., Zak Pappas Fernandes., Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Lance Flood, Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes.

*Anyone interested in helping with **World Bible School**- contact Ron

***Opportunities** to serve: any men willing to participate in worship service in other capacities for the church, please contact Bruce Post. Anyone interested in leading and/or helping with the building or church house maintenance please contact Bruce Pancoast.

Please bring nonperishable food items for the **Spooner House** - a list of all items needed is on back table: Jelly/Jam/Peanut Butter, Cereal/Oatmeal, Canned Meats: Chicken, Tuna, Corned Beef Hash, Canned Ravioli/Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit/Applesauce, Crackers/Snacks, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Ramen, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Baked beans/Pork and Beans, Canned/Dried Beans (i.e. Black, Chick Pea, Cannellini, Kidney, Pinto), Rice/Rice-A-Roni, Soup/Stew/Chili, Instant/Canned Potatoes/Yams. Bring these food items to the building to be delivered to the Spooner House. Please make sure that items do not have expired dates. Thank you

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Wednesday Night Bible Study

7:00 pm via zoom

Bible class Sun. 10 am, worship service 11 am

Online bible class and worship service go to our website: trumbullchurchofchrist.org

Week of 2/2/25

Song Leader :Kris Eddy

Lord's Table: Derin Wilson

Closing Prayer: Zach Saracino

Usher: Bruce Post

Week of 1/26/24- 2/1/25

Donations \$3250 Expenses: \$4166