

# Attend Church Regularly

...and read your Bible daily

## WEEKLY SERMONETTE

### Go Deeper!

By PASTOR TERRY WORTHINGTON, FIRST CHURCH OF GOD

A small New England town needed water. After workers had drilled 800 feet deep, however, they still had no success. About to abandon the search, the town officials consulted the U.S. Geological Survey. Their engineers examined the strata and decided that there was water deeper down. So they gave instructions to continue boring. When the workmen reached a depth of approximately 1100 feet, they finally struck water. Always before, the town had to buy water from another municipality. Now that they had their own ample supply, this was no longer necessary. They became the supplier to other towns.

For the Christian, the Bible is a deep well of refreshing truth. Yet how often we miss God's rich source of blessing because we keep too near the surface. We need encouragement to "go deeper" into His Word. But how do we do this? Drilling into the depths of the Bible means reading it, meditating on its truths, applying its instruction, and memorizing key verses. The result will be sufficient spiritual nourishment for daily living. Furthermore, as we delve into its unlimited supply, we not only "get" for ourselves, but we are also able to "give" to others. This spiritual fruitfulness enables us to bless, help, and influence fellow believers in their Christian walk.

Let me encourage you to drill deep into the Word. Read it often. Ask God to make it a part of your life. Then you'll want to make that refreshing water available to others.

# Your Personal Best



*"Whatever ye do, do it heartily, As to the Lord, and not unto men."*

Colossians 3:23

Have you ever heard the question... "Are you doing your personal best?" Though usually referring to workplace endeavors, one can connect that phrase with any of his or her daily performances and relationships. What is your "personal best"?

The answer varies according to individual backgrounds and capabilities as well as different degrees of determination to succeed. Lance Armstrong's personal best as a cyclist is certainly better than the biking enthusiast who only gets out on weekends. However, aren't both glorifying God by taking care of the gifts they were given? Furthermore, doesn't the effort required to stay in shape prepare them for adversity?

The most qualified and determined of us can experience tragedy and loss that jolts our capacity to perform daily tasks and reach goals. What then? Lance Armstrong would probably admit that his personal best was beating cancer, not winning the Tour de France 5 times.

No matter what, we need to focus on God as the inspiration for our "personal best." When we give Him our best as we worship each week, God returns it to us with added strength and peace. Won't you give God your "personal best" this week as you visit your local church or synagogue?

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Daniel 9:1-19	Philippians 4:4-20	Colossians 4:2-18	2 Thessalonians 3:1-18	Psalms 91	Luke 4:1-13	Luke 4:14-30

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## PRAIRIE VIEW

By VIVIAN JANSONIUS

Attending the American Cancer Society, Heartland Division Phillips County Council, on March 18, at the First Christian Church in Phillipsburg were American Cancer Society staff, Joni Mandeville and daughter, Hailey of Hays; Sandi Winchell of Alma; Lucille Hofaker of Logan; Jayne Jarvis of Long Island; Deb Thomas and Vivian Jansonius of Prairie View. Cathie Lenker, Joyce Lenker, Charlie Brown, all of Phillipsburg.

The Phillips County Relay for Life Committee met. Others joining were Bev Miller, Gary Morrison, Sherry Hoover, Patricia Dusen, Joyce Lenker. Relay For Life will be held on Friday, June 18, plan to attend.

Leaders and parents of the Lone Prairie 4-H Club went to Phillipsburg on March 19 to attend the Phillips County 4-H Club Day. Attending were Gloria DeWitt, Kirk and Tammy Girard, Jordan and Michaela, Cher Greving, Caley, Christen, Colton and Camryn, Liz Jansonius and Tim, Vivian Jansonius, Deb Thompson and Shyanne, Jaime Tien, Aaron and Sieria, Dian Tien, Autumn and Samantha, Trevor Tien, Shaley Van Loenen, Alan and Sherry Woodside and Eric. The club played the Krystal Bells as a group, and many members also had individual presentations.

Joni Jansonius, who attends college in Manhattan, arrived Sunday evening to visit her father, Rodney Jansonius and her grandmother, Hazel Jansonius.

Notice to the public: The Phillips County Historical Society, will have a meeting on Tuesday, April 6. They will meet at noon at the Pizza Hut for dinner and then go to the home of Chet and Darlene Rumbaugh for the meeting. Plan to attend.

The Prairie Homemakers' Family and Community Education Unit met on Monday, March 22, at 7:30 p.m. in the Long Island Com-

munity Center. Anissa Kats, President, called the meeting to order. Vivian Jansonius, secretary, gave the roll call with 12 answering and one guest, Vicky Overley. Each gave a spring cleaning tip. On April 12, there will be a meeting in Colby.

The door prizes were won by Judy Van Der Veen and Belinda Thalheim. Others who received gifts from their secret pals were: Belinda Thalheim for her birthday, Anissa Kats, Gloria DeWitt, Julia Schemper and Pat Hammond for their birthdays and Dian Tien for Easter.

After the meeting, Vicky Overley of Phillipsburg gave a talk on Mental Health. Most who were present decorated a glass dish. Hostesses were Sara Nelson and Pat Hammond. Those attending were: Vicky Overley of Phillipsburg; Sara Nelson, Pat Hammond, Belinda Thalheim and Beth Ponstein of Long Island. Julia Schemper, Anissa Kats, Gloria DeWitt, Diana Greving, Linda Hultgren, Vivian Jansonius, Belva Leydig and Judy Van Der Veen of Prairie View.

Jamie and Kim Durbin and Katy of Orleans, Nebraska, were Friday supper guests at the home of Sam and Donna Stuteville.

Harlan Van De Wege and Vivian Jansonius went to Hays on Thursday afternoon, to do some shopping. They ate dinner with Mark and Lisa Grieve, Kaiden and Megan and Heath and Lori Bogart, Kali, Alex and Kambri, all of Hays. After dinner, Vivian Jansonius went to the High Plains Mental meeting.

Joni Jansonius who was here the first part of last week visiting her father Rodney Jansonius and also her grandmother Hazel Jansonius. She has returned back to Manhattan, where she is attending college.

Orlin and Wilma Hogan of Long Island visited Robert and Edna Earle De Boer on Sunday evening after church services.

## NEW ALMELO

By BETTY OTTER

Visitors at the home of Jean Nickelson on March 21 were her brother and wife, Bob and Hazel Wolf, North Platte.; her sisters and brother-in-laws, Eleanor and Duane Streit, Cheyenne, Wyo.; and Tilley and Everet Keith, Morland.

Family coming to the home of Marion and Lorraine Long over the weekend were Frank and Lettie Long, St. Elizabeth, Mo; Mark and Gerry Baalman, Grinnell; and Gary and Carolyn Long, Hill City. Leonard and Joan Long and family, Logan, visited last week. Their nephew, Bill Hahn, Denver, visited during the week as did Marion's brother, Ernie Long, Lenora.

Spending some time in their home away from home were

Adrian Streit and Jo Hessig, Omaha, and Duane and Eleanor Streit, Cheyenne.

Family coming to the home of Alfred and Betty Otter over the last few weeks were Tom Otter, DeSoto; Mike Otter, Cimarron; and Mark and Sheila Otter and family, Ulysses. On Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Otter attended the piano recital of their granddaughter, Cheyenne Moss at Jewell.

Family spending the weekend at the home of Russ and Marcia Aumiller and Josh Vahling were Jeff and Kathleen Vahling, Allison and Sidney, Hays. Russ Aumiller spent several days in Denver with his mother who is a patient in the hospital there.

A bridal shower was held at the New Almelo Parish Hall on March 27 for Missy Vahling.

## JENNINGS NEWS

By SONYA GILLESPIE

The Tuesday Study Club in Jennings met March 23 at the home of Neoma Tacha with Wilma Mader as co-hostess. The theme of the meeting was antique jewelry and roll call was answered by sharing a piece of jewelry that is important in each of our lives. Those answering were Naomi Carter, Rachel Carter, Wilma Mader, Joan McKenna, Kathy Nauer, Twila

Stieben, Mildred Tacha, Neoma Tacha, Helen Rhoades and guest Ruth Chance. Ronnie Kauk, Hoxie, brought several pieces of antique jewelry and shared interesting facts about it. We really enjoyed learning more about the jewelry our mothers and grandmothers wore. The next meeting will be held at the home of Clara Gillum. Following a short business meeting, the hostesses served dessert.

## ALMENA NEWS

By ESTHER MARBLE

Esther Marble visited Marge Roe Saturday afternoon.

Bud and Lila Engelhardt visited Lila's cousin Delores Depperschmitz at Dresden Sunday. They toured the cemeteries at Dresden, Leoville, and Kanona.

Then they had supper in Oberlin and returned Delores to Dresden and came on home.

Esther Marble and Reva Smith visited Blaine, Susie and Bryce Marble Sunday evening to see the baby miniature goats that had been born that afternoon.

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