


# Connecting Point Island & Titusville

June

2024

Look inside for comments  
from participants of  
Retreat Joy 2024 

## **SPECIAL EVENTS IN JUNE**

### **June 2nd (10:30am-12:15pm) Island & Titusville Chapels**

Combined service **Pizza Party** meeting at Cocoa West Recreation Complex, 230 South Burnett Road. *Titusville members picked up 5 hours early. NO afternoon services in Titusville June 2nd.*



**June 30th (10:30am-12:15pm) Island Gathering** Meeting at Islander Alliance Church, 2540 N Courtenay Pkwy Merritt Island

## **Why We Cancel**

If there is bad weather, we will cancel. This includes storms with heavy rain and wind, or high wind and no rain.

If we do not have enough teachers to operate safely, we will cancel. Teachers have been guilty of coming to chapel even when sick. They might think, "I

have whatever is going around, but I am not letting it stop me." What they did was actually help that sickness to spread to others. We do not want to spread sickness around our chapels.

*We will text you with REMIND to let you know if we must cancel.*

## **When to Stay Home**

- 1) If you are a teacher and are sick.
- 2) Or if you are a member and are sick.

We do not like to cancel, but we DISLIKE being unsafe.

**Make sure your current phone number is in REMIND**, so we can reach you in case of a last minute cancellation.

See REMIND sign-up sheet inside this newsletter for details.



# Remember in Prayer

- ◆ Liza Robbins & her family
- ◆ Andy's continued recovery
- ◆ Shawna's recovery
- ◆ Healing for Kevin



- ◆ John for continued healing from his fall
- ◆ Eric & family, as his uncle passed away
- ◆ Pam, as she is in treatment
- ◆ Tyka for healing & recovery



## God of Grace,

We open our hearts, minds and souls to worship you.

Thank you that today we dwell in your kingdom and live in your presence.

Thank you that as we gather together we join with all Christians across the world to glorify your holy name.

Come, be with us, inspire us, and lead us in our time together.

We ask all this in the beautiful name of Jesus.        -Amen



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# June 2024

- 1
- **No Vero Choir or Gathering**
  - 5:00pm **ARC Party** \$10/person  
Call Noreen 772-584-9511

- 8
- 2:30pm **Vero Choir**
  - 3:30pm **Vero Gathering**  
1105 58th Avenue
  - **11am-2pm Moose Lodge Merritt Island Party** for Special Olympic Champions 3150 N Courtenay

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- 2:30pm **Vero Choir**
  - 3:30pm **Vero Gathering**  
1105 58th Avenue

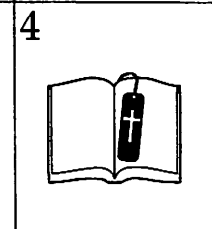
- 22
- 2:30pm **Vero Choir**
  - 3:30pm **Vero Gathering**  
1105 58th Avenue

- 29
- **No Vero Choir**
  - 3:30pm **Vero Gathering**  
1105 58th Avenue

- Merritt Island Bowling Saturdays  
call 321-213-1884 for dates

- 2
- **Melbourne Choir Canceled**
  - 9:30am-**Melbourne Gathering** at 2700 Sarno
  - 10:00am **Island & Titusville Gathering Pizza Party** at 230 South Burnett Road (Cocoa W. Rec)
  - 10:00am **Titusville Joins Island Party**
  - **No Services in Titusville Today**

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- 6
- Vero Chapels**  
Call Rebekah  
772-770-1011  
Extension 2

- 7
- **4:00pm Island Choir** at 750 Brevard Ave Cocoa Village

- 9
- **Melbourne Choir Canceled**
  - 9:30am-**Melbourne Gathering** at 2700 Sarno
  - 10:00am-**Island Gathering** at 65 Needle Blvd
  - 2:00pm-**Titusville Choir** at 1355 HWY 50
  - 3:00pm-**Titusville Gathering** at 1355 Hwy 50

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- 11
- 5:30pm** Every Tuesday  
**Promise Bible Study** All are Welcome

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- 13
- Island Chapels**  
Call Lynn  
321-632-0130  
Extension 3

- 14
- **No Island Choir**

- 16
- **Melbourne Choir Canceled**
  - 9:30am-**Melbourne Gathering** at 2700 Sarno
  - 10:00am-**Island Gathering** at 65 Needle Blvd
  - 2:00pm-**Titusville Choir** at 1355 HWY 50
  - 3:00pm-**Titusville Gathering** at 1355 Hwy 50

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- Titusville Bowling Tuesdays  
Call 321-264-5105

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- 20
- 9:00am** Newsletter Ministry at 65 Needle Blvd MI

- 21
- **4:00pm Island Choir** at 750 Brevard Ave Cocoa Village

- 23
- **Melbourne Choir Canceled**
  - 9:30am-**Melbourne Gathering** at 2700 Sarno
  - 10:00am-**Island Gathering** at 65 Needle Blvd
  - 2:00pm-**Titusville Choir** at 1355 HWY 50

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- 28
- **4:00pm Island Choir** at 750 Brevard Ave Cocoa Village

- 30
- **No Melbourne Choir**
  - 9:30am-**Melbourne Gathering** at 2700 Sarno
  - 10:00am-**Island Gathering** at 2540 N Courtenay
  - 2:00pm-**Titusville Choir** at 1355 HWY 50
  - 3:00pm-**Titusville Gathering** at 1355 Hwy 50

For calendar updates, visit [www.BrevardGathering.com](http://www.BrevardGathering.com)

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- Titusville or Melbourne Chapels**  
Call Jennifer  
321-632-0130  
Extension 1

- Vero Bowling Fridays Call 772-321-6025

# *No Time for Tears* Part 4

By L Gresham

**When** Margaret came home from school, Aunt Marge was sitting on the porch, peeling potatoes for dinner. She smiled. Margaret rushed past her. She was feeling guilty.

As Margaret got to her room, she found her open, empty luggage sitting on the bed. Empty boxes were carefully stacked in the corner.

It looked as if Aunt Marge wanted Margaret to move.

Surprised, Margaret went to the porch. "What happened?" she asked Aunt Marge. She had a pain piercing her heart. The anger she felt for months had suddenly drained from her. If Aunt Marge did not want Margaret to live with her, she did

not know what she would do or where she would go. Since her parents had died, she had been sure that Aunt Marge would always want her to live here.

Margaret knew that she had been acting badly. She had been rude to her aunt. She had tried to make her brother, Peter, hate his aunt.

Now the pain in her heart was guilt. Margaret had been angry because her parents died.

Margaret sat by her aunt. She started to cry. At first her aunt sat in her rocking chair and peeled potatoes. Then she reached over and touched Margaret's arm. "I do not want to hurt you but you are so unhappy," Aunt Marge said.

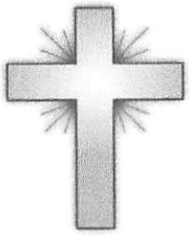
Margaret continued

to sob. Her mind raced. What was happening? She was crying. She had no time for tears. Gentle arms wrapped around her small body. "I love you. I do not want to replace your mother but I do want to love you." It felt as though her mother was holding Margaret. It felt so wonderful.

Between her sobs, Margaret said, "I've been such a brat. I do want to live with you. I do love you. Forgive me."

Aunt Marge caressed her hair and prayed, "Father, Margaret is hurting so much. Heal her."

With the prayer, peace filled her heart. She was going to be all right. She would hurt a long time but God was helping. Margaret held her aunt and cried.



# Let's Look at Luke

This is a study from the gospel of Luke in the Bible's New Testament. Let us study Luke 3:1 to Luke 3:3.

It was the fifteenth year of the rule of Tiberius Caesar. These men were under Caesar: Pontius Pilate, the ruler of Judea; Herod, the ruler of Galilee; Philip, Herod's brother, the ruler of Iturea and Traconitis; and Lysanias, the ruler of Abilene. <sup>2</sup>Annas and Caiaphas were the high priests. At this time, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the desert. <sup>3</sup>He went all over the area around the Jordan River preaching a baptism of changed hearts and lives for the forgiveness of sins. -Luke 3:1-3

*First, read the verses. As you read, look for the answers to the questions. Circle the best answer.*

**Vs 1.** Who was the ruler of Judea?

- (a) Susan Smith
- (b) Donald Trump
- (c) Pontius Pilot

**Vs 1.** Why do we need to know who the rulers were at the time Jesus was young?

- (a) To prove the Bible is true.
- (b) To dust off a history book.
- (c) To help us pronounce their names better.



**Vs 2.** Who was John, the son of Zechariah?

- (a) John the Baptist
- (b) John F Kennedy
- (c) Johnny Cash

**Vs 2.** The word of God came to John, son of Zechariah in the desert.

- (a) True
- (b) False

**Vs 3.** John the Baptist told people about being baptized and never having their sins forgiven.

- (a) True
- (b) False

# Join REMIND for Special Gathering Class Updates

REMIND is our emergency contact system. It is used to text you about urgent news, event reminders, updates, emergencies and cancellations.

**YOU DO NOT NEED TO DOWNLOAD THE APP.** Once you join, all messages will come through on your standard text messaging service. Just save the phone number, and then text back as you normally would.

This is how to join your **Special Gathering** chapter in REMIND

**To join, TEXT the chapel code to phone number 81010**

Island Gathering: @islandgat

Melbourne Gathering: @rstimso

Titusville Gathering: @rstims

Vero Gathering: @veroga

If you are connected to more than one chapel, text the code for each chapel, one at a time, to the 81010 number.

That's it. Once we approve your request, you will be all set.

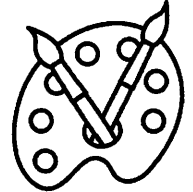
REMIND is used by many schools in the country and will enable us to easily contact you for updates.

*Other people will **not** be able to see your number and if others respond you will not get those texts.*

## Retreat Joy 2024 Comments

Roving reporter Mary Meyer caught up with retreat attendees prior to attending Andretti Thrill Park. She asked them: "What do you think of the retreat?" Here are some responses.

"The restaurant food is the best, I liked Arts & Crafts and BINGO." -Shane



"My favorite part is to be with the people." Michael

"It's good, Christian fun! The food is delicious, my compliments to the chef." -Andy

"Looking forward to the dance and Arts & Crafts." -Doreen

"I want to stay one more night! BINGO was fun, so was my roommate." -Dawn

"Fun playing BINGO, and fun Arts & Crafts." -Lindsay



"I like the dance and Arts & Crafts." -Theo

"I like the game room, Arts & Crafts, BINGO and the dance." -James

"Go carts are fun, the dance was fun, and my favorite song at the dance was *My Girl*." -Terrance

"The dance was fun, my favorite song was *The Shuffle*. I also liked the game room and chapel services." -Dwayne

"Arts & Crafts, game room, good food, the dance was fun...my favorite song at the dance was the Whitney Houston song. I wouldn't change a thing about the retreat." -Aimee

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## **Retreat Joy: Where is My Stuff ?**

We were blessed again to be at Park Avenue Baptist Retreat Center in Titusville. For the first time ever, we enjoyed our final day of retreat at Andretti Thrill Park in Melbourne.

With over 80 people attending over two separate weeks, and lots of fun times, some things get lost, like Waldo. We will try to make sure you have everything returned.

**Please call Jennifer Stabler at (321) 632-0130 Extension 1 if you have any questions about a lost item.**



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