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For God So loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoso ever believes in Him shall not perish but have ever lasting life. John 3:16

Mission Needs

1. Food: The mission can always use food donations for the men staying here at BGM. Specially food items that can be frozen or stored for longer periods of time.

   Meat that can be frozen: chicken, pork beef etc...

   Canned goods: fruits, veggies, beans, soups and chili etc...

   Home cooked meals able to serve 6-10 men, call the Mission at 208-263-6698 to set up a time.

2. Continued financial support in monthly donations to assist with operating cost of the ministry

Prayer Requests

1. The HVAC Unit in one of our buildings did break and needs to be replaced. We are requesting prayers for this repair as we gather estimates.

2. Continue to pray for the men here at the mission. We are planting seeds of God's Word in their life and pray they will take root, grow, and mature so the men can enjoy the blessing of being a child of God. Also for the men that leave the mission to hold fast to God's plan for their life and not return to the ways of the world.

Mission Highlights

Here at BGM we continually have men arriving at the mission who have needs; physical, mental, and especially spiritual. I want to encourage you brothers and sisters in Christ to be in prayer for these gentlemen. We believe in the power of prayer and know that God can work wonders in these men's lives when they turn to Him. I pray that God uses me, this mission, and your support, as tools to encourage the souls of those at BGM.

Draw near to God, and He will draw near to you. James 4:8a ESV

July 01, 2016 by Lauren Abraham

"Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of the heavenly lights, who does not change like shifting shadows." (James 1:17)

What comes to your mind when you think of Independence Day?

For many Americans, the Fourth of July serves as a day to watch fireworks, barbeque and have a good time with friends and family. While there is nothing wrong with having these traditions, it is important to remember the reason behind why we celebrate this holiday.

Samuel Adams, the father of the American Revolution, was bold in proclaiming his faith. To him, signing the Declaration of Independence meant no longer submitting to Great Britain, but rather, submitting to the Lord (Crowe, 2008). As a result, America would be free from the power of man and able to serve Christ. What a significant day in history!

It is important to remember what our duties are as Christians. We are called to serve Christ and Christ alone, and it is such a blessing that we can live in a country where we have the freedom to do so.

Oftentimes, the enemy will use distractions to keep us from fulfilling our duties as Christians. Being distracted by all that happens on the Fourth of July can cause us to lose sight of the true meaning of the holiday. This is dangerous, as it can ultimately cause us to stray away from Christ.

So, why is it important to acknowledge the significance of Independence Day, and how can we do so in today's world?

American liberty is a blessing from God. Because of our freedom, we can express our faith and boldly share it with others. It is important to recognize that in many other parts of the world, this is not the case. The cost of following Christ is much greater for our brothers and sisters across the globe.

With this in mind, I encourage you to not lose sight of why we celebrate Independence Day. Take time to reflect on the ways God has blessed you in your life, and make it a goal to not take the freedom we have for granted. As you spend this day with family and friends, I encourage you to celebrate the blessing of freedom that was given to us by Christ.

- Crowe, D. (2008). Instilling the meaning of Independence Day. Retrieved from crosswalk.com/family/homeschool/instilling-the-meaning-of-independence-day-11578403.html

Life at the Misson

I included this article in our July edition of the newsletter as a reminder of where Christians should keep their focus. Even during holidays such as Independence Day, let us give glory to God and *set our minds on things above*.

Colossians 3:1–4 (ESV): 1 If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. 2 Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. 3 For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

We are blessed to live in a country with many protected freedoms; let us use those freedoms to proliferate the Good News!

Blessings to you all,

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