~~Upcoming Events~~

Monday: Exercise Class; 10:15 am; (Lounge)
Monday: Bible Reading; 6:15 pm; (Dining Room)
Tuesday: Game Night; 6:15 pm; (Dining Room)
1st & 3rd Wednesday: 10:00 am
   Ladies' Prayer Meeting; (Dining Room)
Thursday: 10:15 am; Men's Prayer Meeting
Thursday: 10:15 am; (Shuffle In)
   Carmel Hills Ladies Bible Fellowship
2nd Friday of each Month: 6:00pm (Shuffle In)
   Hand craft/fellowship get-together
Friday, October 6, 2017: 1:00 pm
   Fine dining/birthday meal

“For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.”
Romans 8:38-39

Fall

National Healthcare
Food Service Week
October 1-7, 2017
A great big thanks goes out to all of our food service staff at Carmel Hills!!!!
We appreciate all you do to keep everyone fed well. It’s a lot of work!

The best exercise for your heart is in helping others.
Our love and prayers go out to the families of Mary Chew and Bill Hubler. Both passed away in the Care Center in September. We trust the Lord will comfort hearts.

"Cast thy burden upon the Lord, and He shall sustain thee..." Psalm 55:22

"Shoebox Project"
It's time again to be thinking about and shopping for items for the Samaritans Purse Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. The collection dates at Carmel Hills will be November 9-17, 2017. I will be giving out very specific information about this project in the next couple of weeks, so watch for it. Pray how you can help give special 'goodies' to children of other countries who pretty much have nothing.

Did you hear about the 2 antennae who got married?
The wedding wasn't anything to talk about but the reception was wonderful!

The Window
Two men, both seriously ill, occupied the same hospital room. One man was allowed to sit up in his bed for an hour each afternoon to help drain the fluid from his lungs. His bed was next to the window. The other man had to spend all his time flat on his back. The men talked for hours on end. They spoke of their wives and families, their homes, their jobs, their involvement in the military, etc. Every afternoon when the man in the bed by the window could sit up, he would pass the time by describing to his roommate all the things he could see outside the window. The man in the other bed began to live for those one-hour periods where his world would be broadened and enlivened by all the activity and color of the world outside. The window overlooked a park with a lovely lake. Ducks and swans played on the water while children sailed their boats. Young lovers walked arm in arm. Grand old trees graced the landscape, and a fine view of the city skyline could be seen in the distance. As the man by the window described the details, the other man imagined them. Days and weeks went by like this. One morning, the nurse arrived to find that the man by the window had died in his sleep. As soon as it was appropriate, the other man asked if he could be moved to the bed by the window. Finally, he would have the joy of seeing out of the window for himself. He strained to look out the window. It faced a blank wall. The man was confused so he asked the nurse why the deceased man would describe such wonderful things outside this window. The nurse responded, "Your former roommate was blind. I guess he just wanted to encourage you."

There is tremendous happiness in making others happy, despite our current situation.
Encouraging Thoughts for Senior Citizens

WHY DOES GOD ALLOW HIS CHILDREN TO SUFFER?

To Be Like Christ---
Why does God allow us to suffer pain and loss? He uses difficult trials (and wonderful experiences) to make us like His Son, Jesus Christ. As the story goes, George Frederick Handel, the great music composer, suffered much physical pain and financial loss. He became seriously ill during the height of his musical career. But during this time he wrote the great master-piece, Messiah, which includes the ‘Hallelujah Chorus’ which overflows with triumph and blessing. Don’t be discouraged because of affliction. God can make it work together for good, for His glory.

To Draw Us Close to Christ---
God does not promise to keep us from the storms of life, but He has promised to comfort us and to be with us as we go through those storms. He comforts us so that we may be a comfort to others.

Someone has said, “God comforts us not so much to make us comfortable but to make us comforters.”

“Call upon me in the day of trouble:
I will deliver thee,
and thou shalt glorify me.”
Psalm 50:15

---Thoughts taken from
‘Making the Mature Years Count’, Robert S. Peterson

A Good Pun is Its Own Reward
A man’s home is his castle -
in a manor of speaking.
Reading while sunbathing makes you well-red.
A bicycle can’t stand on its own
because it is two-tired.
Time flies like an arrow.
Fruit flies like a banana.
With her marriage
she got a new name and a dress.
When a clock is hungry,
it goes back four seconds.
A grenade thrown into a kitchen in France
would result in Linoleum Blown apart.
You feel stuck with your debt
if you can’t budge it.
He often broke into song
because he couldn’t find the key.
A lot of money is tainted.
It taint yours or mine.
He had a photographic memory
that was never developed.
Once you’ve seen one shopping center,
you’ve seen a mall.
When an actress saw her first strands of gray hair, she thought she’d dye.
Santa’s helpers are subordinate clauses.
Acupuncture is a jab well done.
Marathon runners with bad footwear
suffer the agony of defeat.

When my arms can’t reach people who are close to my heart...
I always hug them with my prayers.

To be willing to do anything
does not mean
God expects you to do everything.
October is National Dessert Month

Jesus is the Answer!
A mother was becoming very frustrated with her son one afternoon while reviewing his homework which looked like:

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Throughout the entire paper his answers were the same. The mother finally said, "Son, our family loves Jesus but you have to place the correct answer for each of your problems." The little boy said, "But Mom, I heard you on the phone telling someone that the answer to every problem is JESUS!"

Thus is the Answer!

What are your memories of cookie jars? Maybe you have one, maybe your children and grandchildren loved reaching into one for the goodies. Maybe your grandmother had a cookie jar that was filled with her most delicious cookies. We all probably attach childhood memories to them.

We remember those jars in various sizes and shapes - all of which held a prominent spot on our kitchen counters. During the 1930s, potteries in the Midwest began making jars of glass, ceramic, and tin in which cookies could be saved. The jars eventually gained popularity and became available in creative styles. Many of the jars were (and are) made according to various themes, such as storybook characters, animals, popular fictional characters, to commercial advertisements. In the 1960s and 1970s, many American potteries closed up shop and cookie jars became an instant collectible.

Cookie jars sell anywhere from $100 to thousands of dollars now. The Howdy Doody jar became a rare collectible decades ago. Maybe thoughts of a cookie jar will take you back in time and bring a smile to your face.

When there's work to be done, turn up your sleeves and not your nose.
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**Morning Devotion ~ 9:30am ~ Monday - Friday**  /  **Hymn Sing ~ 4:30pm on Monday - Thursday & 12:30pm Friday - Sunday**