



"Behold, what awesome love the Father has showered on us, naming us as his beloved children!"

- 1 John 3:1a

Dear Friends,

The word *behold* is used 1,884 times in the Bible to indicate to the reader that something awesome is going on! If we pay careful attention to that moment, we are filled with a wonderful sense of awe and wonder. Our perspective is "expanded", in a way, to suddenly connect with a new reality that breaks through the carefully controlled boundaries of our well-ordered universe. Awe is both inspiring and uncomfortable. It shakes the foundations of what we expect in life. It surprises us. It invites us to see a larger picture.

Listen for those moments of awe during the day. Take time to pause and take in the moment. Then, say a *Thank You* to the One who gifted you that moment in the first place, all because of a great, unshakable love for you, His child (Behold!).

I love you too!

Scott

KEEPING YOU INFORMED:

- **BBQ/Potluck!** 6 pm, Aug. 25, Kirk and Sue Tyler's house (24500 E. Point Anderson Rd. 269-929-6536 (cell), 493-6283 (land line)). They will provide dogs & burgers. You bring a side dish or dessert. Spread the word! The community is invited!
- Discussion around the popular series "The Chosen" continues through the summer on **Thursdays, 6:30 pm**. We'll watch one episode and discuss insights. No obligation. Just drop in and prepare to be inspired & encouraged! Snacks often show up! Invite a friend!

- We welcome John Grefer and Greg Yarmoluk to Lighthouse Church's Leadership Team as Elders and are excited to see how God is growing our Church! Please continue to pray God's guidance, wisdom, and courage as we Seek Jesus' unique call for our Church body.



Our **third quarter mission's giving** is directed to Local Outreach. We offer assistance to individuals, families, and organizations in the love of Jesus.

The Sunday ingathering will be on **Sept. 24th**.

2024 MISSIONS TRIP! We would leave on Thursday Oct 3 out of Detroit. Fly into Sibiu, stay until 17th of October, then fly from Sibiu to Detroit. Right now the flight costs \$1652 . Liviu charges \$12/ night for lodging and \$20/ day for food,. for a total of \$2200. Extra money is needed for spending & projects. We would be doing home visits, evening meetings, crafts with children, elderly, and widows. There would be projects of painting and repairs to some homes and cutting wood for their winter supply. I'll know more later. If anyone is interested, please let me know. We will be having fundraisers through the year to help with the cost. (Bake sales, yard sales. pop can gathering, etc.). Check out the program's website: <https://perspectivedanes.ro/> . Contact me with questions or interest. Thanks, Shirley Hollister (517-425-2836 or ahappyheart46@yahoo.com)



THE POWER OF AWE & DEVOTION!

All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to the breaking of bread, and to prayer. A deep sense of awe came over them all, and the apostles performed many miraculous signs and wonders.

— Acts 2:42-43 NLT

We have been wowed by the computer-generated imagery and special effects in movies. We glibly use (Over)



the word "awesome" to describe fairly ordinary things we see. Sports coaches use hyperbole to talk about devotion and giving 110% effort. Even though Luke used the phrases "devoted themselves" and "a deep sense of awe," we can lose our sense of wonder for the history-changing events and community empowered by the Holy Spirit. Luke wrote those words to invite us into God's work of salvation in human history. This work is holy, unique, and epoch-shaping. The two terms Luke used for "awe" mean "a soul-level reverent awe" and refer to what God was doing through ordinary people (Acts 2:42-43, 3:10-12). Those people "devoted themselves" to four aspects of life together (Acts 2:42). Their devotion made them into amazing disciples who, against all the odds, forever changed the world as the Holy Spirit worked through them. Their devotion and awe were directed at the right things and to the right ONE. We will dig deeper into those four things for the next several days. Today, however, let's look at what stirs our devotion and bring us to a deep and reverent awe. Let's ask the Holy Spirit to guide us so our devotion and awe are focused on the right things and the right ONE!

Almighty God who is my Abba Father, thank you! Thank you for Jesus' sacrifice. Thank you for the Spirit's presence in my life. Thank you that these two parts of your being intercede for me as I pray. Lord, I want to be excited about life and the things you have in store for me and your people. I yearn to live with devotion for you and the things that matter to you. Father, I long for the Spirit to help me have a soul-level reverence and awe for you and your work in my life and the lives of your people. I know you will work this devotion and awe in my life as I live with the expectation for your work and power released through the Spirit to me and your other children. I commit to this expectation and pray with all reverence to your honor. Amen.
(From: <https://www.heartlight.org/unstoppable/0207.html>)

August Birthdays

- 14. Danielle Titus
- 17. Bill Stacy
- 18. Nancy Yarmoluk
- 19. Laura Witt

- 22. Greg Yarmoluk
- 24. Laurie Mitchell
- 29. Sue Tyler

(If we don't have your birthday or anniversary, let us know!)

Pearls Of Wisdom "Who I Am In Christ"

*I am an ambassador for Christ.
See: 2 Corinthians 5:20*

- Ruth Wise



*If you'd like to be a part of the
Prayer Team, contact Sue Tyler,
906-493-6283*

**ARTICLES FOR THE SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER
ARE DUE TO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY
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