

Celebrations for July

Staff Birthdays

Jen Atwood	10
Lisa Doyle	15
Alexis Wagoner	15
Nicole LaBorde	16
Vera Redifer	20
Kena Greene	22
Brandi Hurt	29
Nicole Fitzgerald	31
Kheandre Jackson	31

Anniversaries

John & Helen Morse	July 17	37 years
Jim & Nancy Woodall	July 17	66 years
Harold & Caroline Baldwin	July 23	60 years
Bob & Martha Frank	July 23	71 years

Resident Birthdays

Donna Pangburn	3
Helen Nordberg	5
Tinny Ross	8
Maribeth Faivre	9
Ann Hoffman	14
Jane Pfof	14
Happy Gilligan	16
Ruth Oppert	16
Howard Crane	24
Ruth Quillen	21
Dave Rowley	21
Doris Sandridge	30
Dot Cochrane	31
Jean Wilkins	31

Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ. Romans 10:17

David's Corner

Hearing God's Way

"God speaks uniquely to individuals, and He can do it in any way He pleases... He is more interested in what I become than what I do." Henry T. Blackaby

I have noticed in recent years that I cannot hear and absorb with the dexterity of my youth. Someone tells me a series of things and I may totally miss a couple of the items. It is not so much that I do not want to hear as that I am absorbing the last item of information and totally miss the next. I am afraid that Linda, my wife, is the recipient of this frustrating pattern.

Jesus in his ministry knew that not everybody who heard him speak would truly have ears to hear. Some simply did not like what he was saying. Some could not get their heads around some of the counterintuitive things he was saying. Some simply did not take him seriously and focused on the miracles not the message and attitude for living.

Pastors know that that in their sermons the message will be interpreted in many different ways. Often this is good because we need to find that which nurtures us from the sermon. When we are anxious or afraid or worn out or simply too busy it is harder to hear the Spirit of God speaking to us. Our task is to focus our attention in the direction that Christ is pointing. It is like the old TV antennas where you went outside to change the direction so you could pick up the best picture. As we get older it is harder to absorb as much but maybe we can absorb more deeply. This puts us at an advantage if we choose it too. In my quiet time each day I am focusing on noticing where the energy of the Holy Spirit is working. Sometimes this is easy and yet there is a lot of static out there to confuse us. I have decided I simply need to trust the Holy Spirit to get through and my task is to listen and hear. How about you?



Famous July Birthdays

The following people were born in July. Can you find their **last names**? Search horizontally, vertically, diagonally, forward, and backward.

- A. Milton **BERLE**
- B. Julius **CAESAR**
- C. Pierre **CARDIN**
- D. Tom **CRUISE**
- E. Don **DRYSDALE**
- F. Mick **JAGGER**
- G. Steve **LAWRENCE**
- H. Carl **LEWIS**
- I. Karl **MALONE**
- J. Nancy **REAGAN**
- K. Ginger **ROGERS**
- L. James **WHISTLER**

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U	V	H	R	C	A	E	S	A	R	N	P
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Bonus: Match the person to the correct clue.

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| 1. Rolling Stones singer _____ | 7. NBA basketball player _____ |
| 2. Baseball pitcher _____ | 8. Actress _____ |
| 3. Track star _____ | 9. Comedian _____ |
| 4. First lady _____ | 10. Roman emperor _____ |
| 5. Painter _____ | 11. Fashion designer _____ |
| 6. Actor _____ | 12. Singer and actor _____ |

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