



Emmanuel



Emmanuel United Methodist Church

26 West Washington Street, Fleetwood, PA 19522

Web Site: WWW.FleetwoodUMC.org

January 2018

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Happening at Emmanuel in January

Sunday January 7 - Little Christmas Gift Swap and Pot Luck – Fun & Fellowship

Sponsored by our Youth Group – Plan to attend and enjoy it. Bring a wrapped gift valued at approximately \$5-10.00 for each person who would like to participate in the swap. You do not need to bring a gift to enjoy our Christmas Pot Luck Fellowship

Wednesday, January 10 - Trustee Meeting 7 PM

Tuesday, October 16 - Administrative Board meeting 7 PM

Pastor's Corner

Redeeming The Time

In Ephesians 5:15-16 we read, "See then that you walk circumspectly, **Not As Fools** but as wise, **Redeeming The Time**, because the days are evil". Sooner or later we will run out of time. Time will come to an end for all of us, but we don't know when that will be. It could be today. It is what we do with our few remaining days here on this earth that will determine whether

we will enjoy eternal life in Heaven or the eternal torments of Hell. During our few remaining days we will choose where we will spend eternity. Those who are lost in Hell chose to go there. They will only have themselves to blame. One is a fool if he doesn't "redeem the time".

The above scripture says we should "redeem the time, because the days are evil". 2 Timothy 3:13 says, "But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived". We are warned to "beware lest you also fall from your own steadfastness, being led away with the error of the wicked" (2 Peter 3:17).

How do we "redeem the time"? 1 John 1:7 says, "But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin". If one does not have time to "walk in the light" and to "have fellowship with one another" in the work and worship of the church, he will not obtain the forgiveness of sins which is necessary to go to Heaven. If we knew that today was our last day on this earth, would our lives be different? One day it will be our last day. Would we be guilty of wasting our remaining time?

God Bless

Pastor Mark

I've Learned Through the Ages

I've learned that I like my teacher because she cries when we sing "Silent Night." Age 5

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I've learned that our dog doesn't want to eat my broccoli either. Age 7

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I've learned that when I wave to people in the country, they stop what they are doing and wave back. Age 9

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I've learned that just when I get my room the way I like it, Mom makes me

clean it up again.. Age 12

I've learned that if you want to cheer yourself up, you should try cheering someone else up. Age 14

I've learned that although it's hard to admit it, I'm secretly glad my parents are strict with me. Age 15

I've learned that silent company is often more healing than words of advice. Age 24

I've learned that brushing my child's hair is one of life's great pleasures. Age 26

I've learned that wherever I go, the world's worst drivers have followed me there. Age 29

To be Continued in February

The **Springtime Woman's Retreat at Camp Innabah** in Spring City, Pa. March 16-18, 2018. New this year, we have a one day retreat option if you are unable to attend for the entire weekend. Please see Ruth Fluharty for details or contact Innabah at phone # 610-469-6111 or www.innabah.org .Also, a printed notice is located on our church bulletin board.

2018 Summer Camp information is now available on line at www.innabah.org . There are a variety of opportunities for campers, volunteer staff and paid staff to be a part of this 89 year outdoor ministry. Would you like to attend camp or maybe even work there? Contact Michael Hyde at Camp Innabah, 712 Pughtown Rd. Spring City, PA 19475 or at # 610=469=6111.

January Birthdays

January 18 – Tammy Krueger

January 28 – Bob Fluharty

January Anniversaries

January 21 – Bob & Ruth Fluharty

January 30 – Raymond and Pat Everhart

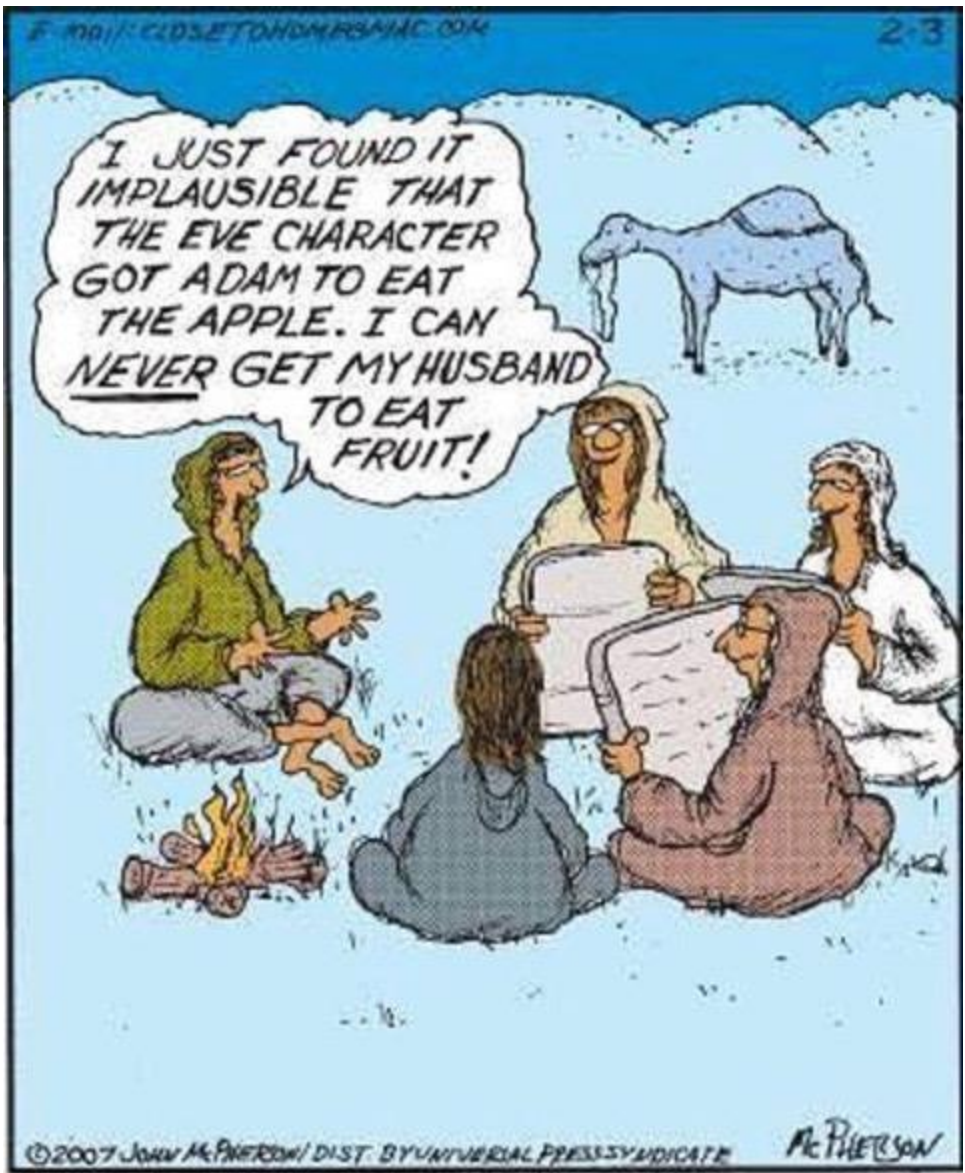
Thoughts and Smiles for January



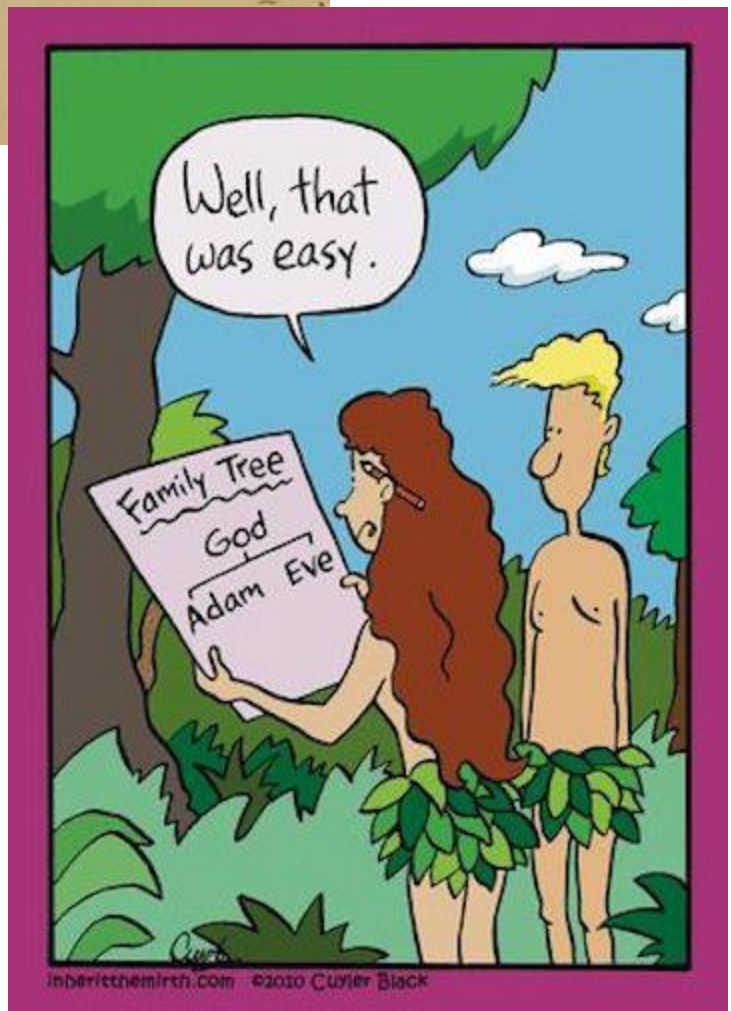
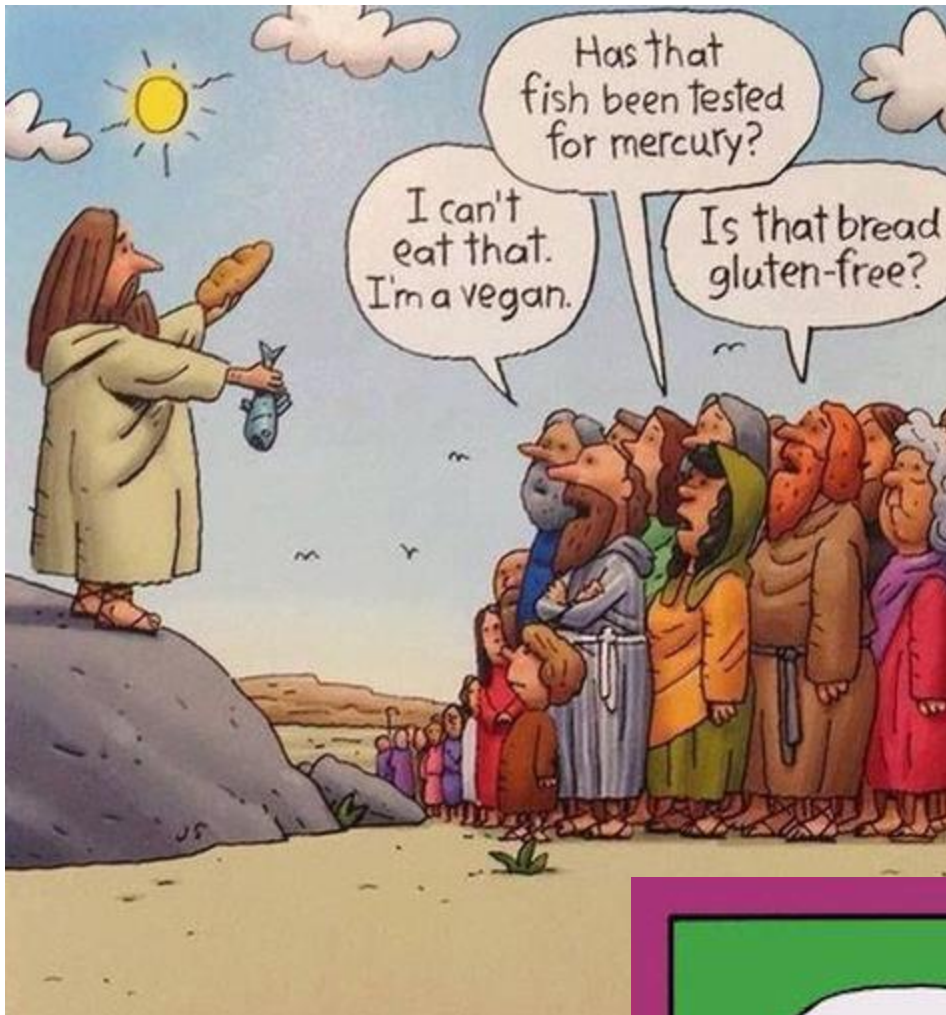
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Reminder - Newsletter Deadline– If you have **articles or humor items for February's Newsletter** be sure to email them to Dick Tracy at dtracy@ptd.net or call him at 610-207-2016 **not later than Wednesday January 24th** . **I am always looking for articles/photos to share so please email me with anything you feel appropriate to share!**