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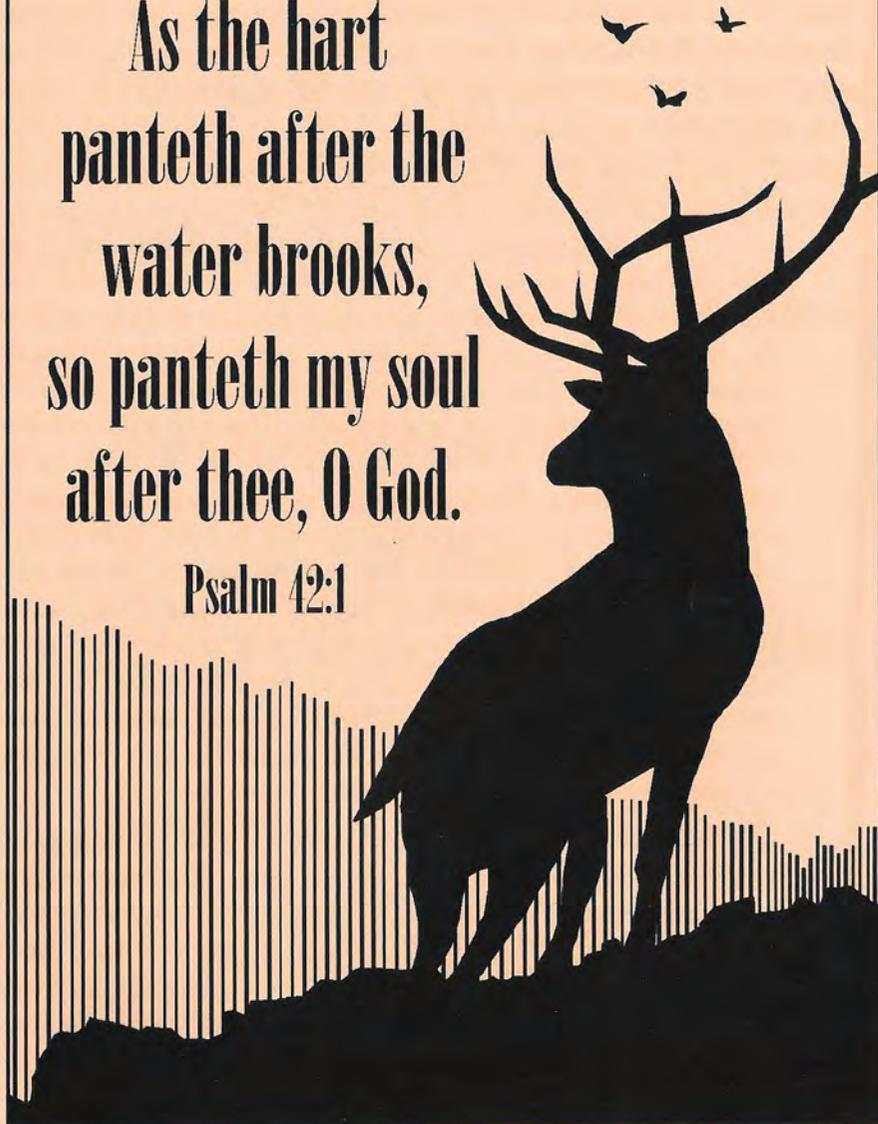
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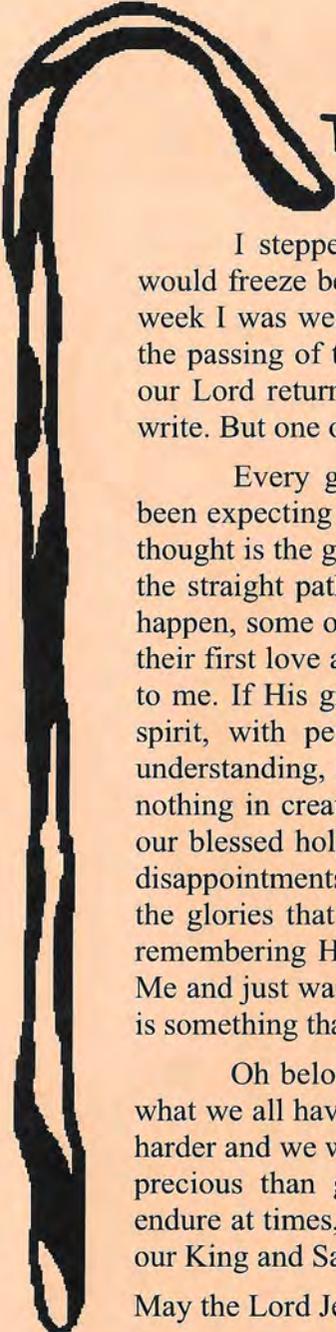
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As the hart  
panteth after the  
water brooks,  
so panteth my soul  
after thee, O God.

Psalm 42:1





## The Shepherd's Staff

I stepped outside to put out the trash and thought I would freeze before I could get back inside. It seems just last week I was wearing short sleeved shirts. I can hardly believe the passing of time. I feel like it can't be much longer before our Lord returns. I realize I keep saying this in everything I write. But one of these days it will happen.

Every generation, since our Lord left this earth, has been expecting His return. Even the apostles expected it. This thought is the greatest motivator mankind has to keep them on the straight path to glory. As the years roll by and it doesn't happen, some of those who were faithful in the beginning lose their first love and return to the world. This is a great mystery to me. If His great love, demonstrated by the infilling of His spirit, with peace beyond comprehension and joy beyond understanding, isn't enough to keep one faithful, then there is nothing in creation that will. Faithful saints are committed to our blessed holy Redeemer for life. All the trials, heartaches, disappointments, pain and sufferings are nothing compared to the glories that await the faithful of our Christ Jesus. I keep remembering His words, 'your home is now complete beside Me and just wait until you see what I have for you'. Now that is something that really gets my heart pounding.

Oh beloved, just keep holding on to the blessings and what we all have been shown. We all know that times will get harder and we will have more trials of our faith, which is more precious than gold. No matter how difficult it may be to endure at times, it will bring you praise, honor and glory from our King and Savior, Jesus Christ, who is the love of our lives.

May the Lord Jesus greatly bless each of you.

Your Pastor, Buck

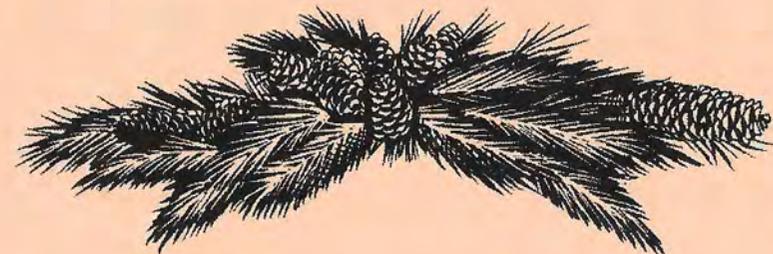
## MESSAGE

**My bride shall ride with Me as the wind. But she shall be holy as I am. And My bride shall have all power that I have. These words have been given to thee in days past. My word has promised unto My people. I am now making thee ready for My coming which shall carry thee with the wings of thy Holy Spirit to Me where I await thee. Ye shall look to me and ye shall come to Me. You shall be perfected. I am working My work today that My body of believers shall be called by My name and be full of My spirit and My power and lacking in nothing for My riches are all in all and I withhold nothing.**

Submitted by Pastor Buck

**Reserve this date for the  
Special  
Annual  
AAJC Family  
Christmas  
Banquet**

**Friday, December 6, 2019**



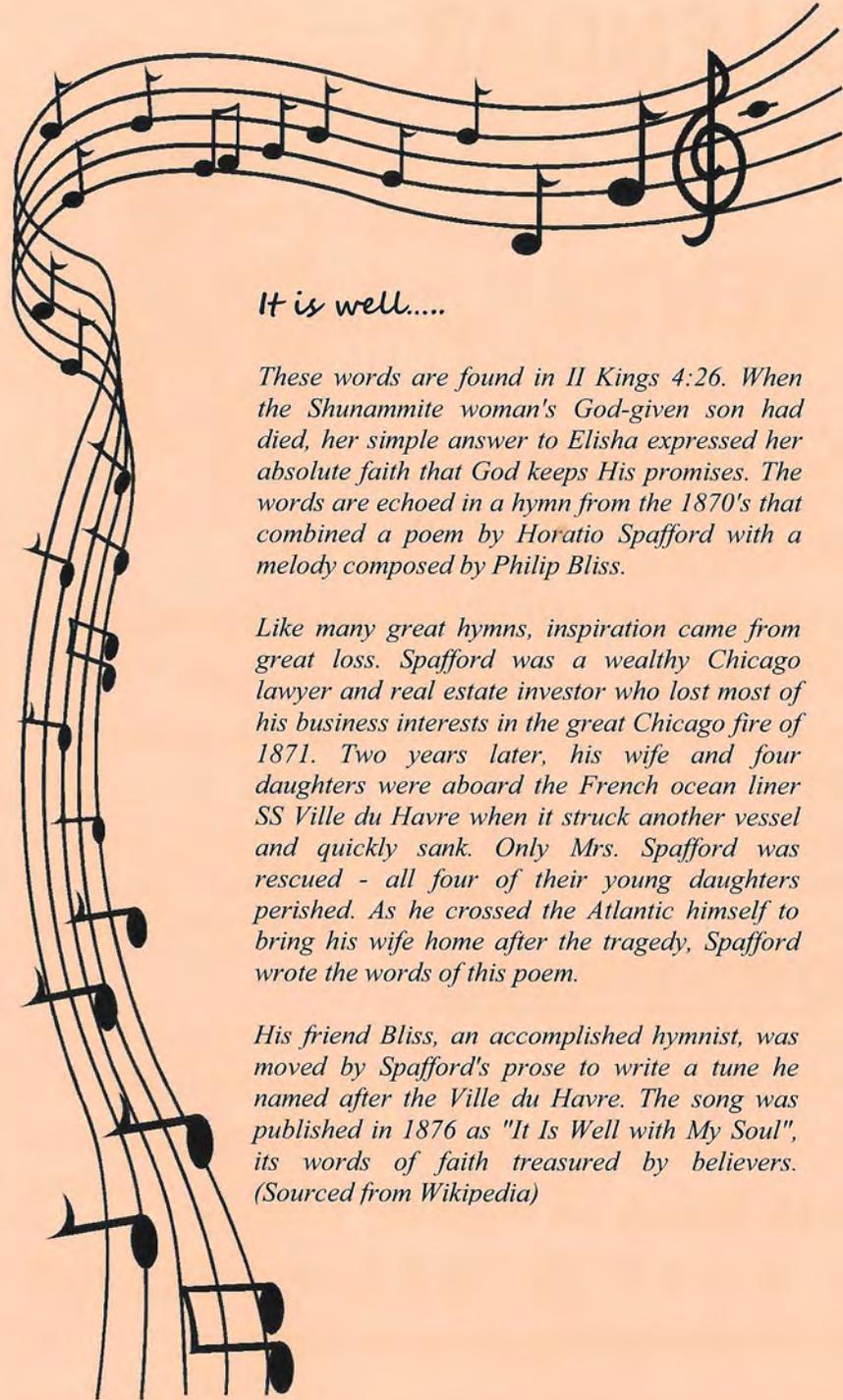


# Puzzle!

Each year, the Israelites had three harvests.  
Find and circle these foods that the people gathered.

almonds	gourds	nuts
apples	grapes	olives
barley	herbs	onions
beans	leeks	pomegranates
cucumbers	lentils	rye
figs	melons	wheat

H A C B R Y E B R V E N  
 G A U A S N O L E M S U  
 R L C R F I G S T A T T  
 A M U L I M B E H A N S  
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 T I S M E S L I T N E L  
 S E V I L O W H E A T H



*It is well....*

*These words are found in II Kings 4:26. When the Shunammite woman's God-given son had died, her simple answer to Elisha expressed her absolute faith that God keeps His promises. The words are echoed in a hymn from the 1870's that combined a poem by Horatio Spafford with a melody composed by Philip Bliss.*

*Like many great hymns, inspiration came from great loss. Spafford was a wealthy Chicago lawyer and real estate investor who lost most of his business interests in the great Chicago fire of 1871. Two years later, his wife and four daughters were aboard the French ocean liner SS Ville du Havre when it struck another vessel and quickly sank. Only Mrs. Spafford was rescued - all four of their young daughters perished. As he crossed the Atlantic himself to bring his wife home after the tragedy, Spafford wrote the words of this poem.*

*His friend Bliss, an accomplished hymnist, was moved by Spafford's prose to write a tune he named after the Ville du Havre. The song was published in 1876 as "It Is Well with My Soul", its words of faith treasured by believers. (Sourced from Wikipedia)*

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS



## OCTOBER 2019

- 12 WEEKEND COFFEE HOUSE  
**S.A.L.T.** (Attend Coffeehouse together)  
 14-19 **Week of Nightly Prayer**



## NOVEMBER 2019

- 3 Daylight Savings Time - Fall Back  
**AAJC THANKSGIVING DINNER**  
 11-16 **Week of Nightly Prayer**  
 16 **S.A.L.T.** (Bon Fire & Dinner @ Jon & Ing's)  
 27 *Thanksgiving Singspiration*



*Congratulations to*  
**Benjamin Reaves & Katelyn Davis**  
 on their wedding engagement!!

Their date is Friday, January 10, 2020  
 6PM at the AAJC church



## Autumn Inspiration

- + "Don't cry because it's over, smile because it happened."  
 Dr. Seuss
- + "Autumn is the mellower season, and what we lose in  
 flowers we more than gain in fruits." Samuel Butler
- + "Everyone must take time to sit and watch the leaves  
 turn." Elizabeth Lawrence
- + "Fall has always been my favorite season. The time when  
 everything bursts with its last beauty, as if nature had been  
 saving up all year for the grand finale."  
 Lauren DeStefano
- + "Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower."  
 Albert Camus
- + "Winter is an etching, spring a watercolor, summer an oil  
 painting and autumn a mosaic of them all."  
 Stanley Horowitz
- + "Autumn, the year's last loveliest smile."  
 William Cullen Bryant

## *Birthdays and Anniversaries*

Special dates for family and friends

### *October*

#### Natural Birthdays

Evan Bergevin – 2  
Dennis Spindler – 6  
Katelyn Davis – 6  
Cadence Wynkoop – 9  
Alana Barton – 25  
Leah Reed – 30



#### Spiritual Birthdays

John Rochette – 5  
Terry Ratliff – 13  
Laurie Marta – 24  
Nancy Bergevin – 26  
Shelly Slade – 28

#### Anniversaries

Randy & Thresea – 8  
Paul & Lynn – 31

### *November*

#### Natural Birthdays

Trevor Westerlin – 3  
Sherry Larson – 9  
Carri Rossini – 14  
Stella Manley – 15  
Jeremiah Bergevin – 24  
Shawn Curry – 24  
Kaelyn Birch – 29  
Benjamin Reaves – 29  
Ava Bahl – 29



#### Spiritual Birthdays

Hap Bergevin – 5  
DeeDee Anderson – 7  
Steven Manley – 10  
Paul Jennings – 11  
Leah Reed – 11  
Emily Manley – 19  
Sherry Larson – 19  
Paul Mettille – 19  
Sophia Rossini – 23  
Inger Deede – 24  
Sue Ashford – 25  
Thresea Grilley – 30