



GRACE HAPPENINGS

A WORD FROM PASTOR STEVE:

Honor Day America took place in Washington DC on July 4, 1970. This excerpt from Billy Graham's message is as pertinent today as it was 50 years ago.

More than 400,000 people attended, while millions watched on television or heard it on the radio in 123 other countries.

Bob Hope, Dinah Shore, Jack Benny, Glen Campbell, The New Christy Minstrels and Teresa Graves were among those who performed that day.

According to liner notes on an album produced after the event, Honor America Day was denounced by the extreme right and the extreme left, but was supported by ordinary Americans, "rich and poor, black and white, Republicans and Democrats, Christians and Jews."

The idea reportedly stemmed from a telephone conversation between Billy Graham and Hobart Lewis, editor-in-chief of the Reader's Digest, with hotel executive J. Willard Marriott later taking over the bulk of organizational work.

Organizers hoped the event would provide an "antidote for the poisons of defeatism, cynicism, and disillusionment that boil[ed] from the wells of America's unsolved problems."

One commentator noted that Dr. Graham's message was a "moving, articulate plea for unity, faith and courage amid the strife of the '70s."

The following is part of Billy Graham's message:
"Pericles built a civilization upon culture and it failed. Caesar built a civilization upon power and it failed. Our forefathers founded the United States upon faith in God, and our country will survive only as it honors God."

"Our nation was built on a foundation of moral law, in which a person's rights were also balanced by a person's responsibilities. Why should I, as a citizen of heaven and a Christian minister, join in honoring any secular state?"



"The Bible says, 'Honor the nation.' As a Christian or a Jew, or as an atheist, we have a responsibility to an America that has always stood for liberty, protection, and opportunity.

"There are many reasons why we honor America today. America has opened her heart and her doors to the distressed and persecuted of the world. America has been the most generous nation in history. We have shared our wealth and our faith with a world in need.

"America has never hidden her problems and faults. With our freedom of the press and open communication system we do not sweep our sins under the rug. America defends the right of her citizens to dissent. Dissent is the hallmark of our priceless freedoms. But when dissent takes violent forms it becomes anarchy."

"We may be a vastly different people today than we were two hundred years ago. Our society is far more complex, more pluralistic. But of this we can be sure. God has not changed and His laws have not changed.

"He is still a God of love and mercy. But He is also a God of righteousness and judgment. Any individual or nation, which ignores His moral and spiritual laws, will ultimately face His judgment."

Building Together

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"and let us consider how to stimulate one another to love and good deeds, not forsaking our own assembling together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another; and all the more, as you see the day drawing near."

Hebrews 10:24-25

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

Wilma Davidson
Jack and Julie Lindsey
John Klock

Carol Sarver
Rita Brewer

CONGRATULATIONS GBC GRADUATES 2020

CHOOSE YOUR *Friends*
WITH CAUTION;
PLAN YOUR *Future*
WITH *purpose &*
Frame YOUR LIFE
WITH *Faith.*

-THOMAS S. MONSON

Sarah Fisher



In high school I studied multiple AP level classes and was very involved in the arts. I was a part of the musical every year and have gotten awards for my art accomplishments. I was also a member of the National Honors Society, Tri M, chorus, and concert choir. I am going to attend York College of PA to study art psychology. I plan to become an art therapist and

help people suffering thru my love of artistic expression.

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Noah finished high school last year through homeschool. He has been taking online college courses.

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Sunday: 9:00 Contemporary Worship
9:30 Kids' Sunday School via Facebook
10:45 Traditional Worship
(also live via Facebook)
6:30 Evening Worship Service /
Against the Flow Youth
Wednesday: 7:00 Bible Study & Prayer for Adults
(also live via Facebook)
Against the Flow Youth

Rev. Steve Warner

Pastor



CHURCH YARD SALE RESCHEDULED

The church yard sale has been rescheduled for Friday, September 11 from 8:00 a.m.

to 3:00 p.m. and Saturday, September 12 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Items will be sold in the gym and pavilion areas, and food and baked goods will also be available for purchase.

Drop offs will resume on Mondays July 20 through August 17 from 9-12 a.m. and 6-8 p.m. Large items, furniture, sports equipment, lawn and garden items, etc. will be accepted and can be dropped off at the garage during these times as well.

Watch for notices and updates in the church bulletin, the church website, and Facebook. Also be prepared to sign up as a volunteer to help with set up, pricing, and working the yard sale as many hands will be needed. More detailed information will be forthcoming.

If there are any questions, please call or speak to one of the committee members including: Brenda Apple, Tina Baker, Lorna Foor, Shelley Grove, Barb Rumsey, Tammy Tyson, or Truda Urey

Bumper Sticker Seen Recently:

"Honk if you love Jesus. Text while driving if you want to meet Him in person."

MAIL OR EMAIL A BIRTHDAY OR ANNIVERSARY CARD TO THE WORKERS GBC SUPPORTS

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