



## CONSCIOUS AND INTENTIONAL MINISTRY: MINISTRY TO ME

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thessalonians 5:23

### THE PASTOR'S PEN June 2, 2024

#### Welcome to the Celebration

Today is National Cancer Survivors Day®.  
Welcome to the celebration!

Thousands of people in hundreds of communities around the world are celebrating life with you today.

On this 37<sup>th</sup> annual Celebration of Life, we come together – as cancer survivors, caregivers, healthcare professionals, family members, and friends – to lift up all people who are living with a history of cancer and to bring attention to the ongoing challenges cancer survivors face.

Today is a day to stand alongside the cancer survivors in our communities and make a commitment to lessening the burden of cancer survivorship. It is a day to advocate for more resources, research, and legislation to improve the quality of life of cancer survivors.

It is also a day to celebrate.

Today, we celebrate the personal milestones, no matter how small. We celebrate the research initiatives, the medical breakthroughs, and the legislative victories. We celebrate the researchers, the advocates, the doctors, the nurses, the caregivers – and the survivors.

Today, we celebrate life. Because cancer survivorship isn't about just being alive. It's about living life as fully as possible. And we believe all cancer survivors deserve a life with less complication and more celebration.

Thank you for joining us as we commemorate National Cancer Survivors Day®

2024. Let the Celebration of Life begin!

#### About National Cancer Survivors Day®

National Cancer Survivors Day® is a cherished annual, worldwide Celebration of Life that is held in hundreds of communities throughout the United States, Canada, and many other participating countries on the first Sunday in June. Cancer survivors, supporters, and healthcare professionals unite in a symbolic worldwide celebration to honor cancer survivors, to bring attention to the ongoing challenges of cancer survivorship, and to celebrate the fact that cancer survivors are living longer, better, and more productive lives than ever before.

The nonprofit National Cancer Survivors Day Foundation offers free guidance, education, and networking assistance to hundreds of hospitals, support groups, and other cancer-related organizations that host official National Cancer Survivors Day® events in their communities. The NCSDF's primary mission is to educate the public on the issues of cancer survivorship in an effort to better the lives of cancer survivors.

#### Who is a cancer survivor?

The National Cancer Survivors Day Foundation defines a survivor as anyone living with a history of cancer – from the moment of diagnosis through the remainder of life. National Cancer Survivors Day® offers your community an opportunity to show that it has a valuable and vital cancer survivor population, as well as to make a commitment to improving the lives of cancer survivors.

For more information on National Cancer Survivors Day®, visit [ncsd.org](http://ncsd.org)

# WORK FOR THE WEEK

## JUNE MEMORY VERSE

<sup>31</sup> What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *can be* against us?  
Romans 8:31

## JUNE MEDITATION QUOTES

"If you see a good fight, get in it."

Dr. Vernon Johns

## TODAY'S STUDY QUESTIONS AND MEDITATION:

Note: Peter is sleeping and the church is praying... \_\_\_\_\_

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Herod never found Peter – Note: when God makes us free, we are free... \_\_\_\_\_

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## FOR THE YOUTH

The devil desires to deceive you and destroy you while you are young? \_\_\_\_\_

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Your power to overcome the devil is in your prayers... \_\_\_\_\_

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# *The Pilgrim Rest Oasis*

*Sharing the Faith · Securing the Future*

Through faith God has given us the space to be an oasis in the middle of the city.

An oasis is a fertile spot in the desert where refuge, relief, and refreshment is found.

Be part of God's plan for Pilgrim Rest and this community.

Start contributing to the Oasis today!  
Let's continue to make progress!



Thank you for your continued support of God's plan for us.



*Your contribution can be dedicated to a specific activity or the Oasis, in general.*

	<b>Educational Enrichment</b>	<b>Technology Literacy</b>	<b>Athletics &amp; Recreation</b>	<b>Performing Arts</b>	<b>Facility Innovation</b>
\$500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>15 Subject books for elementary (math, literature, history, etc.)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 iPad</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 basketballs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 art sets for aspiring artists</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>External security lighting to keep the street well-lit and safe</li> </ul>
\$1,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 Summer Bridge books to help students retain learning during breaks</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 "learn how to code" kits for elementary students</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 tennis rackets</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>4 beginner saxophones or 8 beginner violins</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Camera security system to keep everyone safe</li> </ul>
\$2,500	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9 students can be challenged to excel using interactive problem-solving programs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 computer for graphic design and website creation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>12 sets of golf clubs for children</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10 Play Scripts with performance/licensing fee and cast instructions</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wireless PA system to easily communicate at the school</li> </ul>
\$5,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 smartboard to help teachers engage students in learning</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 STEM lab cart of materials for a classroom with multiple activities</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3-day Speed and Agility workshop for 15 young aspiring track stars</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 pairs of tap shoes for aspiring dancers</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Battery operated floor scrubber to keep the building looking its best</li> </ul>
\$10,000	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1 trip for 15 students to visit 1 HBCU</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>100 Robotic kits to reinforce studies in STEAM subjects</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Open gym for 20 young people 1 X a week throughout the winter in a safe place</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>200 tickets to see Alvin Ailey Dance Company</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>LED light fixtures throughout the school to promote learning and natural light</li> </ul>