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# THE JOY CONNECTION

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### Why The Joy Connection?

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The Joy Connection is based on 1 John 1:3-4. John tells us that our joy is made complete as we connect to each other through God the Father and son Jesus Christ. Our new monthly newsletter is all about connecting us to each other and to Christ. Look to stay connected by reading the newsletter each month and you will experience joy.



### **HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!**

MAY 14TH

Thank you to all of the moms, step-moms, and grandmothers for their hard work, sacrifice, love and nurturing!





## HONORING GRADUATES



It's that time of the year again- graduation season! As a church, we like to honor and celebrate the young adults who will be graduating ( high school, college, post-grad)

If you or your son/daughter will be graduating in May or June of 2023, please let Heather know (Heathermjcog@gmail.com )or drop a note in the church office mailbox) by Sunday, May 21st. We will be honoring all graduates during the June 4th service.

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## **Upcoming Events:**

- Mother's Day— May 14th
- COGS—May 18th
- Men's Breakfast— May 20th
- Memorial Day— May 29th

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## **Celebrate Joy: May**

- 2—Doris Barnhart, Elizabeth Pennell
- 3— Rod & Joyce Hershey, Jim Blough
- 4 Don Anspach, Virginia Vaughn
- 5 Ben May
- 8— Melissa Svensson
- 17— Jacob Erb, Keith Cullen
- 18— Magnolia Cullen
- 22— Tyler & Heather Stark, Markley McNece, Bob & Heather Rutter



- 23—Jay Greider 26—Zach & Taylor Trigg
- 27—Daryl & Jane Groff
- 28—Kobe & Terran Bistline
- 30—Tony & Leslie Bistline

## Missionary Moment

TOMMY & JOANNA KOPP

Please pray for Tommy & Joanna Kopp as they serve the Lord with Proclaim Aviation Ministries in Spokane, WA.



## Camp YoliJwa Update



#### PARENT/CHILD CAMPS FATHER/SON & MOTHER/DAUGHTER

Back on the Camp YoliJwa schedule are two camps designed for children K-2 to come with a parent or significant adult and enjoy a glimpse of a week of Camp! Dates for Mother/Daughter are August 6-7 and Father/Son is August 12-13.

### COUNSEL:

Here's an opportunity to serve the Lord locally. Volunteer for a week as one of 350 persons who serve on YoliJwa's staff. Counselors are needed for every camp week! Applications available at www.campyolijwa.org. Apply today!

### FISHING DERBY: October 15th

Land the Big One! Come enjoy this DGC event and a SUNDAY afternoon of trout fishing in Lake Henrietta. Adult chaperones for children are permitted. Registrations will be available in August.





#### USED BOOK SALE SCHEDULED

Mark Your Calendars! A used book sale is scheduled for Friday, June 2 and Saturday, June 3, 2023. You can help by donating your gently used books for the sale. No encyclopedias or magazines are accepted. You may drop off books in the old foyer just off Henry Street or contact Joyce Hershey and she will be happy to pick them up at your house. Email at rmjhershey@gmail.com or call at 717-341-3884.

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