



## What's Going On.....

**And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb,  
and by the word of their testimony...**

**Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate saith the Lord  
and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you – 2 Corinthians 6:17**

I think some people believe that if you see something on Facebook it must be true. Well like anything else, you must be committed to do your research before you pass it along as fact.

With that said, I saw the following story on Facebook. While the facts seem a little unbelievable, the moral of the story is actually rooted in the word of God. We must be willing to recognize evil and determine in our hearts to stay away from it.

### The Story

A woman had a pet snake that she adored. She would feed it, hold it, play with it and even sleep with it. One day the snake stopped eating. The woman became very concerned and thought that the snake was sick. So, she took her pet snake to the veterinarian. She told the doctor the snake was eating every day and then all of a sudden it would not eat anymore—all it did was sleep all day and night. The woman explained further that she was concerned about this unusual behavior. The doctor asked the woman two things. First, when she woke up at night, was the snake coiled up next to her? Second, was it stretched out the full length of her body very close to her? The woman said yes to both questions and admitted the snake had been doing both a lot lately. The doctor's diagnosis--the snake was not sick but only sizing her up. He is fasting, he said, so he can eat you and is making room to digest you. It is only a matter of time before he attacks you.

The story ends by saying....remember, no matter how comfortable you may think your friendships are in the church or out of the church, unless a person is born again by the spirit of God and washed in the blood of Jesus, you will only be lying to yourself to expect someone not to reveal their true motives. Unless you just want to be somebody's next meal, you need to allow the Lord to place you where He needs you to be and stay there. There is a reason that the Lord said to come out from among them. Do not become somebody's dinner.

Now this is truth.....makes sense to me!

Did you know that August is Boomers Making a Difference Month?  
(Babies born between 1946 – 1964)

All Church Picnic – Sunday, August 27, 2017



After the 11:00 a.m. Service  
JCW Victory Ranch, Northville, MI

### **\*\*Save the Date\*\***



Aug 27, 2017 - All Church Picnic, JCW Victory Ranch  
Sept 23, 2017 - Soldiers of Radiance Walk – Location: TBD  
Oct 29, 2017 - 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Book Club, Room 202  
Nov 4, 2017 - Living On Ministry, Room 304

### **While in Your Prayer Closet**



Remember the following in your prayers:  
The family of Pattie Cook  
Horace Cotton  
Jerome Espy  
Al Geraty  
Kay Hepburn  
Shirley McGinnis

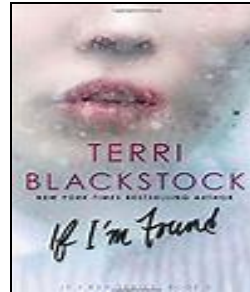
The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much – James 5:16

### **August Birthdays**



Aug 22, 2017 Ardena Patton Soprano

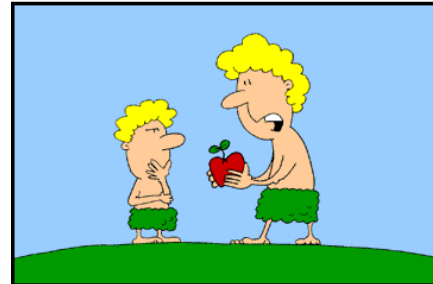
### **Seasoned Saints 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Book Club**



The next Seasoned Saints 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Book Club will be held on Sunday, October 29, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. in room 202. The book is entitled, *If I'm Found*, written by Terri Blackstock. The book can be purchased in the Aspire Bookstore or online. Plan to bring a dish to pass. Hope to see you there!

*Then Our Mouth Was Filled with Laughter ... (Psalm 126:2)*

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(See Genesis 3)  
ELEMENTARY MATHEMATICS CAIN, IF YOU  
HAVE NO APPLES AND I GIVE YOU AN  
APPLE THEN YOU HAVE ONE APPLE ... IF  
EVE GIVES IT TO YOU THEN YOU END UP  
WITH NOTHING