

Your Second Chance

Suffer little children, and forbid them not, to come unto me; for of such is the kingdom of heaven. Matthew 19:14.

A childless neighbor said, "Children are such a comfort in your old age."

"Yes, and they help you reach it faster," replied the fatigued, nerve-tattered mother.

But a child is your second chance. Moreover, a child teaches the parent — including how much patience you have. Also he teaches you that he's an individual and that you can abandon all cut and dried theories on rearing children. John Wilmont (1647-1680) said, "I had six theories about bringing up children; now I have six children and no theories."

Jesus put a child in the midst. What He did is an apt example for parents — keep them in your midst as much as you can. Give them plenty of love. And the chances are the only bad luck you will ever have with them is *they will grow up.*

Send Them To Bed With A Kiss

- Author Unknown -

*O mothers, so fatigued, discouraged, worn out with the cares of the day,
You often grow tired and impatient, weary of the noise and the play;
For the day brings so many vexations, so many things going amiss,
But mothers, whatever may vex you, send the children to bed with a kiss.*

*For some day their noise will not vex you, the silence will hurt you far more,
You will long for their sweet childish voices, for a sweet childish face at the door;
And to press a child's face to your bosom, you'd give all the world for just this,
For the comfort 'twill bring you in sorrow, send the children to bed with a kiss.*

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In Memory on Mother's Day

It will be 10 years this September since you departed this earth. As the years go by, we further realize your impact on our lives. Your heart was golden, you lived your life without pretense or hidden agendas, and, above all, family came first. You will not be forgotten.

Jackie, Fred, Greg, Melissa, and Amy

(Requested by Fred Ferrell)

Mother...

*Her children rise up and
call her blessed...*

Proverbs 31:28



*Happy
Mother's
Day!*

We shape tomorrow's world by what we teach our children today.

News & Notes

SYMPATHY: To Arlen Webb at the passing of his sister, Marjorie Carrow in Caldwell, Idaho. May God comfort and bless Arlen.

CARE & SHARE BEARS: Each Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. Join the ladies in making stuffed bears for children.

BABY SHOWER: For Renee Miller, Saturday, May 16th, 2:00 p.m. at the Fellowship Building. All the ladies are invited. R.S.V.P., Marilyn Miller at 304-387-2319.

PANTRY: Pancake mix & syrup.

REMEMBER & ENCOURAGE: All of our sick and shut-ins.

THOSE WITH HEALTH CONCERNS: Magee Women's Hospital, Pittsburgh: Docie Moore. In Cleveland: Dan (Rehab) & Sharon Williams. At Home: Tim Adkins, Jack Board, Mary Nelson, Bob Cyphers, Bette Gentry, Crystal Baker, Randy Beagle, Betty Carlin, Ruth Brewer, Harry & Imogene Nice. Remember others confined to their homes and in nursing homes. Check the bulletin board.

A CHURCH GARDEN

Plant rows of peas:

Preparedness, Promptness, Perseverance,
Politeness and Prayer.

Plant rows of turnips:

Turn up for Bible study and worship,
Turn up with your Bible, Turn up with a
smile, Turnip up with a visitor.

Plant rows of lettuce:

Let us truly worship God, Let us be faithful,
Let us love one another, Let us welcome
visitors.

Plant rows of squash:

Squash indifference, Squash criticism,
Squash gossip.



Pray for America!

*Thy love divine hath led us in the past;
In this free land by Thee our lot is cast;
Be Thou our ruler, guardian, guide and stay,
Thy word our law, Thy path our chosen way.*

- Daniel C. Roberts, God of Our Fathers -

