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A Singular Focus

When we try to focus on too many things at once, sometimes we end up doing nothing well. During a visit to their house (see Luke 10:38-42), Jesus tells Martha that only one thing is needed and that Mary has chosen rightly. Surely Jesus doesn't mean that quiet devotion is needed while serving others is not. But when we let ourselves get "worried and distracted by many things," we may lose sight of the one crucial thing: love.

St. Francis is credited with the following quote: "God came to my house and asked for charity. And I fell on my knees and cried, 'Beloved, what may I give?' 'Just love,' God said. 'Just love.'"

And in Galatians 5:6 (NRSV), St. Paul writes, "For in Christ Jesus ... the only thing that counts is faith working through love." Amid all the worthy pursuits that fill your days, remember to choose rightly – by choosing love.



Learning from Autumn Leaves

Every fall, I marvel at the beautiful leaves, studying the intricate shapes and God's creative, colorful displays. Despite its deterioration, the foliage reveals splendor – mere months after bursting out in spring and providing summer shade.

I often think I'm like an autumn leaf. Through many seasons, God has transformed me from a self-absorbed person to one who trusts his steadfast promises. Winter is approaching for me too. Yet the Holy Spirit keeps molding me to reflect God's goodness and beauty. During the autumn of my life, I pray that God helps me embrace changing seasons while reflecting his love and light to all.

—MaryAnn Sundby

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YOUNG PEOPLE'S DIVISION

ANNUAL DAY

SUNDAY AUGUST 23, 2020

THEME: GOD'S POWER, 2CHRONICLES 7:14



We are living in a time where the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) has affected our daily lives, how we shop for our groceries, employment, virtual learning, wearing masks, gloves. Most of all, how we worship. Either it's over the telephone, YouTube or Zoom. Thanks be to God we are living in age of technology! Our WMS/YPD Annual Day was awesome. We thank Pastor Langston, our President, Sis. Liz Smithay, YPD Director, Erika Tarver, our speakers, program participants, Rev. Paul Ball and Sis. Tijuana Mayo, Bro. Rodney Coleman and the Music Ministry and the Media Ministry, especially Bro. Chris Childs and all others involved.



Rev. Latia Suite of Union Bethel AME, Randallstown who serves as minister to youth and young adults was our 9:30 speaker. Her message title was "His Power, Our Process." 2nd Chronicles 7:13-14. Rev. Suite spoke on the Process of Growth, The Process of Seeking God and Glow Up is Real. Go, Glow, Grow. There is power in the name of Jesus.



Rev. Benonia Thomas, of Mt. Pisgah AME, who serves on the ministerial staff was our 11:00 am speaker. Rev. Thomas brought words of encouragement with the message title "The Church Has Left the Building, So Keep Up the Good Work." She reminded us that we all want to be acknowledged for what we do and the recognized for our effort to be affirmed, we all want to do good meaningful and beneficial ministry. We all thrive on approval to hear good job or well done gives us a since of worth. She also reminded us that in the last six months we have dealt with George Floyd, COVID 19, virtual learning, self-quarantine, social distancing, and face masks. In this time of darkness we need affirmation.

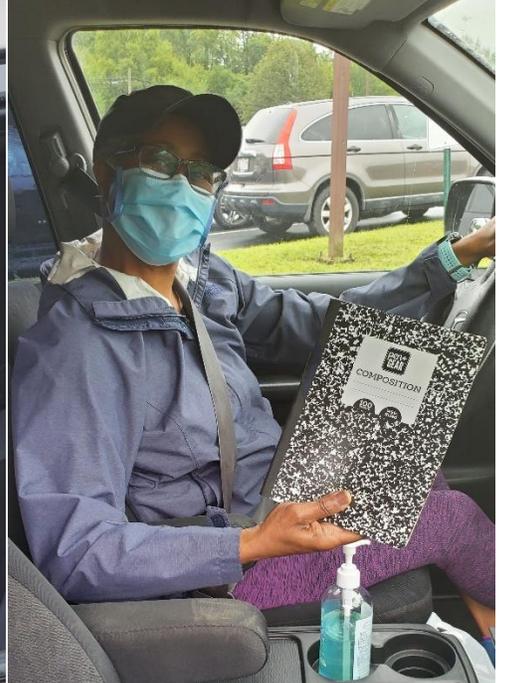
(To watch this message in its' entirety):

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Axl3vfCLhzU&feature=youtu.be>



"SWANSFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE HELD ON AUGUST 29TH"
THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY SWANSFIELD ELEMENTARY SCHOOL THANKS YOU
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October Birthdays

10/2	Octavia Dukes	10/15	Shonda Hampton
10/2	John Peoples	10/16	Randolph Brooks
10/2	Twili Harris	10/19	Rev. Collin Figueroa
10/4	Rosalie Whitehead	10/20	Tiffany Ward
10/5	Vaughn Bradley	10/20	Marcus B. Sills
10/5	Chinyere Achuko	10/21	Deborah Morrison
10/6	Ralph Compas	10/21	Jaiyele Hampton
10/7	Charlotte Jackson	10/24	Michele Cornelius
10/7	Tamala Reid	10/24	Syrta Robbins
10/8	Althea Bates	10/24	Alexandra Ethridge
10/8	Audrey Simmons	10/25	Jeanne Owings
10/10	Kathy Ball	10/25	Sharion Collins
10/11	Joshua Bradford	10/25	James Tarver
10/12	Darryn Vanterpool	10/29	Dona Vanterpool
10/12	Daryle Vanterpool	10/29	Isabella Gray
10/13	Arthur Harris, V	10/30	Mary Bevely-Goodwin
10/13	Ezra Harris	10/30	Theresa Thomas
10/15	Tina Cornelius		

ANNIVERSARIES

10/6	Careese Warren	10/19	Theo & Shannon Williams
10/9	Marc & Gale Fleming	10/22	Jay & Lisa Ethridge
10/9	Herbert & Nicole Jackson	10/28	Sean & Tangela Kirkpatrick
10/15	Louis & Sophia Alston	10/28	Joe & Melanie Walker

Howard County Library Highlights

Outdoor Art @ your library



[HCLS Central Branch](#) features a new Howard County Arts Council ARTsites installation, [Mosegaard](#) by Karl Saar. ARTsites places art in public spaces across Howard County to create new visual landmarks and increase community access to the arts. Saar's sculpture is made of fabricated steel and found objects, with a natural rust and penetrol finish. It stands approximately 7' tall.

Learn more about ARTsites [here](#), and check it out during your next contactless pickup appointment at Central.

And speaking of art, do you need new art for your walls? Browse our [art education collection](#) online then reserve a piece or two to pick up via contactless pickup.

The Longest (Virtual) Table October 17



Sat, Oct 17
5:30-8 pm
with guest
Daryl Davis

5:30-6: special artist feature



How do we talk to, instead of at, one another to affect change? How do we work individually and collectively for structural change?

This year's Longest (Virtual) Table features [Daryl Davis](#) who shares his story of transformative conversations, followed by breakout rooms for facilitated small group discussions. Davis is an inspirational legendary Blues musician and author who convinced members of the Ku Klux Klan to leave the organization, through intimate conversations and building relationships.

Free tickets, dinner options, and additional details at 2020longestvirtualltable.eventbrite.com.

HiJinx Podcast: Equity in Action



In this episode, we speak with TiQuoria Jackson and Alicia Whye, the two youth activists leading the NAACP's local We Are Done Dying campaign. We also talk to Jonathon McKinney, the Mid-Atlantic Field Director, and Trovon Williams, Vice President of Marketing and Communications for the Virtual March on Washington, their current initiatives, and how they are mobilizing on voter education and access to elections this Fall. [Listen](#).



Voter Education @ your library

Learn more about this year's election, how to vote, important dates, ballot questions and summaries, and more on our new Voter Education [web page](#).

Learning from Home Resources



Howard County Library System offers numerous learn from home resources for students and parents:

- [Elementary school students](#)
- Middle school students: [web page](#) and [new video tutorial](#)
- High school students: [web page](#) and [new video tutorial](#)
- [Parents](#)
 - **Power Up with Online Safety (for elementary school students):** Denise DeRosa, Founder and CEO of [Cyber Sensible](#), discusses what makes a strong password, how to know what games are appropriate and what to do if someone you don't know tries to make a connection online. Register for this October 7 session [here](#).
 - **Be a Smart User of Smart Technology (for middle and high school students):** Denise DeRosa discusses what it means to be a good digital citizen, how to develop a positive online reputation, how to employ the safety and privacy settings available, maintain a healthy tech diet, avoid online dangers, tech etiquette, and ways to capitalize on the opportunities tech provides. Register for this October 14 session [here](#).
- PLUS: [HiJinx podcast episode: School Readiness](#) and [book recommendations for back to school](#)

Reminders:

- Howard County Public School System students can use their A+ Student Accounts, via hcpss.me, to access books, other materials, and eContent.
 - HCPSS is providing Chromebooks to students and assisting families with internet access. [Read more](#).
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