

**KISSINGER'S CHURCH**  
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# **Kissinger's Caller**

## **Calling all people to Jesus Christ**

### **Take Goliath Down**

*by Max Lucado*

Goliaths still roam our world. Debt. Disaster. Dialysis. Danger. Deceit. Disease. Depression. Super-sized challenges still swagger and strut, still pilfer sleep and embezzle peace and liposuction joy. But they can't dominate you. You know how to deal with them. You face giants by facing God first.

*Focus on giants—you stumble.  
Focus on God—your giants tumble.*

You know what David knew, and you do what David did. You pick up five stones, and you make five decisions. Ever wonder why David took five stones into battle? Why not two or twenty? Rereading his story reveals five answers. Use your five fingers to remind you of the five stones you need to face down your Goliath. Let your thumb remind you of ...

#### **1. THE STONE OF THE PAST**

Goliath jogged David's memory. Elah was a déjà vu. While everyone else quivered, David remembered. God had given him strength to wrestle a lion and strongarm a bear. Wouldn't he do the same with the giant? A good memory makes heroes.

"Remember His marvelous works which He has done" (1 Chronicles 16:12). Catalog God's successes.

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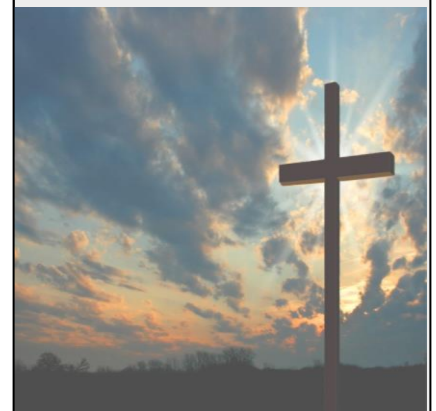
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Keep a list of his world records. Has he not walked you through high waters? Proven to be faithful? Have you not known his provision? How many nights have you gone to bed hungry? Mornings awakened in the cold? He has made roadkill out of your enemies. Write today's worries in sand. Chisel yesterday's victories in stone. Pick up the stone of the past. Then select ...



going to defame his Lord. David fought so that "all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel. Then all this assembly shall know that the Lord does not save with sword and spear; for the battle is the Lord's" (1 Sam. 17:46-47). David saw Goliath as a chance for God to show off! Did David know he would exit the battle alive? No. But he was willing to give his life for the reputation of God.

What if you saw your giant in the same manner? Rather than begrudge him, welcome him. Your cancer is God's chance to flex his healing muscles. Your sin is God's opportunity to showcase grace. Your struggling marriage can billboard God's power. See your struggle as God's canvas. On it he will paint his multicolored supremacy. Announce God's name and then reach for ...

#### **4. THE STONE OF PASSION**

David ran, not away from, but toward his giant. On one side of the battlefield, Saul and his cowardly army gulped. On the other, Goliath and his skull-splitters scoffed. In the middle, the shepherd boy ran on his spindly legs. Who bet on David? Who put money on the kid from Bethlehem? Not the Philistines. Not the Hebrews. Not David's siblings or David's king. But God did.

And since God did, and since David knew God did, the skinny runt became a blur of pumping knees and a



#### **2. THE STONE OF PRAYER**

Note the valley between your thumb and finger. To pass from one to the next you must go through it. Let it remind you of David's descent. Before going high, David went low; before ascending to fight, David descended to prepare. Don't face your giant without first doing the same. Dedicate time to prayer. Paul, the apostle, wrote, "Prayer is essential in this ongoing warfare. Pray hard and long" (Eph. 6:18 MSG).

Prayer spawned David's successes. His Brook Besor wisdom grew out of the moment he "strengthened himself in the Lord his God" (1 Sam. 30:6). When Saul's soldiers tried to capture him, David turned toward God: "You have been my defense and refuge in the day of my trouble" (Ps. 59:16). Invite God's help. Pick up the stone of prayer. And don't neglect ...

#### **3. THE STONE OF PRIORITY**

Let your tallest finger remind you of your highest priority: God's reputation. David jealously guarded it. No one was

swirling sling. He ran toward his giant. Do the same!

Let your ring finger remind you to take up the stone of passion. One more stone, and finger, remains:

## 5. THE STONE OF PERSISTENCE

David didn't think one rock would do. He knew Goliath had four behemoth relatives. For all David knew, they'd come running over the hill to defend their kin. David was ready to empty the chamber if that's what it took.

Imitate him. Never give up. One prayer might not be enough. One apology might not do it. One day or month of resolve might not suffice. You may get knocked down a time or two ... but don't quit. Keep loading the rocks. Keep swinging the sling.

David took five stones. He made five decisions. Do likewise. Past. Prayer. Priority. Passion. And persistence.

Next time Goliath wakes you up, reach for a stone. Odds are, he'll be out of the room before you can load your sling.

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## The Faces of Kissinger's

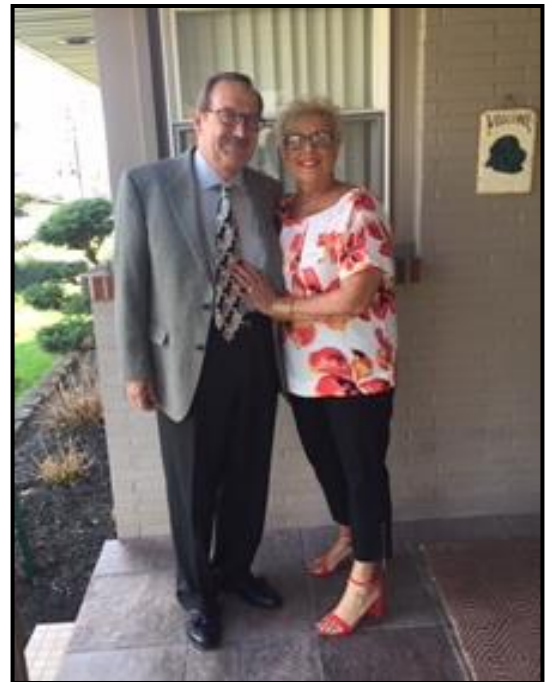
*We continue our column featuring members of Kissinger's.  
Each month a different member(s) will be featured.*

My name is John Lindemuth and I am currently the Vice President of Church Council. My wife, Shirley and I are members at Kissinger's for about three years. We had belonged to Holy Spirit Lutheran Church for years but had strayed away for many reasons. Then one day, one of Shirley's customers was telling her about Pastor Dave. She attended a concert at which he was singing. We decided to go to Kissinger's Church and see for ourselves. That Sunday we ended our search for search for another church. We were so impressed with Pastor Dave and his family. The warmth and love in the church was overwhelming. We are so blessed to be part of the Kissinger family.

I have a stepson named Troy and a granddaughter Morgan. Morgan currently attends Villanova. I had a daughter Natalie who passed away when she was 10 months old, after a heart operation.

Through all the ups and downs ion our lives, one thing for sure is that the Lord is always there to see us though.

We are so blessed,  
John Lindemuth



John & Shirley Lindemuth.



## Bible Study Opportunities at Kissinger's Church

### Wednesdays at 1:00pm

The Pastor's Bible study focuses on the scripture passages from the Sunday Services.

### Saturdays 10:30am

This Study is held at the home of Barbara Adams.

### The First & Third Tuesdays at 6:30pm.

(The Study begins on September 3.)

6:30pm they gather for some light refreshment. The study begins at 7:00pm.

## In the Mailbox...



Dear Friends at Kissinger's,

We thank you very much for honoring Pastor Horn with your care, support and presence. God's continued blessings and always.

The Family of Pastor Walter Horn



## Memorial Gifts

Gifts in Memory of Rev. Walton Horn were received from:

Janet & Robert Kehrli

Donna Auman & Valerie Quell

Helen & Bud Ray

## A Note from the Office

The church office will be closed on **Friday, October 18**. Please have any materials for that weekend's bulletin and announcements into the office by Monday morning of that week. Thank you.

*When I stand before God at the end of my life, I would hope that I would not have a single bit of talent left and could say, "I used everything you gave me".*

*—Erma Bombeck*

## New Mission Statement for Kissinger's

At the October Church Council meeting, the Growth and Development Committee proposed a new Mission Statement for the congregation.

What is a Mission Statement? It is a statement that explains why the organization exists and what the congregation values. The Mission Statement was adopted and is as follows:

### **KISSINGER'S CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT**

*Where the Bible comes alive through worship, prayer,  
study and fellowship while serving others  
with love and respect.*



## Recipe of the Month: *Pumpkin Walnut Bars*

### Ingredients

1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour  
1/3 cup sugar  
1/3 cup packed brown sugar  
1 cup cold butter, cubed  
1 cup chopped walnuts  
2 large eggs, lightly beaten

1 can (15 ounces) solid-pack pumpkin  
1 can (14 ounces) sweetened  
condensed milk  
1 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/2 teaspoon salt  
1/2 teaspoon ground allspice  
Sweetened whipped cream, optional

### Directions

- Preheat oven to 350°. Mix flour, sugar and brown sugar; cut in butter until crumbly. Stir in walnuts. Reserve 1 cup mixture for topping; press remaining mixture onto bottom and halfway up sides of a 13x9-in. baking dish.
- In a large bowl, beat remaining ingredients just until smooth. Pour into crust; sprinkle with reserved topping.
- Bake until golden brown, 50-55 minutes. Cool slightly on a wire rack. Serve warm or refrigerate and serve cold. If desired, dust with confectioners' sugar. Refrigerate leftovers.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

*We Have a Class  
for You!*

**Sundays at 9:00 AM**

- ◇ Dave Kauffman is teaching the “Gospel of Luke”
- ◇ Bryan Seyler continues the “Study on Angels”.
- ◇ Pauline Seyler will be teaching classes for children ages 5 through 12.

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## CHIPMUNK NEWS

Friends,

The Apostle Paul says in Romans 12:2, “*Don’t copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God **transform** you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God’s will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.*”

The Greek word for transform is, “metamorphoó”, which is where we get the word, “metamorphosis”.

A good friend of mine has been raising butterflies – yes, butterflies! Have you ever tried this at home or school? The way a caterpillar transforms into a butterfly (metamorphosis) is a great illustration of our own spiritual transformation.

The caterpillar or larva starts in the feeding phase. It eats the leaves for nourishment just as we are nourished by the word of God. (Matthew 4:4)

At the chrysalis or pupa stage, the caterpillar appears lifeless. Jesus’ lifeless body was taken down off the cross and placed in a tomb. A believer’s chrysalis stage is when we die to sin. (Romans 6:1-2)

Then, the caterpillar emerges from its cocoon, transformed into a completely new creature. Similarly, we who recognize our sin, confess it, receive God’s forgiveness, and accept Jesus Christ as our Savior and Lord are transformed into new life in Him.

*“If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.”* – 2 Corinthians 5:17

So, let’s not choose to spend our lives crawling in sin, let’s spread our wings into their full, beautiful God given glory. It’s time to fly!



Blessings,  
Pastor Dave

# KISSINGER'S GOSPEL CONCERT & SING-ALONG

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**FEATURING**

**DAVE REINWALD**



*Saturday,  
October 12  
1-4 PM*

**715 Berkshire Blvd, Wyomissing, PA 19610**

Please join us for this special event!  
A Free-Will offering will be received.  
There will be light refreshments afterward.

**Donations of pastries (finger foods) are needed. Items such as cookies, small pastries, bar cookies, etc....**

There is a sign-up sheet at the kitchen window. (You may also call the office to add your name to the sign-up sheet.)

# Upcoming EVENTS

*All are welcome!*



## **Paolo's: Listen, Learn, Lunch**

**Thursday, October 3** at 11:00am at  
Paolo's Restaurant (Shillington).  
Guest Speaker: The Quilt Lady. RSVP  
to Andee Swoyer



Friday, **October 25** at 7:00pm  
Join us for fun & fellowship while we  
view an inspirational film.  
Please bring a snack or beverage to  
share and **a friend!**



## **Gospel Concert & Sing-a-Long**

**Saturday, October 12**  
from 1-4:00pm

(See details on previous page.)



## **Fellowship Luncheon Sunday, October 13**

Join us for our monthly Fellowship lunch  
on. Sign up at the kitchen window to  
bring a potluck dish.

## **Mark Your Calendar!**



Save the date!  
Kissinger's Christmas Concert will  
be Saturday, **December 14.**



*The two most important days in your  
life are the day you are born and the  
day you find out why.*  
—Mark Twain