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Sleepless Nights



Dr. L. R. Sarborough the first professor of evangelism at Southwestern Seminary tells the following story. It happened in the country in the home of a deacon. Three children had been born to a family, two of them boys who had come to the years of accountability. A preacher who was holding a meeting in the country church was stopping in this home.

One afternoon, when the fires of evangelism had been burning, the mother in this home said to the preacher, "Why are not my boys saved? The children of other homes are being converted by the score. My boys are interested, but I see no tears; I see no evidences of conviction. Tell me why."

The preacher said,

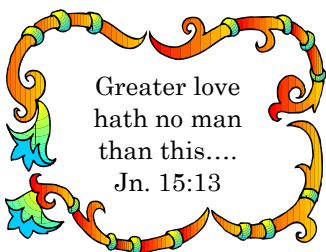
"Can you stand a little plain talk?" The mother said, "I can," and the preacher said, "Your boys are dry-eyed and unconcerned because their mother is. Did you ever take either of them aside and talk with him about his salvation? The mother answered, "Never." Have you spent sleepless nights weeping over their lost condition? The mother sobbing, said, "Never". Then the preacher said, "The boys are unsaved because their mother has no burden for them!"

That night was a momentous night in that home. The next morning, at the breakfast table, with a sad and tearful face, the mother refused to eat, saying, "All night long, I walked the floor and

prayed for my boys. My boys are on my heart and I cannot live unless they are saved!" Both boys that very day were born-again into God's family. The boys said, "Mother, we heard you when you prayed for us last night, and we are saved now in answer to your prayers!"

Most mothers will spend countless sleepless nights by the time their children are grown and gone. Usually it will be over earthly concerns and not eternal. The scriptures are clear that after death comes the judgment. A child not ready is worth losing sleep.

Pastor Ricky





those who sacrificed their lives for their nation, from the Revolutionary War to the present. May 30th every year was celebrated as the Memorial Day until 1971. Later, the federal government issued the orders of holding the Memorial Day on the last Monday of May.

The concept of the National Moment of Remembrance was hatched by a national humanitarian organizations known as the 'No Greater Love, based in Washington, D.C. It was introduced in 1997 and is recognized by the President and Members of Congress. Since then, 'Taps' is at 3 p.m. throughout America to honor the contributions of our dead soldiers. All Americans are encouraged to pay respect to them by keeping silent for one minute in their memory at 3:00 p.m

People used to honor the graves of the war dead even before the Civil War, the National Memorial Day holiday, originally known as 'Decoration Day' was first observed on May 30, 1868.

The concept originated in the mind of General John Alexander Logan, who dedicated this day to decorate the graves of the American Civil War dead. Later, it encompassed all

River View Student Ministries

Hello All, In these trying economic times we are striving to allow each one of our students an opportunity to attend summer camp. Throughout this past spring we have had different fundraisers to help raise some extra money for our students. We have 2 more fundraisers left!

1). Car Wash which starts up on Saturday, April 30th at 10:00 A.M. and last till 2:00 P.M. This is your chance to get all of that yellow junk, also called pollen, off of your beautiful shiny automobile. It is a free car wash, we only accept donations. Don't miss out on this free deal of the week!

2). Fatz Café is presenting a Pancake breakfast on behalf of Our Church's Student Ministries, to help raise money for camp this summer. All proceeds will go to the students in order to pay the rest of their way to camp. Admission is \$8 at the door or you can pre-order your ticket by seeing one of the students. Fatz Café sure knows how to cook up some good food, and with the help of our youth I am pretty certain May 21st breakfast will be amazing. Come on out and support not just us but also the community. I hope to see you there!

River View Baptist Student Ministries **Fatz Café's Pancake Breakfast** **Fundraiser for Youth Camp**

Fatz Café
1430 East Main Street
Lincolnton, NC 28092

Saturday, May 21st
8:00 am—10:30 am



Revival May 15-18

Sunday 11:00 AM- 6:00 PM

Monday—Wednesday
7:00 PM

Dr. Alan Cox, Speaker

Make plans for a time of spiritual
Refreshing

Concert by Men Of Praise Quartet

A singing Concert by the Men of Praise Quartet will take place on May 29th at 6:00 PM.

A Church Fellowship will follow in the Fellowship Hall at 7:00 PM.

Everyone is invited to attend.



Engraved Bricks Added To The Walkway

Thirteen engraved bricks have been added to the walkway in the Prayer Garden. Plain bricks were removed from the walkway and the engraved bricks have been installed by Hubert Lambert and Bob Goode.



Thank you Hubert and Bob for a job well done! We also thank those who purchased the engraved bricks.

It's wonderful to see the Garden being used by our church family.

Short Story For Mother's Day

A man stopped at a flower shop to order some flowers to be wired to his mother who lived two hundred miles away.

As he got out of his car he noticed a young girl sitting on the curb sobbing. He asked her what was wrong and she replied, "I wanted to buy a red rose for my mother. But I only have seventy-five cents, and a rose costs two

dollars." The man smiled and said, "Come on in with me. I'll buy you a rose. He bought the little girl her rose and ordered his own mother's flowers. As they were leaving he offered the girl a ride home. She said, "Yes, please! You can take me to my mother." She directed him to a cemetery, where she placed the rose on a freshly dug grave.

The man returned to the flower shop, canceled the wire order, picked up a bouquet and drove the two hundred miles to his mother's house.

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We're on the Web!
www.riverviewbaptistchurchonline.org

We are a conservative Baptist church committed to serving God and the needs of you and your family. Wherever you may be on your spiritual path, at Riverview View Baptist Church you will find a supportive community with a wealth of opportunities for personal growth.

We aspire to strengthen each person's confidence and joy in Jesus Christ-at every point in their life, and encourage personal and spiritual growth through prayer, Bible study and active service in our church and community.

We invite you to come and worship with us and allow God to work in and through your life by leading where He would have you to serve.



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