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NO REST FOR THE WEARY

You have likely heard or used this phrase before. It is a variant of the phrase found twice in the book of Isaiah which states that "there is no rest for the wicked." (Isaiah 48:22, 57:21)

Many of you know that recently I was lovingly provided a sabbatical by the SACA Executive Board. Along with some directed study, weekly involvement in a group discussion, specific books to read, and targeted time with family, one of the goals of this period was to get some rest. Rest is something many of us struggle to achieve. With so many ways to connect to people in our digital world, it is quite rare to be truly "unplugged" from the daily struggles of work or the ever-mounting concerns of life. It seems that we rarely take time to rest and "recharge the batteries."

What does rest look like for you? Whether your down time means fishing on the lake or a day at the beach... a cookout with family or enjoying a sporting event with friends... consider what you really need the most - real, rejuvenating rest. No matter how many naps you might catch in the backyard hammock, the kind of rest that reaches to the soul is found only in a right relationship with God. Only when we experience

October is Pastor Appreciation Month

What Is Pastor Appreciation Month?

In 1994, Focus on the Family, a global Christian organization, named October Pastor Appreciation Month to promote a specific time of the year when members of the church could financially support their ministry. It is also called the Clergy Appreciation Day and the Clergy Appreciation Month. While the entire month is special, the second Sunday of October is celebrated specifically. In 2025 Pastor Appreciate Sunday is October 12th. Take time to recognize the hard work and sacrifice of your pastor by :

CHRISTMAS IN OCTOBER

It's that time of year again to support and uplift our missionaries — active and retired — whose lives and ministry pour out in Jesus' name. Inspired by the heart of 2 Corinthians 8:9, this fundraiser allows your church to give them and our ministry partners a special Christmas gift through financial donations collected in October. This year's card features a short story of how Kenyan pastors used CIO funds last year to purchase Bibles for their churches.

For fundraising ideas, click [here](#) to be redirected to the ACGC site.

2 Corinthians 8:9

For you know the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, that though he was rich, yet for your sake he became poor, so that you by his poverty might become rich.

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Save the Date!

2026 TRIENNIAL CONVENTION

AUGUST 17-21, 2026

RIDGECREST CONFERENCE CENTER
BLACK MOUNTAIN, NORTH CAROLINA

JOIN US FOR DENOMINATIONAL BUSINESS MEETINGS, PRACTICAL
BREAKOUT SESSIONS, MEANINGFUL WORSHIP AND FELLOWSHIP.



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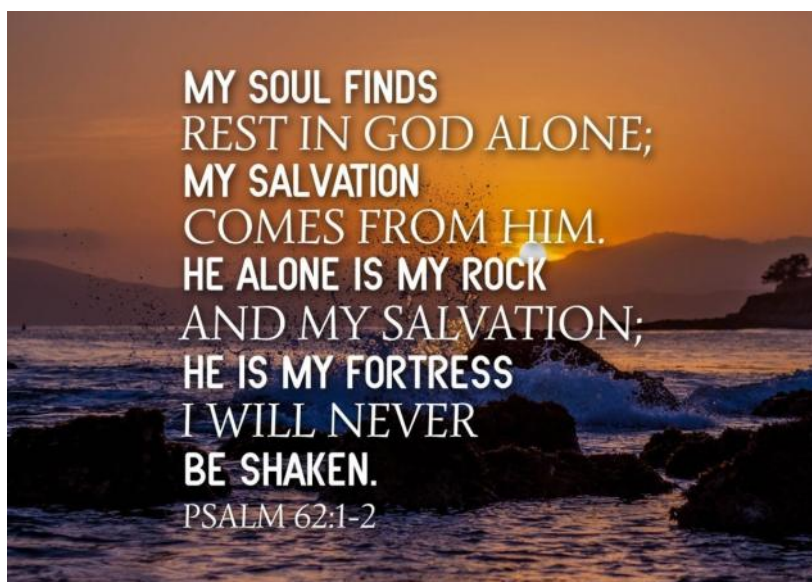
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the harmony of our lives being in sync with the Holy Spirit can we know the peace that can exist in the face of the turmoil and pressing demands of this life.

What steps are you taking as a family to devote yourselves to worship and growing in your commitment to the Lord? Jesus offers a kind of rest the world can't give when he said, *"Come to me all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light."* (Matthew 11:28-30) King David wrote, *"Truly my soul finds rest in God; my salvation comes from him. ² Truly he is my rock and my salvation; he is my fortress, I will never be shaken."* (Psalm 62:1-2)

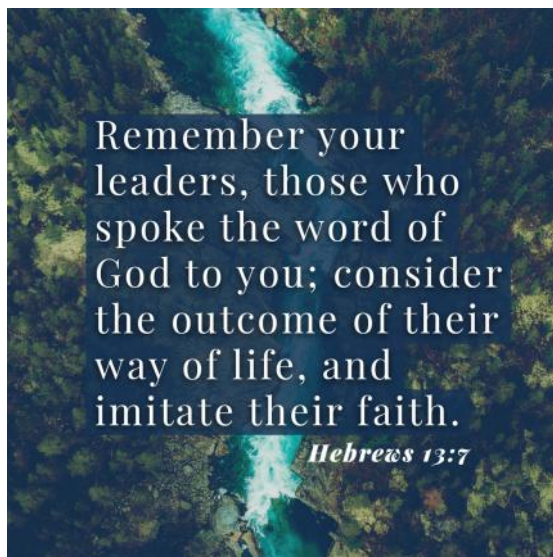
Find new strength along your weary way - make a commitment to serve Christ first and "you will find rest for your souls."

Rev. Joe Pritchett



Pastor Appreciation continued . . .

1. Write meaningful cards and messages
2. Have children make "thank you" art projects and gifts
3. Hold a text event
4. Surprise the pastors with a family trip
5. Add a gift tree
6. Give them a day off
7. Home repair projects
9. Create a video
10. Help them minister to the community



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Coming Events...

October

Christmas In October

October

Pastor Appreciation Month

October 26

BICS Sunday

Philippians 1:4-6

⁴ In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray with joy ⁵ because of your partnership in the gospel from the first day until now, ⁶ being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.