Newsletter

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This month's Newsletter has a mixture of items that provide opportunity for your thought, especially in care.

Growing old faithfully

Bro John Quill gives some ideas on the way older brothers and sisters can still care for people around them - their families and ecclesial members. At a time of life when many feel that they are less able to contribute to the well-being of others, we are reminded that there are many things we can do as an important part of our service to God and that will help care for those around us. They may be different to what we might have done in the past, but they can nevertheless make a worthwhile contribution. John writes:

"How will people remember us?

"If we are faithful, kind, just, loving, understanding, patient, if we have lived good lives, if we have made our peace with those we might have offended, if we are remembered not as perfect, but as someone who was willing to admit mistakes, a person willing to try to put things right, to seek reconciliation and forgiveness, in other words to live out the atoning work of Christ in our lives, then we will have done a great service through our example. ..." Read more...

https://www.adelphicare.org/documents/079-faithfully.pdf

Partnering with Jesus and the Father by the Spirit: Part 2 - Awakening to the Spirit - Physical and Mental

This is the second of three articles that discuss the role of God's Spirit in the life of believers. Bro Geoff Watson suggests that God gives His Holy Spirit to us to help awaken us. This, of course, can help us care more effectively. "From this awakening we receive a heightened consciousness of the presence of Jesus and the Father partnering personally within us on our salvation journey and we begin to live as God's new creation in Christ Jesus, born again of the Spirit. ..." Read more...

https://www.adelphicare.org/documents/078-awakening.pdf

Carers' Corner - Infinite Respect

High quality caring is founded on the principle of Infinite Respect. We should always respect the person we are caring for in all aspects of their life, including their spiritual ethos – Christian, other faith traditions, agnostics, atheists and others. Infinite Respect does not mean that carers endorse the beliefs of the people they are caring for but acknowledge their choice to hold such beliefs.

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A personal Psalm 23...

(A heartfelt prayer of gratitude and love by a Christadelphian.)

My God, My amazingly loving Father
You give me more than I ask or ever look for.
You are my rock & my solid ground;
You are the place where ALL my peace is found.
Father, you lift me up when I am down
& always guide me to higher ground.
I want to please you so much, my Father & show
your glory

even when this life drags me to fury.
You are always in my heart, so I am not afraid,
When I lean on you, my fears are waylaid.
I am so blessed to have been invited to your table,
where I gladly receive your grace & feel enabled
to give to others this grace you have given so
generously to me,
the blessings of a life with you both now & into

the blessings of a life with you both now & into eternity,

when I dwell with you, & my Saviour Jesus your Son & all my Christian fraternity.

I love you, Lord God. Amen



Another hymn

Access to one of the Adelphian Singers hymn recordings was well-received last month so you might like to download another one this month. So, following the theme of the Shepherd in the prayer above, our Hymn 218 reminds us of the loving and caring nature of our Lord Jesus – "Loving Shepherd of thy sheep, Keep thy lambs, in safety keep".

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