

Pilgrim Holiness Church

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1000 Hospital Rd. Franklin, IN



Fact or Fiction?

Readers Digest published an article in 2021 by David McCandless entitled, 51 Favorite Facts You've Always Believed That Are Actually False. I would like to share a small sample of McCandless's list.

1. Claim: A penny dropped from a great height can kill: Truth: The terminal velocity of a penny is 30-50 mph. This would be enough to sting but not kill.
2. Claim: The great wall of China is visible from space: Truth: No single human structure is visible from space although you can see city lights at night.
3. Claim: Mother birds will abandon their babies that have been touched by humans. Truth: Birds have a limited sense of smell and will not abandon such babies.
4. Claim: It takes 7 years to digest swallowed gum. Truth: The chewy part of gum can't be digested and passes straight through our system. The remainder is absorbed.
5. Claim: Sugar makes kids hyperactive. Truth: Studies claim that while too much sugar is not good for children it is not the culprit for rowdy behavior. Rowdy behavior still occurs in children of sugar-free diets.
6. Claim: Drinking milk causes mucus. Truth: There is no need to avoid dairy if you have a cold.

I'll leave you to check the veracity of this list. Just keep in mind that McCandless also claims that humans and dinosaurs did not coexist; but were separated by 64 million years. He also claims that vaccines can not cause autism, something that many mothers I know would vehemently disagree. (Along with sugar not causing hyperactivity. :) Obviously, there is room for respectful disagreement.

Let me share with you now a list of commonly held spiritual

beliefs that are false, only the falsehoods listed here are beyond dispute. We know they are not true.

1. Claim: All religions lead to Heaven: Truth: Christianity is the only way to Heaven. Jesus is the only one who died for our sins and can connect us with God.
2. Claim: There is no place of eternal punishment: Truth: There is a place called Hell where everyone who does not accept Jesus as Savior will go when they die.
3. Claim: Jesus was just a man: Truth: Jesus was divine, claiming the name of God for Himself. He proved His divinity by His resurrection from the grave.
4. Claim: All Christians sin everyday: Truth: God breaks the power of willful sin in our lives. A child of God is given power over temptation and sin.
5. Claim: The bible cannot be trusted: Truth: The bible is the best-attested document in antiquity. There is abundant evidence that the Christian faith is reasonable, accurate, and trustworthy.
6. Claim: We cannot know if we are saved: Truth: Christians enjoy a know-so salvation. The Holy Spirit provides assurance, peace, joy, and rest when we are forgiven.

If you have accepted any of these falsehoods why not come to our church and educate yourself on the subject? With such consequences you certainly don't want to believe things that are not true. At God's house, you will discover that the truths that can transform your life and save your soul. Remember, wise people follow the truth wherever the truth leads them.

If you haven't already done so, I trust that you will soon discover how much God loves you and what He has in store for your life. We are looking forward to seeing you. ~Pastor Forsee



CHURCH CALENDER

Church Revival: February 27 - March 3. 7 P.M. Nightly. The Nathan Grissom family singing and preaching.

Youth Winter Olympics: Gym night: Friday, March 1. 9-11 P.M. Franklin Recreation Center. Olympics, Saturday, March 2, Church Fellowship Hall. 11 A.M. – 1:00 P.M.

Church Daniel Fast: March 10-30.

Mid-Winter Pilgrim Lock-In: Friday, March 22, 6 :30 P.M. – 12 A.M. Noblesville, IN. The bus will leave Franklin at 4:30 P.M.

Sunrise Service: March 31, 7:00 A.M. Easter Breakfast, 8:00 A.M. Church Fellowship Hall.

Inter-Church Holiness Convention: Gatlinburg, TN: April 9-11.

Sunday School Worker Appreciation Banquet: Friday, April 19, 6:30 P.M.

Pilgrim Ministerial: Noblesville, IN. May 7-9. Workers: Dr. Paul Kaufman, Keith and Sharon Waggoner.

Pilgrim Youth Camp: June 17-24. Frankfort, IN. Speaker: Rev. David Fulton.



The Nathan Grissom Family

Church Service Times

Sunday School (Classes for all Ages)	9:30 A.M.
Sunday Worship	10:30 A.M.
Sunday Evening Service (Prayer Meeting ½ hour before service.)	6:30 P.M.
Wednesday Prayer Meeting	7:00 P.M.

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Our New Church Bus



Know When to Say When

Proverbs 25:16 Hast thou found honey? eat so much as is sufficient for thee, lest thou be filled therewith, and vomit it.

Honey is a delightful food. Who among us has not drizzled honey over hot, buttermilk biscuits or stirred it in a bowl of steel-cut oatmeal? Some of us even dribble it in a cup of hot tea or coffee for flavoring. We can taste the sweet golden richness on our tongue just thinking about it. But as satisfying as honey may be, too much honey can have the opposite effect. Take too large a spoonful of “golden sunshine” and its richness just may give you an upset stomach. More than one person has groaned in regret after getting carried away with this sweet treat.

This principle of moderation is true in all of life. There are many enjoyable things that can be spoiled by over-indulgence. An unrestricted appetite has a way of taking something that can benefit us and turning it into something that is detrimental to health, happiness, and holiness.



For instance, food is necessary and enjoyable, but an unrestrained appetite can destroy our health. Getting proper rest rejuvenates our mind and body but too much sleep raises the risk of heart disease, diabetes, and obesity. Making and spending money is necessary to support our families but an unhealthy obsession with either can undermine domestic happiness. Recreation and entertainment can improve emotional well-being, but an improper balance can breed laziness and a poor work ethic. Spending time with our spouses is imperative for a healthy home and relationship, but too much time can distract from our work, domestic duties and our relationship with God. Proverbs 25:17 even warns us not to wear out our welcome with friends and neighbors lest they start to hate us. Obviously, if we are to benefit from God’s blessings, we must learn to exercise discipline and self-control.

Gaur Gopal Das is an Indian monk, lifestyle coach, motivational speaker and a member of the International Society for Krishna Consciousness who once wrote “As a monk, I must be cautious of overindulgence; it is essential to stay regulated in our habits.

If an Indian monk understands the dangers of excess, how much more should a child of God who is seeking to “work out his salvation with fear and trembling?” May God grant us the wisdom and discernment to live simple and self-controlled lives.

“Since Eden, man has wanted the last ounce out of life, as though beyond God’s ‘enough’ lay ecstasy, not nausea.” (Kidner)



Fred, Frances, and Fido

Meet the DINKS

The term DINK is an acronym standing for Dual Income No Kids, referring to a practice that has become quite popular among young adults. Some couples today are rejecting the traditional model for the family of a father and mother with children and are opting to do life without the inconvenience of offspring. They claim that children are too expensive and inconvenient; and life is more enjoyable without them. They say kids prevent them from the standard of living they desire and keep them from fulfilling their dreams. So, they refrain from childbirth, buy a dog, and live solely for themselves. They live in upscale houses, drive impressive vehicles, wear the latest fashions, take luxury vacations, and feel they have something better than everyone else.

What a selfish and broken way of thinking. Not only does such a lifestyle ultimately disappoint, but couples are also missing some valuable benefits God intended them to have. 1. The benefit of love and joy: Yes, children can be expensive but one cannot put a price on the love and joy that are shared between a parent and child. 2. The benefit of grandchildren: If a couple doesn’t have children, they obviously will not have any grandchildren to carry on their family name. Their years will be silent as their family name slowly dies out. 3. The benefit of evangelism: Not only does God teach us many lessons through parenthood; the family is also one of God’s primary evangelization tools. When we raise godly children, not only do they open doors of opportunity for ministry; they can also continue testifying long after we have passed away. Our efforts for the Kingdom of God do not have to end with us.

We encourage all newly married couples to take a few years just enjoying each other. Buy a dog or travel trailer if that is your thing; but make sure you have children as well. Children are well worth any expense or inconvenience they might incur.

Psalms 127:3-5 *Lo, children are an heritage of the LORD: and the fruit of the womb is his reward. 4 As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. 5 Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them:*



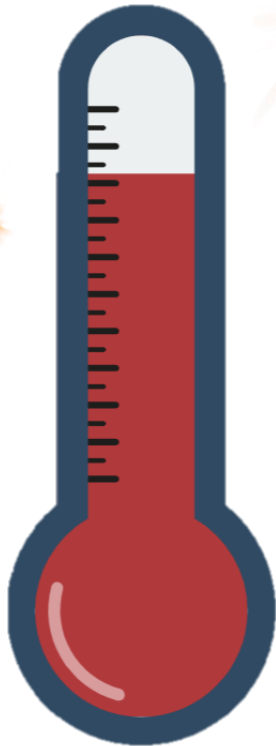


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Christmas Program 2023



Left: "Mary" and "Joseph" have their first domestic squabble. Below: Adam and Vincent on their guitars.



Above: Youth trip to CPYC.
Below: Veterans Day Service 2023



Above: Jr. Church Choir and Angels: Bralyn, Jaylyn, Gianna, and Lily

Below: Terrance Tucker



Above: Vincent Casalino, Evan Forsee, Andrew Casalino, Ethan Forsee, Adam Forsee, Joe Slaughter (Not pictured) These men from our church travel to churches and festivals to play their bluegrass gospel.