

A story by Alice (anonymous writer)...

My nephew's 10 year old son came for a visit one hot, July weekend. I was enticing him to stay inside by joining him in a Nintendo game. After being mercilessly defeated by a more experienced player, I suggested that we relax awhile. I collapsed into my favorite recliner to let my neck muscles relax and my ego recover from such a beating. He had slipped out of the room and I was catching a few relished moments of peace and quiet.

"Look, Alice," he said enthusiastically as he ran over to the chair where I was recovering.

"I found a kite. Could we go outside and fly it?"

Glancing out a nearby window, I noticed there was not a breeze stirring. "I'm sorry, Tripper," I said, sad to see his disappointed eyes, but thankful for the respite from more activity. "The wind is not blowing today. The kite won't fly."

The determined 10 year old replied. "I think it's windy enough. I can get it to fly," he answered, as he hurried out the back door.

I peeked through the slats in the venetian blinds to watch determination in action. Up and down the yard he ran, pulling the kite attached to a small length of string. The plastic kite, proudly displaying a picture of Batman, remained about shoulder level. He ran back and forth, as hard as his ten year old legs would carry him, looking back hopefully at the kite trailing behind. After about ten minutes of unsuccessful determination, he came back in.

I asked, "How did it go?"

"Fine," he said, not wanting to admit defeat. "I got it to fly some."

As he walked past me to return the kite to the closet shelf, I heard him say under his breath, "I guess I'll have to wait for the wind."

At that moment I heard another Voice speak to my heart. "Alice. Sometimes you are just like that. You want to do it your way instead of waiting for the Wind."

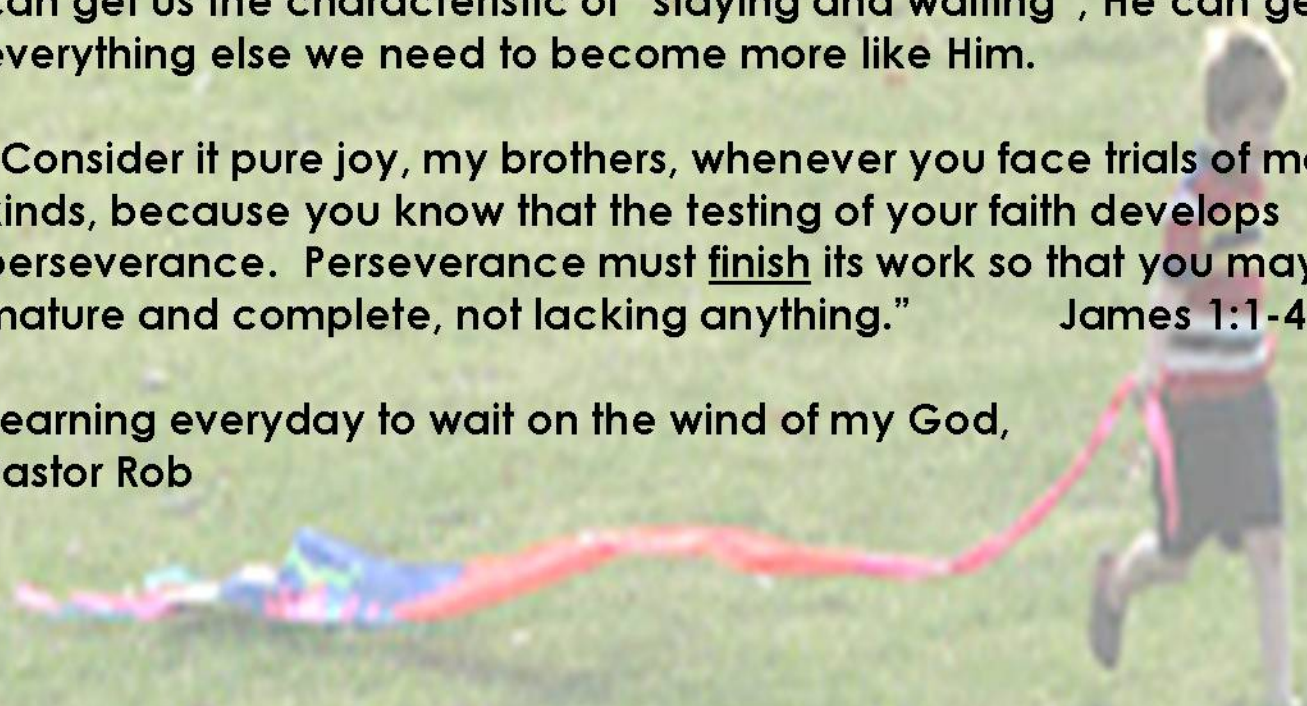
And the voice was right. How easy it is to use our own efforts to accomplish what we want to do. We wait for the Wind only after we have done all we can and have exhausted our own strength. We must learn how to rely on Him in the first place!

Waiting for the wind of God; a challenge for all of us at times. We want results and we want answers. We don't like being under the weight of challenges and uncertainty. We rather "bail" on God than wait for the wind to start blowing.

Yet, it is staying power that develops perfection in our lives. If God can get us the characteristic of "staying and waiting", He can get us everything else we need to become more like Him.

"Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything." James 1:1-4

Learning everyday to wait on the wind of my God,
Pastor Rob



Men's Connection Breakfast

10.27.12

8:00 am @ HyVee



Join a LIFT Group near you. This will provide you and your family a place to connect, grow and serve within a small group. LIFT Groups will meet ...

- Nash Group10.07.12
10.21.12
 - Gilliland Group10.12.12
10.26.12
 - Larimore Group10.21.12
 - Redcay Group10.07.12
10.21.12
 - Ruth Group10.21.12
- Contact Pastor Rob for

Womens Bible Study

10.08.12

@ 6:30 pm

'Stuck' by Jeannie Allen
A study on the internal war between God and your junk.

MEETING

MISSIONS BOARD

@ 1:00 PM

10.14.12

October 6th, 2012
8:00 AM—12:00 PM

CLOTHING GIVE AWAY

PLEASE
CONTINUE TO
BRING CLOTHING IN
UNTIL 10.05.12

WORSHIP
TEAM
PRACTICE

Thursday
@ 6:00 pm



Wednesday Night Services

5:30 Dinner

Cost:
Adults \$4
Children \$2 (10 and under)
Family \$10

6:15 Pioneer Clubs

6:15 Rock the House

6:30 Bible Study

See back for menu
and schedule.

“ When is MYF this year? ”

MYF will take place on Nov.
23 - 25, 2012.

“ Where at? ”

MYF will be held at the
University Plaza Hotel in
Springfield, MO.

GET EXCITED!!!

Annual Church Budget

Monthly Budget 2011-2012 \$16,665.00
Monthly Debt Reduction (Bldg) \$3,020.00

Actual Giving	Budget	Building
March	\$21,260.14	\$2,220.00
April	\$17,172.80	\$2,306.00
May	\$11,395.35	\$1,700.00
June	\$13,122.60	\$1,976.00
July	\$15,504.69	\$2,338.00
August	\$14,545.46	\$1,755.00

Pastor Appreciation Breakfast

SIGN UP IN
THE LOBBY TO BRING A DISH.

COME AND SHOW YOUR APPRECIATION
FOR OUR PASTORS, ROB & CALEB, BY
JOINING IN A BREAKFAST IN THEIR
HONOR.

THE MEAL WILL BE HELD IN THE GYM
DURING THE SUNDAY SCHOOL
HOUR.

October 21st, 2012

Wednesday Night Services

Menu

Cooks

Dessert

10.03.12	Lasagna, Salad and Dessert	Pat Brown and JoAnn Pierce	Betty Nash, JoAnn Pierce and Traci Brown
10.10.12	Baked Potato Bar, Salad and Dessert	Nancy Kaplan and Verna Gilliland	Verna Gilliland, Tina Gessman and Frances Buckley
10.17.12	Spaghetti, Salad and Dessert	Aaron Larimore and Steve Hawk	Penny Sneller, Jeannie Ruth and Linda Hafley
10.24.12	Taco Salad and Dessert	Nancy Kaplan and Debi Enright	Debi Enright, Nancy Kaplan and Judy Redcay

MISSION TRIP CHICKEN DINNER FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4TH AFTER CHURCH

HELP SUPPORT THOSE GOING ON THE MISSION TRIP TO SANTO DOMINGO IN MARCH BY ATTENDING THE CHICKEN DINNER FUNDRAISER.

SERVING: CHICKEN QUARTERS WITH ALL THE FIXINS' HOT DOGS AVAILABLE FOR KIDS

\$6 PER PLATE

\$3 FOR KIDS

DONATIONS GRATEFULLY ACCEPTED



Youth Group BBQ Fundraiser

HyVee Parking Lot

Saturday, October 27th, 2012

Serving from 10:30am to 5:00 pm

Pulled Pork Brats Chicken Quarters

\$6.00 for Any Meat with sides

\$4.00 for 2 Brats and a Bag of Chips

See Caleb or Tresha for tickets.



Hayride at the Larimore Farm October 26th at 5:00 pm

Everyone is invited to join us
for the annual hayride.
Please bring side dishes.

Trunk or Treat

10.31.12

6-7:30 pm



October 2012

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

	1	2 Food Pantry 1-2 pm	3 Wednesday Night Services Dinner 5:30 Track Meet 6:15 Rock the House 6:15 Bible Study 6:30	4 Worship Team Practice 6:00 pm	5	6 Clothing Give Away 8-Noon
7 L.I.F.T. L.I.F.T. Sunday School 9 am Worship 10am	8 Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm @ Church	9	10 Dinner 5:30 Track Meet 6:15 R the H 6:15 Bible Study 6:30	11 Worship Team Practice 6:00 pm	12 L.I.F.T.	13
14 Missions Board Meeting @ 1pm Sunday School 9 am Worship 10am	15	16 Food Pantry 1-2 pm	17 Dinner 5:30 Track Meet 6:15 R the H 6:15 Bible Study 6:30	18 Worship Team Practice 6:00 pm	19	20
21 L.I.F.T. L.I.F.T. L.I.F.T. L.I.F.T. Pastor Appreciation Breakfast @ 9am Worship 10am	22	23	24 Dinner 5:30 Track Meet 6:15 R the H 6:15 Bible Study 6:30	25 Worship Team Practice 6:00 pm	26 L.I.F.T. Hayride @ 5:00 pm	27 Men's Connection Breakfast Youth Group BBQ Fundraiser
28 Sunday School 9 am Worship 10am	29	30	31 TRUNK - OR - TREAT 6-7:30 PM			

Faith in Action

October 2012

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Schedules

10.07.12

Nursery: Debbie Whitener, Erin Larimore and Thom & Amanda Bolden
Early Elementary Church: Christmas Musical Practice
Children's Church: Christmas Musical Practice
Worship Team: Randy Gilliland, Kayla Kespelher, Jeannie Ruth, Mariah Gilliland, John Kriete and Mary Crader
Audio: Robert Schwartz
Visual: Keith Denny
Head Usher: Adam Sneller
Greeters: Adam Sneller and Junior Shikles
Ushers: Mike Nash, Charlie Ruth, Kevin Griep and Dennis Tripp

10.21.12

Nursery: Tresha McBaine, Alex Gilliland, Carmen Bentsch and Autumn Bush
Early Elementary Church: Christmas Musical Practice
Children's Church: Christmas Musical Practice
Worship Team: Randy Gilliland, Chelsea Kilmer, Mark Sneller, Mariah Gilliland, John Kriete and Mary Crader
Audio: Dan Gessman
Visual: Brian Bush
Head Usher: Adam Sneller
Greeters: Adam Sneller and Junior Shikles
Ushers: Charlie Ruth, Chris Bolton, Zach Bolton and Brandon Redcay

10.14.12

Nursery: David Larimore, Laura Smith, Desiree Redcay and Courtney Kilmer
Early Elementary Church: Christmas Musical Practice
Children's Church: Christmas Musical Practice
Worship Team: Randy Gilliland, Norma Gilliland, Kayla Kespelher, Mariah Gilliland, John Kriete and Mary Crader
Audio: Dan Gessman
Visual: Keith Denny
Head Usher: Adam Sneller
Greeters: Adam Sneller and Junior Shikles
Ushers: David Larimore, Robert Schwartz, John Caples and Justin Caples

10.28.12

Nursery: JoAnn Pierce, Chelsea Kilmer, Shelby Hoener and Pat Brown
Early Elementary Church: Christmas Musical Practice
Children's Church: Christmas Musical Practice
Worship Team: Randy Gilliland, Karen Kelly, Chelsea Kilmer, Mariah Gilliland, John Kriete and Mary Crader
Audio: Aaron Larimore
Visual: Robert Schwartz
Head Usher: Adam Sneller
Greeters: Adam Sneller and Junior Shikles
Ushers: Harold Brown, Kent Denny, Keith Denny and Nathan Redcay