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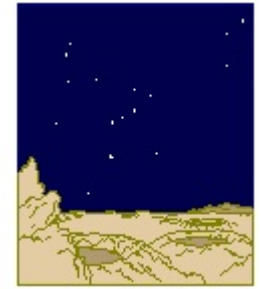
Wednesday marks the 43rd anniversary of the first walk on the Moon. Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin were the first men to walk on the moon in the Apollo 11 space mission. Michael Collins third member of the group, was in charge of the command module, essential for their return to earth, which circled the moon while Armstrong and Aldrin landed. The moon lander touched down at 3:17 Eastern Standard Time, Sunday, July 20, 1969.

Aldrin had brought with him a tiny communion kit, given him by his church, that had a silver chalice and wine vial about the size of the tip of his finger.

During the morning he radioed, “Houston, this is Eagle. This is the LM pilot speaking. I would like to request a few moments of silence. I would like to invite each person listening in, whoever or wherever he may be, to contemplate for a moment the events of the last few hours, and to give thanks in his own individual way.”

“In the radio blackout,” he wrote later, “I opened the little plastic packages which contained the bread and the wine. I poured the wine into the chalice our church had given me. In the one-sixth gravity of the moon, the wine slowly curled and gracefully came up the side of the cup.” Then I read the Scripture, ‘I am the vine, you are the branches. Whosoever abides in me will bring forth much fruit.’ I had

intended to read my communion passage back to earth, but at the last minute Deke Slayton had requested that I not do this. NASA was already embroiled in a legal battle with Madelyn Murray O’Hair, the celebrated opponent of religion, over the Apollo 8 crew reading from Genesis while orbiting the Moon at Christmas. I agreed reluctantly.”



“Eagle’s metal body creaked. I ate the tiny bread and swallowed the fruit of the vine. I gave thanks for the intelligence and spirit that had brought two young pilots to the Sea of Tranquility.”

It was interesting for me to think: the very first liquid ever poured on the moon, and the very first food eaten there, were the communion elements.

—Bill Carrell



Well, it was interesting for me to think about the same fact, therefore I wanted to share it with you as well. If you’re like me, you were totally unaware of this interesting fact.

As I sit and reflect upon all the “reasons” people often offer for not worshipping together and participating in the Lord’s Supper, I am made more acutely aware that God must see them as “excuses.”

Friends, if a man on the moon can find the time to worship God, and remember the sacrifice that Christ made on the cross, then surely we are without excuse.

Just curious, but if you were to go to the moon, would you have packed the elements of the Lord’s Supper? Let’s get more realistic, when you pack to go on vacation, do you pack your Bible and make plans to worship with the saints?

—Steve Higginbotham
via *Biblical Studies*

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News

—Continue to remember **Jean Coffey, Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins, Jimmy Terry, Vicki McDaniel and Alroy & Lois McDaniel.**

—**Audrey Terry** is in Hardin Memorial Hospital in Elizabethtown after suffering a mild stroke. Friday night she fell in the hospital and dislocated her elbow.

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Six P's of Bible Study

Bible study is vitally important. Man's usefulness in life as well as his happiness in eternity demands an understanding and an obedience to the Word of God. As we consider our study of the Scriptures, we must do it in the following ways:



1. *Periodically* — Read on a regular schedule. (Acts 17:11)
2. *Purposefully* — Study with a definite plan in mind. (II Timothy 2:15)
3. *Pensively* — Read reflectively and thoughtfully. (Psalm 119:97)
4. *Persistently* — Keep at it. Don't grow discouraged. (I Peter 2:2)
5. *Prayerfully* — If any lacks wisdom, let him ask of God. (James 1:5)
6. *Properly* — God's word must be rightly divided, or handled accurately. (II Timothy 2:15)

—Curry St. Church of Christ
West Plains, MO.

| Sunday, July 10, 2010 | | |
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| Classes | 17 | Luke 5:16-39 |
| Preaching | 18 | Romans 6:1-23 |
| Contribution | \$353.25 | |
| Evening | 14 | Psalms 1:1-6 |
| Wednesday, July 13, 2010 | | |
| Classes | 19 | Numbers 24:1-25 |

Bible Quiz

A man who meditates on the law of the LORD day and night is like what?

Last Week's Answer— Unicorn (Number 23:22)

—Five girls from the Munfordville congregation are beginning their week at Mid-South Youth Camp in Henderson, TN this week: They are: **Abby Edwards, Elaina Rimmer, Taylor Quigley, Mylaka Quigley, and Kelcie Pedigo.**



—God's Plan of Salvation—

1. Hear the Gospel (Romans 10:14)
2. Believe on the Lord and His Word (Mark 16:16; John 8:24)
3. Repent of your sins (Luke 13:3,5; Acts 17:30)
4. Confess Christ (Matthew 10:32,33; Luke 12:8; Romans 10:9)
5. Be baptized (immersed in water) for the remission of sins (Acts 2:38; Mark 16:16; Galatians 3:27; I Peter 3:21)
6. Live a faithful, dedicated life (Revelation 2:10; II Peter 1:5-10)