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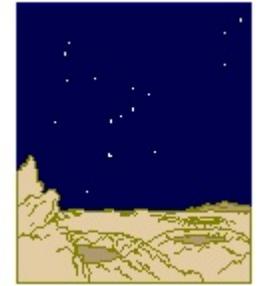
Yesterday marked the 44<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the first walk on the Moon. Neil Armstrong and Buzz Aldrin were the first men to walk on the moon in the Apollo 11 space mission. Michael Collins third member of the group, was in charge of the command module, essential for their return to earth, which 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 Tranquillity.”

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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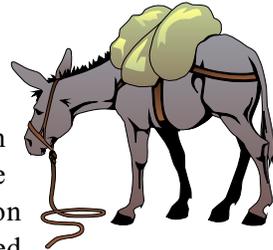
# News

—Continue to remember **Sally Marshall, Jewell Watkins and Jean Coffey. Jessica Rimmer**, the daughter of Shari Edwards, had a place removed from her face that was possibly cancer.

We are thankful to report it was determined to not be cancer. **Francis Kidd**, the mother of Vicki McDaniel, has been hospitalized with some heart issues.

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Have you heard about the man and his grandson who went on a journey, walking and leading a donkey? They soon met a passer-by who said, “How foolish for both of you to be walking. One should be riding the donkey.” So the man put his grandson on the animal. The next person they met frowned and said, “How dreadful for a strong boy to be riding while an old man walks.” So the boy climbed off the donkey and his grandfather climbed on it. The next traveler they met further down the road said, “I just can’t believe a grown man would ride and make a poor little boy walk.” So the man pulled the little boy up and they rode together.



This seemed to be the solution, until they met the next fellow who cried out, “I never thought I would see anything so cruel in all my life—two intelligent human beings riding on a poor defenseless donkey.” Down the road a piece, they met a couple of men traveling together. When they passed, one man said to the other, “Did you ever see two people carrying a donkey before?”

What’s the point? If you know what’s right to do then do it—regardless of what others may say. Stand on your own convictions and make your own decisions according to the Bible.

—adapted from

South Green Street, Glasgow, KY

[Though we all face temptations and enticements, young people constantly face pressures from among their peers. There  
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Sunday, July 14, 2013		
Classes	22	Acts 5:33-6:4
Preaching	27	Psalms 147; Matthew 10:29
Contribution	\$623.00	
Evening	23	Job 3:1-26
Wednesday, July 17, 2013		
Classes	23	I Samuel 7:1-17

Visitors— Jul 15 (AM) Michael Poland (Louisville, KY)  
Jul 15 (PM) Joanna Locke (Hardyville, KY)

## Bible Quiz

What day did Job want to perish?

Last Week’s Answer— Seven months (I Samuel 6:1)

will be ample opportunities to engage in activities that are wrong and lead to eternal destruction. No matter how much a friend or classmate might taunt you, when you know what is the right thing to do, don’t compromise. Pray for strength to overcome the temptation. The next time you are faced with the same choice, it will be much easier. You will be building spiritual strength and character. —Marty]

## —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)