



The Reminder

Indian Head Church of God



August, 2023

Mission Statement

The Indian Head Church of God exists to glorify God with Christ centered worship, Biblically oriented discipleship and Holy Spirit directed evangelism and mission.



We are collecting items each month for the ICV Food Pantry. The items can be placed in the container in the Normalville side foyer. **For the month of August, we will be collecting laundry detergent.**

We appreciate your help in donating these monthly items for the ICV Food Pantry.



**Wednesday, August 9
11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

The Indian Head Church of God Community Luncheon Ministry will be offering

FREE HOMEMADE SOUP

by drive thru only, while supplies last. Soup will be packaged cold in containers and distributed here in the church parking lot. This event is held the second Wednesday of every month. If you would like to help, contact Bonnie Kimmel or Amy Grimm. Everyone is welcome to come and get some soup!



Everyone is invited to attend our **Saturday Evening Worship Services** 7 p.m. each Saturday night, especially if you are unable to come to church on Sunday mornings.



The Coffee House Fellowship Ministry needs volunteers to make coffee/tea on Sunday mornings (8:30 to 9:15 a.m.) and clean up afterwards (any time after 10 a.m.). All supplies, except for a small container of milk, will be provided. Help is needed for the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month. Interested individuals, couples, families, or Sunday School classes, please see Dave Bruner.



We are collecting clothes for all school aged children for our Back to School Carnival on August 12. You may drop off the children's clothing at the church until August 6.



Join Us for
OUTDOOR WORSHIP

and



CHURCH PICNIC

On **Sunday, July 30th**, we are having a 5th Sunday Fellowship Outdoor Service at our picnic pavilion. There will be the regular Saturday evening worship service at 7:00 p.m.

PLEASE NOTE:

- There will be **NO SUNDAY EARLY WORSHIP SERVICE (8:30 a.m.)**
- **SUNDAY SCHOOL** will be from 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. in the church.
- **LATE CHURCH SERVICE WILL BE 10:30 TO 11:30 a.m.** at the picnic pavilion.
- Picnic at 12:00 Noon
- Church will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and drink.
- **PLEASE BRING A COVERED DISH**



We extend our most heartfelt and deepest sympathy to...

*The family of Dick Roberts, husband of Barb Roberts.

*The family of Max Gales, father of Sherry Witt, Jeff and Jerry Gales.

*The family of Fred Long, husband of Jane (Connor) Long.

"Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me." Psalm 23:4



Penny Pile Sunday is July 30. This is an extra offering taken during Sunday School for Camp Sunrise Mountain. There are also plastic containers in each foyer, beneath the podiums, that you can put money in at any time for Camp Sunrise Mountain.



Sunday School Rally

The 14th District Sunday School Rally will be held on Monday, August 7, at 7:00 p.m. at Calvary church. The evening program will be information about Operation Christmas Child



On Sunday, August 27, Sunday School is planning a "Back to School" Sunday. There will be a picnic after church, blessing of the backpacks, and a Prayer Walk around our local schools. Watch for more details.



Dear Church Family, Thank you! Thank you! Thank You! Your generous support of our fundraisers, to help us make our mission trips happen, does not go over looked. Whether you had your pet vaccinated, donated to the bake sale, purchased baked goods (or all three!), made soup, baked a cake or ate at our soup and sandwich luncheon, set up a table to sell your goods or baked for the yard sale bake sale, and donated aluminum cans, we appreciate all that you have done. All the money that is raised helps us share God's love to so many people in the areas we are serving. Your continued support of the ACTS mission team is greatly appreciated. Thank you again! We are truly blessed to have each of you supporting our efforts to promote God's love.

Yours in Christ,
Katelyn Bennett, Spencer Long,
and Mary Bowser



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Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement app. (with the app picture above)

We have three options available for your convenience.

1. Text your donation to: 888-788-2914
2. Give online via our webpage and follow the **Donate** link.
3. Donate through the **VANCO Mobile Faith Engagement app** at the **Google Play Store** or **Apple App Store**.

Thank you to all who are supporting the church through these difficult times with your generous donations.

Donations can also be mailed to the church office at:

Indian Head Church of God
PO Box 488
Indian Head PA 15446



The **Technology Committee** is looking for volunteers to join our committee. Some needs are:

- *sound operator
- *camera operator
- *people to help with creating and advancing the slides used during the service
- *network upgrade & maintenance
- *computer support, etc.

If interested, contact Jim Foor or the church office. The mission of the Technology Committee is to support and enhance the ministries of the church through the use of technology and media.



If you would like access, please send your email address to the church office...
ihcog@lhtot.com



Thank you to those who sent cards, flowers, food, condolences, donations and uplifted us in prayer during our time of sorrow in the passing of our husband, father and grandfather, Richard "Dick" Roberts. Thank you, too, for your continued prayers.

The Roberts Family



The WCSC Ladies Group will be having their **Calendar Party** Thursday, Sept. 14 at 6 p.m. in the Social Room.

Limited tickets are available for \$20 and may be purchased from any WCSC member. Please contact Becky Dix, (455-2564) with any questions.



Why We Should Not Trust AI

Introduction:

Dear brothers and sisters, in this age of technological advancements, artificial intelligence (AI) has emerged as a powerful tool. While AI can offer great benefits, we must exercise caution and discernment in placing our complete trust in it. Today, we will explore three key reasons why we should approach AI with caution, supported by relevant Scripture references. Let us delve into these points and gain wisdom in navigating the intricate relationship between humanity and technology.

I. The Limitations of Human Wisdom (Proverbs 3:5-6):

The first reason we should not trust AI blindly is rooted in the limitations of human wisdom. As advanced as AI may be, it lacks the depth of understanding, intuition, and moral discernment that comes from the human experience. Proverbs 3:5-6 reminds us, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight."

God's wisdom surpasses human wisdom, and we are called to trust in Him rather than relying solely on our own understanding. While AI can provide insights and analyze data, it cannot replace the divine wisdom that comes from seeking God's guidance. Let us not be swayed by the allure of AI's intelligence but instead trust in the Lord, who is the source of all wisdom.

II. The Importance of Discernment and Morality (Proverbs 14:15):

The second reason we should approach AI with caution is its lack of discernment and moral judgment. AI operates on algorithms and predefined rules, without the ability to distinguish between right and wrong. Proverbs 14:15 warns us, "The simple believe anything, but the prudent give thought to their steps."

As believers, we are called to exercise discernment and to think critically about the implications and ethical considerations of our actions. Trusting AI to make moral judgments can lead to unintended consequences, as it lacks the capacity for empathy and understanding. We must remain vigilant, examining the underlying algorithms and data sources to ensure that AI does not perpetuate biases or discrimination. Let us be prudent and responsible in our use of technology, keeping morality and discernment at the forefront of our decisions.

III. The Unchanging Nature of God's Word (Psalm 119:89):

The third reason we should not place complete trust in AI is its fallibility and susceptibility to change. AI systems are developed and programmed by humans, making them prone to errors, biases, and vulnerabilities. In contrast, God's Word stands as an unchanging and reliable source of truth. Psalm 119:89 affirms, "Your word, Lord, is eternal; it stands firm in the heavens."

As believers, we are called to anchor our trust in the unchanging Word of God, which provides guidance, wisdom, and discernment. While AI can offer insights and analysis, it is subject to the limitations and imperfections of human design. Let us seek God's guidance through His Word and use AI as a tool in alignment with His timeless truths.

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Conclusion:

In conclusion, dear friends, while AI can offer valuable insights and benefits, we must approach it with caution and discernment. The limitations of human wisdom, the importance of discernment and morality, and the unchanging nature of God's Word remind us of the need for reliance on God and His guidance. Let us trust in the Lord's wisdom, exercise discernment, and ensure that technology remains a tool that serves humanity rather than replaces our dependence on God. May we seek divine wisdom as we navigate the complex relationship between humanity and technology, always remembering that our ultimate trust and reliance must be placed in God alone.

VERY IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ THIS

EPILOGUE - This 'message' was constructed by *Artificial Intelligence (AI)* by using a chatbot. Interesting, isn't it.. an AI constructs a message warning us not to trust AI?

I am reminded of what Jesus said: "Any kingdom divided against itself will be ruined, and a house divided against itself will fall." Luke 11:17

Let us exercise Godly wisdom, walking every step every day with Christ.

Praying God blesses your Summer!

Pastor Doug

Hebrews 10:22-25



Daily reasons to celebrate

Poor August, the only month without holidays! Still, there's lots to celebrate these final weeks of summer. Enjoy some summer flavors: August 1 is National Raspberry Cream Pie Day; August 2, National Ice Cream Sandwich Day; August 3, National Watermelon Day; August 10, National S'mores Day (have a bonfire!); and August 24 is National Peach Day.

If you share life with young kids, have a water balloon fight on — you guessed it — National Water Balloon Day, August 6! Head out for a final (National) Beach Day on August 30. Or head out for an intergenerational hike on National Trail Mix Day, August 31.

And don't forget to celebrate God's precious gifts of friends — National Friendship Day is the first Sunday in August; creation — Global Sleep Under the Stars Night is August 8 (prime time for meteor showers!); laughter — National Tell a Joke Day is August 16; and the opportunity to put God's love into action by serving others — on August 22, National Be an Angel Day, or August 28, National Thoughtful Day, and, for that matter, every day of the year — holiday or not.



Back to School Carnival

August 12

10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

at the Indian Head Church of God

FREE for all students K– Grade 12

All students will receive a backpack and school supplies

Pre-registration at indianheadchurch.org starting
July 15th is recommended but not required.

For any questions, please call the Church at 724-455-2626

ATTENTION YOUTH IN GRADES 6–12



There will be a Youth Outing to Caddie Shak to play mini golf on **Saturday, August 5**. This is open to youth in grades 6-12. Please meet in the church parking lot at 5:00 p.m. Rain date is Sunday, August 6. Permission slips can be gotten in the church, or signed the night of the outing. Cost is \$5.00.