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Family members and family matters have always been a large part of my life. In the last few weeks it seems it has been even more so. Thanks for wondering why!

Lately I have been asking people what's the most important thing in their life, and the answer is always the same—family. I've asked that question in preparation for a teaching we have created called @Home@Work. The goal is to address the age-old question regarding our family. What is the proper thought process while handling the demands and taking advantage of opportunities at a job, yet trying to make sure we're true to our role as husband/wife and dad/mom? (If you would like to know more about the seminar, it's described in this newsletter on page 2.)

Another reason family has been on my mind is because ours has just grown. Joining us 6 weeks ago was Posey Lou Wiley, daughter of our son Bart and his wife Erin. I'm one of 4 boys, we have 2 boys, and now . . . 4 granddaughters.

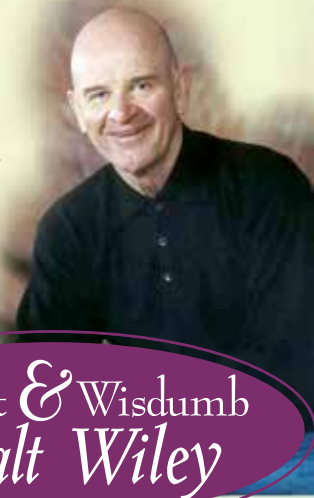
While speaking at America's Keswick Christian Conference Center in Whiting, NJ, over the Memorial Day Weekend, we took in a concert that, besides a patriotic theme, included the musical, "The Family of God". Can you recall the words to this Gaither song? "I'm so glad I'm a part of the family of God." There was that *family* thing again, and it got me thinking about the difference between our physical family and the family of God. Both are marked by love and acceptance. Think about it. Despite any of our indiscretions, faults, shortcomings or poor judgments, both of those institutions readily stand with supportive and open arms.

We all need and we all benefit from everything that a family supplies.

The singing was not about a *physical* family but a different group, the family of God. It too is mark by love and acceptance, but there is one major difference when comparing the families. You do not choose your physical family, whereas choice is the only way to become a part of God's family. No one can choose their earthly family. You didn't say, "I'll take that wealthy family, or the one that resides in that castle in Europe, or the one with the famous mother or fun-loving dad."

No, it's through God's providence that you become part of a family. Conversely, you have to make a conscious choice to enter God's family. Good deeds, consistent church attendance, nor a philanthropic heart gives you entrance into this special family. It's a choice. The Bible says that Jesus came here and even His own rejected Him. John 1:12 states: *But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name.* Because of Jesus, that simple choice that you must make places you in God's family and offers freedom and purpose, not to mention eternal life.

Are you a member of that family?



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LOOK WHERE WWE IS GOING: GREECE AND ISRAEL OCTOBER 14-26, 2014

Remember #1 on your bucket list: "Someday I'm going to go to Israel." How long have you been saying that? We want to help you meet your goal. Plan now to join Walt and Patti Wiley and friends for 10 wonderful days that will fulfill that lifelong dream of exploring the land God created, used and visited, and walk with us where He completed the task of sacrificing His life for you and me.



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FEATURES OF THE TRIP

GREAT STOPS: Nazareth, Caesarea, Capernaum, Mt. Carmel, Caesarea Philippi, Masada, Bethlehem, and of course, Jerusalem and the Old City.

INSPIRATIONAL TEACHING: Biblical insights at all the stops, making the Bible come alive.

UNBELIEVABLE MEMORIES: Attainable nowhere else than in Israel—being on the Sea of Galilee, floating in the Dead Sea, standing on the Mt. of Olives. Plus, making new friends and enjoying plenty of laughter.

A RENEWED CONFIDENCE IN GOD AND HOW HE WORKS: Seeing God at work in and through the lives of Bible characters who once stood right where you will be standing.

VALUABLE TIMES OF SOUL-SEARCHING: Many pensive and inspirational moments.

Perhaps Greece was not on your bucket list, but here is an opportunity to add a few days to this experience. Walk with us on the Acropolis in Athens, view the Parthenon, and read Acts 17 from atop Mars Hill. Wow! Oh, and while we are at it, let's walk down the streets of ancient Corinth.

Every detail can be found at www.wwministries.org.

Every question can be answered by calling us at 888-993-1997.

Airplane seats and time are limited. We need you to act now!

Group airline seats guaranteed through July 13, after that date seats are subject to availability and price.

WWE Has Recently Produced Two Unique Items

A devotional book and a very special teaching.

Perhaps one or both would be perfect for you and/or your group.

Questions? Call us at 888-993-1997 or email us at info@wweministries.org.

A New Teaching:

@HOME@WORK

Most everyone is painfully aware of the 200-year old issue the working-person/family-person deals with on an ongoing basis: How can I be a success at the office while managing the demands at home?

Whether you're a husband, wife, dad or mom, it's possible you are facing that unavoidable dilemma right now or have been down that road. Well, Walt Wiley of Winning With Encouragement has taken on this conundrum and has produced @Home@Work. It is an easy to follow, practical teaching that could offer help, relieve stress, and assist you to be true to what you already believe.

Topics: • Where and when did this issue surface? • What are the contributing factors that make it an issue? • What are the most frequent answers to this dilemma? (P.S. - they don't work.)

It really helps when you remember these three things:

Don't confuse _____ with _____

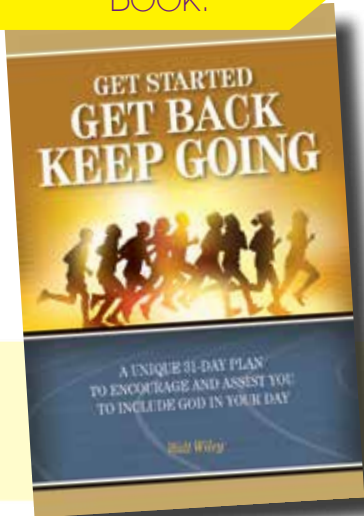
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Consider getting a group together who want to grapple with this issue. We'll be glad to come and fill in the blanks.



A Devotional Book:



This is a 31-day tool designed to get the reader in the habit of taking a little time each day to think about God as well as consider what is important to God. It's for those who are not in the habit of doing this (Get Started), those who used to do it (Get Back), and those who might want to do it another way for 31 days (Keep Going).

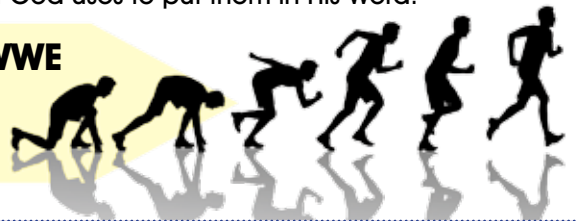
Each day begins with one of the 'Wit and Wisdumb of Walt Wiley' articles that formerly appeared in Winning With Encouragement's monthly newsletter, atypical, nonconforming, sometimes witty observations that contain a subtle reminder of God. After the story there are numerous and various Bible verses listed that can be used for additional Biblical input that highlight what the observation was about.

This might be just what you are looking for. Buy several copies and give them to your friends. Who knows, it just might be what God uses to put them in His Word.

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TrivialTime?

Walt Wiley loves trivia, especially U.S. Presidential trivia. If you know the answers to these trivia questions, email us at info@wweministries.org. If you are correct, we'll send you a prize.

Questions:

1. Name the President who was born Leslie Lynch King.
2. Name the President who played football at Michigan.
3. Name the President known for tripping over things.
4. Name the former Vice President and President who was not elected to either office.

You can find the correct answers on WWE's Facebook page.

Where WWE Has Been

Walt recently had the privilege of traveling to Cuba with Sid Stansell, president of Issa International, a



mission group who organizes, supports and encourages countless pastors in Cuba and Bolivia. Pictured above with some of the nationals are Sid (second from left), Atlanta businessman Chris Heim (third from left) and Walt who were at this island nation to take part in a pastors' conference.

To be in Cuba is to expect the unexpected. Though technically only a short distance from the USA, it truly is another world. From staying in a guest house, to riding to the meetings standing in the back of a truck, to riding in a 1956 Chevrolet taxi with 5 others, to speaking at a church with a large portion of the group peering in from the open windows, yes, it's another world. But an exciting world.

There are some other differences noticed. The people with so little material goods, advantages and privileges seem nonetheless happy, and their fervor for the Lord sometimes puts us to shame. Seeing that enthusiasm, spending time with the leaders and rubbing shoulders with the people made for a memorable

experience. Want a prayer request just for today? Pray for the Christians in Cuba.



1 It was Walt's privilege to speak and serve as master of ceremonies at a Fellowship of Companies For Christ regional meeting held in Charleston, SC, on the campus of Charleston Southern University. Pictured here are some of those who attended including regional director Steve Campbell (kneeling third from right).

2 Barbara Hautau was diagnosed with Multiple Sclerosis over 35 years ago. She didn't say "why me" or complain. As her condition worsened she reach out to others. In 1991, Barbara and her husband Herb, started what they call MS Christian Fellowship. They gather monthly with others living with MS to pray with them and encourage them. It was Walt's privilege to speak at a recent meeting. (Barbara is pictured in the center.)

3 Walt spoke in his hometown of Philadelphia at the annual celebration banquet for the Buxmont Torch, a professional soccer team made up of


(pictured far right). Also pictured were special guests at the banquet including Ken Alksesen, chaplain for the Philadelphia Union (left) and Heather Mitts-Feeley, former member of the USA women's national team. Heather is letting Rich, Ken and Walt briefly hold her three Olympic gold medals.

4 Pictured are some of men who gather weekly at a morning Bible study held at the offices of Arcadia Homes in Charlotte, NC. Walt Wiley had the privilege to lead the study for a few weeks.

5 Walt and Patti spend Memorial Day Weekend at America's Keswick Conference Center in Whiting, NJ, where Walt spoke at the weekend conference. President of America's Keswick is WWE friend and member of WWE's Council of Encouragers, Dr. William Welte. Walt and Patti are pictured here with Dr. Welte and his wife Jan.

There's That Envelope Again

Enclosed with this newsletter is an envelope addressed to WWE. We continue doing what we do because of the kindness of friends and their financial assistance. Perhaps you would consider using that envelope and sending a tax deductible gift to WWE. Thanks in advance.

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DATE	ORGANIZATION	EVT	SPK
July 26-Aug 1	Pinebrook Bible Conference E. Stroudsburg, PA	FEDW	WW
July 27	Trinity Bible Fellowship Church Blandon, PA	GEN	WW
Aug 15	TOT Time Teachers Church at Charlotte Charlotte, NC	GEN	WW
Sep 20-25	FCCI Int'l Conference Amelia Island, FL	GEN	WW
Sep 26-28	Long View Ranch Mosheim, TN	LofL	WW
Oct 2	Men's Group Denver, NC	GEN	WW
Oct 6-10	Camp Spofford Spofford, NJ	GEN	WW
Oct 14-26	WWE's Greece-Israel Pilgrimage		
Nov 9-13	SCORE Ministries Santo Domingo, DR	GEN	WW

EVENTS KEY:

- GEN = General
- FEDW = Finding Encouragement in a Discouraging World
- LofL = The Look of the Leader

SPEAKERS KEY:

- WW – Walt Wiley

WWE in the Days Ahead