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A "sucker punch" is a punch that you don't see coming. When you get casual in the ring, you make yourself vulnerable to a knockout blow. Knockouts come when the fighter doesn't expect it. Sucker punches catch you completely off guard. If a fighter could see a sucker punch, he would brace for it. It may hurt, but it wouldn't knock him out. When you let your quard down, you are a prime candidate for a sucker punch.

Can you figure out what David, Samson, Peter, Noah, Ephraim, and Jacob had in common? They all had a spiritual fall. David with Bathsheba, Samson with Delilah, Jacob who stole his brother's birthright. Ephraim who turned back in the day of battle. Noah and his drunkenness, and Peter and his denial of the Lord.

David, in his time when the kings went to battle, did not go to battle. He became casual and stayed home when he should have been leading the fight. He should have been setting the example. But in this case, instead of doing what God purposed for him to do. casualty stayed home, took a rest and went on vacation. As a result of it, his men went to battle and while they were fighting, David casually viewed Bathsheba from his porch top. Lust set in his heart, he committed adultery and sent Uriah to his death on the battled field.

Anytime you become casual, you set yourself up to become a casualty. It all starts in the same place. The word "casual" means unplanned. David had some unplanned time, took it casual, became a casualty and fell into sin. There has never been a casualty without first someone being casual. The very word itself implies that. When it was time to fight, David was casual and the result was Bathsheba, Uriah, and Absalom.

- Samson was casual. He was casually laying around with his head upon Delilah's lap. Because he was casual, he became a casualty.
- Peter was casual. Before he ever cursed and swore, he was warming his feet at the devil's fire, casually associating himself with the wrong crowd.
- Ephraim was casual. The Bible says "... being armed ... turned back in the day of the battle." They were armed and ready to fight, yet they didn't fight because they became
- The church at Ephesus suffered from casualty. Their problem was that they had left their first love. They still loved God, not just the way that they used to. They were comfortable because they were casual. We do bad, not because we plan on doing bad, but because we do not plan to do good.
- Amos said, "Woe to them that are at ease in Zion..." What he was really saying is, "Woe to them that have grown casual in the work of the Lord Jesus Christ." If you read on, it tells us why they were at ease. They were laying on beds of ivory, they were sipping wine, they were eating the best foods which were the lambs of the flock and they prepared for themselves the best that man could provide.
- Before the Roman Empire fell, they had 167 holidays a year. Half of the year was spent in casualty! Because of their ease, they let down their guard and lost everything. They lost their glory, their influence, their power, their government, their jobs, their families, they lost everything! America, take note!

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BOX TOPS UPDATED

Box Tops is changing to fit today's families. The new and improved Box Tops mobile app uses state-of-the-art technology to scan your store receipt, find participating products and instantly add Box Tops to your school's earnings online.

Enter: http://www.boxtops4education.com

Once you click on the website, look to the left side of the screen and type in 37862 for our zip code. Choose the Alpha Educational Learning Center as the school to support for Smoky Mountain Children's Home! You can do the same when you download the Mobile App.

BOX TOPS CLIPS



Traditional Box Tops clips are being phased out of production, but may continue to be found on many products throughout the store.

You can still clip and send them to school.

Every valid Box Tops clip is worth 10¢ for your school. Make sure each one has a clearly visible product acronym and expiration date.

* All valid Box Tops clips submitted per the Program Rules by a Coordinator(s) of (an) eligible, enrolled school(s) will be honored.

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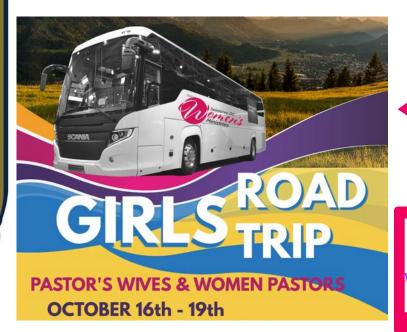


Eventually the Box Tops program will become digital-only. Participating brands are starting to change their packaging from a traditional Box Tops clip to the new Box Top label.

If you see this label, use the new Box Tops app to scan your receipt.

Box Tops are still worth 10e each for your school. The app will find participating products purchased at any store and instantly add cash to your school's earnings online.

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REPLENISH

MINISTER & SPOUSE SOUL SABBATH GETAWAY



To every Delmarva-DC minister and spouse, REPLENISH 2019 is designed for YOU! You were made for conquest, to win battles. You were made for war and to fight. God has given us the spiritual armor to both fight and defend ourselves. But any soldier will tell you that you must take constant care of your weaponry for it to be "battle-ready" at a moment's notice. There is a battle out there and you and I have a target on our back. Stay focused, stay alert and stay prepared. How can you truly "watch over the souls" (Hebrews 13:17) of others if you do not first watch over your own?



September 100 years Tour!

Join us in these Spirit-Filled Services.

We will have Bishop Carlton Cannon Sr., Dr. John D. Childers, and Voice of Lee!

Come out and celebrate with us! 100 Years!



Senior Adult Day!

GOT TALENT?

Contact BETTY MOORE today!

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Christmas!

Christmas season is coming up soon. Don't miss out on this wonderful event full of joy and unity.

Registration is OPEN! Online or call: (410) 531-5351



Youth & Discipleship Department

Bishop Brett & Heather Seals
Regional Youth & Discipleship Directors



International Teen Talent 2019

Delmarva-DC had a wonderful representation at Teen Talent this year. Our students did a fantastic job demonstrating incredible talent throughout the week. Tamyiah Baptiste brought home first place in the Solo Expressive Interpretive Movement category and Kennedy Seals brought home second place in the Poetry category. Additionally, Kennedy Seals had an honorable mention in the Short Story category. We certainly appreciate all our churches that supported this event: Loch Lynn, Pathway, Ebenezer, Living Hope, and Easton. Thank you to everyone for your prayers and support of Teen Talent. We are certainly looking forward to the next season of Teen Talent with opportunities for our students to display their talent for God's glory.



Upcoming Events:







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