

RELIGION



Scripture Of The Week..

*Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen...
Through faith we understand that the worlds were framed by the word of God, so that things which are seen were not made of things which do appear. Hebrews 11:1-3.
(For a reminder and encouraging thoughts on some of the past faith adventures read the entire 11th chapter of Hebrews.)*



REFLECTIONS How Well Does Your Faith Stand Up

Let's examine our faith. With whom does it lie. Where are we putting most of our faith, in God or in man. No matter how much or how little faith we may possess, we can always use more.

We have so little-we say in God. Yet we have faith in checks and banks, trains and airplanes, cars and buses, and even space shuttles and warships. We are not afraid of strangers who drive us in cabs, or doctors we've never met performing surgery on our bodies, or people who cook food for us in public restaurants. We show a kind of unquestioning faith in people we know nothing about, yet we cannot exercise a 'smidgen' of faith in God, who knows us better than we know ourselves.

We are usually trying to find an easy path through life and most

times making it complicated, when God already has a special and perfect plan for us. Many of our problems and frustrations occur because we refuse to look at His plan for us, much less use it.

Let's make a positive aggressive move and increase our faith by depositing our lives' account into God's checking and savings bank, where one of the many investments is faith. Believe by faith that the interest and dividends will be pressed down and running over.

...St. Luke 17: 5,6.....Lord increase our faith...If we had faith as a grain of mustard seed.....

The Portland Observer staff want to share a new addition to our religious page. This will be a weekly feature. We hope you are enriched and uplifted by the thoughts that will appear in this column.

Martin Luther King, Jr. Elementary School Honors Their Namesake Legendary Dr. King.



Student Choir members "Lift Every Voice and Sing."



Pictured is Principal Laverne Davis

"I have the audacity to believe that people everywhere can have three meals a day for their bodies, education and culture for their minds, and dignity, equality and freedom for their spirits"

Martin Luther King, Jr. — Acceptance speech, Nobel Peace Prize, Dec. 10, 1964

School Of Religious Learning To Launch 70th Session At First Methodist Church

This year marks the 70th Annual Session of the School of Religious Learning, a program of Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon (EMO).

The School, which runs for five consecutive Monday evenings from 7:30 - 9:30 P.M. will be held at First United Methodist Church, 1838 SW Jefferson in Portland, beginning Monday, January 25, 1993.

As in past sessions, a diversity of study courses will be offered, in areas of interest such as parish life, personal enlightenment, scriptural/biblical studies, and social concerns.

"We look forward to an outstanding program of study at this year's school," said the Rev. Rodney I. Page, Executive Director of Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon. "We are pleased that a number of educators and clergy of note will be teaching our courses, which range from issues of human sexuality and christian faith, to building the 'Good Society', and a study of

the Revelation to St. John, among others."

Courses are open to all, and the general public is cordially invited to attend.

The first night of the school, Monday, January 25th, will begin at 7:00 P.M. with an opening assembly and worship service, and presentation of the Louise K. Hunderup Award. The award is presented in recognition of an individual's outstanding contribution and service to religious education in an ecumenical setting.

Among those who have been honored in the past include the Rev. John Jackson, Rabbi Joshua Stampfer, and EMO Deputy Director Barbara George.

Course description and registration material can be obtained through the Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon Central Office, 0245 SW Bancroft, Portland, Oregon 97201; (503) 221-1054.

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