

Mercy Health Foundation Irvine Board adds five new members

The Mercy Health Foundation Irvine Board voted five new members to join the board in 2021. Pictured below are Kayla Carroll, Citizens Guaranty Bank; Scotty Combs, APRN, Juniper Health Lee County; Joe Don Long, Carhartt; Dianne Smith, retired; and Andrea Williams, Estill County Board of Education. The Mercy Health Foundation Irvine Board also includes: Rodney Davis, Robert Doering, Myra Finney (Chair), Mayor James Gross, Barsha Honchell (Vice-Chair), Billie Kelley, APRN, Bobby Carol Noland, Estine Tipton (Secretary), Michael Wilson (Treasurer) and Cheryl Witt. For more information about Mercy Health Foundation Irvine or Mercy Health - Marcum and Wallace Hospital, visit foundation.mercy.com/Irvine. (Photo courtesy of Mercy Health - Marcum & Wallace Hospital)



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Citizens Guaranty Bank



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Getting approved for SSI as easy as finding the right paper

day after day, week after week, picking up any paper he came across, then throwing it down, muttering, "No, that's not it."

The odd behavior finally caught the attention of the Social Security office's manager who arranged for the old fellow to undergo a psychological exam.

The psychologist concluded the old fellow had "decreased mental capacity," and prepared a paper granting him a monthly SSI check. The psychologist handed that piece of paper to the old fellow, who smiled broadly, and said, "Yes, that's it."

Sounds like the old fellow with "decreased mental capacity" had outsmarted both the office manager and

the psychologist.

Have you ever been scrutinized by others? Perhaps at work, when you were being considered for a promotion? Perhaps when you were applying for a new job? Perhaps when you moved into a new home with lots of curious neighbors? Perhaps when you applied for a loan and the bank was trying to determine whether you could be trusted to pay it back?

All of us of every age group may be scrutinized from time to time, but it seems to me that senior citizens are scrutinized almost constantly by people watching for signs of "decreased mental capacity."

I was really struck recently by a Psalm that was

apparently written late in the life of King David, a man who in his prime was strong and powerful.

"Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth me. For mine enemies speak against me; and they that lay wait for my soul take counsel together, saying, God hath forsaken him; persecute and take him; for there is none to deliver him. O God, be not far from me. O my God, make haste for my help. Let them be confounded and consumed that are adversaries to my soul. Let them be covered with reproach and dishonor that seek my hurt" (Psalm 71:9-13).

What a shame that our seniors have to live under

microscopes. In my experience, you don't have to search for dementia or senility or some other form of "decreased mental capacity." If it's there, it will absolutely slap you in the face. It's unmistakable. And it's heartbreaking. You'll know it when you see it. You'll be able to say, without any doubt, "Yes, that's it."

Until then, stop analyzing the senior citizens around you. Instead, learn from them. Benefit from their wisdom and experience. Just maybe they'll show you how to pull one over on the Social Security guy.

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You may recall the story about the old fellow who had a routine of walking around the Social Security office, picking up every piece of paper he found. He'd examine the paper closely and say, "No, that's not it." He'd then throw it back down.

He did this same thing

White House Clinics Recognized as National Leader in Quality

Richmond, Kentucky - Health Help, Inc. d/b/a White House Clinics is pleased to announce it has been awarded a certificate of achievement in recognition of ranking among the top 20% of community health centers nationwide in overall clinical performance.

White House Clinics CEO, Stephanie Moore, says "Being recognized in the top 20% among peers who share such a commitment to quality is an achievement that brings us great pride. I appreciate the dedication of our teams to providing accessible and high-quality care in our communities. White House Clinics' Quality and Risk Management Plan focuses on improving key patient and organizational functions through a broad, multi-disciplinary team approach that seeks to engage employees at all levels of the organization."

The certificate of achievement is awarded through the Human Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), a federal governing body that guides community health center operations across the nation. HRSA's Clinical Quality Improvement initiatives support health centers' efforts to provide better care for patients, improve the health of their communities, and reduce the cost of health care for patients (bphc.hrsa.gov). Quality Improvement Awards given by HRSA recognize the highest performing health centers nationwide as well as those health centers who have made significant quality improvement gains from the previous year.

White House Clinics' recognition as a 2020 Health Center Quality Leader is a result the organization's dedication to quality improvement. The organization hosts a robust Quality Improvement and Assurance and Risk Management team (QI/QA team); this group consists of representatives from every discipline in the organization and reflects all areas within the health center's scope of services. Specific items prioritized by HRSA and reviewed by the QI/QA team include patient care, clinical processes, risk management and patient safety, efficient and effective clinical services and management, and community and financial accountability.

Seven employees also received recognition as the site-based Employee of the Year including Ms. Katie Crowe at the Irvine Clinic.

What is a Christian?

Wednesday, January 13th, 2021 Message
Bro. Warren Rogers, Baptist Minister

"Then departed Barnabas to Tarsus, for to seek Saul: ²⁶And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch." -- Acts 11: 25-26

First let's look at what a Christian is not:

A. Living in a so-called Christian country does not make you a Christian. No more than standing in a garage makes you a car.

B. Being baptized, joining a church and taking communion does not make you a Christian. These are things that you do after accepting the Lord as Savior.

C. Having a Christian father, mother, wife, or husband does not make you a Christian.

Second, we look at what a Christian is according to the new testament:

A Christian is a person in whose life four things have taken place:

a. First a person must come under conviction of their sins.

b. After they are under conviction, they must desire repentance. Acts 17:30, "And the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent:"

c. They must experience conversion. Acts 16:30, Here we have the story of a jailer being saved.

d. There must evidence of a new birth or change in lifestyle John 3: 1-7, Jesus explaining to Nicodemus how to be saved.

Third: Why should you be a Christian?

A. First of all, because it the right way to live in God's world.

B. God made you and expects you to get the most out of life.

C. You owe it to yourself to live the best life possible.

The person who rejects Christ murders his immortal soul, in other words commits suicide for eternity

You owe it to your fellow man to become a Christian

You owe it to Jesus who died on the cross for you to obtain a free pardon from sin. **1 Peter 4:16**, "Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf."

Because of the uncertainty of life, we never know when death will take us.

Because it is always today with God, it is always tomorrow with a fool.

The devil has never told a bigger lie than to make someone believe. "I've got plenty of time."

2 Corinthians 6:2, "(For he saith, I have heard thee in a time accepted, and in the day of salvation have I succoured thee: behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.)"

Matthew 18:2-4, "And Jesus called a little child unto him, and set him in the midst of them, ³And said, Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven. ⁴Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven."

Friend, if you find yourself in a lost condition I urge you to accept Jesus as your savior now. If you need to talk to me call, 606-481-0444

Out on a Limb

by Gary Kopervas

