



CHECK-UPS ARE GOOD

by Martin Drummond

Imagine pushing off from the dock in a sailboat with the intention of sailing from Miami, Florida to San Juan, Puerto Rico.

By the way, you'll be making this trip without a compass or maps or any kind of instruments or gauges.

You just have to trust your gut feelings that, while out on the open ocean in the midst of varying currents and winds and random storms, you'll be following the proper course at all times and that you'll be making progress according to schedule.

Hmmmm.....

It's not surprising that you wouldn't find anyone willing to make the trip with you under such circumstances.

The fact is that you'll likely not arrive at your destination.

When we can't see where we're going and we don't know where we're at, we have BIG problems when it comes to destination plans.

That's why passages such as Psalm 15 are so important to our spiritual development and fruitfulness for the Lord.

"LORD, who may dwell in your sanctuary? Who may live on your holy mountain?

"Those whose walk is blameless, who do what is righteous, who speak the truth from their hearts; who have no slander on their tongues, who do their neighbors no wrong, who cast no slur on others;

"who despise those whose ways are vile but honor whoever fears the LORD; who keep their oaths even when it hurts; who lend money to the poor without interest and do not accept bribes against the innocent.

"Whoever does these things will never be shaken."

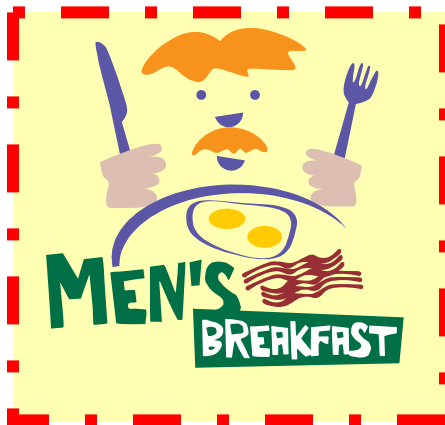
Here's our Psalm 15 checklist for today — and every day:

- Always tell the truth
- Never gossip
- Always do good to neighbors
- Don't say hurtful things
- Avoid those with evil ways
- Affirm those with godly ways
- Keep promises even when costly
- Don't exploit poor people with loan interest charges
- Make sure my integrity is not for sale

At the end of each day, reviewing our lives according to this checklist can help us know if we're making progress toward the goal of being like Christ.

Though we all have more progress to make, it's encouraging to us and pleasing to God when we make measurable advancement toward becoming the people that God wants and deserves.

This sure beats wandering through life with no Word and no clue of where we spiritually are on the journey of faith.



Come and get it, guys! Free breakfast

Men, join us at **TOMORROW at 8 a.m. at the church** to enjoy free breakfast and some fun stories. A number of guys have been wanting to have such a time for mutual encouragement and a few laughs. We'll only take an hour of your time so go ahead and plan your day full of "honey do" tasks beginning at 9 a.m. This won't be a "preachy" time but instead just some good, solid guy time.

The preacher's buying this time around so make sure that he gets his money's worth of hungry mouths to feed. Bring a friend or two so that we can build this men's group toward what God wants and we guys need.

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22ND AT 5PM IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

We will be discussing and approving the budget for the coming year in preparation for the Annual Congregational Meeting. It is important that all Elders, Deacons, and Trustees attend this meeting.





ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5TH AT 2PM

All members are encouraged to attend this important meeting where we will be voting on the proposed budget and approving the slate of board members chosen by our Elders for the upcoming year. In order to be eligible to vote you must be a baptized believer who has placed your membership with our congregation and be at least 16 years of age.



Women of Faith is holding a new and exciting One Day Event featuring Author, Singer and Television Host **Sheila Walsh** along with hilarious Christian Comedian and storyteller **Ken Davis** coming to the James L. Knight Center in Miami on **March 17th 2012 from 10am-5pm.**

**This is a one day only event that combines biblical insight and in-depth teaching with humor and inspiration.
What if “One Day” could change everything?**

Tickets are \$59 & \$79. The seats are general admission. The \$79 seats are closer to the stage but still not assigned a seat number. Lunch is not included.

If you are interested in attending this event, please contact Tania Veloz.

January

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11  11am	12	13  7pm	14
15  BOARD MEETING 5pm	16	17	18 Family Dinner 6:15pm	19	20	21 Men's Breakfast
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				



BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

1st Tammy Bolles
 2nd Gregorio Belmont
 7th Reinaldo Alvarez
 9th Luisa Garrido
 12th Linda Hiers
 14th Laura Madera
 15th Cidia Santiesteban

19th Eppy Suarez
 17th Eddy & Zary Garrido
 17th Chris & Chantal Kinnaird
 22nd Jake Mills
 23rd Juana Aguirre
 25th Katia Garcia
 26th Kaitlyn Hargraves



Serving Schedule

JANUARY 22

COMMUNION MEDITATION

Steve Chin

COMMUNION SERVERS

Marc Hargraves*
Tim Moon
Bobby Veloz
David Hiers

DONATION COUNTERS

Marino Polanco
Chris Kinnaird

JANUARY 29

Gene Kinnaird

Chris Kinnaird*
Pete Moolah
Danny Abdo
Eppy Suarez

Tom Fields
Steve Chin

**Will lead offering prayer*



Pauta de Servicio

22 DE ENERO

ORACION OFRENDA

Gregorio Belmont

ORACION SANTA CENA

Reinaldo Alvarez

LECTURA DE LA PALABRA

Pedro Madera

SIRVIENDO A LA MESA

Pedro Madera
Marino Polanco
Nelson Garrido
Alfonso Henriquez

29 DE ENERO

Marino Polanco

Jorge Velez

Ada Rosa

Santiago León
Aldo Hechavarria
Nelson Garrido
Alex Gutierrez



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Got Questions?



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