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God Is Faithful



Alexander was some kind of genius. In the age before supermarkets, when most Americans lived on farms or tended garden plots in town, preserving food for the winter ahead was a matter of life and death. That's why entrepreneurs like Mason and Ball became household names for mass-producing canning jars. But creating self-sealing lids for those jars became a vexing challenge. That's when Alexander Kerr's inventive mind discovered the secret worth its weight in gold. The problem for Kerr was in finding the capital to mass-produce his product. In 1903 he partnered with John Giles to found the Hermetic Closure Company

of Chicago. A year later, he changed the name to the Kerr Glass Manufacturing Company. He patented another of his inventions, the first threaded ring to hold the lid down—the same method used today. Alexander had mortgaged his home, and he borrowed heavily to finance his new start-up. The competition was stiff and the American economy fragile. Those early days were tough sledding. Yet Alexander Kerr, who had been converted under the ministry of evangelist D. L. Moody, had committed to test God's promise to

bless those who tithed—even when he had precious little to give. That belief was severely tested four years after he started his company. It was 1906, and his fruit jars were being produced in San Francisco. On April 18 a massive earthquake hit. Some three thousand people were killed, and 80 percent of the city was destroyed. When Alexander received the news flash, his friends said, "You are a ruined man!" He responded, "I don't believe it. I know God can't go back on his promises!" He wired San Francisco. A devastating answer came back: "Factory in the heart of the fire. Undoubtedly destroyed. Heat so intense will be unable to find out anything for several days." Those were faith-testing days for Kerr's family. About a week later, a second wire came from San Francisco: "Factory miraculously saved." Everything for a mile and a half on all sides of the factory burned, but the factory remained standing! Kerr immediately left for the coast. It wasn't until he got to the site that he saw the amazing scope of God's miracle. His factory was made entirely of wood, containing huge tanks where the glass was melted at hot temperatures, fueled by oil. His building was the most flammable in the area. Yet the raging inferno came only to the edges of the Kerr factory, scorching its fences before jumping over his building to consume whole blocks around it. The fences were not burned, nor was the building singed. So complete was the miracle that not a single one of the thousands of jars was cracked by the massive earthquake or fires that followed. Alexander later spoke in churches, reminding Christians of God's promise to bless those who tithe. If you are tempted to withhold that which

belongs to God, you might want to ponder this: The most impossible task in life is to outgive God. Give, and you will receive. Your gift will return to you in full—pressed down, shaken together to make room for more, running over, and poured into your lap. Luke 6:38

Point to Ponder

"Now what is food for the inner man? Not prayer, but the Word of God; and here again, not the simple reading of the Word of God, so that it only passes through our minds, just as water passes through a pipe, but considering what we read, pondering it over and applying it to our hearts."

— George Müller

Chuckle Bit

Q: What's the best thing about Switzerland A: I don't know, but the flag is a big plus!

Upcoming Events

Wed., Mar. 30 Parent-Teacher

Conferences; school

dismisses at 2 pm

April 12-22 MAPS testing

Sab., April 16 Fee Free Day at TRNP

April 24 Sunday School

Thurs., April 28 No School—Teacher

Inservice

International Children's Care Francisco Javier

Monthly Commitment Goal: \$30 Amount Received for March: \$57.71

What's Cookin'?

Haystacks

Tuesday, April 5

Sarah F.: I cucumber and I onion

Mo/Kaj: 1 jar mild salsa Faith: 1 jar mild salsa Ratliff: 3 ripe avocados

Mtonga: 20 oz. grated carrots, sliced olives

Hale: tub fresh spinach or spring mix

Carter: 6 Roma tomatoes Karges: cheese sauce Ms. Hay: 3 ripe avocados Mrs. Wright: beans

Vegeburgers

Tuesday, April 12

Sarah F: 1 bottle ketchup Mo/Kaj: 1 jar sliced dill pickles Faith: 1 large sweet onion Ratliff: 6 large tomatoes Mtonga: 5 lb. frozen French fries

Hale: 2 heads iceberg lettuce

Carter: I bottle ketchup

Karges: 3 red/yellow bell peppers

Ms. Hay: 3 avocados Mrs. Wright: burgers

Mad Minute Progress

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IHAS Friends

Mary Elizabeth Hay

of years at IHAS: 5th

My favorite Bible character is: Hosea because, like God loves us, he just kept loving his wife.

My favorite Bible passage is Exodus 14:13-15 because the short version of a long story is it has pulled me through a lot.

Favorite book of the Bible: Psalms

Favorite book besides the Bible: Desire of Ages and Great Controversy

Favorite color(s): all Pet of choice: dog

Favorite food: too many Least favorite food: hot Indian

Favorite candy: I can't Favorite scent: mountain air (the smoke-free kind)
Worst scent: dumpster Favorite hymn: "I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go"

Favorite hot lunch: all—Mrs. Wright is a great cook (editor's note: almost as good as Ms. Hay)

Place I'd most like to go: Israel

Favorite hero: Ernest Shackleton because he was a humble leader

One of the nicest things anyone has done for me: little old lady who prayed for me when I needed it

Best life accomplishment: being a teacher

Most interesting person from history: Edward VI

Name I'd choose for myself: something very short

Best age to be is 60 but we won't go

into that here

 $\mbox{l'm}$ afraid of: not being bold for \mbox{Christ}

Places I've lived: too many to name

Past jobs/careers: sold watermelon, laundry, elder care, art gallery

This makes me happy: family most but

many other things

Favorite thing to give people: sincere compliments

Best thing ever invented: the car

Favorite way to travel: car

Dream day outdoors: tubing on a river

with family and friends

Name I'd choose for a boat: "The Guppy"

This bugs me: when people snitch food before potluck prayer

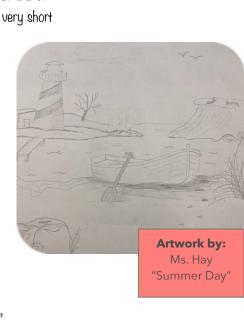
A language I wish I could speak is: French

When I get to heaven, I can't wait to: see Dad

My top three rules: 1) listen and obey, first time fastest way; 2) clean up more than your own mess; 3) be cheerful

If I opened a store, I'd sell: Bibles, fruits, veggies

I'd like everyone to know: I enjoy praying for other people



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