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Labor Day

Tomorrow will be the first Monday in September, the day designated in our country as Labor Day. In the late 1800's, the rise of trade unions and labor movements led to the desire to honor organized labor, and in 1894, Labor Day officially became a national holiday. Initially, parades and picnics were frequented by speeches from prominent labor leaders, but as is the case for many of our holidays, earlier traditions have given way to just having a day off from work. For many, this holiday simply marks the end of summer, the beginning of a new school year, another day of shopping specials, or just a day of leisure.

Labor Day has no religious significance, but the idea of labor is certainly scriptural. Adam's life changed after the initial sin in the garden when God said, *Because thou hast hearkened unto the voice of thy wife, and hast eaten of the tree, which I commanded thee saying, Thou shalt not eat of it: cursed is the ground for thy sake...In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread... (Gen. 3:17-19)*. In the giving of the Ten Commandments, God instructed the children of Israel, *Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work (Ex. 20:8-9)*.

Additionally, there are scriptures which encourage us to labor for God. Jesus said, *Labour not for the meat which perisheth,*

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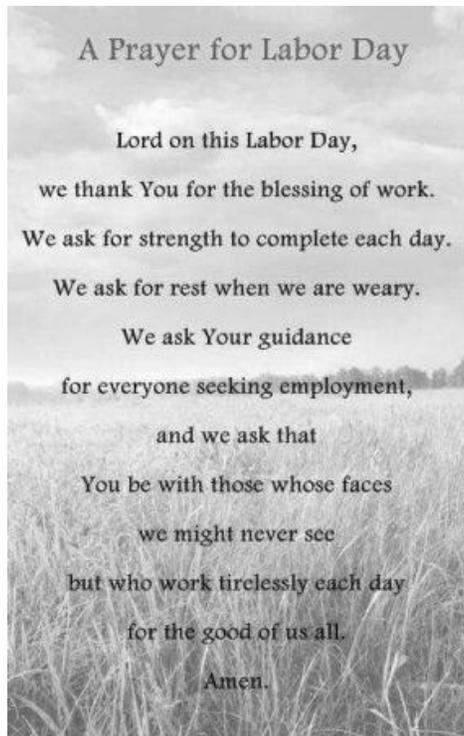
**SUNDAY:**              Worship      9:00 AM & 5:00 PM

**WEDNESDAY:**      Bible Study    6:30 PM

but for the meat which endureth unto everlasting life... (John 6:27). Therefore, my beloved brethren, be ye stedfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know that your labor is not in vain in the Lord (1 Cor. 15:58). Now he that planteth and he that watereth are one: and every man shall receive his own reward according to his own labor. For we are laborers together with God... (1 Cor. 3:8-9). Let us labor therefore to enter into that rest, lest any man fall after the same example of unbelief (Heb. 4:11).

God intends for man to labor to take care of his family. He also wants man to labor in His kingdom, to serve Him and mankind spiritually. Let us set our eyes on the prize of eternal rest, the reward for our spiritual labor in this life.

~Freeman



*Have a safe & blessed Labor Day!*

## *Remember in Prayer...*

- **Kay** remains in the Milan hospital, room 448. She was better yesterday, and was planning to eat a regular meal for the first time last night.
- Both **Kyle** and **Monte** are continuing to improve.
- **David Bryant** got his stitches out this week.
- Please continue to remember **John & Rayna Moore** and others we've been praying for with Covid. **Teddy & Rose Brawner** are now home from the hospital.
- Please continue to **remember our shut-ins**.

## *News and Notes...*

- Please remember that we are assembling on Sundays at 9AM and 5PM. We are also live-streaming all our services, including the Wednesday Bible class at 6:30PM, which is not yet open to the public.
- **Your continued participation** in social distancing and wearing a mask is appreciated as we assemble for worship. Please pick up your communion packets from the foyer on your way in, and discard them in the basket by the door on your way out.