#### SEPTEMBER 2020

### PRAYER REQUESTS:

- \* DONNA
- \* DUR PASTOR
- \* OUR CHURCH
- RICKY & RENEE
- \* SHARON
- MAXINE
- \* THE ADDICTS
- \* THE LOST
- \* CAROL
- \* JERI LYNN & FAMILY
- \* LACEY & FAMILY
- \* JAMIE
- \* FREDDY
- \* JESSE & CAROL
- \* ASIAN MINISTRY
- \* CHAPLIAN STEELE
- \* JAIL MINISTRY
- \* OUR COUNTRY
- OUR PRESIDENT
- \* SUNDAT SCHOOL TEACH-ERS
- \* CHOIR DIRECTOR
- \* PATSY
- \* BRUCE
- \* ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER
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# SPRING HILL CHURCH

### DID YOU KNOW?

I never knew ... DID YOU?

If any of you have ever been to a military funeral in which taps was played; this brings out a new meaning of it.

Here is something every American should know. Until I read this, I didn't know, but I checked it out and it's true:

We in the United States have all heard the haunting song, 'Taps...' It's the song that gives us the lump in our throats and usually tears in our eyes.

But, do you know the story behind the song? If not, I think you will be interested to find out about its humble beginnings.

Reportedly, it all began in 1862 during the Civil War, when Union Army Captain Robert Elli was with his men near Harrison's Landing in Virginia. The Confederate Army was on the other side of the narrow strip of land. During the night, Captain Elli heard the moans of a soldier who lay severely wounded on the field. Not knowing if it was a Union or Confederate soldier. the Captain decided to risk his life and bring the stricken man back for medical attention. Crawling on his stomach through the gunfire, the Captain reached the stricken soldier and began pulling him toward his encampment... When the Captain finally reached his own lines, he discovered it was actually a Confederate soldier,

but the soldier was dead.

The Captain lit a lantern and suddenly caught his breath and went numb with shock. In the dim light, he saw the face of the soldier. It was his own son. The boy had been studying music in the south when the war broke out... Without telling his father, the boy enlisted in the Confederate Army.

The following morning, heartbroken, the father asked permission of his superiors to give his son a full military burial, despite his enemy status. His request was only partially granted.

The Captain had asked if he could have a group of Army band members play a funeral dirge for his son at the funeral

The request was turned down since the soldier was Confederate

But, out of respect for the father, they did say they could give him only one musician. The Captain chose a bugler. He asked the bugler to play a series of musical notes he. had found on a piece of paper in the pocket of the dead youth's uniform.

This wish was granted. The haunting melody, we now know as 'Taps' used at military funerals was born.

The words are:

Day is done. Gone the sun. From the lakes. From the hills. From the sky.

All is well. Safely rest. God is nigh.

Fading light. Dims the sight. And a star. Gems the day. Gleaming bright. From afar. Drawing nigh. Falls the night.

Thanks and praise. For our days. Neath the sky. As we go. This we know. God is nigh.



I too have felt the chills while listening to 'Taps' but I have never seen all the words until now. I didn't even know there was more than one verse. I also never knew the story behind the song and I didn't know if you had either so I thought I'd pass it along.

Now I have an even deeper respect for the song. Remember those lost and harmed while serving their country.

Also remember those who have served and returned; and for those presently serving in the Armed Forces. Many turn from JESUS because of
A bad experience with
RELIGIOUS PEOPLE.
But know this,
JESUS also had
A bad experience with
RELIGIOUS PEOPLE.
He was killed by them.
RELIGION WILL NOT SAVE YOU.
ONLY JESUS SAVES.

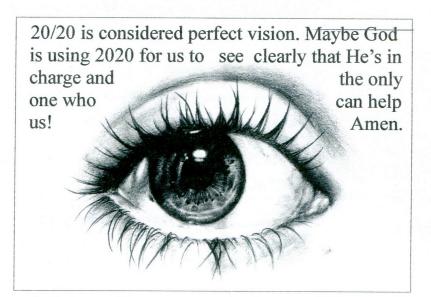


"For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against the spiritual wickedness in high places."

Ephesians 6:12



It's not that Christians wanna shove Jesus down your throat but man if YOU KNEW. If you KNEW how He can transform you, how He can take that hurt, that depression, that anxiety. We boast about our Lord because HE IS MIGHTY!





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Have you ever thought on how a tree leans? If you watch a tree when the wind blows it will lean in one direction or the other.. No matter how you cut that tree it will fall in the direction it leans..

That's just the way we are.. If you live your life looking toward God. Living your life seeking Him and His will. Leaning to Him that's the way you will fall..

If you live a life of sin, not accepting Him as your Savior not living for Him but giving in to the desires of sin. That's the way you will fall..

We will all certainly fall one day! Which way are you leaning?

