

Singing With Violet

Read Philippians 1:20-26

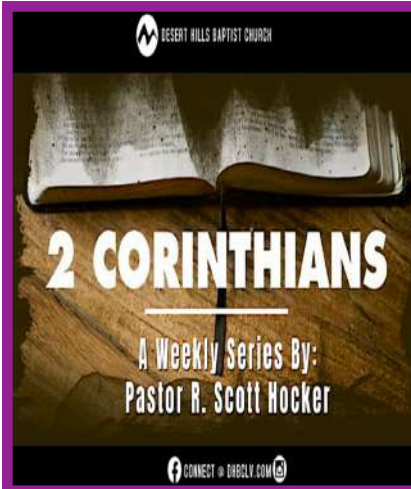
For I am in a strait betwixt two, having a desire to depart, and to be with Christ; which is far better: Nevertheless to abide in the flesh is more needful for you. Philippians 1: 23-24

An elderly woman named Violet sat on her bed in a Jamaican infirmary and smiled as some teenagers stopped to visit with her. The hot, sticky, midday air came into her little group home unabated, but she didn't complain. Instead, she began wracking her mind for a song to sing. Then a huge smile appeared and she sang, "I am running, skipping, jumping, praising the Lord!" As she sang, she swung her arms back and forth as if she were running. Tears came to those around her, for Violet had no legs. She was singing because, she said, "Jesus loves me—and in heaven I will have new legs to run with."

Violet's joy and hopeful anticipation of heaven give new vibrancy to Paul's words in Philippians 1 when he referred to life and death issues. "If I am to go on living in the body, this will mean fruitful labor for me," he said. "I am torn between the two: I desire to depart and be with Christ, which is better by far" (vv.22-23)

Each of us faces tough times that may cause us to long for the promise of heavenly relief. But, as Violet showed us joy despite her current circumstances, we too can keep "running, skipping, praising the Lord"—both for the abundant life He gives us here and for the ultimate joy that awaits us.

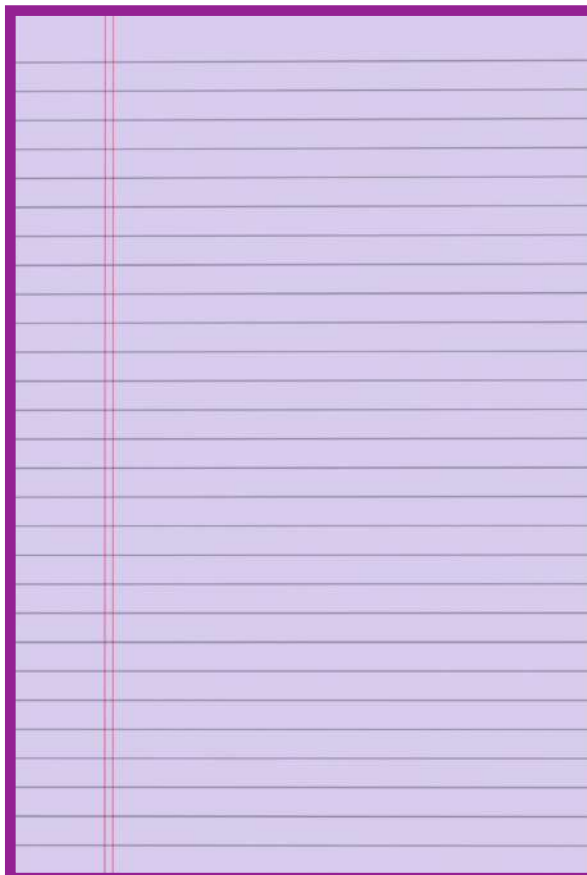
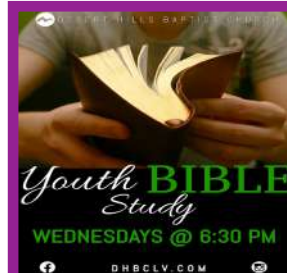




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* Sunday School - ALL Ages
10:40 am
*Worship
12:30-2:30pm
*Play Practice
Wednesday 10/01
5:30 - 6:30 pm
*Prayer Warriors (Members only)
6:30-7:30pm
*Worship
Thursday 10/02
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*Choir Practice
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*Play Practice
Friday 10/03
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