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The Shut Down: Political Leaders Take A Stand



Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi, U.S. Congressman Brad Schneider, North Chicago Mayor Leon Rockingham, and City of Waukegan Mayor Sam Cunningham met in Washington, D. C. at Mayor's Conference and called a halt to the Trump Shutdown.

See complete story which explains the government shutdown beginning on page 6



THE E. REED REPORT

Monsters Are Real

In the popular run-away sci-fi hit "Aliens", Sigourney Weaver (Ripley) finds a little nine-year-old girl (Newt) on a stranded ship that has been taken over by monstrous steel-toothed sentient alien beings. There is a scene where Newt tells Ripley that adults used to tell little children stories about monsters to scare them. Then she says, "But, monsters are real."

One has to experience something for themselves to realize that some unfathomable things that fill folk lore are indeed real. I have a good friend, 60, who lives in Chicago who went with his girl friend to grab a bite to eat at Wendy's one night during the holiday season. While they were sitting in their car, they were both gunned down execution style as though they were in some unbelievable action flick like Superfly. My friend was shot 14 times and his friend was shot eight times. My friend survived the attack but is still in critical condition. He doesn't know why it happened. He has no enemies, nor was he a part of the drug culture in any way. They must have mistaken him for someone else. But what kind of person would do this to another person. What kind of person would order this to be done. Monsters are real.

We have an overtly racist president. Yet there are people who say that racism does not exist. He has emboldened others who have racist propensi-

ties to do monstrous things like plow through a crowd of protestors, like a public figure in West Virginia who called the Former First Lady Michelle Obama an "Ape in High Heels", like the continuous denial of equal opportunity in employment. The list can and does go on.

Yes, the story books have legends of witches, warlocks, ghost, goblins and aliens. I believe that they all are very real and do exist.

But do we stop living? My father raised 17 children in the deep south during a time where they still dragged black men who fell out of favor behind trucks until they were dead with no consequences to the murders. My father, despite the racist conditions of rural Arkansas, died of natural causes, a content and happy man at the age of 83. He never gave up on his dreams. And despite the monsters that he faced, like Ripley and Newt in the movie Aliens, they survived. They fought the monsters and won.

They have scars that permanently mark their experiences and they did not win every battle, and yes there were times that they had to run for their lives. In the case of the movie, Aliens, there was even treachery among the among the humans which they considered to be friends. In the case of my Dad, there was treachery among family members and friends, but he did not give up. He ran the course and made it, and while you may never read about him in the history books, he was an African American achiever and a legend.

One of my favorite poems is the essay "Desiderata" written by Max Erhman in 1952. There is a stanza that reads, "With all its sham, drudgery, and broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy."

As we celebrate Black History Month, and the achievements of African Americans, we count every blessing. As part of that counting, we acknowledge the plethora of antagonistic experiences that we as a people have faced, including the monsters that are real.

Those who will not take a chance seldom have one thrust upon them.

Success always involves risk. You must take a chance by investing your time, money, and effort. It pays to be thoughtful and deliberate in your analyses of opportunities, but don't let timidity hold you back. Because you have worked hard to develop those things you must risk, it is natural for you to place a high value on them. But what good are they if you do not put them to use? You will recognize opportunity only to the extent that you are willing to consider risking your time, money, and effort. Being confident gives you the courage to face risk and act when opportunity arises. No one on earth is going to force success upon you; you will find it only to the degree that you actively seek it out.

Opportunity often knocks — only to find no one in.

The world is filled with unfortunate souls who didn't hear opportunity's knock at the door because they were down at the convenience store buying lottery tickets. They have never learned that, as Branch Rickey, general manager of the Brooklyn Dodgers from 1942–50, once observed, "Luck is the residue of design." You will be surprised how much your luck will improve when you make sure you are prepared to take advantage of opportunities. How many times have you had a great idea that you failed to act upon, only to discover later that someone used the same idea to start a business, get a promotion, or find a better job? Resolve now to get into action when you have a good idea. Don't wait for something to happen — make it happen!

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Rosalind Franklin University of Medicine and Science Secures \$2.5 Million Funding for Development of New Innovation and Research Park-Related Programs

Under the leadership of The University Financing Foundation, RFUMS has secured \$2.5 million in New Markets Tax Credits (NMTC) funding, a federal program targeting economic development projects in economically distressed communities. The funding will support the development of the new Innovation and Research Park, and includes implementation of community-driven initiatives that provide new pathways to increased education in North Chicago. The investments have been made by two community development entities: the Urban Research Park, and SunTrust Bank. The NMTC are income tax credits used to encourage private investment in low-income communities in the United States. The funding will be used to further develop the RFUMS Innovation and Research Park, as well as job-training programs in the region.

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2019 Profiles in Excellence To Be Hosted At Greenbelt Cultural Center

The Annual Profiles in Excellence Program will be held on Sunday, Feb. 17 at the Greenbelt Cultural Center (North Chicago) in honor of Black History at the 36th annual Profiles in Excellence event: Power of Words with special guest speaker, Conni Marie Brazelton. Brazelton is an actress, born in Waukegan, known for her roles in *The People Under the Stairs* (1991), *ER* (1994) and *Soldier* (1998). There will be presentations, a performance by the Waukegan High School Choir, community honorees and refreshments. FREE admission. All ages. No registration is required.

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Tammy's Tidbits

The Five-Year Plan

Have you thought about where you want to be in 5 years? What have you asked God for? One of my favorite movies was Mahogany starring Diana Ross. I remember going to the movies as a little girl and the words from the theme song stuck with me. Do you know where your going to? Do you like the things that life are showing you? Where are you going to? Do you know? These words are profound and great question to ask yourself as you develop your 5-year plan!

Write it down and Be Specific

Write the Vision!!! When you write things down you have something to refer to later. Just when you think you're stuck in a rut you can refer to your notes and see your progress. This will also motivate you to keep at your goals. Don't ever give up!

The time will pass ANYWAY!

Five years is five years and if you're still alive and breathing that time will STILL come and go. Why not make the best of it and work on you? Think back 5 years ago and celebrate your accomplishment, progress and even your failures. I'm sure you learned something from them. Don't just exist...Live life to the fullest!

Invest in SOMETHING!

If you have a home already in five years you will have equity in your home, so you've increased your net



Tammy Moore

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Work Towards Becoming Debt Free!

How do you become debt free? I'm glad you asked! Paying off one bill at a time. In five years you could be free of debt, become a homeowner, start a business or start investing in your future. The choice is yours. It all starts with a decision to improve your current situation. It's not if you can do it but when! You just must be willing to put YOU first!

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The Shut Down: Political Leaders Take A Stand



Waukegan Mayor Sam Cunningham speaks at the press conference where political leaders discuss the impact of the government shutdown and call for it to end.

A government shutdown is sparked by the failure of Congress to pass an annual spending bill for a fiscal year. The federal fiscal year ends on September 31st and if the House and Senate has not passed a spending appropriations bill, the federal govern is essentially out of money to operate unless that bill is passed. The time between the end of the fiscal year and when the appropriations bill is passed is called a spending gap. In history, there have been about 22 spending gaps, 10 of these gaps led to government shut-downs, starting with the Administration of Ronald Reagan.

Usually, the reason for failure to pass an appropriations bill to keep the government running is over a philosophical disagreement between the political parties in spending priorities. There was a government shutdown during the Obama Administration over Republicans trying to reduce funding for the Affordable Care Act. There was one last year in the new Trump Admin-

istration over funding for Immigration as Republications and Democrats sparred over funding for DACA – the Deferred Action for Children Arrivals which protected children of immigrants who were born in America from deportation (also known as Dreamers). This shutdown began on January 20, 2018 and ended on January 23, 2018.

The latest shutdown, fueled by similar political views, and the second on Donald Trump's watch, lasted for 35-days and is the longest government shutdown in history. The Trump administration insisted that the appropriations bill include \$5.7 Billion in funding for a border wall that would separate Mexico from the United States. The Democratic leadership would not agree to Trump's philosophical view citing other means to beef up border security rather than build and maintain a wall.

What Happened During the Shutdown

There are certain services that are not directly funded by annual appropriations such as Social security, Farm Subsidies, Unemployment Checks, Veterans benefits, and Medicare reimbursements. The US Postal Service is a self-funded agency, as a result, the mail operations continued as well.

However, the IRS, general government administrative workers, many agencies, parks, and tourism services were significantly reduced with about 380,000 federal workers being furloughed, and about 420,000 workers like the Coast Guard asked to perform duties without knowing when they would be paid. As in past shutdowns, furloughed workers will be back paid. However, for workers living from paycheck to paycheck, many experienced extreme hardship. The shutdown began three-days before Christmas.

Many laid-off workers took to the streets in protest. House Democrats like U.S. Congressman Brad Schneider joined in with Mayors from around the country days before the impasse ended urging

the Senate to pass a temporary spending bill to put furloughed employees back to work and end the government shutdown. North Chicago Mayor Leon Rockingham, and Waukegan Mayor Sam Cunningham attended the event, with Mayor Sam Cunningham speaking at the press conference.

Cunningham said that the U.S. Coast Guard had a base in the City of Waukegan and that members of the Coast Guard were working without pay during the shutdown.

"Just recently we had three young men out on our pier, and they had an accident where they fell in. Guess who was out there for the recovery and rescue mission?," said Mayor Cunningham.

"Air traffic controllers are working six days a week. But they don't have the support services, so they're working under greater stress on the job and have the stress of going home without a paycheck," Congressman Schneider cited as other elected official explained the impact of the shutdown.

The Senate on January 25th passed a temporary spending bill that was signed by the president to temporarily end the shutdown. The bill provided funding for four weeks pending further discussion.

According to the non-partisan Congressional Budget Office, this federal government shutdown

cost the economy \$11 billion and that about \$3 billion in economic activity was permanently lost.

Congressman Schneider released the following statement after the bill was signed to end the shutdown.

"After 35 long days, I am relieved that common sense has finally prevailed and President Trump has agreed to end his unnecessary and damaging government shutdown.

"As I have said from day one, the path out of this shutdown is straightforward: re-open the government, pay our federal workers, and then we can have an honest, open debate about the best way to secure our border without using the livelihoods of thousands of families for leverage.

"It is truly a shame that so many working families had to needlessly suffer without paychecks for President Trump to come to come to this realization.

"The men and women of the Coast Guard, TSA, FAA, CBP, FBI, and other federal agencies who continued to do their duty and work unpaid on behalf of their fellow Americans deserve our gratitude and appreciation."

by Elroy Reed

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Poverty Isn't a Privilege: The White Man Is Your Brother Too

By Keith Magee

Writing to fellow clergy from a Birmingham Jail (The Negro Is Your Brother), Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. - gravely concerned about all who were poor and experiencing inequality - said, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly."

The world, especially, America, paused a few weekend ago to honor Dr. King's 90th birthday and his life as a global humanitarian. Would not the greatest birthday gift to share be to truly identify the other as our brother, sister, family? How does one really love and heal a world if they don't see their neighbor as themselves?

Let us explore the world's events in this regard. The global crisis of the poor has affected the consciousness of both the UK and America. The UK has wrestled to the ground Brexit with no deal. Meanwhile, America is in waiting to determine whether the one who was deemed the White hope, will be exposed as a traitor. And he remains in a temper tantrum as the government remains shut down.

This mutiny is because, from former U. S. President Barack Obama to former UK Prime Minister David Cameron, few seem to adequately identify the group that is rapidly becoming visible among the least of these. The poverty data of the U.S. Census Bureau reported, on September 12, 2018, that roughly 12.8 million America children lived in poverty in 2017, with 4,026,000 being White. Likewise, the Joseph Rowntree Foundation report of December 4, 2018, indicates there are 4.1 million children living in poverty in the United Kingdom with

1,271,000 of them being White.

In the book, Black Reconstruction in America, W.E.B. Du Bois introduced the concept of the psychological wage. Du Bois noted that while White laborers received a low wage, "they were compensated in part by a sort of public and psychological wage." They were given, "public deference and titles of courtesy because they were white." I'm not so sure that, in today's reality of White, having the access to public parks, pools and water fountains matters so much; when they, along with other non-white groups, are equally striving to feed, clothe and house their children.

The March on Washington was actually the awakening of the Poor People's Campaign. Reverend Dr. King, and his allies were going to the nation's capital to ask America to be true to the huge promissory note that was signed years ago. King said that "we are coming to engage in dramatic nonviolent action, to call attention to the gulf between promise and fulfillment; to make the invisible visible." In the UK, as in America, those who have become invisible are forcing open the eyes of those who have forgotten them.

This year, 2019, marks 400 years since the first African immigrants - freedmen and indentured servants - arrived in Jamestown. The British had landed, three years earlier, having departed England as King Henry VIII had declared himself head of the new Church of England. These individuals desired a return to a simpler faith and wanted to purify the Church. However, these Puritans would use, in part, their religious system to oppress the Africans, forcing them into slavery. And, yet, these slaves would look for a saving grace from an individual depicted in the like image of their oppressor. That grace would have in it the power to forgive and mount up for civility for

themselves and all of humanity.

Unlike America, the UK has no separation of church and state. In fact, 26 Bishops are in the House of Lords which includes the Archbishop of Canterbury Justin Welby. Recently he said that "The burden of proof is on those that are arguing for no deal, to show that it will not harm the poorest and most vulnerable ... How we care about them and how our politics affects them is a deeply moral issue."

In the cause of bringing freedom to those invisible ones who suffer, the church has at times been the oppressor and in its better moments, a harbinger of liberation. For the Puritans, the desire to establish a true Christian faith while maintaining an allegiance to the corruptive power of White supremacy rendered their faith in fact anti-Christian. In the case of King, his commitment to Christ, the liberator and the kingdom he proclaimed, motivated his refusal to accept the unjust status quo which weighed heavily on the poor and to act for the sake of justice.

The UK looks to the legacy of William Wilberforce, the abolitionist, or the current impact of churches who care for the needy through food banks and debt counseling or organized homes for refugee families. Selina Stone, lecturer in political theology at St. Mellitus College, asks the pertinent question: "How will churches respond in the UK and in America, to those with their backs against the wall?" Again, I ask, how does one really love and heal a world if they don't see their neighbor as themselves? Or in the words of Dr. King, "Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere. We are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny. Whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly."

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Waukegan Kindergarten Readiness Improves Significantly

Results Show Early Learning Programs Are Helping Children Succeed In School

Lake County, Illinois (January 22, 2019) – United Way of Lake County has conducted a Kindergarten Readiness Assessment, during the first four to six weeks of school, every three years in Waukegan, Illinois since 2006. Twelve years ago, a baseline assessment showed that only 6% of the children in Waukegan Public Schools had the skills needed to be successful in kindergarten. The results were a call to action for United Way of Lake County to launch the Success By 6 Program designed to promote healthy early childhood development to ensure children begin school ready to succeed.

Today, based on the same assessment, the percentage of Waukegan children who arrive at kindergarten ready to succeed in school has increased from 6% to 57%!

Why is kindergarten readiness important? Studies show that children who begin kindergarten prepared to learn are more likely to stay engaged in school and be on track to graduate from high school; they will be less likely to receive government assistance in adulthood; they will have lower rates of felony arrest, convictions, and incarceration; they will be 2-1/2 more times likely to go to college; they will be more likely to own a home and earn 42% more than the median income in their communities. Preparing children for a successful start in school builds stronger communities.

Readiness is measured using a two-pronged independent assessment developed by Santa Clara Partnership for School Readiness and Applied Survey Research which includes an evaluation of student skills through teacher and trained volunteer observation, as well as a parent survey. In Waukegan, 483 children from 26 classrooms in seven elementary schools were assessed, including children from Carman-Buckner, Clearview, Cooke Magnet, Glen Flora, Glenwood, McCall and North. The statistically valid sample represents 48% of all kindergarteners with 51% of parents responding.

Students were assessed in 15 readiness skills grouped into four educational focus areas which are recognized by educators as essential to a comprehensive education: Communication and Language Usage, Cognition and General Knowledge, Social and Emotional Development, and Physical Well-Being and Motor Development.

A focus of United Way of Lake County's Success By 6 programming, readiness scores of the major lit-

eracy and cognition skills have improved in the past three years and all scores improved significantly since 2006. While these results are encouraging, there is still more work to do. Children who are successful need involved parents, inspired teachers, and motivated school boards.

United Way of Lake County first launched Success By 6 in Waukegan, and the initiative has since expanded to Round Lake, North Chicago, Beach Park and Zion. Success By 6 develops and invests in early learning programs that empower families and ensure children are ready for the future. The comprehensive programming includes Early Learning Clubs providing free workshops, tips and materials to empower parents to be their child's first teacher; Home Visiting delivering early learning and health literacy intervention services to the homes of high-risk children; Kindergarten Countdown Camp offering special camps for children who have never been to preschool to boost their skills over the summer; Kindergarten Readiness Calendars inspiring parents as they teach their preschool-age children; Early Learning Trails developing academic readiness while encouraging active movement and play; and Better Together engaging North Chicago families with children birth to three years old to build early literacy and learning skills.

According to Patrick Toto, Manager of the Waukegan Public Library's Children's Department, "United Way of Lake County's Success By 6 Early Learning Club perfectly complements the library's efforts to address the need for early childhood education in Waukegan. Our Early Learning Center is designed to engage children from birth through second grade, providing them a place to learn and have fun doing it. United Way's Early Learning Club and Waukegan Public Library's Early Learning Center strive to involve parents in their child's learning, supporting the vital notion that they are the first teacher."

"The early years of education are the most important as they lay the foundation for lifelong learning," says Susie Feldman, Waukegan kindergarten teacher who has participated in United Way's Kindergarten Countdown Camp. "Early intervention programs provided by United Way are a critical component in our young learner's education. We need to make sure that parents and teachers continue to have the tools they need to build on this success."

"We are proud of the measureable impact we are making in Waukegan to improve kindergarten readiness, in partnership with key community stakeholders," says Rosa Herrera, Success By 6 Program Manager, United Way of Lake County. "From Waukegan School District 60 to the Waukegan Public Library to area day care centers, our collective efforts are increasing social support, empowering parents, strengthening services and assisting in developing future programming to improve the quality of life in the community. Together we are investing in early learning and literacy programs to make sure children are starting school ready to succeed."

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CLC to Host 35th Salute to Gospel Music Concert

The College of Lake County's 35th annual Salute to Gospel Music Concert will take place at 7 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 23 at the Genesee Theatre, 203 N. Genesee St. in downtown Waukegan. The featured performers are JJ Hairston and Youthful Praise, Ms. Anita Wilson and CLC's Gospel Choir, directed by Matthew Hunter.

Tickets are on sale through Feb. 22 by phone or in person at the James Lumber Center for the Performing Arts Box Office in Grayslake and at the LancerZone stores at the Grayslake, Waukegan and Vernon Hills campuses. Tickets also are available online at www.clcillinois.edu/tickets. On the day of the event, tickets are exclusively available at the Genesee Theatre box office.

Hairston is the leader, chief songwriter and director of Youthful Praise, a Billboard chart-topping national choir. Youthful Praise is known for its exuberant, urban-tinged gospel and praise and worship songs. They include "You Deserve It," "After This" and "No Reason to Fear." In 2018, Hairston and the group have won six Stellar Gospel Music Awards and a Billboard Music Award. JJ Hairston and Youthful Praise were also nominated for a 2018 Grammy Award for Best Gospel Performance/Song. Additionally, they were nominated for nine 2018 Gospel Music Stellar Awards and emerged with six.

Youthful Praise has recorded eight albums, and in 2017, their single, "You Deserve It," placed first by Billboard magazine on four charts. The choir has performed with

Joan Osborne, Shirley Caesar and Destiny's Child, and television appearances include "Bobby Jones Gospel," "Good Morning America" and "Late Night with Conan O'Brien." Additionally, Hairston launched in 2017 a syndicated radio show, "Youthful Praise with JJ Hairston," airing Saturdays on Rejoice Musical Soul Food.

Anita Wilson is a Grammy-nominated American gospel music singer, songwriter and music producer. Her top-rated songs include "Speechless" and "That's What He's Done for Me."

The 2019 Harambee Award of Excellence will be awarded to two distinguished individuals. The Rev. Jesus Gerena of Iglesia Rebaño Condado de Lake of Waukegan will receive the community engagement award, and the Rev. Dr. A.C. Conley of Antioch Baptist Church in Waukegan will be recognized for spiritual engagement. Special guests include CLC's Gospel Choir, directed by Matthew Hunter.

Ticket information: \$28 general admission; \$26 for seniors 65+, CLC students/staff/children; \$33 at the door. Groups of 20-29: \$23; groups over 30: \$19.

For group sales, call the Box Office at (847) 543-2431 (group sales are not available at CLC LancerZone stores). For tickets, call (847) 543-2300 or visit www.clcillinois.edu/tickets or the James Lumber Center Box Office (Grayslake) and CLC LancerZone store locations: Grayslake Campus, 19351 W. Washington St., Room B131, Grayslake, (847) 543-2086; Lakeshore Campus, 33 N. Genesee St., Room S116, Waukegan, (847) 543-2189; Southlake Campus, 1120 S. Milwaukee Ave., Room V134, Vernon Hills, (847) 543-6530. On Feb. 23, tickets will be available only at the Genesee Theatre box office.

For more information on Salute to Gospel, visit www.clcillinois.edu/saluteto-gospel

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Soaring on Broken WINGS

This 2019 Remember,
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Michelle Obleton

One of the names of God is Jehovah Shammah which means “Jehovah is there” Did you know everywhere we go and everything we do, God is “there” in the midst of it all? He is omnipresent over the entire planet. Jehovah Shammah comes from the idea that not only is God there, but He is deeply concern about us. In short, we can say “He is there because He cares” and He is bringing good out of our situations.

When my grandson was born, he had a rare life threatening congenital heart defect. Days after birth he underwent his first major open heart surgery and before he reached two years old he had to have another one. Knowing a second surgery was coming was extremely hard for my husband (Fred) and myself, because by now we are madly in love with this little precious baby boy. As the days approached we spent much time on our knees praying that the merciful hand of God would heal his little body or if he had to have the surgery to allow the surgery to be a successful one. God did not heal his body, so we began to hang on to the fact that this surgery would be successful.

On the day of surgery my husband Fred had an important meeting with a business partner. He was torn between canceling this appointment and going straight to the hospital or fulfilling his commitment to meet this individual. He decided to go to the meeting, then, go straight to the hospital. After some small talk during the meeting, Fred finally asked if this individual could pray for his grandson who was right then going into surgery. The business partner asked “what was the problem”? Fred mentioned his grandson had a heart

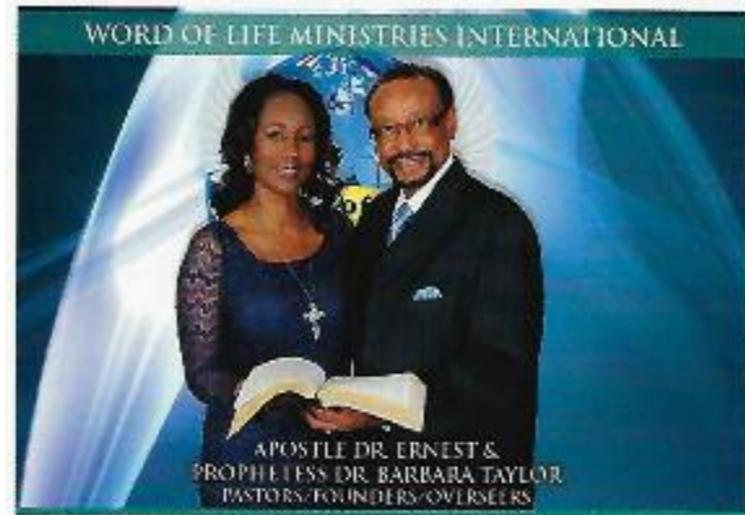
disease and began to explain the disease in more detail.

The partner jumped from his chair and exclaimed “I don’t believe it”, “you won’t believe this, he went on to say, my son has the very same disease”! Because the business partner’s son was a bit older and had gone through the same surgeries with great success, the so call business meeting turned into a sweet fellowship of encouragement. The business partner called his wife and she called me with such personal assurance that everything would be ok. I get chills just writing about this amazing story. Only God could arrange such a divine meeting of two people who knew and shared the pain of this rare disease. Fred and I believe that God was letting us know He was “there” in the hospital and “there” in the meeting and anywhere else we needed him, he would be “there” also.

Not only is Jehovah there He is also here, too. He is with you and in you. He will never leave you or forsake you –not even for a second! When you are surrounded with difficult circumstances or when all is going well, look to his presence inside and outside of you because He is “there”.

Well, my grandson did come through the surgery successfully. He is now five years old with a bright future. Whenever I spend time with my grandson, I am reminded that Jehovah Shammah was “there”, and I praise Him. Count on Him this 2019 and forever, to be “there” for you also.

Michelle Obleton



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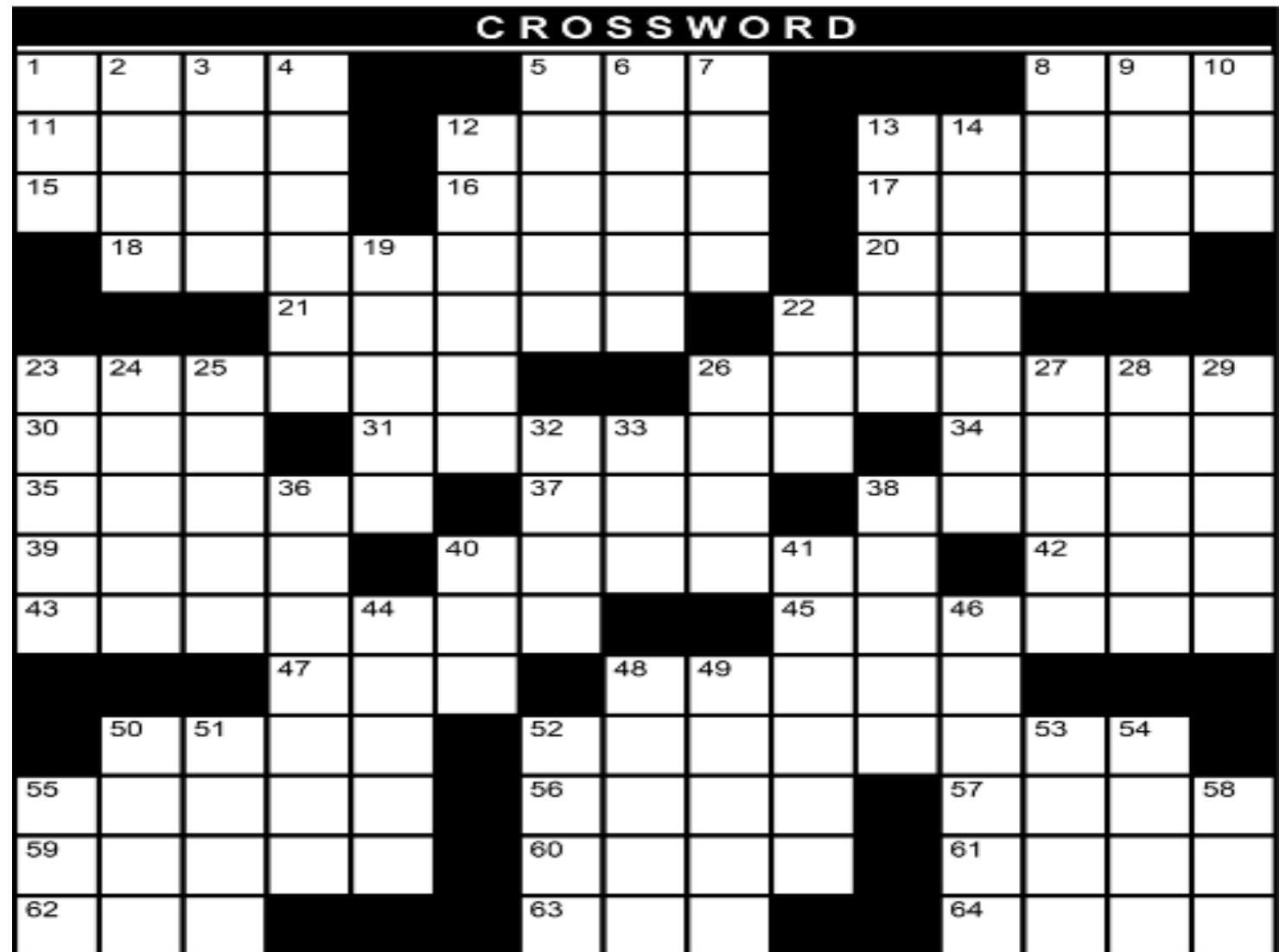
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ACROSS

1. Forever and a day
5. Organ of balance
8. What Jack Sprat couldn't eat
11. Quinceanera or bat mitzvah
12. Wagon part
13. You can count on these
15. Heart of the matter
16. Perceive by touch
17. Fedora part, pl.
18. *Voter test, now illegal
20. Ireland's other name
21. Written corrections
22. One from Laos
23. Kind of acid
26. *Segregation laws
30. *Stop segregation, e.g.
31. 40 winks
34. Zeus' wife
35. Nadya Suleman's children, e.g.
37. Subject of "Philadelphia" movie
38. Kind of southern pie
39. Chico or Groucho
40. Cured sausage
42. Member of Shoshonean people
43. *Montgomery Bus ____
45. Produced by inbreeding
47. Brown league
48. Kind of ray
50. Flying toy
52. *He challenged nonviolence
55. Juice alternative
56. Craving
57. Evening in Italy
59. Dead to the world
60. Harry Potter's mark
61. Wet nurse
62. Ottoman officer title
63. Caf  alternative
64. Kind of bean

DOWN

1. *"The ____ of the moral universe is long but it bends toward justice"
2. Lena Dunham or Allison Williams, 2012-2017
3. Red carpet purse
4. The Brady Bunch children, e.g.
5. Permission for absence from a college
6. Smart ____, pl
7. Be dependent
8. *____ Housing Act
9. Climber's destination
10. "____ the season ..."
12. *Mandela presided over its southernmost country



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13. Perpendicular to the keel
14. French bun
19. Authoritative proclamation
22. Not to be given to those in authority
23. Manhattan Project invention
24. Chocolate tree
25. "Dear Diary..." note
26. Cup of joe
27. Happen again
28. Do like Demosthenes

29. What moon did
32. Not this
33. Bupkis
36. Oscillator, e.g.
38. '70s Ford model
40. Farm pen
41. Meat grinder, e.g.
44. For all to see
46. Model-builder's wood of choice, pl.
48. * ____ on Washington

49. Blue-Green scum
50. *Nobel Peace Prize winner
51. Light bulb
52. Necessary thing
53. Office dispatch
54. Roentgen's machine
55. Langley, VA org.
58. "Eureka!"

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