

CROSSWINDS

Where the spirit of the Lord is there is liberty. II Cor. 3:17

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John Brodak.

John Brodak passed away April 25th after a lengthy illness. John was a strong supporter of FCM and a friendly competitor in controline scale. John will be missed as supporter of model aviation, but most of all as a good friend to many.



photo by Mark Latterman

Photo above, 2015 John poses with his Shoestring at the 2nd annual NASA Scale Classic in Lexington, KY. This is a 3 day contest that features both R/C & C/L scale

competition.



In the picture above he readies his Shoestring for competition at a contest in Dayton, Ohio. John won 1st place and Grand National Champion at the U. S. Nationals in Muncie, Indiana in 2012 with this airplane.

On a personal note, I had the pleasure of staying with John & Buzz at their home as well as participating at the Brodak Fly-in. A true friend, we'll miss you John both in the circle and away.



Patience, and Peace.

**Greetings FCM Members,
Hope and pray that everyone of you are coping with our situation and staying healthy and that you have read what I wrote for last months news letter. Today I want to continue with what I feel that God wants us to hear in**

this time we are going through.

Today is Monday May 4th and our states governor of South Carolina is lifting the mandatory stay at home order as long as we continue the safe distance and practices to help keep the virus from spreading. Well despite the lifting the stay at home order, my wife, Silvia and I are in a 14 day mandatory quarantine. You see, last Wednesday she went for her 3 month check-up with her cancer doctor. Well on the Friday after we got a call from the doctors office that there was someone in the office that day with my wife and they had the virus and that we had to go immediately into a 14 day quarantine. Well this is the 5th day and like the man that fell out of a window of a 40 story building, half way down he said," so far so good". We are still healthy with no symptoms as of today, Praise The Lord!!

**I take what Psalms 91 as a promise from God for us. I hope you have read this Psalms by now and what I want to talk to you about now is the Personal "P'S". There are two Personal "P's". The first is Patience. Yes, I said Patience. If there is a time that we need patience is now. I know that people are suffering from not being able to go to work and they need money to pay bills and buy groceries and other much needed things, but the main thing to remember is that God is still in control and that his power has not diminished but if you have continued to trust him then you have realized that his power and presence has become GREATER!! Romans 5:3-5
3....But we glory in tribulations also, knowing that tribulation works patience; 4. and patience, experience; and experience , hope: 5. and hope that makes not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us. One thing I know that God is trying to work in us is patience.**

You see, no matter what is happening around us we still have to trust in God and wait for his hand to work.

There are several scriptures in the Bible that God has told us to be still and know that He is God and that there is no one else in control. Whether you realize it or not, the Government is not the answer for this virus or situation going on in our country or the world. You see, God is working in us two things through this. One is patience, of course, the other is our faith in him. James 1: 3,4 Knowing this, that the trying of your faith works patience, 4. but let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, or complete, wanting nothing. You see what God is trying to do here? There is so much to discuss here but I must get on.

The second Personal "P" which is so crucial, the second P is Peace, and if there is a time when we need to be at peace it is now. But understand that if we don't have any patience then there is now way we can be at peace. When we trust God in what is happening in our lives and around in this world then we will be at peace. Isaiah 26:3 Thou will keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusts in thee. All through the Bible, God tells us that if we will completely put our trust in Him, and not in man then peace will be our reward. St. John 14:27 Jesus said, "Peace I leave with you, my peace I give unto you: not as the world gives, give I unto you. Let not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. Do not be afraid of what is happening around this world. God has been in control, still is in control and always will be in control.

Philippians 4:6,7 Be careful for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplications with thanksgiving let your request be made know unto God.--

--Remember, In every thing give thanks,-----7. And the peace of God which passes all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus. Jesus is our only hope and way through this trying time. Remember the two Personal P"s, Patience, and Peace. Without patience there will be no peace. What happens when you loose your patience, you loose your temper which in turns means that your are not at peace.

**Hope you all stay safe and healthy and keep building and flying, I have.
God bless,
Rev. Anthony Gaffney, President**



Update on "the build".





It appears this project has taken over the garage. Tony's wife must be very understanding.....



Relaxing & competing.



Scripture for the month.

Ephesians 4:32NKJV

And be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God in Christ forgave you.

With the world in crisis, more than ever, we need to put this Scripture into practice. People are helping

As seen here, competing is not all nerves and tension. Grab a chair and relax, enjoy the moment. Our front line workers need our support and prayers, Lift-em-up!

Blessings * * * * *

Allen

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FCM National Prayer Chain;

If you would like to be a member on the FCM international prayer chain contact Will Hinton at the address below.

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110 members strong

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On the lighter side.



Thanks for the picture Alden.



Ahhhhhhhhh summer time and the Nats.



There is always a lot of paper work to take care of, processing, judging, flight scoring and placement.



The 2020 AMA U.S. Nationals are still up in the air. June 10th will be the date to decide "go or no go".



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