



The Covenanter

June/July 2025



Summer Fun Edition



Winter Park
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



Worship Services: 8:15 & 10:30 AM | Sunday School: 9:15 AM
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Summer Fun!

We hope everyone has a great summer!


Take time to relax, visit with family & friends, watch a movie, read a book, do some puzzles, color some pictures, and maybe even fit in some time to attend church! 😊

If you're one of the lucky ones that gets to go somewhere fun this summer, have a great time, be safe, and we'll see you when you return!



A vibrant tropical border featuring a variety of lush green foliage and colorful flowers. Large, deeply lobed monstera leaves are interspersed with clusters of pink and white hibiscus flowers and yellow and white plumeria. A single Bird of Paradise flower with bright orange and blue petals is prominently displayed in the center. The arrangement is dense and colorful, set against a white background.



		TUESDAY 1	WEDNESDAY 2	THURSDAY 3	FRIDAY 4	SATURDAY 5
					Office Closed 	
SUNDAY 6	MONDAY 7	TUESDAY 8	WEDNESDAY 9	THURSDAY 10	FRIDAY 11	SATURDAY 12
Communion Worship Service 8:15am-Chapel 10:30am-Sanctuary Sunday School 9:15-10:15am Children's Church 10:30am	Tai Chi 11:30am, FH				Tai Chi 11:30am, FH	
SUNDAY 13	MONDAY 14	TUESDAY 15	WEDNESDAY 16	THURSDAY 17	FRIDAY 18	SATURDAY 19
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NEIGHBORS
& FRIENDS

SUMMER PICNIC



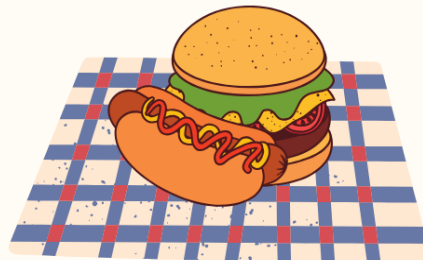
Join us for our 2nd Annual Picnic!
Thursday, June 19 • 11:30am • \$15

HAMBURGERS, HOT DOGS, & MORE!

In addition to great food, we will enjoy fellowship around the tables and finish our time together with some familiar camp songs.

We invite you to bring a sample of your hobby. Tables will be set up to display your sample of something you consider a hobby or special activity in your life. It can be as simple as a favorite or recently read book to display, or maybe you have a hand craft hobby, or you may be a collector. Just bring it in around 11am and have some identifying information with it. This is just an opportunity to get to know each other a little more and to celebrate our gifts and talents.

Reservations must be made by Monday, June 16. Call the church office or sign up on the sheet located in the front office hallway. You are welcome to bring your own meal or just come for the program.



Product of the month for those less fortunate: Canned Meat



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"EASTER EGG HUNT 2025"

reflection



The following photographs represent but a sampling of the entire album available on the WPPC website (www.winppc.org/photo-archive/), which is guaranteed to warm the heart anew with each perusal. The annual Easter Egg Hunt has been a tradition for decades as Lent and Holy Week draw to a close and we pause to present the Easter Story tailored for young minds as a meaningful time apart from the colorful springtime fancy that awaits them in the Fellowship Hall. This year, the Worship and Music Committee members arrived more than a few hours early to unpack and arrange the lilies which added a stunning focus to the chancel. Holly Small expanded upon the experience by playing selections on the piano which caused a hush by young and not so young as they entered the sanctuary. As families settled into the pews, parents would point out the morning light filtering through the stained-glass windows to the little ones in hushed tones personalizing the spiritual atmosphere as all recognized that this was a special time set apart. The presentation by WPPC's Children's Ministry Coordinator was perfectly suited to the age group and the microphone was handed over to the CLOC chair who offered the blessing after which the families made their way into the Fellowship Hall to yet another set of upbeat musical selections.

The families were greeted on one side by Christian Ed Committee members who assisted the children with craft projects while others lined up for continental breakfast fare served up by members of CLOC. Again, about fifty children with over one hundred parents and grands were hosted as they relaxed around the tables and enjoyed family fellowship prior to the much-anticipated hunt!

While the phrase, "It takes a village," has been overused, this observer recognized clearly that, "It takes a congregation" to produce a meaningful Easter Egg Hunt! From the generous donations of plastic eggs, candy and appropriate trinkets to sorting and stuffing, to eye catching publicity efforts, planning a meaningful program, handling the audio visual aspects, to setting up the Fellowship Hall to hiding the eggs, to guaranteeing that safety reigns at all times and above all, ensuring that the message of Easter prevails.



"EASTER EGG HUNT 2025"

pictures by Frank Famison

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NEIGHBORS & FRIENDS NEWS

Important N&F Outing Friday, June 6

An objective of the N&F Ministry is reaching out to others in our community, and our members have been doing this throughout the year. Please join us for a special outreach on Friday, June 6, from 1-2pm to tour the *One Purse Dream Studio*, at 213 N Mills Avenue, Orlando 32810. *One Purse* is a nonprofit that uses sales of gently used purses to empower women overcoming abuse, addiction, exploitation, and trafficking by providing them with scholarships and work opportunities. This tour will provide you with more information and give you a chance to purchase a purse at 20% off! You are even welcome to bring a gently used purse to donate. Several of our members have been involved in this outreach and Maria Garton, a WPPC Elder, is on the board of directors. Please contact marialuina@hotmail.com if interested, or let a N&F member know. We hope to see you there as we reach out beyond the walls of WPPC and remember, invite a neighbor or friend.

Other News:

N&F will not meet during July and August. Listed below are some restaurant outings we have schedule:

- June 5, Habaneros Mexican Grill in Winter Park
- July 3, Friendly Confines Neighborhood Tavern in Winter Park
- August 3, Sunday brunch at the Alford Inn. Reservations are required for the Alford Inn brunch.

Watch the bulletins and weekly announcements for information on these gatherings. Your N&F Planning team has been working on a Fall line up of programs and possibilities into 2026. If you would like to be a part of this team please let the church office know.

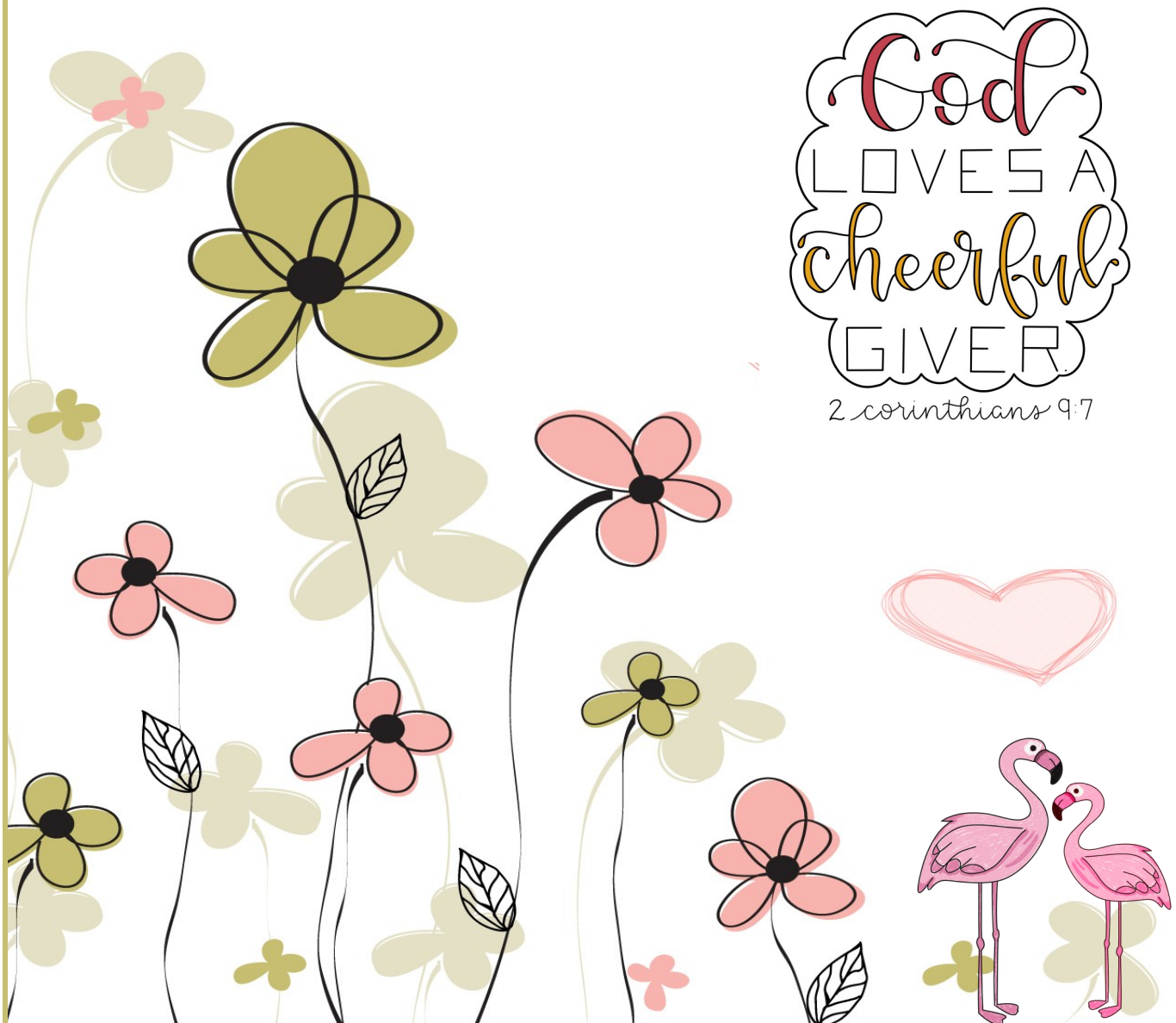
The N&F ministry is a part of the Community Life Outreach Committee. Our primary purpose is to provide social opportunities for fellowship that encourage and promote Christ centered interactions. Come and be a part of this growing and exciting ministry and do remember to bring a neighbor or friend!

Food Pantry News

Cash Not Cans

Food items donated for delivery to the local Food Pantry are no longer being collected. Instead, the Deacons ask that our congregation support the church's food related humanitarian projects throughout the year, as well as the PC (USA) Special Collections. These include:

- P.A.T.H. (Presbyterian Answer To Hunger) "5 Cents a Meal" collections, 4x / year. Remaining 2025 collections are on July 27 & October 26. Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida and Society of St. Andrew's (fresh produce) are both beneficiaries.
- Soup-er Bowl of Caring Sunday (donate canned & boxed food for delivery to a food pantry): Sunday, Feb 8, 2026
- One Great Hour of Sharing (Easter Sunday offering): PC(USA) distributes 36% of donations to the Presbyterian Hunger Program and the rest to other human service efforts.



Deacons' Den

CHANGE AND THE CHURCH

It is our very nature to hate change. We all tend to like a pattern of events that are reliable and consistent from week to week and anything that causes upheaval can be quite disturbing. Heck, even the very laws of physics hate change... Newtons first law is "An object at rest will remain at rest, and an object in motion will remain in motion"

Our Church is in a state of change. Changes in how things are done in service, administration and in ministering all bring forth questions about the future of our church. For many, this is a time of disturbance and challenges. For others, this can be a time for opportunity. Opportunity for prayer, faith and a congregation coming together. It can also be an opportunity to learn and lean further into your relationship with Christ.

As we move forward with the search for a new minister it is important to listen closely to your hearts and your faith and find a sense of perspective about what a church is and how we are tied to it.

A Church can be many things to many people, but at the core of it all, a church is the body of Jesus Christ, and his Spirit directs its members.

I Cor 12:12, *"For as the body is one, and hath many members, and all the members of that one body, being many, are one body: so also is Christ."*

All things in Christ and through Christ.

Ephesians 1: 22-23, *"God has put all things under the authority of Christ and has made him head over all things for the benefit of the church. And the church is his body; it is made full and complete by Christ, who fills all things everywhere with himself."*

On a broader scale, the church can be a fabulous list of blessings and features both to individuals and to the community. A church can be a worship center, a heavenly connection, a source of salvation, a support group, a spiritual healer, a place to give and oh so much more.

Yet a church is not a building or something to do on Sunday. It is not for Sunday networking or a religious club to follow a popular man. It is not a mere organization. It is not an auditorium for presentations, and it is definitely not one person. I read once that in the New Testament, no synagogue, temple, chapel, tabernacle, building or any other meeting place was ever called a "church." The term always referred to the Christian assembly.

Matthew 18:20, *"For where two or three gather together in My name, there am I with them."*

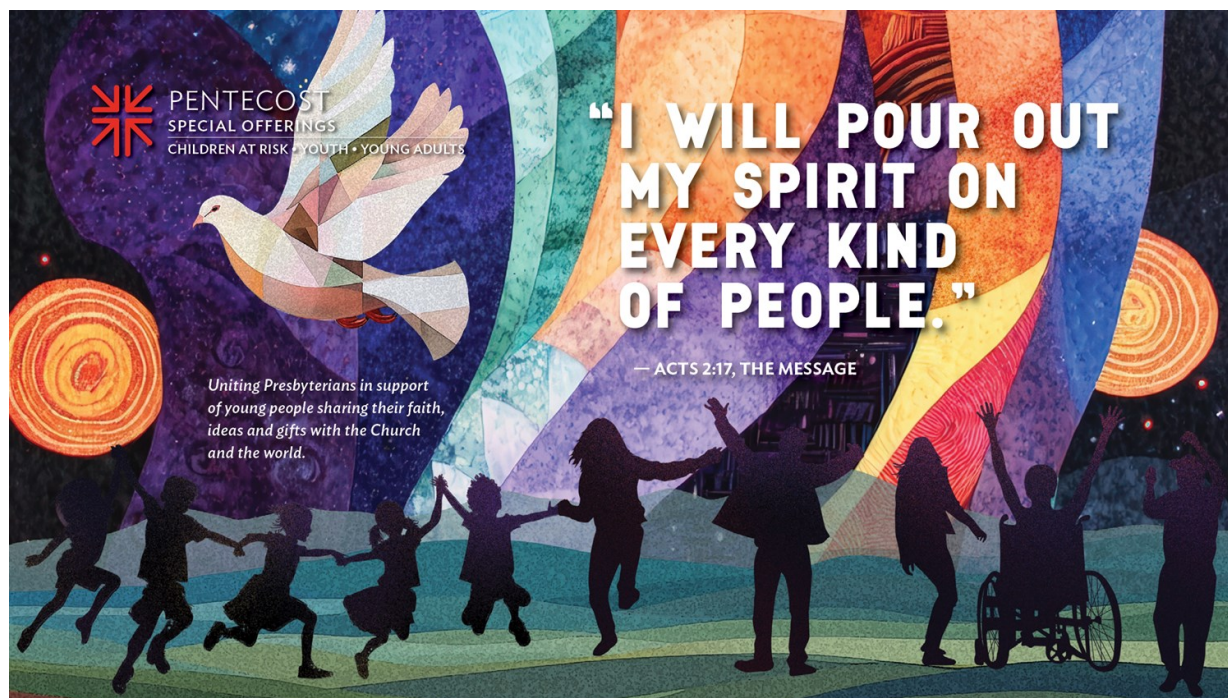


This promise of Jesus' presence reinforces the idea that the church is not merely a human institution, but a spiritual body united by Christ Himself. Church can be in a field, in a home, or even in a diner having breakfast.

We are the body of Christ. **We** are the Church. And **We** have nothing to worry about from change.

Blessing as pure as a child's faith to you all,

Robert Nevill, Deacon



Pentecost Offering

An Opportunity to Give and Make a Difference Sunday, June 8th

Each year on Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit, descending as tongues of fire over the heads of the Apostles, giving them the gift to speak to all nations in their own tongues and spread the Good News. The Spirit also brings us a new life on this day. With the Spirit's coming, we no longer need to settle for business as usual but can know the transforming, redeeming love of God that makes the impossible "possible". This special offering unites us in a church-wide effort to support young people by inspiring them to share their faith, ideas and unique gifts with the church and the world to build a life of faith—all in the name of Jesus Christ.

The Pentecost offering is one of the four Special Offerings of the PC (USA) during the church year. The first 60% of our donations will be sent to the Presbyterian Mission Agency (25% to assist young adult volunteers serving communities; 25% to guide youth ministries; and 10% to advance child advocacy). The remaining forty percent of our offering will be used on behalf of children-at-risk in our own community. This year we are supporting The Center for Women and Families at the Coalition for the Homeless. This residential shelter serves single women, single women with children, single men with children, and intact families. With your support, these agencies can help meet the needs of these vulnerable neighbors.

Thank you for your prayerful consideration to support these most worthy causes on Sunday, June 8th.

Remember to wear RED to celebrate Pentecost!



Diana Ross's Secrets for Staying Youthful

Article submitted by Wendy Stafford

81-year-old singer celebrity Diana Ross wore a magnificent gown with an 18-foot train embroidered with the names of her five children and eight grandchildren at the recent Met Gala. But it wasn't just the "forever family gown" that grabbed attention, Ross's youthful appearance proved that age can be just a number.

According to *TODAY*, here are Ross's four simple healthy lifestyle tips:

- **Never retire.** Last March, Ross told a sold-out audience in New York City that she's "never going to retire." The benefits of working later in life include a longer life expectancy and better health, say medical experts. People who are still working after the age of 65 are about three times more likely to report being in good health and about half as likely to suffer from serious health problems such as cancer or heart disease. Other studies have shown an association between reduced risk of dementia and heart attack with working in later life.

- **Value family.** Ross has often said that her children and grandchildren are her priority in life. Research shows that social connections are important to well-being. Dr. Amit Shah, a geriatrician at the Mayo Clinic says that social interaction yields "enormous health benefits." Shah explains that socializing with others is exercise for your brain. "It's one of the best ways to improve cognitive flexibility," he says. "It's likely more beneficial than doing crossword puzzles or other brain games."

- **Keep a routine.** Even though Ross still tours in her 80s, she makes sure that she eats regular meals and gets enough sleep, notes her daughter Rhonda Ross, whose father was the legendary record producer, Berry Gordy. In an interview with *Forbes*, Rhonda said, "The environment that my mother has established on tour is a real professionalism, a real civility, good mental health," she says, adding that there is no drinking or drugs on tours and most of the performers go to the gym and workout.

- **Intermittent fasting.** Ross practices intermittent fasting as part of her routine. Intermittent fasting involves alternating periods of eating and fasting, which can help to improve metabolism and promote overall health. Many studies suggest that intermittent fasting can reduce inflammation, improve blood sugar levels, and enhance brain function. Ross credits this eating pattern for her sustained energy and vitality, allowing her to continue performing and living life to the fullest while maintaining her youthful appearance.

Below Audrey Santiago shares her latest newsletter from Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation in Odesa, Ukraine.



ORPHAN
ASSISTANCE
FOUNDATION
www.transitionsoaf.org

April 29, 2025

Dear Friends,

In my last letter, I sent you specific prayer requests for our folks in Odesa. The concerns and prayers that you all sent out were well received and made a huge difference to all. Perhaps the biggest difference was for Ira who had been house mom to our boys until the war began.

Ira watched while her younger foster sons were relocated to Romania in the first months of the war. She waited with bated breath as, one by one, the older sons were taken into the army. The final straw was when Alosha was taken, just at the time that I penned my last newsletter to you. Since that last letter, we have learned that Alosha has been given local duty, in Odesa. This means that he must report for duty each morning, but he is permitted to return home in the evening and sleep at home. This has been a huge comfort to Ira, to him, and to us. Thank you so much for all of your prayers!

I also have another happy story to share with you concerning another of Ira's foster sons, Slavik, who was 17 years old when the war began. He was among those taken to Romania. After a few months in Romania, and when he turned 18, Slavik made the big decision to make his own way to Ireland where he obtained refugee status. He remains there to this day. He is attending school, lives in a dorm, and receives a small stipend from Ireland for his support. This all sounds very positive, and it is, but I want you to consider for a moment how very lonely a life Slavik has been living for the last two and a half years. Before the war, he lived as part of a family in a comfortable home (our boys transitional home) along with several more of our older orphan boys, with Ira as his mom and mentor. He was surrounded by family and had a built in support system. Now, he has not seen any of his Odesa family in over three years, and he is essentially on his own.

We've been in touch with him, and in recent months, it came to our attention that Slavik needed some dental work that is not provided for in his Ireland stipend. We had already learned that dental work is much more affordable in Moldova. Our immediate questions were: how to get funding, how to arrange his transport to Moldova, and how to get funds to him? All three questions were answered fairly quickly. One of our wonderful donors funded the procedures. Michelle arranged for flights for Slavik, and my husband and I decided that a quick trip to Ireland was in order to deliver the funds to him in person.

What a reunion it was! Slavik was so very happy and appreciative that we went to Ireland to spend time with him and to attend to his health needs. The hours spent with him were priceless! I got to know Slavik on a new level, and I am so proud of him. He has remained positive and he is focused on a good future. He plans to continue school and perhaps pursue a job in the culinary field. Slavik clearly took with him all of the lessons he learned under Ira's loving tutelage, and I saw first-hand just how valuable an experience it is when we offer our older orphans the opportunity to be part of a family at a time in their lives when they are so vulnerable.

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Slavik's story does not end there. Additionally, since Moldova is not such a far distance from Odesa, we were able to arrange for Ira to go to Chisinau to visit with Slavik during the time of his treatment. They sent photos, and I haven't seen either of them look so happy in years.

This is just one small example of what we do, and why we do it. You, who support us, play an integral role in making the lives of our orphans better.

Finally, if you haven't already used up all your thoughts and prayers, please keep Michelle, my husband and me in your prayers for traveling mercies and safety as we prepare to go to Germany tomorrow (Wednesday, April 30). We plan to spend time there with our teammates, the Vatan family in Bad Arolsen, and then with a couple of our older orphans in Frankfurt. From there, we expect to cross into Odesa to spend time with the Rybakov family and our other staff members who minister to the orphans in Pishana and in the surrounding villages as well as those who continue to provide necessities for local pensioners and widows. And please continue to pray for quiet skies and an honest and just peace for Ukraine.

With gratitude and love,

Audrey

Donation Information

Checks may be written to:

Transitions Orphan Assistance Foundation, Inc.

541 Evening Sky Drive, Oviedo, FL 32765 OR 3530 Diamond Leaf Lane, Oviedo, FL 32765

Online options to donate can be found on our website: www.transitionsoaf.org





Laugh more . . . WORRY LESS!



1. Why are flamingos such good patients?
2. What do you call a typo on a tombstone?
3. How do you fix a broken tomato?
4. How do you know if a flamingo borrowed your shoes?
5. Why did the turkey wear stilts?

- 1) They are used to wading
- 2) A grave mistake.
- 3) With tomato paste.
- 4) Only one shoe is missing.
- 5) No one cooks a flamingo for Thanksgiving.



1. What do you call a belt made of watches?
2. What is a fish's favorite magic trick?
3. What happened to the banana that got sunburned?
4. Why did the man fall down the well?
5. Why do rabbits have such soft fur?

- 1) A waist of time!
- 2) Pick a cod, any cod!
- 3) It peeled!
- 4) He couldn't see well!
- 5) Because they use hare conditioner!



1. How does a winemaker get his gossip?
2. What do you get when you cross a pig with a dinosaur?
3. When is a door not a door?
4. What do you call a cow that spies on you?
5. What do you get when you cross a turtle with a giraffe?

- 1) Through the grapevine!
- 2) Jurassic Pork!
- 3) When it's ajar!
- 4) A Steak-Out!
- 5) A turtle-neck!



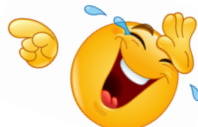
1. What do you give a sick lemon?
2. How does the moon cut his hair?
3. What do ants get when they do all their chores?
4. What do chickens with the hiccups lay?
5. What has 2 legs and can't walk?

- 1) Lemon Aid!
- 2) Eclipse it!
- 3) An Allow-ants!
- 4) Scrambled Eggs!
- 5) A pair of pants!



1. Did you hear about the 2 spiders who got engaged?
2. Why are there no losers in a Dachshund race?
3. What do you call a snail with a spear?
4. Why did the banana go to the doctor?
5. How do crawfish talk to each other?

- 1) They met on the web!
- 2) They're all Wiener!
- 3) A slow poke!
- 4) He wasn't peeling well!
- 5) Shell phone!



1. What did the horse say after it tripped?
2. Why was the mother firefly so proud?
3. Why is it so easy to weigh a fish?
4. Did you hear about the two guys who stole a calendar?
5. Why did the man name his dogs Rolex and Timex?

- 1) I've fallen and I can't giddy-up!
- 2) Because her children were so bright!
- 3) They have their own scales!
- 4) They each got six months!
- 5) Because they were watch dogs!



**WPPC will NOT be serving at the
Coalition June - November.**

**They will start collecting donations and
signing up volunteers again in December.**

COALITION FOR THE HOMELESS OF CENTRAL FLORIDA

-Here's How to Help

Winter Park Presbyterian Church has been involved in a feeding ministry even before the Central Florida Coalition for the Homeless was created in 1987. We serve on the 1st Friday of each month. If you would like to donate your time to prepare the food during the week before the 1st Friday, please review the information below and contact the Team Leader listed. If you would like to serve, please sign up on the Coalition serving list posted in the hallway near the office, or contact Anna Caparis at 707-889-4768/annafromal@yahoo.com.

What	When
Bake brownies / Anna Caparis 707-889-4768	Wed 12/3 9:00-11:00 AM
Prepare meal / Anna Caparis 707-889-4768	Thurs 12/4 9:30-11:30 AM
Bag brownies / Wendy Jamison 407-739-7858	Fri 12/5 9:00-10:00 AM
Donate reading materials: Magazines for men, women, & children (news, cars, sports, National Geographic, religious magazines/booklets, paperback books)	All month: Place in COALITION giant storage box in Fellowship Hall.
Prepare to transport: Gather supplies, load food & supplies into bus Anna Caparis 707-889-4768	Fri 12/5 3:30-4:00 PM
Serve the Meal. Join us in the WPPC kitchen for departure to Coalition at 4:00PM and return by 7:00PM. Volunteers please wear closed-toed shoes; it is a violation of health code to wear flip-flops. Please sign up in office hallway <u>and</u> call Anna Caparis (707-889-4768) by the Wednesday before if you would like to serve. The Coalition requires each volunteer to register.	Fri 12/5 4:00-7:00 PM NOTE: The church bus is reserved for this function.
Cleanup kitchen: Wash, sanitize items used; store supplies	Fri 12/5 7:00-7:30 PM
Financial Donation: Make check out to WPPC; note on the memo line "Coalition for the Homeless" - mail to WPPC or bring to the church office.	Anytime

HOMELESS COALITION TEAM NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

Each month about 40 devoted WPPC volunteers handle the many tasks to provide and serve a wonderful meal to our guests at the Coalition.

We are in need of additional volunteers for various projects, and backup volunteers when regulars must be absent.

Any of the above gifts, or your time, are so appreciated!

**To help in any way, please contact: Anna Caparis
707-889-4768 or annafromal@yahoo.com**

Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida is a Compassion Committee Ministry.

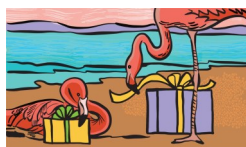


JUNE BIRTHDAYS

<u>6/2</u>
Matt Straub
<u>6/6</u>
Frances Swope
<u>6/7</u>
Barbara dePaula
<u>6/9</u>
Steve House
Carolyn Wolf
<u>6/10</u>
Theresa Coker
<u>6/11</u>
Janet Barnes

<u>6/14</u>
Bill Duncan
<u>6/16</u>
Mary St. John
<u>6/17</u>
Nancy Glancy
<u>6/21</u>
Fern Barnard
<u>6/22</u>
Enid Marr
<u>6/24</u>
Richard Ferguson

<u>6/25</u>
Patrick Boyle
<u>6/27</u>
Dan Meadors
Sue Rudolph
<u>6/28</u>
Marsha Johnson
Gary Wolf
Tom Woodward
<u>6/29</u>
Denise Ferguson
<u>6/30</u>
Mitch Bargar



JULY BIRTHDAYS

<u>7/1</u>
Paul Danley
<u>7/4</u>
Peggy Bargar
Carolyn Deatrick
Alison Frazier
<u>7/6</u>
Michelle Trahan
<u>7/8</u>
Jeremiah Boyle
Wade Edwards
Chuck Schindler
Tracy Nevill
<u>7/9</u>
Catherine Fields
Jennifer Fields
Leslie Stafford

<u>7/10</u>
Shanda Needham
<u>7/11</u>
Jayne Leach
<u>7/12</u>
Ann Paulsen
Deanna Spangler
<u>7/13</u>
Yvonne Manking
Cynthia Skelton
<u>7/15</u>
Gloria Duncan
Jean Cumming
<u>7/18</u>
Melissa Storey
<u>7/19</u>
Amanda DiSanti
Lynne McKnight

<u>7/20</u>
Nancy Miller
<u>7/22</u>
Donna Brokop
Syd Davis
<u>7/24</u>
Carel Thompson
<u>7/26</u>
Charles Wagenhauser
<u>7/28</u>
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Sue Erdmann
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Maria Garton
Karen Lee
Gene Pickler

?? Bible Quiz ??

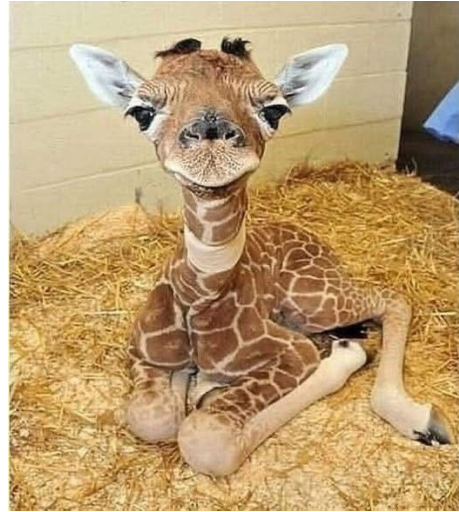
Who said to the prophet Nathan,
"I have sinned against the LORD?"

- A. Reuben, for selling Joseph into slavery
- B. Jacob, for deceiving Isaac and stealing his brother's birthright
- C. Rahab, a prostitute
- D. David, considered Israel's greatest king



Answer: D (See 2 Samuel 12:13.)

Because sometimes you just need to see a two-day-old baby giraffe! 🥰



Puzzle!

A FATHER'S INSTRUCTION

Although babies don't come with instructions,
God tells parents how to raise their children.

Directions: Fill in the blanks with letters, using the number grid to find the correct coordinates. The first number goes across, the second one goes down.

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
1	a	L	d	i	j	g	r
2	m	b	o	k	h	u	s
3	e	n	c	x	t	p	f

"... 2,2 7,1 4,1 2,3 6,1 5,3 5,2 1,3 1,2

6,2 6,3 4,1 2,3 5,3 5,2 1,3

5,3 7,1 1,1 4,1 2,3 4,1 2,3 6,1 1,1 2,3 3,1

4,1 2,3 7,2 5,3 7,1 6,2 3,3 5,3 4,1 3,2 2,3

3,2 7,3 5,3 5,2 1,3 2,1 3,2 7,1 3,1"

Ephesians 6:4, NIV

Answers: "... bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord." Ephesians 6:4, NIV



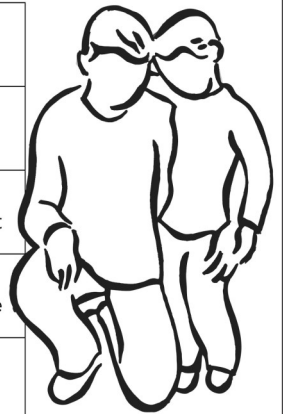
FATHERS OF FAITH

Fathers do amazing things for their families, but the greatest gift our dads can share with us is their faith in God.

Complete this puzzle to read Isaiah's advice to fathers.

Directions: Working left to right, first write down all the 1's in the word blanks.
Continue with the 2's and finally the 3's.

1 The	2 as	3 tell	1 living
2 I	3 their	1 the	2 am
3 children	1 living	2 doing	3 about
1 they	2 today	3 your	1 praise
2 parents	3 faithfulness	1 you	



_____, _____,
_____, _____;
_____.

Isaiah 38:19, NIV


Answers: The living, the living—they praise you, as I am doing today; parents tell their children about your faithfulness. Isaiah 38:19, NIV

Just for KIDS

Vacation Time

Where do you like to go on vacation? Check out these places from the Bible. Use the Scripture verses below to find these places in the puzzle. (If a verse has more than one place, only one is in the puzzle. Figure out which one.) Circle each place in the puzzle.

Answers go: → ↓ ↘



Genesis 2:15 Isaiah 23:1 Luke 24:13
 Genesis 11:9 Isaiah 23:2 John 2:1
 Genesis 35:1 Isaiah 23:3 Acts 8:5
 Exodus 13:18 Jonah 1:2 Acts 11:22
 Ruth 1:1 Matthew 3:6 Acts 17:16
 1 Kings 18:19 Matthew 4:18 Romans 1:15
 1 Chronicles 11:4 Matthew 26:36

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**WHY CAN'T THE BICYCLE
STAND UP BY ITSELF?**



IT'S TWO TIRED

**HOW DO MONSTERS
LIKE THEIR EGGS?**

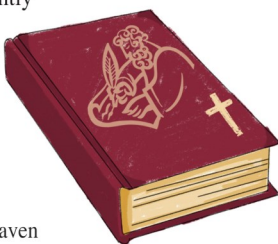


TERRI-FRIED!

Bible Quiz

In a parable of Jesus in the Gospel of Luke, someone named Lazarus features prominently while other characters go unnamed. Who is Lazarus in this story?

A. a friend Jesus raised from the dead
 B. a rich man dressed in fine linen
 C. a poor beggar at the rich man's gate
 D. the brother of the poor man
 E. an angel who carried the poor man to heaven



Answer: C (See Luke 16:19-31.)

Just for KIDS

Psalms 107:1

Fill in the blanks with words that match the descriptions. Transfer the letters to the boxes below. Read the verse from Psalms.

Shape that symbolizes "love" _____ 31 15 7 18 5

Part of a stove used for baking _____ 12 3 24 39

Color made by red and yellow _____ 28 42 7 8 27 37

A present _____ Something a girl wears _____ 1 32 20 11 19 22 43 44 33

Something you open to go into a room _____ 40 29 17 47

Opposite of soft (sound) _____ To take a long walk _____ 34 17 41 30 14 2 9 38


A high body temperature _____ 45 50 49 48 42

Equipment used to build or fix things _____ 13 35 21 16 26

Edge of the sea _____ Home for a bee _____ 10 23 46 51 4 6 25 36 4

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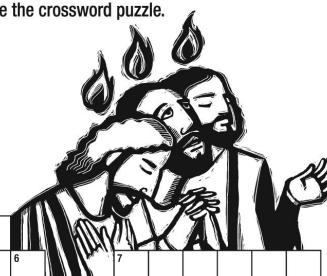
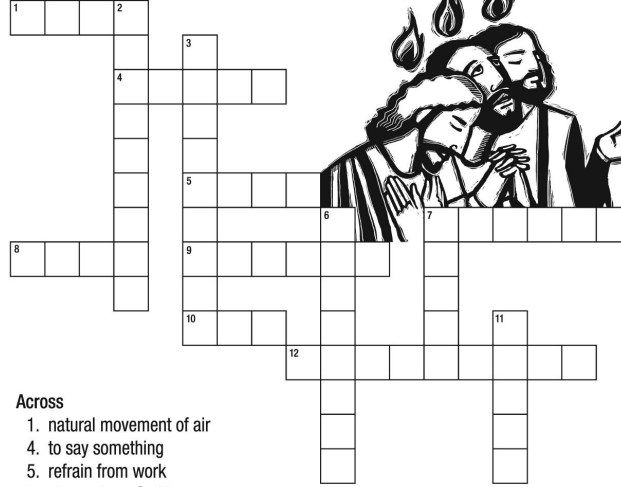
Answers: heart, oven, orange, gift, door, loud, hike, fever, tools, shore, give; Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever.



The Spirit Comes

ACTS 2 TELLS ABOUT A SPECIAL DAY WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME TO THE DISCIPLES.

Use the clues below to complete the crossword puzzle.

Across

1. natural movement of air
4. to say something
5. refrain from work
7. place where God is
8. a combustion or burning that gives light, heat and smoke
9. part of mouth that can taste and lick
10. the time between sunrise and sunset
12. the day the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples


Down

2. followers of Christ
3. moved apart
6. quickly and unexpectedly
7. a building where people live
11. vibrations that travel through the air

Answers: Across 1. wind, 4. speak, 5. rest, 7. heaven, 8. fire, 9. tongue, 10. day, 12. Pentecost; Down 2. disciples, 3. separated, 6. suddenly, 7. house, 11. sound

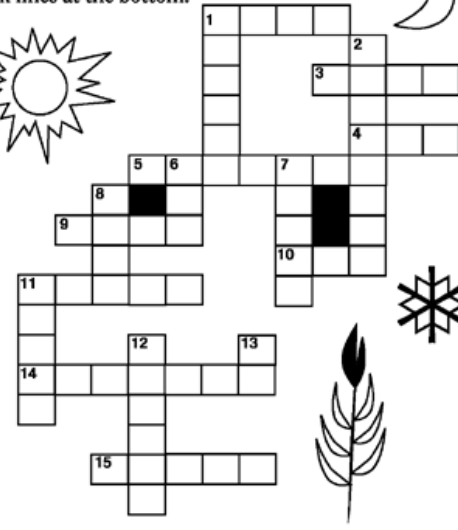


Spend time with God this summer



God's Promise

The Lord made a promise to Noah in Genesis 8:22. It was a covenant. Fit the words from the list into the crossword puzzle. Then use the numbers to match the words to the blank lines at the bottom.



as
and
the
day
cold
long
heat
will
earth
night
never
cease
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seedtime

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2 6 5 9 6
3 12 6 1 Down 4
6 11 Across 1 Across 11 Down 15
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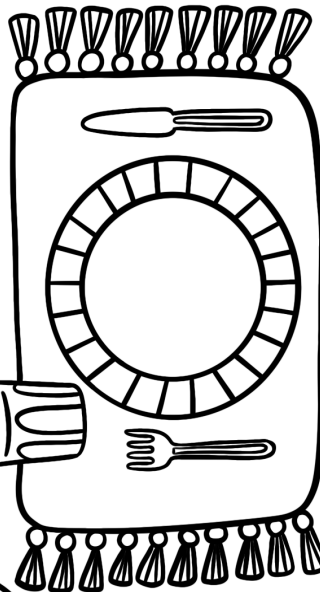
Answer: "As long as the earth endures, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night will never cease."



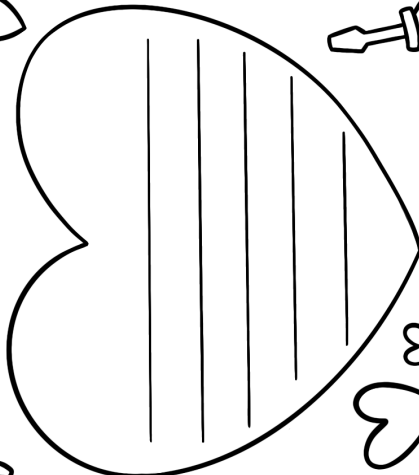
My favorite thing to do with my dad is...



My dad's favorite food is:



I love it when he...



My dad's favorite color is:



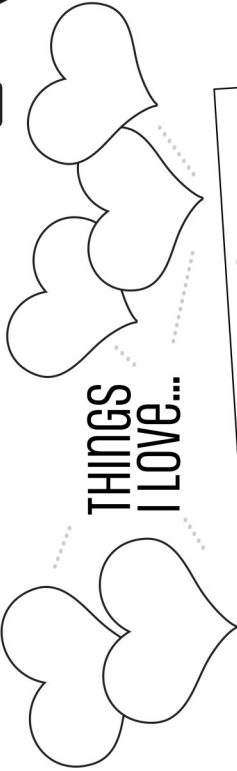
Draw a picture of your dad and you!

MY DAD + ME

Love,



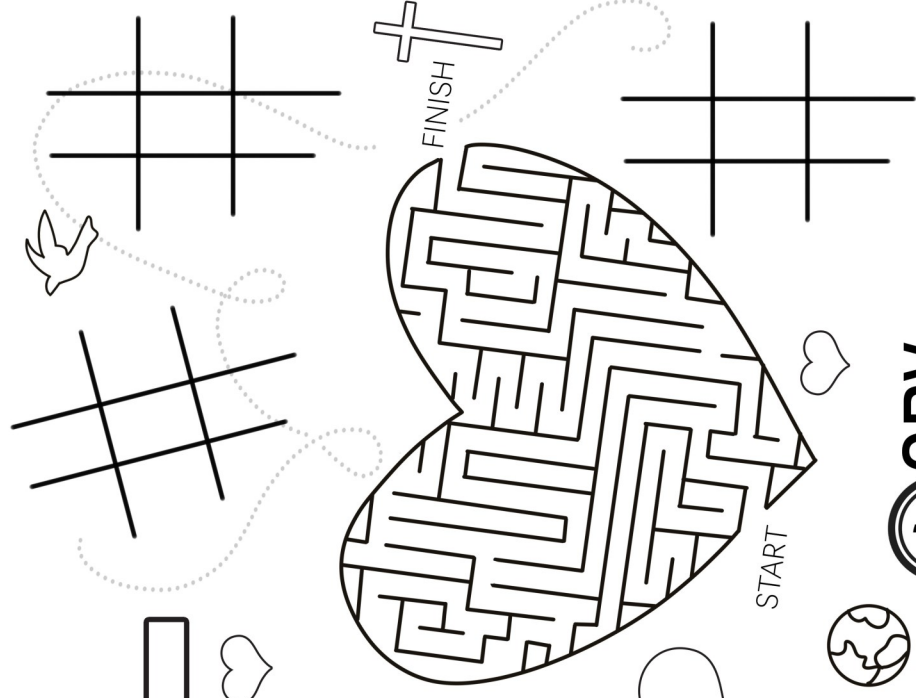
JESUS LOVES ME



THINGS
I LOVE...

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J	W	U	G	E	F	F	L	N	A
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- REJOICE
- HEART
- LOVE
- FOLLOWS
- ANGEL
- HOPE
- GENTLE
- JESUS
- KIND
- JOY



I SPY...

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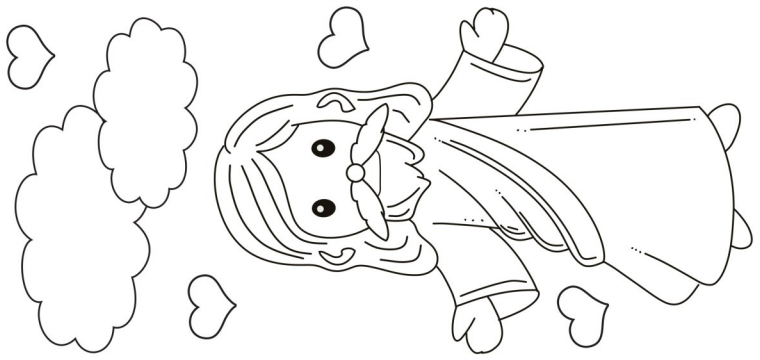
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How many can you find on the page?

- a. 12
- b. 14
- c. 9

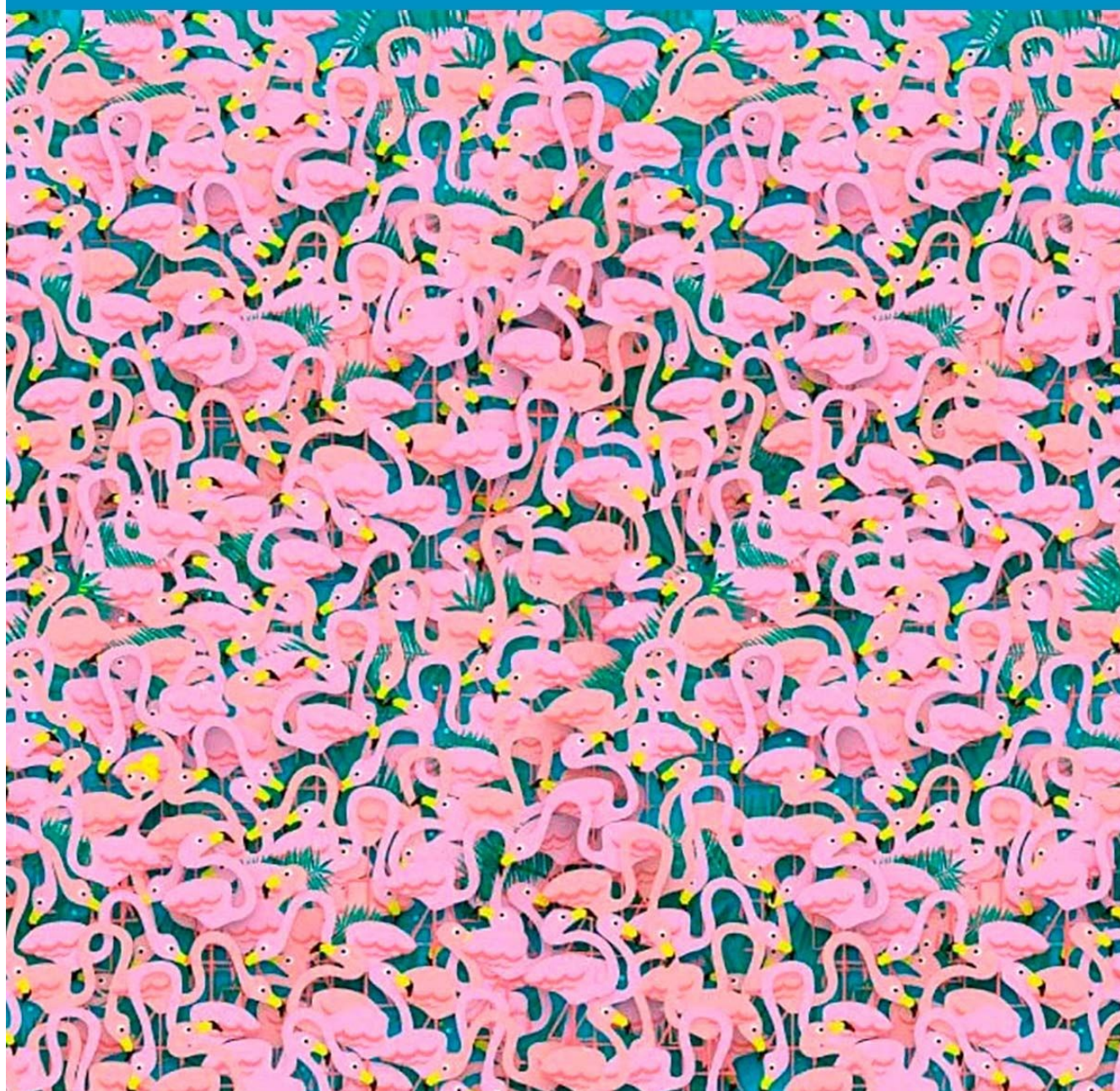
AS THE FATHER HAS
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SO HAVE I LOVED YOU.
NOW REMAIN IN
MY LOVE.

John 15:9, NIV

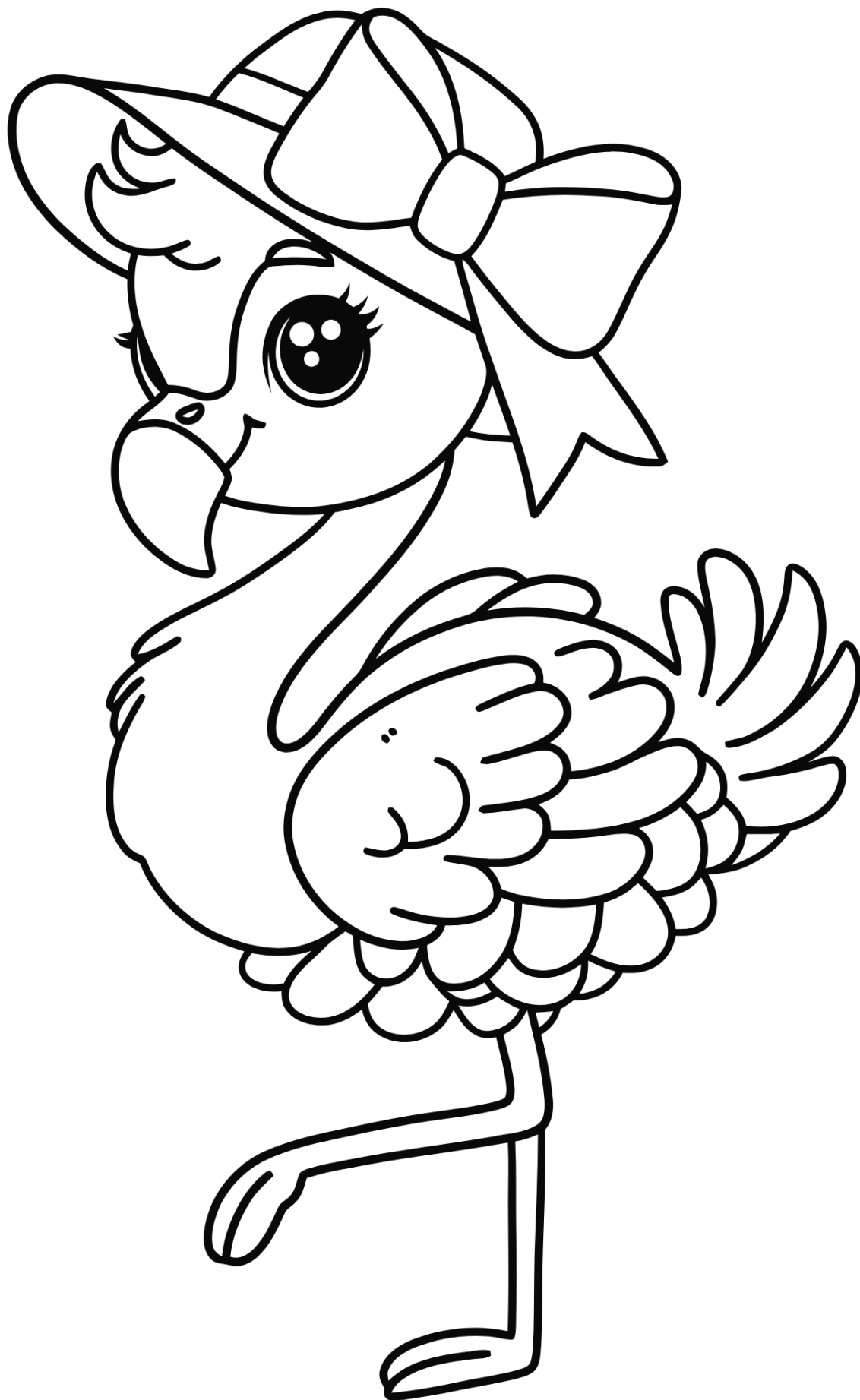


COLOR THE BOOKMARK
& THEN CUT IT OUT.

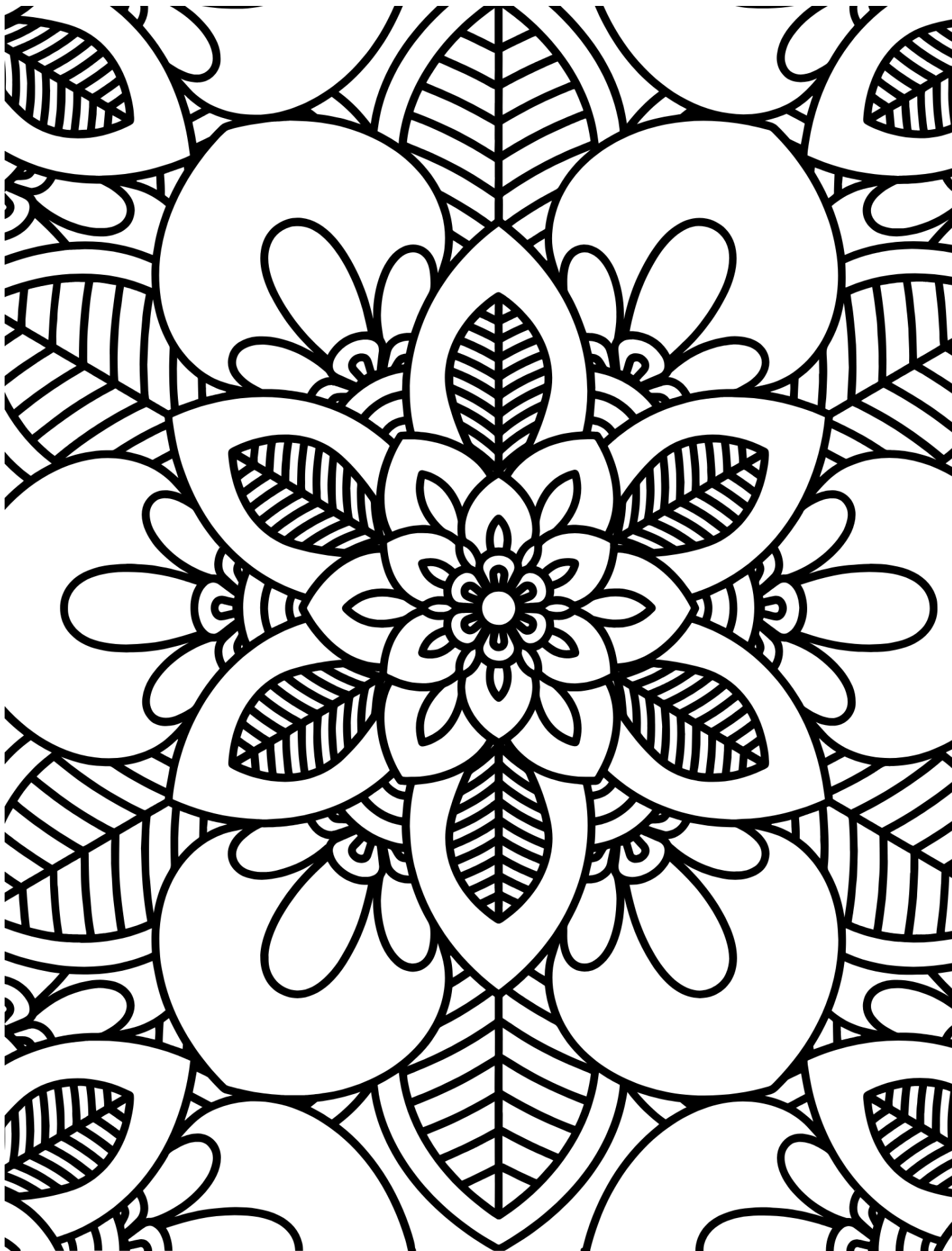
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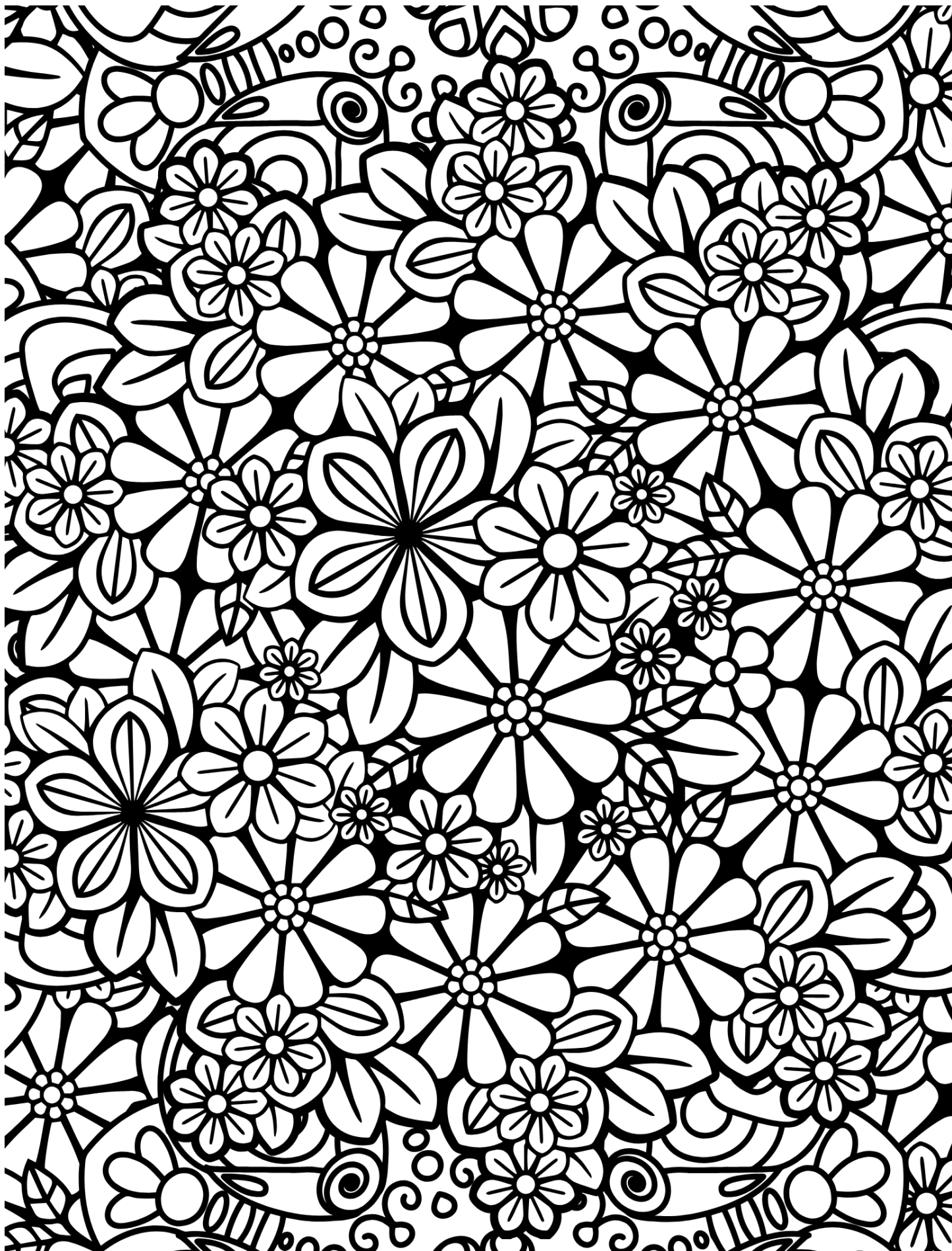
















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