



Weekly Booster

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The Brick and Lesson I Found From 26 Years Ago

This article is written by Jon Gordon, a best-selling author, and speaker. He has written 21 books including 12 best sellers and 5 children's books. Jon and his training/consulting company are passionate about developing positive leaders, organizations, and teams. He has worked and spoken with professional and college sports teams, school districts, hospitals, and non-profits.

Jon is a graduate of Cornell University and holds a master's in teaching from Emory University. I (Jeff) have personally heard him speak and is one of the most dynamic and motivational speakers I have heard. I have also read many of his books and word recommend you do the same if you are looking for something to read. I would recommend starting with "The Energy Bus," you won't want to put it down.

One of the most important reasons I follow Jon on social media and read his books is because he is just not a man of words, he lives what he speaks about. It comes from the heart and experiences, but most importantly, Jon is a man of faith, and his faith has helped him get to where he is today.

Now, as Paul Harvey would say, "And now the rest of the story..."

I was speaking in downtown Atlanta this past week at the Outbound Sales conference when I decided to look for the brick I had bought before the 1996 Olympics that would become one of the pavers in

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“Be content with what you have but never with what you are.”

“Human spirit fails unless the Holy Spirit fills.”

Reminders

October 1st

Men’s Bible Study – 8:00 a.m.

October 2nd

Sunday School for all ages
HS Youth Group – 7:00 p.m.
Youth Room, Wesley Hall

October 3rd

Monday Evening Study, 6:30 p.m.
“Who is Jesus” – Fellowship Hall
with Pastor Clark

October 5th

Praise Team - 5:00 p.m.
Choir – 6:45 p.m.

October 6th

T.O.P.S. – 5:30 p.m.

October 9th

Congregational Meeting & Potato
Bar starting at 11:30 a.m.

****Worship Assistants are needed
for October**

**** Fellowship Volunteers needed
sign-up in Fellowship Hall**

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Centennial Olympic Park. I was 25 years old at the time and couldn't remember what I had inscribed on my brick to commemorate the occasion.

I do remember, however, the excitement and buzz in Atlanta as we awaited to host the Olympics. I was 23 when I moved to Atlanta after college. I arrived with a few suitcases, a pillow, and nervous excitement about the possibilities that awaited. I wish I could say I had dreams of being an entrepreneur, a philanthropist, and an aspiring writer and speaker. But the truth is I had no dreams or plans. I just wanted to move to a new city and create my life.

I started out waiting tables and working as a para-professional in a school for kids with behavior disorders. I eventually would find a bartending job, get my master's in teaching from Emory University, and teach while I also bartended. One day I asked the owner of the bar next to where I worked if he would ever sell his place. When he said, "Son everything is for sale," I found some investors/partners and, without any business experience, bought his place and made it a successful hot spot in Buckhead.

Three weeks after the bar opened, I met my wife while standing on the corner as she walked by me. She was having dinner with a friend and wasn't interested in coming into my bar. If you read *“Relationship Grit”* you know the whole story of how she blew me off and I eventually got her to go out with me.

While owning the bar I ran a non-profit I started called The Phoenix Organization (we raised money and volunteered for youth-focused charities such as the Boys and Girls Club), and ran for the city council of Atlanta (sometimes you have to lose a goal to find your destiny) went to law school for a year and a half, quit and went to work for a pioneering technology company that delivered data from computers and servers to any mobile device. I was the one who first worked with the NFL to put scores on mobile devices. We were way ahead of our time and unfortunately were spending a lot more money than we were making.

In 2001 I moved my family to Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida, sold my bar to my partners, and watched my life and career fall apart as the

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“It is good to be a Christian and know it, but it is better to be a Christian and show it!”

Volunteers Needed



Church Office Hours

**** Children & Jr.-Sr. High Sunday School 10:15**
Questers (Adults) 10:30

****Chancel Choir –**
Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m.
Sunday 8:30 a.m.

The front door to the church will be unlocked during office hours and closed only for errands and lunch.

Monday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Tuesday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Wednesday
 CLOSED

Thursday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Friday
 9:00-11:00
 12:00-3:00

Please continue to call in advance if you need in the church to make sure someone is in the office. If you reach the answering machine please leave your name, number, and a brief message and your call will be returned. Calls after 2:00 p.m. may be returned the next business day.



Who said faith apart from works is dead?

- a) James
- b) Paul
- c) Peter
- d) John the Baptist

Eighteen people died when a tower collapsed. Where did this happen?

- a) Siloam
- b) Galilee
- c) Samaria
- d) Haran

Who ordered the killing of every male child under the age of 2?

- a) Pilate
- b) Herod
- c) Agrippa
- d) Festus

Check page 4 for answers in next week's booster

Birthdays and Anniversaries



- 2nd – Jeff Armstrong, Chris & Abby DeLong
- 3rd – Richard Perkins, Chelsie Reynolds
- 5th – Susan Blane, Lynn Schieb
- 8th – Craig Perkins

****See a wrong birthday or anniversary, or need one added, please call the office, or send an email to office@shen.church**

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Services are now on our Youtube
channel only. <http://bit.ly/3skF0p9>

*Prelude/Postlude/Accompanist: **Terry Stafford**

Call to Worship

Leader: Place your trust in the Lord.

People: God shall heal our suffering and pain.

L: Place your faith in God's abiding presence.

P: We shall be strengthened.

L: Place your lives always in God's care.

P: We shall be made whole in the Lord of all compassion.

"Of Faith and Mustard Seeds"

Old Testament Reading: Lamentations 1:1-6

New Testament Reading: 2 Timothy 1:1-14

Third Scripture Reading: Luke 17:5-10

Songs

How Great Is Our God #3003 (Green Book)

Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus #514 (Hymnal)

Communion

Faith Is Patience in the Night #2211

Last Week's Attendance

In-Person Worship – 57

Online Worship – 15

Our Mission:

"Know & Serve God by Sharing Christ's Love."

Our Vision:

"We will grow in holiness, our community will thrive, & we will make a difference in our world."

Answers for Sept. 25th are c) flame d) Rachel d) Nehushtan

Quiz Hints – Q1 Obadiah Q2 1 Genesis Q3 2 Kings

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company I worked for crashed along with the rest of the dot.com industry. As I wondered how I was going to provide for my family and pay my mortgage and bills, I desperately prayed and asked what I was born to do and why I was here and that's when writing and speaking came to me.

I thought about all of this as I walked around Centennial Olympic Park looking for my brick that I created what felt like a lifetime ago and many failures and successes along the way.

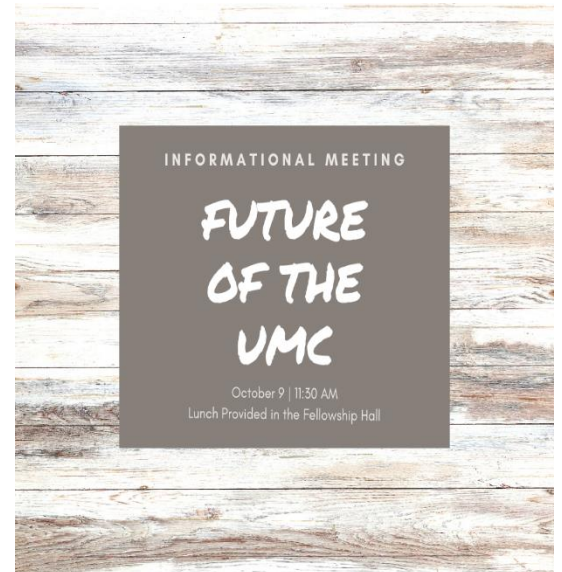
After about an hour of searching, I was flooded with emotion when I saw it. It had been there for 26 years and had likely been walked on by millions of park visitors over the years. But on this day, I felt as if I struck Gold.

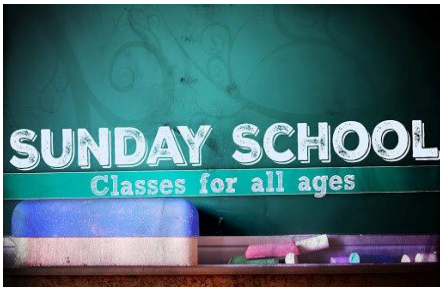
Inscribed on the brick was, "Jon loves Kathryn" and the date of our upcoming wedding. I thought about my past, how I met my wife, the life we have built together, 25 years of marriage, the children that we have who are now 24 and 22, and the future yet to be created.

Looking back, I realize I didn't have a plan, but God did. I think too many young people today believe they need to have it all figured out and have their whole life planned. But sometimes the best plan is not to have one. It requires more trust and less fear, but this allows magical moments, including failures and successes, to shape your life and become your destiny.

-Jon

It has been a while since our church last had a conversation about the future of the UMC and what it means for us in Shenandoah. Our church will be beginning a slow and thoughtful discernment process of how we will express our Methodist tradition in the future to the broader United Methodist Church and with each other. This informational meeting is not to decide anything, but to help us gain the information needed for a discernment process for our church. What is and what is not required of us as a church in light of the Iowa Bishop's Cabinet Leading Now and Into the Future statement? What are the doctrinal issues that are being debated? What may or may not happen at the 2024 UMC General Conference? What are Shenandoah FUMC's values as a church? What options do we have for the next steps? I hope you will join us for this important informational meeting.





A reminder that we have Sunday School for all ages. Classes start after fellowship time at 10:30 a.m. Students meet downstairs in Fellowship Hall and your teacher will meet you and walk with you to Wesley Hall. Questor's classroom is located at the bottom of the stairs, in our church building, and then to your left. We hope you can join us Sunday morning. Here are a few pictures of the kids having fun in class.



A big thank you to the Broermanns and crew who worked on the float for Shenfest and set up the ice cream stand. Your work does not go unnoticed and is appreciated.

