

 $C_{arolina}$  Retirees Association Northwest

March 2023



# **Dear Friends**

I cannot believe how quickly this year has moved along. Perhaps it has something to do with the fact that I had some medical issues during the entire month of February. I guess that helped to make me feel like I have "lost time". None the less, it *is* mid-March and even though the NW wind that is blowing doesn't make it *feel* like Spring, Spring is "here" or at least on the way!



In Genesis 8:22 we are promised that "while the earth remains, seedtime and harvest, cold and heat, summer and winter, day and night, shall not cease."

So let's enjoy all of God's nature ..the flow-

ers and the beautiful spring trees and the warmer weather that *is* on it's way.

On Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, the world will be celebrating the resurrection of Christ. He has given the ultimate sacrifice so that we can have eternal life with Him. It's a free gift. Share it with your loved ones and let's all be ready for that great reunion day.

Blessings,

Your CRAN President, Linda McIntyre





Spring is coming to
Western North
Carolina
It's time to have fun
in the sun

## Reminder

It is time to pay your annual Membership dues.

Please send your \$10 to our CRAN Treasurer:

Joy Thomas

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# IT WAS CHRISTMAS TIME IN THE SMOKIES

# Holiday Luncheon at Mt Pisgah Academy



There were 51 members present who raised \$2,172.00 for the students at Mount Pisgah Academy. The students thank you very much CRAN members.

# WHAT'S NEXT?

MARCH 30 Spring POT LUCK and social at Mount Pisgah SDA Church Community Center (building on the left right after entering the campus). Please arrive between 11:30 and Noon. We will dine at noon either inside the community center, or if weather permits, we can eat outside under the picnic shelter.

Plates, plastic ware and drink will be provided. You bring the yummy food! Our quest speaker will be Barry Mahorney. He will be sharing information about the Waldenses and details about our July picnic and tour.

**July 6** Summer Picnic at the Waldensian Center in Valdese, NC. Arriving at 11:30 am lunch at 12:00 pm After lunch Barry Mahorney will give us a tour of the Waldensian Heritage Museum and grounds.

**September 18-21** Fall Retreat at Nosoca Pines Ranch

**December** Christmas Lunch at Fletcher Academy.

# SCIENCE SAYS THAT WE **NEED AT LEAST 4 BASIC** ELEMENTS TO SURVIVE.

- 1. Water
- 2. Air
- 3. Food
- 4. Light

# AND LOOK WHAT THE BIBLE Tells us about Jesus.

- 1. I am the Living Water
- 2. I am the Breath of Life
- 3. I am the Bread of Life
- 4. I am the Light of the World

SCIENCE WAS RIGHT, WE **NEED JESUS TO LIVE.** 

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JOHN 13:34

# God's Protective Care

The poem is about being aware of God's providence during turbulent times and being encouraged to trust Him and not panic.

Day by day, God walks with me, and my burdens he helps me bear. Each step I take along the way, my loving Father is always there.

Day by day, I feel God's love encircling me all around.
His grace and mercy cover me and pick me up when I am down.

Day by day, the Lord keeps me from danger, hurt and harm. Safe from the snares of the enemy and protected from life's alarms.

Day by day, I rely on the Father to strengthen me when I am weak. He comforts me with His love and to my heart He speaks peace.

Day by day, I feel God's presence, and my spirit is always revived. God is faithful to watch over me as a father does his own child.

God imparts his grace to me minute by minute, day by day. By faith, I walk in step with him as He guides me on life's way.

By Lenora McWhorter



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