



LWML CNH CHRISTIAN LIFE LINE APRIL 2023

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Thank you all again for the prayers. My heart is no longer an issue, praise God! I now have my reservations and plane ticket to Milwaukee for the LWML Convention in June!

FRUIT SALAD

What do you like in your fruit salad? I like strawberries, blueberries, bananas, mandarin oranges, and melon. Yummy summer flavors that we are blessed to enjoy all year long. Maybe you like different fruits in your salad, and that's ok. No judgement here!

In Genesis 2:17 God tells Adam, "but of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not eat, for in the day that you eat of it you shall surely die."

But, of course, he and Eve ate from the tree and sin entered the world. Sin and death are the fruit of Adam's rebellion. Since sin entered the world, recorded in Genesis 3, we have needed a Savior. Praise God, He sent us Jesus, who died in our place to give us eternal life.

In the Ten Commandments God gave mankind rules to follow. Christ fulfilled the commandments at His death, and we were made righteous. 1 Corinthians 5:19 tells us, "For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God." Jesus brought us the fruit of righteousness and life.

As God's beloved children, we are blessed to bear the Fruit of the Spirit for everyone to see. "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law." Galatians 5:22-23. Notice that it says, "fruit" not "fruits". We are to exhibit all the fruit of the Spirit. The Spirit desires that this fruit be exhibited in all those whom He has made new in Christ. Praise God that I find in myself many of the Spirit's attributes. I can thank God, as can you, that much fruit is

exhibited in our lives. I know the Spirit would gladly strengthen my self-control and patience. This is where I need to pray and trust God to make me more Christ-like. Philippians 4:13 says, "I can do all things through him who strengthens me." Therefore, I know God will provide what I need, every spiritual blessing, to walk a life that glorifies Him, touches the lives of others, and bears the fruit that comes through faith. Which fruit needs your meditation and prayer? God willingly gives you the strength to exhibit the Spirit's fruit. Pray, meditate, sing praises, make room in your heart for your fruit salad from the Holy Spirit!

I love you all,
Cathey



DON'T MISS THIS!

CNH Retreat will be held at Oakhurst on August 25-27 2023

"Unwrapping Your Spiritual Gifts"

Bible study led by Michelle Ule

"Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit." 1 Corinthians 12:4

Music Leader is Melody Hues

