

Dear Grace Family and Friends,

Leila and I had “a first” this week. In 47 years of marriage, we have owned 14 different homes and lived in at least that many more rental properties. Yet not once has our home been invaded by “honey bees.” That changed 2 months ago. Thankfully, with help from a member of the Clark Hill Beekeepers Club, they were removed last weekend. They had built an extensive “nest” and were in the process of making lots of honey. During this process, I learned far more about honey bees than I wanted to know. As I learned of their story, I was amazed by their “teamwork.” Honey bees only live 6 to 8 weeks. Yet, in “hive life,” they have jobs to do in each season of life. There’s no bickering or backbiting. They know what has to be done and they do it. As such, they are among the most productive specie in the animal / insect kingdom. I’ve thought a lot about how that compares to the Christian life. Thankfully, we live much longer than bees. Still, in each season of life, God has work for us to do. Imagine how different our world would be if we simply discovered God’s Will and did it? Consider how much time and effort we waste comparing our lives with others and battling jealousy because “their job is more glamorous than ours.” If bees did that, there would be no honey. In reality, there is plenty of honey; and much of it is produced nearby. That’s because the bees accept their lot in life and make the most of it. I want to “bee” that kind of Christian. And I want to encourage you to “bee” the same. As we make that our priority, we cannot fail at the mission at hand. What is that mission? Glorifying Almighty God! We all have that potential. What are we doing with it? I love you all and am honored to be your Pastor. May God bless and keep you safe.



If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you. But when you ask, you must believe and not doubt, because the one who doubts is like a wave of the sea, blown and tossed by the wind. That person should not expect to receive anything from the Lord.
James 1:5-7

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\$764,423.25	\$836,357.10

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