

Simply Stewardship

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. - Phillipians 4:6

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It's Good To Be Reminded!

Spring is here! Finally. I've had to continue to remind myself that God is never late. Not only are we experiencing spring in Wisconsin but we are also witnessing God's faithfulness. He has once again brought forth the buds on the trees, the tulips and daffodils, and the robins and cardinals.

It's good to remind ourselves of things that effect our lives. It's good to be reminded that all that we have has only been entrusted to us. It is not ours. It is *our Lord's*. Scripture plainly says, "The earth is the Lord's and everything in it" (Ps. 24:1).

One of the easiest places to use too much of the Lord's money is the grocery store. If you are like me, you know this already but, it is good to be reminded of it again so we can be on our guard when we go there. Of course, you should always go with a list. This is a given but, there are even more ideas and strategies that you can be made aware of that can save God's money and simplify your life a little.

Be Aware:

...that statistics show that most shoppers buy at least one unplanned (unlisted) item in each aisle of the store. Most stores have at least 12 aisles.

...shoppers buy items displayed at the end of the aisles because they

believe that these items are on sale. Many are not.

...grocers place frequently purchased items on the opposite ends of their store. You will need to go through more aisles and spend more time (and money they hope) in their store.

...that if you organize your shopping list by aisle, you will need to go to fewer of them.

...buying in bulk is not always less expensive. Take note of the unit prices.

...budgeting does work...

In order for you to get the most out of your food budget, you need to consider the little things that are sometimes forgotten. Keep a written record of all that you buy during the course of a week. This would include the midweek trips to the store for bread or eggs as well. Be sure to include all your food expenses, even the occasions that you eat out. At our house we have a "date or splurge" factor that we figure into our food budget. When you take into account all of these areas you are able to set up a budget that will work for your family. It will also help you find out where it is possible to cut back.

Extra tip: May and June are great months for getting a better price on cases of the following produce:

Asparagus, Pineapple, Strawber-

ries, Tomatoes, Cherries, Corn, and some Melons. Your grocer may be more willing to give you a better price by the case during this time. You may need to call a month ahead of time to order it. If you can wait, some of these items will be available also at the Farmer's Markets.

July is a good month for: Berries, Cherries, Corn, Grapes, Lemons, Melon, Nectarines, Peaches, Plums, Strawberries, and Tomatoes. If any of you have a wonderful canning or preserve recipe for any of these, let me know and we will publish them in the July/August issue.

WELCOME! We want to welcome the newest members of the Simply Stewardship Network. All of us are pleased that you are going to be using the SSN as a tool to be better stewards of our Lord's resources. Please remember, you can place as many "ads" as you like at no charge. Be sure you call or write to us by the deadline (see page 2) in order to update your ads. All ads have a 3 issue maximum run time. It is our hope that you will benefit by helping and being helped by brothers and sisters in Christ. It is our prayer that all the glory and praise for needs that are met will go to God our Father.

In Christ,
Dan & Sherry

Services Offered

Christian Baby-sitter. A home schooled 12 year old girl who is the oldest of 4 children would like to baby-sit for other Christian families. If interested, call Amanda: 679-0428

The Fish Net; A newsletter for home-schoolers in the Waukesha Co. area. Send LSASE for current copy. Karen Davis 2344 Ramshead Ct. Waukesha, WI 53188. 549-1585

TEC-LOCK: Emergency 24 hour locksmithing is certified, bonded and insured. Michael offers a 10% when you mention that you are a member of Simply Stewardship. 570-0988; Pager, 237-1499

"FYI" - Milw. Co. Zoo is offering discount admission tickets that are redeemable from 5/1/96-9/2/96. Collect 3 UPC codes for each ticket desired from "It's in the Bag" products. Mail the codes with \$2 for each child's ticket and \$3 for each adult ticket ordered. Normally these tickets are \$5.50 and \$7.50 respectively. Also include a stamped, self addressed business size envelope. There is no limit on the number of tickets you can order. Mail all items to MACC Fund Coupon Offer. P.O. Box 524, Brookfield, WI 53008-0524 Requests must be postmarked by 7/1/96.

ALSO... many libraries in Wisconsin are having summer reading programs. Some offer free tickets to area attractions for meeting a specific reading goal. Our library is offering free tickets to Milw. Co. Zoo and tickets to Circus World Museum. Check into your local library for more details.

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Six issues, free ads (up to 3 issues)

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For Sale



Jamestown Oak Vanity Cabinet for double sink. 60 1/4" x 21" x 30". Orig. \$450, now \$285. Diane: 251-4374

Microwave. Over the stove model, works great. \$60. Diane: 251-4374

IBM Computer. 88088 with CGA monitor. 5 1/4 floppy. 640k RAM. \$90. Dan 662-0247.

Gibson Epiphone Guitar. Steel string acoustic. \$150. Randy: 771-6236

Dog kennel. Extra large, metal, collapsible. \$25. Jan: 327-9869

Weaver Curriculum Volume I - \$25;
Weaver Wisdom Words - \$25; Weaver Day by Day - \$25; all three for \$50. Diane: 251-4374

Used Curriculum and Supplements Sale: Cash only. June 4 from 10AM-4PM at Resurrection Fellowship Church 2422 W. National Ave. Call Cheryl @ 321-0659 or Chris @ 744-9905 for more information.

MACHE Used Book Sale: Monday June 10, 1996 from 9AM - noon. It will be held at Diane Gilchrist's home. W173 N7158 River Ct. Meno. Falls. Call if for directions or if you would like to sell. 251-4374

Hartford Area Used Book Sale: Wed. May 29 9:00-11:00 AM at Faith Bible Alliance Church, W2799 Lehman Rd. in Neosho. For more info call Pat: 644-5766

Hearts At Home Book Sale: Monday June 3, 10:00-4:00PM 6235 So. 123rd St. Cash Only Please! For more info, call Joanne: 529-1019

West Bend Book Sale: Saturday, June 1, 8:30-11:00AM at Paradise Mall. For more info, call Diane: 338-0205



Member's Needs

Sleeper Sofa, clean condition please. Rena: 383-3548

Two matching, sturdy, wooden dining chairs. Sherry: 662-0247

Bob Jones Used Math Books. Will buy grades 1 - 12. Tess: 527-1891

Sonlight Curriculum 4th grade. I have the 3rd grade to either trade or sell. Sue: 521-3461

Dependable Midsize Car - 4 door - \$2000 or under. Rosemarie: 463-1399

Sewing Machine. More stitch options than just a straight stitch needed. Free arm preferable but not necessary. Virginia: 521-9622

Richard "Little Bear" Wheeler videos or cassettes dealing with early American history. Sherry: 662-0247

Large Weber Grill. Renee: 483-2828

Youth size recurve or compound bow. Sherry: 662-0247

Rollerskates or Blades. Boys size 7-8. Sherry: 662-0247

Cartop Carrier to accommodate a Toyota Van. Sherry: 662-0247

Alpha-Omega Science. Grades 4 and 5. History curriculum grade 6. Renee: 483-2828

VCR in working condition. Renee: 483-2828

Trundle Bed. Renee: 483-2828

Christian Piano Teacher in New Berlin/Muskego/Waukesha/Mukwonago area. Sherry: 662-0247

Canoe. Dan: 662-0247

Two family duplex with 3-4 bedrooms in each unit. Rent with option to buy would be ideal.

Rena: 383-3548

SSN Ad Deadline:

Issue: July-August

Date: 6/25

**CALL ME WITH AD
UPDATES PLEASE!**

Internet Freebies

The Free Page

Luke 6:38

Give, and it will be given to you; good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, they will pour into your lap. For by your standard of measure it will be measured to you in return.

We have found an address on the Internet that gives details on free and postage only offers. Go to:

<http://www.craftnet.org/prime/freestf2.htm>

You will find information on how to receive items like acrylic paint samples, cross stitch books, shoelaces, quilt patterns and painting lessons, just to name a few. Let us know if you like what you receive. The list is below:

Free Sample of Finity Acrylic Paint. Finity Artist's Acrylic Colour. While supplies last. Write to: Winsor & Newton Finity Sample, PO Box 1396, Piscataway, NJ 08855.

Counted Cross Stitch Books. From a well known publisher of craft booklets. Titles include Bibs, Bonnets Bassinets, Mother and Baby and Morning Bouquet. Please include a postage and handling charge of: \$1. Write to: Surprise Gift of the Month Club, PO Box 11, Garnerville, NY 10923.

Special Mother Wreath Trio Project Sheet. Great project sheet. Quick & Easy. Just rub on using True Expressions Rub-On Transfers. Request the Special Mother Wreath Trio project sheet. Perfect for Mother's Day and other special occasions. Write to: Chartpak, One River Road, Leeds, MA 01053.

Special Moments Albums. Craft project sheet explains how to create photo albums for special occasions such as births, weddings, etc. Sheets provide step by step instructions. Include LSASE. Write to: Press-On, 1020 Westgate Drive, Addison, IL 60101.

Patriotic Shoelaces with American Flag. So very patriotic. Well made, unique and cute. Be ready for the Fourth of July. Perfect for all of your craft projects. Please include a postage and handling charge of: \$1.5. Write to: Tammy, 350 W Loraine, TFSD #102, Glendale, CA 91202.

Celebrate National Craft Month. Celebrate National Craft Month with a 48 page booklet that includes step by step instructions in 18 different craft categories. Great holiday ideas! Please include a postage and handling charge of: \$3. Write to: ACCI, PO Box 556, Dept. PPH96, Rosemont, IL 60018.

Bowmaker. Make your own bows! The Bowmaker was invented for the sole purpose of giving people just like you a simple and inexpensive way to make bows. Used by stores nationally. Now available for your home use. Kit contains one Bowmaker, five feet of ribbon, and complete instructions. You will just love this kit! Please include a postage and handling charge of: \$2. Write to: Holiday Offer - BM06, 602 S LaSalle St., Suite H448,

Large wooden dog house. Fair shape. Karen: 549-1585

Oscar Kitchen Center Mixer. I have some attachments. No blender. Karen: 549-1585

Hoover Quickbroom. Karen: 549-1585

Oreck Vacuum. It needs some work but it is functional. Sherry: 662-0247

Drapes. They fit a sliding glass door. Beige, lined. Karla: 662-3163

Chicago, IL 60605.

Free Project Booklet. Add your own personal touch. Free project booklet shows you ways to create wearables that will win rave reviews. Plaid decorating products make it easy to add your own special touch. Write to: Plaid Enterprises, PO Box 7600, Norcross, GA 30091.

Design Booklet - Especially For Weddings!. Learn how the professionals use Design Master Colortool sprays to enhance creative designs. 24 page full color project booklet shows you how. Please include a postage and handling charge of: \$1. Write to: Design Master, PO Box 601, Boulder, CO 80306.

Mother of Pearl Shell Heart Sample. Mother of Pearl Heart to wear on your chain or a cord. A timeless treasure. Include LSASE. Please include a postage and handling charge of: \$1. Write to: Benjane Arts, PO Box 298, West Hempstead, NY 11552.

Festive Holiday Angel. Create this quick and easy angel for your treetop to house on wreaths or over a door to bless all that enter. Include SASE. Write to: HFDC, 2696 Gravel Drive, Fort Worth, TX 76118.

Ragamuffins Full Color Transfer. So cute and adorable. Specify painting, angels or Christmas and receive a surprise bonus gift too. You may even order more than one transfer. Please include a postage and handling charge of: \$1. Write to: Darrow Production Company, PO Box 1457, El Reno, OK 73036.

Free Linen Thread Sample. Free linen thread sample. Include SASE. Write to: Designs by Gloria & Pat, Inc., PO Box 2318, Sumter, SC

Blackboards are available from Youth With A Mission. They are green coated & 48" x 84" large. You could build a frame for them or simply glue the board directly to a wall. Call Glenn @ 521-9622 or Warren at YWAM @ 623-4995 for more information.

55 gallon aquarium with iron stand and light. Valeri: 252-4727

29151-2318.

School Days Pattern. Free school days quilt pattern. Include SASE. Write to: Fabric Traditions, 1350 Broadway, New York, NY 10018.

Fun With Covered Buttons. Tips and ideas for turning covered buttons into jewelry, wearable art and more. Send SASE. Write to: Prym-Dritz Corporation, PO Box 692, Dept. Free Stuff, Spartanburg, SC 29304-0692.

Introduction to Bob Ross Oil Painting Technique. You have heard of the famous Bob Ross. You may even get his a chance to see his television show in your area. Now, receive a free brochure/booklet that describes this famous oil painting technique. Write to: Martin E Weber Company, 2727 Southampton Rd, Philadelphia, PA 19154.

Firing Red Glazes and Cones and Controllers. Two new firing tips sheets are now available from Orton. Firing Red Glazes describes and explains common problems associated with red glazes along with tips to avoid. Cones and Controllers discusses the problems associated with using one or the other of these devices. Include SASE. Write to: Orton Ceramic Foundation, 6991 Old 3c Highway, Westerville, OH 43082.

Fancy Fiber Project Sheets. Fancy Fiber can be used to create floral and craft projects. Great projects for kids, holidays, and more. Available in an array of colors. Send SASE to receive a FREE project sheet. Write to: One and Only Creations, PO Box 2730, Napa, CA 94558.

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Thank You!

Thank you for your participation in the Third Annual Spring Clothing Drive. As you know, this year it was held at Waukesha Bible Church. We thought it would be a good idea to open the clothing drives to others that were not formally members or friends of members of Simply Stewardship Network. The participation level was amazing! We had about 20 people help during the Friday afternoon set up time and another 6 or 7 were there early Saturday morning to help as well. It was a good thing that we were in a church building instead of someone's home. We set up about 25 tables that were each 9 feet long. These tables had clothing folded and stacked on them. On some table the stacks of clothing measured about 1 1/2 - 2 feet high! We also brought in 4 rolling racks to hold some of the hangable clothes. The abundance was truly overwhelming. Even as people were leaving with bags of clothing, others were coming in with bags to donate. The whole thing reminded me of the Bible's account of the 5 loaves and 2 fish. There was more than enough and all the praise belongs to God.

About 25 families came to pick out

clothing for their families. Some of those families were choosing clothes for other families as well. We were pleased to see some missionaries find items that they needed in preparation to leave next month. The majority that visited the clothing drive were brothers and sisters in Christ, but there were some that were not. They too were welcomed and received tracts. Some stopped for a few moments to tell us their stories. Please pray for the unsaved families that witnessed Christ's provision at the clothing drive. The remaining clothes were loaded into a trailer, a car, and a van. They were taken to a different location for another drive. These clothes were heading to at least 3 other churches so they too could benefit from the Lord's abundance.

Again, your participation is greatly appreciated and the Lord is using His resources to bring His Word and His will into people's lives. We are planning to have another clothing drive in the fall. Please be aware of who the Lord is bringing your way that may benefit from participating in the next one. We are praying for fewer left overs in the fall!

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Free Craft Stuff

Project Sheets. A new four-color project sheet is available each month. Great summer ideas for kids. Amazing projects for people of all ages using macramé and related products. Send SASE. Write to: Pepperell Braiding Company, Inc., 22 Lowell Street, Pepperell, MA 01463.

And Sew On. Here's the perfect gift for your favorite sewer. This reversible sewing caddy features and oversize pin cushion. Include SASE. Write to: Singer Sewing Company, PO Box 1909 Dept. PIN, Edison, NJ 08837.

Free Sample of Soft Tints. Soft Tints, the blended look of ceramic. Includes tips and ideas booklet. Include SASE. Write to: Delta Technical Coatings Inc., 2550 Pellissier Place, Whittier, CA 90601.

Free Subscription to Painter's Choice. Free subscription to Liquitex Painter's choice newsletter. The newsletter for acrylic painters. Write to: Liquitex, PO Box 21127, Lehigh Valley, PA 19021.

Free Washboard Idea Sheets. Write or call for free washboard idea sheets. Nostalgic Country look washboards. Make great Mother's Day, Wedding, Birthday and Holiday gifts. Write to: Columbus Washboard Company, 1327 Oxley Road, Columbus, OH 43212. You may call: 8003437967.

Formby's Craft and Decorating Booklet. A free project booklet on decorating and craft ideas. Include SASE. Innovative craft ideas, home improvements and refinishing projects. Write to: Thompson & Formby's, Inc., 825 Crossover Lane, Memphis, TN 38117.

Angel and Santa Holiday Ornament and Pin. Make your own Angel and Santa Holiday ornament and pin. Complete kit. Kit includes stencil, two wood pieces, jewelry findings, easy instructions, and patterns to make ornament and pin. You will just love this kit! Please include a postage and handling charge of: \$2. Write to: Holiday Offer - HZ32, 602 S LaSalle St., Suite H448, Chicago, IL 60605.

Important Note to Members

The date you see in the upper right hand corner of your mailing label is your renewal date. If your renewal date is this month, then it is time to let us know you wish to renew. If you want your name removed from the list, let us know that too!