

Greetings from Ceresco Baptist Church!

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God's Valentine Gift

God's Valentine gift of love to us
Was not a bunch of flowers;
It wasn't candy, or a book
To while away the hours.

His gift was to become a man,
So He could freely give
His sacrificial love for us,
So you and I could live.

He gave us sweet salvation, and
Instruction, good and true--
To love our friends and enemies
And love our Savior, too.

So as we give our Valentines,
Let's thank our Lord and King;
The reason we have love to give
Is that He gave everything.

By Joanna Fuchs

For God so lo **V** ed the world
That He g **A** ve
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So **N**
T hat whosoever
Believeth **I** n Him
Should **N** ot perish
But have **E** verlasting life.

John 3:16



BIBLE VALENTINE

Valentine's Day is a day of love
For showing that we care
And if we read the Bible
God describes love there
If we speak like celestial angels
From heaven up above,
All our words mean nothing
If we don't have Christian love
Love is patient, love is kind
It doesn't brag or boast
Love conquers pride and envy
It is never self-engrossed
Love is not rude or angry
Forgiveness counters wrong
Love stays away from evil
It sings a truthful song
Love is full of trust and hope
It always perseveres
Love never fails; It's faithful
To the Bible its Sincere
And if you give this kind of love
To your special Valentine
You'll be loving right in harmony
With God's own sweet design

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GOD'S VALENTINE - WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

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FEBRUARY

INDESCRIBABLE

LOVE

PSALM

UNCONDITIONAL

History of Valentine's Day & Bible Verses on Love

Valentine's Day, also known as Saint Valentine's Day, originated as a church holiday on February 14th to honor martyrs of the faith - saints whose names were Valentine or Valentinus. It is believed that the first heart valentine note was sent by a Valentine who was in prison for a girl he loved. Valentines notes have been recorded for as far back as the Middle ages. While the meaning and celebrations of Valentine's Day has changed, it has remained as a special day to shower with love those we hold close.

Valentine's day can create a variety of emotions for different people. For some it creates great satisfaction celebrating the love you have between you, your spouse, and your friends & family. For others it can cause feelings of loneliness. Whether you are single or in a relationship, let these Bible verses encourage you to celebrate, for God has unconditional and indescribable love for us. No matter your age or stage in life, Valentine's Day can be celebrated because of God's great love.

1 John 4:8: Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.

John 3:16: For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

Colossians 3:14: And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.

John 15:13: Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends.

Genesis 29:20 So Jacob served seven years to get Rachel, but they seemed like only a few days to him because of his love for her.

Psalms 37:4: Take delight in the LORD, and he will give you the desires of your heart.

Mark 12:33: To love him with all your heart, with all your understanding and with all your strength, and to love your neighbor as yourself is more important than all burnt offerings and sacrifices."

Romans 12:9: Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.

1 John 4:12: No one has ever seen God; but if we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

1 John 3:18: Dear children, let us not love with words or speech but with actions and in truth.

1 John 4:7-8: Dear friends, let us love one another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, because God is love.

1 John 4:19: We love because he first loved us.





Thank You

- Feb 17 Carlton Anthony
- Feb 18 Glen Cary
- Feb 26 Gretchen King

- Mar 9 Ron Chisholm
- Mar 13 Lucas Finch
- Mar 15 Vi Halder
- Mar 15 Joanne Henley
- Mar 20 Deb Beltz
- Mar 22 Danny Sommers

Thank you to everyone for all the kindness you showed our mother through the years. Her life was centered on Christ and His Church. We were privileged to be raised in a Christian home and with parents who gave us great examples of Christian living. Our mother's dedication to Ceresco Baptist Church through the good times and the bad were always visible. She took an active part in many of the functions of the church not only at Ceresco but in the West Area as well.

We thank you for sharing in our loss and in the knowledge that we will all meet again when God choses to call us Home. Though she is missed and her special place during Sunday Worship is now void of her physical being, we remember her devotion. We will keep the faith and place our trust in our Lord and personal Savior.

Mary and Terry Ivey and family of Bessie



Michael Meng &
Angela Sommers

We have started from scratch for the monthly birthday and anniversary listings. If you have names that you want included in the Messenger, either add them to the list at church, or email Joy Sommers at:
cerescobaptist@gmail.com

	FLOWER SIGN-UP		Greeter
Date	Name	Reason	
Feb 2 2020	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Feb 9 2020	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN
Feb 16 2020	Cary	Glen's 87th Birthday	Glen & Joyce Cary
Feb 23 2020	OPEN	OPEN	OPEN

We are in need of volunteers to sign up for flowers, greeters, and for providing the monthly refreshments on Fellowship Sunday (last Sunday of the month). Sign up sheet is at the church in the entryway.

February 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wed.	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Communion Sunday & Hopevale Commemoration Sunday						
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		Bible Study 10 am				
	Boy Scouts					
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
		Bible Study 10 am				
	Boy Scouts		Family Night Potluck 6:30 pm			
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
		Bible Study 10 am	Ash Wednesday, beginning of Lent			
	Boy Scouts					

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