

Week of May 17, 2020

Mid-week devotion

This coming Monday is Memorial Day. I would ask you all to pray for those families who have lost loved ones who made the ultimate commitment and paid the ultimate price with their lives for our freedom. Freedom isn't free, *right?* There's a price to be paid and it's our role as ambassadors for Jesus Christ to help bring comfort to those who grieve due to the loss of a loved one fighting for our country.

America's history indicates that as early as the civil war fallen soldiers' graves were being decorated in appreciation for their ultimate sacrifice. The name John Quincy Marr probably means very little to most of us, except his Mom.

On June 3, 1861, <u>Warrenton, Virginia</u>, was the location of the first Civil War soldier's grave ever to be decorated, according to a Richmond *Times-Dispatch* newspaper article in 1906.

This decoration was for the funeral of the first soldier killed in action during the Civil War, <u>John Quincy Marr</u>, who died on June 1, 1861 during a skirmish at <u>Battle of Fairfax Courthouse</u> in Virginia.

John Quincy Marr is long forgotten but the act of remembering those who gave their lives must never be forgotten. You see, Memorial Day isn't about the start of the summer vacation season or barbequing hot dogs and hamburgers with family. It's about people, good people giving their lives for you and me.

Continue to Read Psalm 118 each day

Continue to pray for our upcoming Youth Trip, August 3-6

Please join our service this coming weekend,

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God's richest blessings,

Pr. Wayne





CONGRATULATIONS 2020 GRADUATES!

We will be honoring our graduates on Sunday, June 21st

It's that time when we'd like to recognize and honor our graduates. If your child is graduating from Middle School, Senior High, or college, please let us know, send us an email at info@christschurchofthecanyon.com or give us a call @ 760.244.9462

