

Dear Lillian UMC family,

I can't believe it is already June. We are at the halfway point of 2022, a year which we began by spending "30 Days of Knowing God." Now might be a good time to reflect on our progress. Have we continued in the habit of solemn and solitary prayer to our Father and Creator? Have we continued to spend time, alone and quiet, reading and meditating on His Word?

Paul wrote to the Corinthian church on at least two occasions. Each letter contained an exhortation for them to "examine" themselves. Proper examination takes place only in the light of God's Word. Typically, He speaks to our heart, to our spirit, through His Word.

Is Jesus more precious to you now? Do you appreciate His sacrifice more? Do you hear Him speak more clearly? Are you more obedient now? Has He given you a work to do? Have you done it?

Has He given you instruction concerning Vacation Bible School? Sunday School? Choir? United Methodist Women? United Methodist Men? Has he laid a person on your heart, for whom you should pray?

Examine yourself. If you come up short. Repent. Seek His face, read His Word. Obey His voice. He loves you. Learn to trust Him. He will prove Himself faithful.

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