



The Cornerstone Connection

Building lives on the foundation of Jesus Christ.

November 2025

Veteran's Celebration

Inviting all veterans, active-duty military and their families and passed veterans' families to a Veteran's Celebration on Sunday, November 2nd. Solid Rock Church is hosting the annual patriotic ceremony. A complimentary dinner will be served at 5:00 p.m., followed by an Armed Forces Tribute opening with Huntington's JROTC Color Guard, The Erie Band, Hallelujah Hands, Larry Ryan, Bonnie Meyers, "A Few Good Men," and more! Please share your talents by playing an instrument, singing a special song, and or sharing a favorite verse to honor our military. Please call 260-375-4505 to schedule your talent and position in the entertainment lineup.



Our veterans and active duty deserve support and praise always! We are excited to start November off by honoring our veterans, Sunday, November 2nd, to help bring awareness to Veteran's Day, Tuesday, November 11th.

You are welcome to wear your military uniform. Photos in uniform, "in action," or in a casual setting along with your branch of service, dates of when and where you are currently serving or have served, will be displayed along with 200+ veterans' photos on a rolling video during the event. The photo and info may be emailed or scanned at Bolinger's Propane Service, located at 115 N. Wayne St. in Warren, by Wednesday, October 29th at 5:00 p.m. Please email ginac@agbest.com or call 260-375-4505 or 260-917-1707 to RSVP, send your photo and info, or to schedule your talent. Currently there are 200+ military troops on the tribute video; there is always room for more!

Solid Rock Church is located at 485 Bennett Drive, Warren, across from Heritage Point. Walk-ins are welcome. Everyone is invited to attend this Celebration to show support to our military. Thank you, veterans, and active-duty military for ALL you do for our country. God Bless America!

Women of Worship

By Becky Brown

Women of Worship would like to thank you for allowing our church to be the vessel through which God works, moves, offers grace, and changes lives.

It was a fantastic event—78 women from various churches attended. The planning took two years, but seeing God touch so many lives was worth it.

I stood before the women and watched them lift their hands in praise and worship. I heard stories of how God worked in the lives of so many women. Women told their stories and became transparent. These women were vulnerable, yet they listened to God and told their stories. There are times when we tell our stories and are also healed. When we open ourselves up, others know what they experience, and others have, too; they are not alone.

So many have asked if we are planning another one. Marsha and I will gather with the team in January to see what God has in store for us. Please pray that the committee hears God's voice between now and then. This event was God ordained, which is the ONLY way such a thing can happen.

I could write to you about the many events where we saw God as we planned this, from the name to the speakers, to people stepping up and donating food, and for the men offering to fix and serve our lunch. God was in every detail.

The music set the tone, and we are thankful for the praise band and the music.

The most critical part of ALL was the prayers we felt from many, before and during the event.

Thank you seems so little, but it means so much to us.



Gratitude Shift

When we look at what we want, and then compare that with what we have, we shall be unhappy.

When we think about what we really deserve, and then compare that with what we actually have, we shall thank God.

Our Mission is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who worship passionately, love extravagantly, and witness boldly.

Henderson Settlement

By Becky Brown

For those of us who go to the Henderson Settlement in Frakes, Kentucky, our hearts are smiling, and we are filled with love and thanksgiving.

When we decided to ask for toys for their Christmas project, we hoped for a truckload. As the months went by and people began to bring in toys, as people bought bicycles, we were aware of God's hand in this. It became larger than what we had hoped for. We began to make plans to add a second

truck to our fleet. We have a car filled with diapers, baby wipes, and formula. We have two trucks that have five bikes and numerous

toys. Thank you so much for listening to God.

Hebrews 13:16: "And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."

Hebrews 6:10 says, "God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them."

As you look at children's faces on Christmas morning and see the joy and excitement, remember that you put smiles on so many children's faces, and they experienced joy and excitement because of what YOU did. Thank you.



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Giving Up Control and Saying Yes

By Becky Brown

How time passes! Whew! Two years ago, I had to say yes to God and be obedient. Sometimes that is the hardest thing you can do. Eighteen years ago, I had to say yes to God and move to Texas. That was NOT something I wanted to do. While in Texas God stretched, pulled, tested, and put me through intense training, but I didn't know for what. When he called us home, I was not ready to come back. I was in the middle of so many things happening in my life. I had developed friendships that were more like family to me. But, looking back, it was all about what I wanted and not what God wanted. Giving up control of my life is sometimes the hardest thing I do. I struggle with control.

In Job 22:22, we read Eliphaz's response to Job, "Listen to his instructions and store them in your heart." I was listening, but I was not obedient. Finally, one Sunday morning, I heard God's voice, and all he said was, "It's time."

I had a choice to be obedient or disregard God's wishes.

It wasn't an easy transition. My daughter had to come down and drive my car back with a sick mother sitting beside her, sleeping most of the way. Satan caused havoc when we got here. The first year was turmoil, testing, and challenging.

Another problem I sometimes deal with is low self-esteem, which has been a problem all my life. Finding friends, a church, and people who would accept me (or even like me) was the next hurdle.

But two years later, trusting God and giving up control, I can see God's hands were in all of this. I have been restored, refreshed, and made to be God's vessel in whatever ways He sees. Thank you to the people of Solid Rock for your love and acceptance of my family and me.

Do you struggle with self-control and low self-esteem? Lay your problems down at the foot of the cross, trust in God, and be still. God's got this, and he doesn't need any interference.

Online Giving



September Financial Update

General Fund Contributions.....	\$11,747
General Fund Budgeted Disbursements.....	\$13,130

News for the December newsletter is due November 23

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wards the cluster of trees in the distance. I was unable to sense the alluring fragrance from the grove, nor did I note any such activity among the leaves and blossoms. Very few bees and hummingbirds could be found within its cluster. Some of the buds on the trees appeared to be withering and dying. My heart began to feel saddened by what my eyes beheld.

I turned back my attention to the single apple tree in the middle of the field. I discovered that where the buds once were, now ripe and mature apples are in their place. The tree was covered with an abundance of apples like I've never seen before. I went to the tree and picked one of the apples. Taking a bite of the apple, its juice ran down the side of my lips and the fragrance from that apple was very appealing.

What made the difference in the harvest between the single apple tree in the middle of the field versus the apple grove? It was the alluring fragrance from the blossoms that enticed the bees and the hummingbirds to come and partake of the blossoms. Their movements between the flowers pollinated the blossoms and enabled them to mature into a bountiful harvest. For whatever reason, the apple grove was never able to produce such an alluring fragrance to compel its much-needed pollinators to ever come.

Our churches are like those apple trees: unless the Spirit of God is allowed to grow within us, we will never have the alluring fragrance needed to bring others into the congregation to help pollinate the growth of the harvest; that is, deeper intimacy with God the Father. We have to allow the Holy Spirit to move within us and to change us in such a way that we become the harvest and that we feed the world around us from the fruit of this Spirit. If we do not have the Holy Spirit within us, we can never spiritually mature into the creation that God has created us to be, nor will we ever have the alluring fragrance to invite others to become part of the family of God.

I believe that I had this vision to be able to share with you what God wants to do within us to make our spirit more like His and to become a fragrant offering to the world around us that hungers after God. I believe that each of us as individuals is a blossom awaiting to be pollinated by the Holy Spirit so that its fruits will be made known to the world.

But I say, walk by the Spirit, and you will not gratify the desires of the flesh. For the desires of the flesh are against the Spirit, and the desires of the Spirit are against the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to keep you from doing the things you want to do. But if you are led by



the Spirit, you are not under the law. Now the works of the flesh are evident: sexual immorality, impurity, sensuality, idolatry, sorcery, enmity, strife, jealousy, fits of anger, rivalries, dissensions, divisions, envy, drunkenness, orgies, and things like these. I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit. Let us not become conceited, provoking one another, envying one another. Galatians 5:16-26; ESV

Those who do not walk by the Spirit are much like the apple trees in the grove that are unable to entice anyone to come near God. Those spirits who reject the Holy Spirit will never mature spiritually and will eventually die without producing a single fruit. It is crucial to our spiritual journey to be wholly committed to the Spirit of God and to utilize the fruits of the Spirit, and to allow the Holy Spirit to be the alluring fragrance needed to bring others into the harvest.

Remember: it's not just about the number in the harvest but the quality of the harvest as well.

Fall Bazaar
Solid Rock Church
485 Bennett Drive • Warren, IN
November 1, 2025
9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
Crafts Bake Sale
Lunch - Eat-In or Carry-Out
♦ Soups ♦ Sandwiches
♦ Desserts

Guitarist needed

We are needing another guitar player for praise band. If you are passionate about worship and leading others with music, if you can read a lead sheet or chord chart and would like to play with the praise band, let us know. If you are interested in playing occasionally, that's fine too. We warm up at 8:30 on Sundays, and have an occasional practice. Contact Marie DeWeese if you have an interest.





Shepherding Moments

by Pastor John Boyanowski

Alluring Fragrance

At a recent meeting with another pastor, we discussed our churches and the surrounding communities. We both shared how our individual churches were desiring to have a greater outreach in the community for growing the spiritual connection between God and the people. Each of our churches has unique connections and abilities in its respective areas, yet we also share common concerns for the spiritual pulse within the church walls. This isn't to say there are problems to address per se, it simply means we are both looking for ways to become more relevant to our communities.

As we shared, God began to give me a vision. In this vision, I beheld an apple tree; its roots were strong and deep, its trunk was wide and mature. At first glance, the tree was bare, hosting no leaves; sort of what it would look like during winter. This sight lasted only a few moments, enough for me to notice it seemed lifeless and barren. The tree was located in the middle of an open field, which gave

it a more distant appearance.

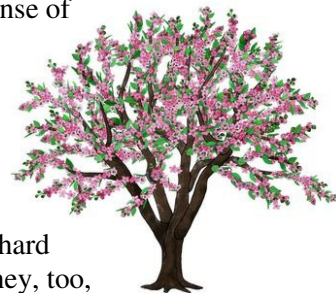
Soon, this same tree was growing leaves. Thousands of leaves sprang forth, giving the apple tree the appearance of a healthy and beautiful life. Amid the leaves grew tiny buds: flowers that gave off alluring fragrances. The aroma was pleasing and brought a sense of peace as I would breathe deeply. I was drawn closer to the apple tree.

The closer I came to the tree, I began to notice off in the distance even more apple trees, but these were in an orchard setting and more clustered. They, too, had blossoms amid their leaves. Somehow, these trees seemed to have fewer blooms than the tree that appeared in my vision.

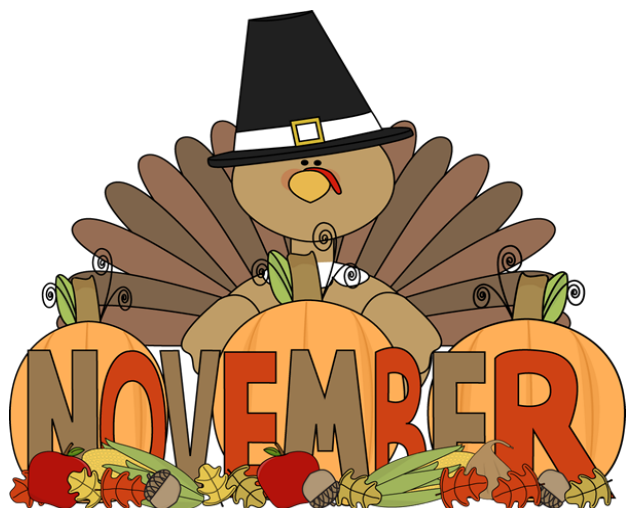
I continued to get closer to my first tree, and I began to see even more activity among the leaves and blossoms: bees and hummingbirds were going from one blossom to another. They gathered their nectar and danced from one to another. I looked over to the other apple trees in the distance and failed to see the same activity in those trees.

I took a short detour from my first vision to head to-

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2025
NOVEMBER



EVENTS

Women's Widows Care & Share
Meet every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the
month at 2 p.m.



Weekly Bible Study
Monday mornings at 10 a.m.
NOTE: Check the calendar
for any changes.



Saturday, November 1st
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Lunch being served, along with
crafts, baked goods, and so
much more.....

**Solid Rock Mission Giving
for Bread of Life Food Patry**

DEADLINE NOV. 10TH

Solid Rock collecting 100 boxes of
13.5oz instant mashed potatoes for this
coming Thanksgiving.



Thank you!



Veterans Dinner at Solid Rock
Sunday, November 2nd
5 p.m.
"All Veterans and guest welcome"

Great food and entertainment!

Li'l Rockers Praise Team
practices
Nov. 5th and 19th
6 - 7 p.m.



November Helpers

Liturgists

- 2 Jane Hitzfield
- 9 Addy Wiley
- 16 Mindy Rider
- 23 Billie Horrell
- 30 Debb Smitley



Greeter

- 2 Jen & Donnie Plummer
- 9 Mike & Rita Bolinger
- 16 Andy & Kodi Elliot
- 23 Lyvonne Nightenhelser
- 30 Mary Ellen Plummer

Nursery 10 a.m.

- 2 Linda Howell
- 9 LeAnn Buzzard
- 16 Stacy Wiley
- 23 Lyvonne Nightenhelser
- 30 Libby Wiley

Children's S. S. Teachers

- 2 Brenda Conner
- 9 Jazmine Plummer
- 16 Marie DeWeese
- 23 Marie DeWeese
- 30 Jazmine Plummer

Snacks

- 2 Robert-Marie DeWeese
- 9 Greg-Becky Brown
- 16 Linda Howell & Lana Myers
- 23 Jon & Allison Voght
- 30 Marg Bentley & John-Susan Mills

Acolytes

- 2 Kerrigan & Kinley Goodspeed
- 9 Kaley Campbell
- 16 Kalin Elliot & Malcolm Voght
- 23 Paizley Nightenhelser & Kerrigan Goodspeed
- 30 Kaley Campbell & Kalin Elliot

Please contact the church office at 375-3873 by Thursday prior to Sunday, if you are unable to do any above activities. Thank you!

Thank you!

Men's Fellowship
2nd Saturday each month at 8 a.m.
at Solid Rock Church
All men welcome!

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Women's Fellowship
Last Saturday each month
8:30 a.m. Son-Rise Bakery
All ladies welcome!



11/6	Jessica Barry	11/19	Lynn Bonewitz
	Brooke Kratzer	11/23	Kaidyn Bolinger
11/8	Gary Walter	11/25	Jorita Banter
	Cris Jackson	11/28	Miranda Bolinger
11/16	Rose Broyles	11/30	Eli Goodspeed



11/3 Steve & LeAnn Buzzard
11/10 Jeremy & Shannon Rogers

Card Ministry November Special

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**buy one &
get one free!**

**Handmade cards
price as on the rack**



Stock the shelves in November

Solid Rock's monthly food pantry challenge

**Peanut Butter
Chicken Noodle Soup
Hot Chocolate**

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Thank you for all you do!

Monetary gifts are always appreciated.



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1  Church Bazaar 9-2 p.m. lunch and crafts
2 Sunday School 9 a.m. All Saints Day Worship Service 10 a.m. Veterans Dinner 5 p.m.	3 Bible Study 10 a.m. Hallelujah Hands 6-7 p.m. Taekwondo 6-7 p.m.	4 Sign Language 10 a.m. Widows Care & Share 2 p.m.	5 Li'l Rockers Praise Team practice 6-7 p.m.	6	7 Church reserved 5-8 p.m.	8 Men's Fellowship 8 a.m.
9 Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship Service 10 a.m. Communion Rock Solid Youth 6 - 8 p.m.	10 Bible Study 10 a.m. Hallelujah Hands 6-7 p.m. Taekwondo 6-7 p.m.	11  Sign Language 10 a.m.	12	13 S.O.S. 7 p.m.	14	15
16 Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship Service 10 a.m. Samaritan Shoe Box Party after service Rock Solid Youth 6 - 8 p.m.	17 Bible Study 10 a.m. Hallelujah Hands 6-7 p.m. Taekwondo 6-7 p.m.	18 Sign Language 10 a.m. Widows Care & Share 2 p.m. Staff Pastor Parish Mtg 6 p.m. Ad Council Mtg 7 p.m.	19 Li'l Rockers Praise Team practice 6-7 p.m.	20	21	22
23 Sunday School 9 a.m. Worship Service 10 a.m. Newsletter Info due Gary W. WAMA Service 10 a.m. @ KBC Rock Solid Youth 6 - 8 p.m.	24 Bible Study 10 a.m. Hallelujah Hands 6-7 p.m. Taekwondo 6-7 p.m.	25 Sign Language 10 a.m.	26	27 	28	29 Ladies Fellowship 8:30 a.m. at Son-Rise Bakery
30 1st Advent Sunday School 9 a.m. Birthdays-Anniversaries for Dec. Worship Service 10 a.m. Hanging of the Greens Rock Solid Youth 6 - 8 p.m.						

SOLID ROCK PRAYER REQUESTS

Other

Abortion - Addiction - All Missions - Bargain Basement - Our Nation & Leaders - Missionaries - Local Churches - Solid Rock Ministries
Bread of Life Food Pantry - WAMA - Healthcare Providers & First Responders - Schools and Educational Leaders - Our Service Men & Women

Cluster Churches and Pastors

Liberty Center Community/Rev. Diane Samuels - Bluffton First UMC/Rev. Sherrie Drake - Markle Riverside John 3:16/Pastor Dan First
Epworth UMC Bluffton/Pastor Marlene Ellis - Ossian UMC/Rev. David Herr - Lancaster Chapel UMC/Pastor Dewey Miller - Boehmer UMC/Pastor Steve Neviu
Petroleum Community/Rev. Greg Andrews - Poneto Faith Community/Pastor Roy Nevil - Solid Rock/Pastor John Boyanowski

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, SON AND HOLY SPIRIT HEAR OUR PRAYERS.

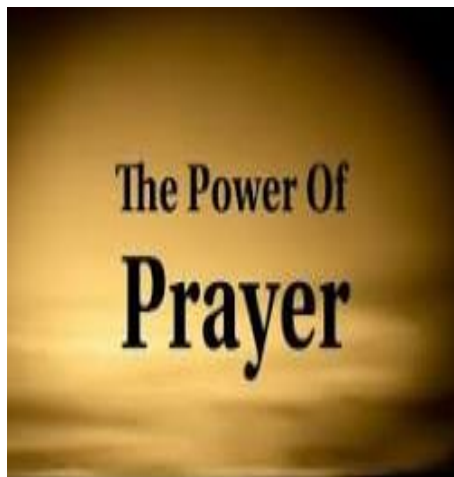
Prayers for Health & Healing

Jen Bloom	Dewey Jacks	Nicole Raines	Unspoken
Tiffany Booher	Dave Keller	Mandy Ramsey	Silent Struggles
Kiara Bowers	Barb Keplinger	Beverly Smitley	
Sue Carpenter	Doris McCune	Debb Smitley	
Janice Highley	Jane Penrod	Eric Snively	
LaTishia Horrell	Iris Perez	Mike Vogleman	
	Kevin Pitzer		

Please let the office know if someone listed above is doing better and can be moved to prayers answered or if someone needs added for prayers of health and healing.

Heritage Pointe

Darrell Blair	Dee Pattison
Jim & Jackie Blinn	Dale & Norma Smith
Bill Boxell	Doris Souers
Pat Boxell	Alyce Tinkle
Rochelle DeHaven	Carolyn Winters
Don Douglas	



Prayers Answered

Clarence Blair
Phil Brown
Howard Cress
Ethan McCray
Pam Spahr

Solid Rock Daily Prayer Card for November 2025

Prayer is the greatest, simplest privilege of our lives as believers.

Thank you for continuing to pray for Solid Rock. Following are some special requests:



- Father God, As this month unfolds, we are reminded to be more thankful in all things. I pray that we would be a people who don't need a reminder to be thankful, but to be thankful in and for all things. Help us to see all that You have done for us and grant us a glimpse of what is yet to come. May we have memories of Your faithfulness unto us, so we can be more grateful for Your abounding love. Thank You for being as faithful as You are. May we strive to be more thankful and extend our gratitude to You with every breath. In Your Holy Name we pray, Amen.
- Precious Jesus, Without You, nothing exists: no creation, no plan for our salvation, or no chance for eternal life. We praise You and are humbled by You including us in Your plan of restoration. Even during our worst times, You are there for us and with us. Sweet Jesus, we have no words or deeds that can adequately express our gratitude for what You have done for us. Please accept our thanksgiving as an offering pleasing in Your sight. In the Name above all Names we pray, Amen.
- Holy Spirit, please guide us to become a more thankful people who will honor and praise God the Father, Jesus the Son, and You, the Holy Spirit. Move us to rejoice in the rain, to praise in the pain, and to be thankful for the leading of Your Spirit. We can only offer what we know; so please flood our minds with all the things that the Trinity has done for us. We praise You in all things. Lead us into faithfulness that glorifies God. We humbly pray these things in Your matchless Name, Amen.
- Blessed Trinity, You are Holy. Let us sing praises unto You! We often forget to give thanks; please change our hearts to become more attentive to Your needs and wants instead of our own. Help us to live lives in accordance with Your will for our lives. May we honor our vows and callings that You have placed on our lives. You alone are awesome and loving. Glory to Your Name, Amen.

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CREATION

Word Search



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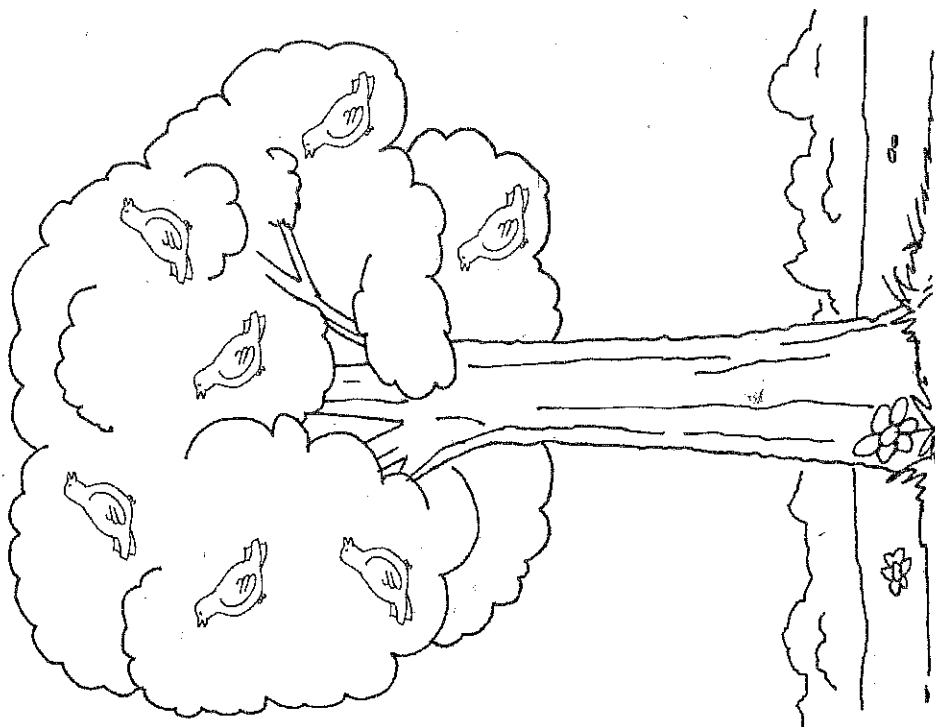
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Waters
Dry Land
Vegetation

Trees
Sun
Moon
Stars
Sea Creatures
Beasts

The kingdom of heaven is like a tiny mustard seed that grows into a large tree.

Count the birds in the tree. Circle the right number.



3 5 7

The kingdom of heaven is like a hidden treasure.

Find these treasures hidden in the field below.

