

Wow! Are you feeling better about our nation these days, especially compared to 6 months ago? Instead of groaning and moaning when listening to the news, isn't it much more pleasant these days?

The border is essentially closed, with funding in place for the construction of the remaining gaps.

ILLEGALS are being deported by the thousands, many of whom are criminals, murderers, and terrorists. Yes, we feel for the humble, hardworking families who came here illegally, having been swept up with the tsunami of people flooding across the border. We hate to see their lives disrupted again, in order to return home. But hopefully the best of them can reapply and return the right way.

Out-of-control judges who think they run the country are being reversed and sometimes disciplined. How great is that?

If I am to believe what I read in reliable sources, inflation is down; gas prices are the lowest they've been in 3 or 4 years (except in California, of course); tariffs are bringing in new revenue to the government and levelling the trade playing field between us and many countries who have abused their trade privileges in favor of themselves.

The Big Beautiful Bill squeaked by containing important provisions for us little guys, like no taxing Social Security or overtime and making tax cuts for small businesses and for citizens permanent.

The U.S. provided Israel with the ultimate bunker buster bomb in order to place an exclamation point on the destruction that Israel of necessity had to wreak on Iran, who is dedicated to "Death to Israel", and

# LVEDA Meeting (Lucerne Valley Economic **Development Association**)

## Monday, July 28th 5:00 pm at the Moose Lodge

on Foothill Road, just west of Tradepost Road.

LVEDA provides an important community forum recognized by County, State, and Local Representatives. Supports real economic development consistent with our rural goals. Opposes projects that harm our land-use integrity and quality of life.

Is something bugging you? **COME TO THE NEXT MEETING TO EXPRESS YOUR OPINION!** 

"Death to the United States." Israel still has much left to do to totally cleanse the neighboring countries of the evil madmen who live for Israel's (and all Jews') elimination.

There is so much more that could be cited, pointing to what some call a new golden age for this country and for other regions. Is that ultra-cool, or what?

But wait! There is still much ugliness and suffering. We cannot contain natural disasters like the horrible flood in Texas that broke our hearts as dozens lost their lives, including the little girls who were so innocent.



Tornadoes, wildfires, volcanoes, earthquakes are destroying lives in many places. Terrorists are still on the warpath, even here in the good old USA. Europe and England have been overrun by radical Islamist Muslims as the war on Western Civilization inexorably (unstoppably) advances.

Traditional morality seems all but extinct. What drives us seems to be our self-absorption, our love for stuff (guilty as charged), our desire for the "good" life.

Technological advancements meant to make things easier are making them more complex and frustrating. Just ask any of us who spend our working days immersed in Google, Microsoft, Outlook apps that seem to get updated and changed almost daily. Now Artificial Intelligence is being incorporated into our necessary devices whether we like it or not.

How do we know anymore who or what to trust? I don't have that answer. I feel like I'm hanging out there, in freefall, with nothing to save me but God.

**But God!** 

So let me ask you a few questions, in case they help you focus on your relationship to Him, or not.

Have you stepped out of the mainstream of "American" life and into the tiny stream of followers of God?

Have you given up YOUR will in exchange for GOD's will for your life?

Are you going to continue to "enjoy" the cares, riches, and pleasures of life, or have you discovered how empty and unfulfilling that is?

What about your kids and grandkids? Sure, you love them very much and care what future they have, but will you let them stand between you and dedicating your life to God? Are you willing to be God's servant and then let your example speak for itself to them?

So you've given your life to God. Are you then willing to find a group of Believers who seek God's will together and help each other figure out where God is leading? That takes a certain amount of humility and sacrifice of your own ego. Gee, you might have to make changes and live the words you speak!

With the world crumbling around us like it is, as fast as it is, there is no alternative, unless you don't care what happens to your soul after you pass from this earth. I bet you do care, about yourself and your kids and grandkids.

Look again at that picture of Jesus receiving the little girls who drowned in the Texas flood. (I hope it makes you cry, like it does me.) You could be one of those running to Him to be received with joy, love, and warmth. It's time. It's what's next, if you will.

Linda Gommel

# NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP

**Sat, August 2, 2025** 8 a.m. to Noon (or until full!)

### **AT Lucerne Valley Market** & Hardware

32946 CA-18, Lucerne Valley

San Bernardino Code **Enforcement and Sol**id Waste Management Divisions will be providing BULKY TRASH collection containers for the FREE disposal of accumulated trash. e-waste, and tires.

## **WE WILL ACCEPT:**

Household trash, bulky items, green waste and vehicle tires, (we do not accept concrete.) **Urban Conservation** Corps will be present to accept electronics: (TV's, COMPUTER MONITORS, VCR's, STEREOS, CELL PHONES, MICRO-WAVES & MORE)

#### WE CANNOT ACCEPT **HAZARDOUS WASTE.**

This includes motor oil, and oil filters, antifreeze, gasoline, drain cleaner, pesticides, fertilizers, fluorescent lights, wood preservatives, pool and hobby supplies, auto/furniture polish, paint thinners, paint products, medications or similar products.

For current information, please call the Household **Hazardous Waste Program** 1.800.OILY.CAT (1.800.645.9228)



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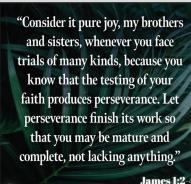












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