The Two Brothers

By Chaplain Donald Moss

There were two brothers who lived in a small village in Poland. The two brothers had inherited the family farm.

One brother was married and had many children. The other brother was single and liked to live alone.

The two brothers loved each other, so they decided to divide the family farm into two equal parts. Each brother had exactly one half of the family farm.

One night the married brother pondered, in bed, the fate of his unmarried brother.

He considered that this single man had no wife or children. He worried that he would not have anyone to look after him in his old age. He worried that he would be lonely.

So, the married brother got out of bed and went to his grain bin to fill a large sack full of wheat.

Then, he carried the sack of grain to his brother's grain bin and dumped the wheat in.

Meanwhile, the unmarried brother pondered the fate of his married brother. He considered that he had many children and a wife to support.

He considered that he would need a great deal more to feed so many people.

So, he got up in the middle of the night and went to his grain bin. He filled a very large sack full of wheat. Then, he carried the sack to this brother's grain bin and dumped the wheat in.

The two brothers continued this practice for many years. Each night each brother got up in the middle of the night to make sure his brother got some extra help.

Then, one evening, both brothers met on the path, each carrying a large sack of wheat.

It was at that time that they knew they had been helping each other for many years.

Both brothers died and went to heaven. Years later, the people of the village decided to build a new church.

They decided to build at the place where the two brothers met carrying their sacks of wheat.

They thought that would be a good place for a church because that would be the holiest place in the village.

It is so true that, if we want to find holiness, all we need to do is look for the place where there is a lot of love.

Heads Up Yokosuka

Community Announcements

20th Annual Ekiden Friendship Road Race – The 20th annual Ekiden Friendship Road Race will be held Oct. 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Sagami General Depot Sagamihara. Call Bob McKeta at 263-7980/5995 or e-mail to robert.mcketa@us.army.mil for more information or to obtain a registration form.

Family Assistance Support Team (FAST) office relocation – The FAST office has been moved to a new location. It's now located in the new Community Readiness Center, building 3365, room 225. For further information you may contact the FAST office at 243-5770.

CFAY DoDEA Schools Open House Dates – The following are the dates for CFAY DoDEA Schools open house events:

- The Sullivans School: 2:30-3:30 p.m., Sept. 22
- Ikego Elementary School: 2-3 p.m., Sept. 23

Contact School Liaison Officer (SLO) Ruth Russell at 243-1208 or e-mail to ruth.russell@fe.navy.mil for more information.

Navy College Office Tuition Assistance (TA) – Navy College Officer TA/ Electronic TA (ETA) Briefs are conducted on the first and third Thursday of each month at 11 a.m. For TA processing, submitted ETA/TA forms will be available for pick up the next day after 1 p.m. Command TA/ETA Briefs are provided for groups of eight or more at your location. Contact the Navy College Office located in room 347 on the third floor of the Fleet Recreation Center at 243-8131 or by e-mail to navycollege_yokosuka@fe.navy.mil for more information.

Safety, health and environmental fair – CFAY Safety, in cooperation with Morale Welfare and Recreation (MWR), will hold a Fall/Winter Safety, Health and Environmental Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Yokosuka commissary red brick area Sept. 25. For more information call CFAY Safety at 243-7354.

Healthy Relationships: for your childs future – Learn how family interactions will influence your child well into adulthood. The class is offered by Fleet and Family Support Center every second Tuesday of the month from 5 - 6:30 p.m., in the Take room, FFSC Annex. Call 243-7878 for more information or to sign up.