

Flag Day, 2020



Today is Flag Day. Bernard Cigrand, a small-town Wisconsin teacher, originated the idea for an annual flag day, to be celebrated across the country every June 14, in 1885. That year, he led his school in the first formal observance of the holiday. Cigrand continued to promote his concept and advocate respect for the flag throughout his life.

May this Flag Day be a reminder to respect America, “one nation under God,” which involves the following:

- 1) Cherishing **LIBERTY** and remembering those who died to provide and protect it;
- 2) Respecting our Constitution and Bill of Rights;
- 3) Honoring the rule of law as opposed to lawless anarchy;
- 4) Praying for our President and Congressmen and State and local leaders (1 Tim. 2:1-4);
- 5) Respecting those serving in the military;
- 6) Honoring our policemen who daily put their lives on the line to protect us;
- 7) Respecting others who protect us, such as our brave firefighters and emergency workers and medical personnel.
- 8) Honoring our nurses and doctors who during this COVID 19 crisis have been on the front lines of the battle.
- 9) **Respecting and honoring the Word of God:** “But to this man will I look, saith the LORD, even to him that is poor and of a contrite spirit, and trembleth at My Word” (Isaiah 66:1-2).
- 10) **Respecting and honoring the LIVING GOD**—“A Son honoureth his father, and a servant his master: if then I be a Father, where is Mine honour and if I be a Master, where is my fear? Saith the LORD OF HOSTS” (Malachi 1:6).

"People sleep peacefully in their beds at night only because rough men stand ready to do violence on their behalf." —George Orwell