

Greenbank Weekly Update – Friday, April 24, 2020

Is anyone in need? Please contact the church office, and we will find a way to assist you. Office contact info: office@greenbankcoc.org or 302-994-3800. Office hours: MWF 9-3

Prayer & Praise

Penny Price has shingles.

Francis McDanill, grandmother of Tina Jones, has been hospitalized with COVID-19.

Rebecca Tucker's mother: in a nursing home & feeling down because of being cut off from family.

Graefe family: Paul Graefe is the minister at the Folsom church. His father passed away from COVID-19 this week. Paul's wife, Kim, lost her mother to COVID-19 a few days earlier. Now, Paul's aunt has been diagnosed.

Relief from the COVID-19 pandemic. Stay safe. Stay healthy. Stay home.

Essential Workers: Doctors, nurses, law enforcement, firefighters, paramedics, postal & transit, grocers, etc.

Business Owners & Employees: that businesses will be able to recover from the shutdown.

Our Government Leaders who are working to find ways to bring relief.

The most recent requests are listed above. If you have an item for prayer or praise, please email it to office@greenbankcoc.org for inclusion in our weekly list. To view previous prayer requests and those on our ongoing lists, please visit the Weekly Bulletins page on our website www.greenbankcoc.org.

Reflection: Six Inches to Life – by J.E. Baikkeam

“And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.” -PHILIPPIANS 4:7.

Perhaps you heard of the traveler in the country who was accosted by two men, who robbed him of everything he had. They blindfolded him and led him deep into the woods. There they tied a rope to the limb of a large oak and forced him to grab the other end. Then they swung him out into the surrounding space, telling him he was hanging over a large gorge. The instant he let go, he would drop to his death on the rocks below. And then they left him.

He was filled with fear. He clutched to the rope with all his strength, trying to figure out how he could pull himself up. But with each panic-stricken moment that passed, his fate was certain. His grip slowly weakened. At last he could not hold on any longer. He could now only think of the loss to his wife and children...and all the things he would not accomplish in life. His clenched fingers relaxed their convulsive grip. He fell – six inches – to the ground at his feet! It was only a trick so the thieves could make their get-away.

I often think we are like that man. We have been lied to, and made to believe that we hold our lives in our own hands. Our generation has become a group of “control freaks” One company's motto is: “If it is to be, it's up to me!” Instead of daily trusting Christ, we live in fear of not “doing enough” or “being good enough,” or “missing something important.” We are stressed out, burned out, played out, strung out, and wrung out, until we drop out, having given it our all-out, and finding ourselves just plain out!

Let us trust God again, and allow His peace to override the temporal problems and anxieties we all face today... *“and the peace of God which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.”*

Online Bible Study

Boyd Reed is hosting an online study of the Gospel of John. Passages are posted weekly along with questions to prompt discussion. You can access the lessons at any time convenient for you, read other's comments, and

post questions or comments you have for each lesson. Access the lessons here:
<https://classroom.google.com/c/NjUyNzlyMTI2MTda> Class code: 7s2upmd

Connect with Us Online

Sunday Worship: Spanish service @ 9:00 a.m. English service @ 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday Bible Study @ 7:00 p.m. (English only)

PLEASE NOTE: You do NOT need to have a Facebook account to view the live feed through our website.

1) **Facebook Live:** <http://www.facebook.com/greenbankchurchofchrist>

2) **Greenbank website:** www.greenbankcoc.org Click on the Facebook Live tab on the menu bar at the top of the page.

3) **Conference call:** Dial +1 (646) 749-3122 Enter Access Code 947 684 973#

Options for Giving

If you are able to & desire to maintain regular giving:

1) **Write a check** and mail to 511 Greenbank Road, Wilmington, DE 19808, or hold all checks until we begin meeting again.

2) **Cash givers** can set aside your contributions and bring them when we begin meeting again.

3) **Online giving:** A PayPal option has been set up on our website www.greenbankcoc.org. Click on the “Donate” button and follow the instructions. (Note: there is a small fee assessed from each donation.)

Last Week’s Contribution: \$4,821

Weekly Average: \$4,312