# Greenbank Weekly Update – Friday, May 8, 2020

Do you know anyone in need? Please contact the church office, and we will find a way to assist. Contact info: office@greenbankcoc.org or 302-994-3800. Office hours: Monday Only, 9:00am-3:00pm Email and phone messages will be accessed remotely throughout the week.

# **Reflection: Who am I in Christ?** by Paul King

During these unsettling times, many may despair and become sullen and withdrawn or even fearful. It is essential that we who are called, set apart, justified, and made acceptable in Christ maintain our faith. We have a hope that goes beyond hope, a comfort that is sustained by Jesus Christ himself.

There is a passage in scripture that states, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusted in thee." Isaiah 26:3

Our beloved apostle Paul wrote these comforting words to the saints at Philippi: "And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:7

So, you see, my brothers and sisters in Christ, we are special; God is completely aware of our circumstances; he has foreseen these days and times. For us who have trusted in his Son, he has and will make a way for us to endure.

We are his children; we are precious in his sight. Our way is known, and our paths are guarded for He watches over his children. "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus" Galatians 3:26. If then we be the children of God, our outlook and future is secure because our confidence is in the Lord. "And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them that are called according to his purpose" Romans 8:28.

This I say then, as children of the Most High, let us stand forth in faith and hope. For we are kept by this power and sustained in his love.

Peace and Blessings to all. Your brother in Christ, Elder Paul King

## Prayer & Praise

**Sylvia Register,** David's mother and Chrissy Steiner's grandmother, passed away on Thursday. **Francis McDanill** passed away late last week. Remember the McDanill and Jones families in your prayers.

Patty Conway is in the hospital after having an allergic reaction to some medication.

Marlin Johnson: cancer treatments

Ed Maynard: recovery from surgery is going well

Jeffrey Clark, Jr.: taking GED on May 11

**Those struggling with loneliness.** Many are not able to have contact with family and are struggling with the isolation. The elderly are especially vulnerable. Reach out to someone you know who is alone and let them know they are loved.

**Reopening of businesses:** Pray for wisdom for business owners to know the best way to proceed to protect employees and customers.

**Essential Workers**: Doctors, nurses, law enforcement, firefighters, paramedics, postal & transit, grocers, etc. **Our Government Leaders** who are working to find a balance of restrictions and cautious reopenings.

The most recent requests are listed above. If you have an item for prayer or praise, please email it to <u>office@greenbankcoc.org</u> 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 <u>www.greenbankcoc.org</u>.

#### **Announcements**

**Mother's Day Treat:** A video has been created to celebrate our mothers. The video will premier today (Friday, 5/8) at 3pm on our Facebook Live page <u>www.facebook.com/greenbankchurchofchrist/live</u>. You do not need to have a Facebook account to view the video. In case you miss the live premier, it will remain on our page, and you will be able to view it at a later time.

**Baby Bottle Benefit:** We are participating in the annual fundraiser for A Door of Hope Pregnancy Center that offers help and hope to expectant mothers at risk. We have set up a private online donation page: <u>https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/greenbank-church-bbb-2020</u>. It is quick and easy to use. If you prefer to write a check, make it out to Greenbank Church of Christ and put "BBB 2020" in the memo. We encourage you to "do what you can" to give to this organization. Every dollar makes a difference!

**GriefShare is Online:** Our GriefShare meetings have moved online and are open to anyone who has lost someone to death. To join, one must register at <u>www.griefshare.org</u>. Please share this information with anyone you know who might benefit from grief support.

#### **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/NjUyNzIyMTl2MTda 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)

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

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 <u>www.greenbankcoc.org</u>. Click on the "Donate" button and follow the instructions. (<u>Note</u>: there is a small fee assessed from each donation.)

Last Week's Contribution: \$6,935 Weekly Average: \$4,361