



Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, August 1, 2021

Office hours are Mondays and Wednesdays, 9:00am-3:00pm.

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Lord, Open Our Eyes by Raymond Sieg

In [Matthew 20:30-34](#) we read: "And, behold, two blind men sitting by the way side, when they heard that Jesus passed by, cried out, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David. And the multitude rebuked them, because they should hold their peace: but they cried the more, saying, Have mercy on us, O Lord, thou son of David. And Jesus stood still, and called them, and said, What will ye that I shall do unto you? They say unto Him, Lord, that our eyes may be opened. So Jesus had compassion on them, and touched their eyes: and immediately their eyes received sight, and they followed Him."

According to [Luke 4:18](#), one of the reasons why Jesus came to earth was to give "recovering of sight to the blind." On several occasions Jesus demonstrated His divine power by opening the eyes of people afflicted by blindness. On one particular occasion He even gave sight to a man who was born blind ([John 9:1-7](#)).

While we certainly appreciate the Lord's miraculous power to open the eyes of the blind, we need to ask Him to open our eyes so we can see things of spiritual importance. He will help us if we will trust Him and cooperate with Him. Let us consider the following requests for the Lord's assistance as we begin 2015. Lord, open our eyes so we can see that each day is a special blessing from above and that we have reason to rejoice and be glad ([Psalm 118:24](#)).

Lord, open our eyes so we can see opportunities to do good that are presented to us ([Galatians 6:10](#)).

Lord, open our eyes so we can see the influence we can have upon others by doing good works ([Matthew 5:14-16](#)).

Lord, open our eyes so we can see the value of speaking the right words in the right way at the right time ([Proverbs 25:11](#)).

Lord, open our eyes so we can look past this life and see eternal things that are not visible to the physical eye ([2 Corinthians 4:18](#)).

Lord, open our eyes so we will look in the right direction and "run with patience the race that is set before us" ([Hebrews 12:1-3](#)).

Praise & Prayer Requests

Jeff & Shala Clark: Praise that Jeffrey Rowland Clark, III arrived safely on Monday, June 26th.

J.T. Martin family: a former elder of the Cedars church, J.T. Martin, passed away on Friday at the age of 93.

Tara White: severe pain and complications following emergency gallbladder surgery.

Bud Polk: severely injured his hand. He is Judy Barker's brother.

Paul & Sharon King: pray for continued improvement of their health.

Sister Frieda: keep her in prayer

Mike Barker: beginning physical therapy to continue the healing following his bike accident.

Carroll Blue: continuing rehab at home; pray for complete healing from his stroke.

Greenbank church: Godly guidance for our elders & minster as they lead our congregation.

Pray for unity in our country and for our leaders to seek God's wisdom and guidance.

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.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

Church Picnic – TODAY!

After our worship service, make your way to Brandywine Springs Park at the corner of Rt. 41 (Newport Gap Pike) and Faulkland Road. We will be in the large Rudy Williams pavilion just off the parking lot. It will be a joy to have this extended time of fellowship!

100th Birthday Reception – Saturday, August 7th

All members are invited to a come-and-go reception for Ed Elrod on August 7th from 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. in the blue room. Light refreshments will be served. The family has asked for no gifts, and if you have not been vaccinated to please wear a mask.

Blue Rocks Baseball – Friday, August 13

We hope you will join us for a night of fellowship at the “Rock Your Church” night and enjoy fireworks after the game. Tickets are \$11 each and will be available to be picked up next Sunday. Deadline to sign up for the game is TODAY!

It’s School Supplies Time!

A list of needed items can be found at the Welcome Center. Please sign up to purchase and bring your items in by Sunday, August 22nd. See Fern Davis for more information.

GriefShare - Monday, August 16 – Loss of Spouse Seminar

This session will be held online via Zoom beginning at 6:30 p.m. Register online at www.griefshare.org. There is a \$5.00 fee. If you have any questions, contact Judy Barker.

Small Groups

We have 5 new groups – 3 meeting in homes, a singles group will meet at the church building, and a ladies group online via Zoom. The first session is on Sunday, Sept. 12, then each group will determine their regular schedule. Sign-up at the bulletin board outside the blue room. All members are encouraged to participate.

Join Us for Worship

Sunday Mornings @ 10:30 a.m.

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 NOT need to have a Facebook account to view the live feed through our website.

3) **Phone In:** If you do not have internet access, you can dial in on your phone to connect.
(301) 715-8592 Enter Meeting ID 889 4601 8992

Bible Study ONLINE

Wednesdays @ 7PM: Facebook Live <http://www.facebook.com/greenbankchurchofchrist>

3 Ways to Give

We appreciate those who have been able to maintain regular giving.

- 1) **In Person:** You may give your contribution during our Sunday morning worship service, or drop it off at the office on Monday or Wednesday between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.
- 2) **By Mail:** Send your contribution to 511 Greenbank Road, Wilmington, DE 19808.
- 3) **Online:** PayPal 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: Attendance: 96 Contribution: \$12,830 Weekly Average: \$5,104