



## Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, February 27, 2022

Office hours: Mon / Wed / Fri 9:00am-3:00pm.

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### Like a Tree “Planted by the Waters” by Samuel Mills

Are you planted by the waters? Are you trusting Jesus in every area of your life?

Some years ago, our house developed a major water blockage, and I was using a water hose in a desperate attempt to unstop the main drain. To say that I, and everything around me, was completely soaked would be an understatement.

As might be expected the phone rang, and with the gushing water hose in one hand I answered the phone with the other. Without even saying “hello” a voice on the other end blurted out, “And he shall be like a tree planted by the water!”

God definitely has a sense of humor! My mother, who had no idea what I was doing at the time, was quoting what has become one of my favorite Scriptures.

*“But blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD, whose confidence is in him. He will be like a tree planted by the water that sends out its roots by the stream. It does not fear when heat comes; its leaves are always green. It has no worries in a year of drought and never fails to bear fruit.”* Jeremiah 17:7-8 (NIV)

Years later, in the midst of a morning devotion, I sensed the Holy Spirit ask, “Do you trust me in every area of your life?” Again, the Scripture in Jeremiah 17:7 came to mind. I knew this Scripture by heart, but this time it had a much deeper message.

Perhaps for the first time I realized that God was describing a lifestyle that is based on complete trust and confidence in Him. He was asking, “Do you trust Me in every area of your life, for anything you may encounter?”

So, I ask, are you trusting in Jesus for all your needs, in every area of your life? There is confidence in knowing that He will be with you in every situation and that He promises never to leave or abandon you. (Hebrews 13:5)

If you will trust in the Lord, He will be there to help with decisions, temptations, illness, social situations, and whatever you may encounter. You will find renewed trust, hope, and a deeper walk with Him.

In good times, tough times, or in a year of drought, you can be like the tree by the waters that does not fear or worry; whose leaves are always green and never fails to bear fruit.

When your trust and confidence is in the Lord, you are blessed. It’s His promise!

### *Praise & Prayer Requests*

**Pray for Ukraine:** especially lift up our brothers and sisters in Christ as they continue to serve their communities during this difficult time.

**World Leaders:** pray for God to intervene and guide their decisions and actions.

**Rick Taylor:** his mother passed away unexpectedly.

**Rebecca Tucker:** recovering from knee surgery.

**Paul King:** continue to pray for restored health.

**David Blue, R.J & Izzy Purdue, Kathleen Book:** recovering from Covid-19.

**Greenbank church:** Godly guidance for our elders, minister, & deacons as they lead our congregation.

**Spanish Ministry:** pray for encouragement and growth in this new ministry.

**Greenbank missions:** Westerholm (Mozambique), Borfay (Liberia), Agbeta (Ghana), Camp Manatawny, Reflect Campus Missions/BHC. Pray for a new mission work that reflects the interest of our members.

If you have an item for prayer or praise, please email it to [office@greenbankcoc.org](mailto: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](http://www.greenbankcoc.org).

### *Announcements and Events*

#### **The Greek of the New Testament**

This class will be taught by George Kirkland beginning Wednesday, April 6<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. in the blue room. Those unable to attend in person will be able to connect to class through Zoom. We will provide the link to the class as soon as it has been set up. Domingo Reyes will continue to provide another class option through our Facebook Live connection.

## **Camp Manatawny**

Registration is now open for 2022 summer sessions. Receive a discount for overnight camp and a free t-shirt when you pay in full by March 31<sup>st</sup>. “Campships” are available for those needing financial assistance. Summer sessions are for students who have completed grades 1-12. Register at this link: <https://www.manatawny.org/summercamp>

## **Grief Share**

Our Spring session begins on March 14 and will meet each Monday evening from 6:30-8:30 p.m. through June 13. To join, register online at [www.griefshare.org](http://www.griefshare.org). If you have questions, contact Judy or Mike Barker.

## **Small Groups**

Have you checked out our small groups? Connecting with fellow Christians in a smaller setting strengthens the whole church. Meeting times and locations for all groups are posted on the bulletin board near the blue room.

### March Birthdays

4 – Richard Lewis, Doyle Cox	16 – Dawn Grabowski
6 – Dana Lozano Reyes	18 – Makani Johnson
7 – Ceibert Willis, Sedric Willis	20 – Patricia Jones
8 – Nora Reyes	21 – Barbara Davis
10 – Rylie Ennis	22 – Marcael Walker
12 – Sherrie Mattis	24 – Latanya Baines, Brianna Smith
13 – Wendy Diaz Aguilar	26 – Keila Diaz

### March Anniversaries

10 – Jack & Linda Gaynor	19 – Carlos & Jennifer Rivera
13 – George & Jan Adair	26 – Mike & Grace Matoy
16 – Ed & Sue Maynard	28 – Kevin & Eileen Hence

## **Sunday Meeting Times**

**In-Person Bible Classes for All Ages @ 9:30 a.m. including a Spanish-speakers class (adults).**

**In-Person Worship Service – English & Spanish @ 10:30 a.m.**

**The English service is live streamed with 3 ways to connect:**

- 1) **Facebook Live:** <http://www.facebook.com/greenbankchurchofchrist>
- 2) **Greenbank Website:** [www.greenbankcoc.org](http://www.greenbankcoc.org) Click on the Facebook Live tab on the menu bar at the top of the page. You do **NOT** need a Facebook account to view the service through our website.
- 3) **Phone In:** (301) 715-8592 Enter Meeting ID 889 4601 8992

## **BIBLE STUDIES**

**Singles – Tuesdays @ 7pm** – led by Mark DaBaldo; hybrid meeting – Zoom Meeting ID 817 0171 6780 Passcode 123321

**In Person – Wednesdays @ 7pm** – John’s Epistles led by George Kirkland.

**Online – Wednesdays @ 7pm** – The Parables of Jesus led by Domingo Reyes. Connect as you would on Sunday.

**Spanish (In-Person)– Thursdays @ 6:30 pm** – Contact Domingo Reyes for more information.

**Ladies – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday each month @ 11am** on Zoom – A Woman Who Doesn’t Quit led by Crystal Reyes.

**Men – 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month @ 10am** at Greenbank led by Mark Ray.

## **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, Wednesday, or Friday between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 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](http://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: 106 Contribution: \$5,250 Weekly Average: \$5,213**