



## Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, March 6, 2022

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

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### Preparing for Your Jericho by Nathan Lee & Eric Wallace

When tough times come and we don't know how to conquer our personal "Jericho," we can take some of the actions from Joshua chapter 5 and develop a simple process to ensure our priorities are in the right place.

First, we need to "look up" like Joshua did to the commander of the army of the Lord (5:13). Looking up in our context means to take our eyes off the problem for a moment and look to the solution – God. We need our first priority to be seeking God, who is the only answer to our problems.

Second, like Joshua, we need to "fall on our face" (5:14). When we understand from whom we're seeking help – the God of heaven and earth – we understand our humble and lowly state in comparison. We must humble ourselves before God and submit to Him and His will.

Third, Joshua took his shoes off (5:15). We need to "take off our shoes and stay awhile." We need to spend time with God in prayer, meditation, study, etc. and not act quickly on our own. Only after we look to God, recognize our place, and understand His will is it time to "march around our city" and tackle trials, tribulations, and battles this life throws our way. The Israelites only defeated Jericho through their reliance on God; it's the same for us today. And even if we lose battles in this life, if we're faithful, we'll be battle-free in the next.

### *Praise & Prayer Requests*

**Marlin Johnson:** at home recovering from surgery.

**Paul King:** continue to pray for him to be restored to full health.

**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.

**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

#### **Relaxing of COVID Restrictions**

We are happy to see a significant decline in COVID cases in our area. As a result, the elders have determined that we can relax the precautions we have been taking for the last two years. Masks are no longer required in our building, but we do respect anyone's desire to continue to wear one for your own personal welfare. We have also removed the social distancing markers and look forward to a more "normal" time of fellowship together.

#### **Children's Church**

Children ages 3 through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will meet in the yellow classroom downstairs during today's sermon.

#### **March is Manatawny Month**

Each year we designate the month of March to collect donations for Camp Manatawny. Camp's mission is to be "a Christian camp Glorifying God and Transforming Lives for Christ for a Lifetime by providing opportunities for learning, service, and growth and building relationships through programs, facilities, and outreach." We will accept donations for Camp Manatawny through Sunday March 27. Make checks out to Greenbank Church of Christ and write "Manatawny" on the memo line. If you would like to give cash, please place it in an envelope designated for Camp Manatawny.

#### **NEW Small Group for Married Couples**

If you are interested in joining the married couple's group, please sign up on the list posted on the bulletin board. Meetings will be on the first Tuesday of each month at 7pm. Location will be determined by the number of people who commit to attend and will be communicated before the first meeting. Domingo or Crystal Reyes will be leading this group. Contact them for additional information.

## **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.

## **Reflect Campus Missions**

On Sunday, March 20 Casey Coston and Connor Brown will be with us to give us an update on the work being done through Reflect and Blue Hens for Christ. We look forward to hearing how these ministries are growing.

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

The Greek study books are in! If you signed up for the class, pick your books up from Lisa Reed today. Class begins on 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 Bible study option on Facebook Live.

## **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>. Contact Rick Mickowski to inquire about “Campship” assistance. Summer sessions are for students who have completed grades 1-12. Register at this link: <https://www.manatawny.org/summercamp>

## **Food Pantry**

Our food pantry is still going strong. We currently serve 55 families each week with a drive-thru style system. Volunteers are always needed *and* appreciated during the week to prepare for Thursday’s distribution, and on Thursday evening as we serve our community. If you would like to become involved, speak with Sue Maynard.

## **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.

## **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 (hybrid)– Tuesdays @ 7pm** – led by Mark DaBaldo; Zoom Meeting ID 817 0171 6780 Passcode 123321.

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

**Mid-Week Online – Wednesdays @ 7pm** – The Parables of Jesus led by Domingo Reyes. Connect as 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: 118 Contribution: \$4,315 Weekly Average: \$5,114**