



Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, April 24, 2022

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

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Hang On and Keep Climbing by Unknown

In May of 2001, Erik Weihenmayer accomplished something that only about 150 people per year do – reaching the top of Mount Everest. The thing that made Erik's achievement unusual is that he is the first blind person to succeed in scaling the tallest mountain in the world. Erik was born with a disease called retinoschisis, and by the time he was thirteen he was completely blind. Rather than focus on what he could not do, he made the choice to focus on what he could do and went much further than almost anyone expected. Erik Weihenmayer's autobiography is titled *Touch the Top of the World: A Blind Man's Journey to Climb Farther than the Eye Can See*.

Many times, we face a choice – will we allow obstacles to stop us, or will we keep pressing on regardless of opposition and trouble? It would be nice if following God meant that things would always work out well and people would always like us. The reality is that many times doing what is right requires overcoming obstacles. We should not expect constant smooth sailing, nor should we allow troubles that arise to convince us to quit.

Praise & Prayer Requests

PRAISE! Ethan Reed will be graduating on April 29 from Oklahoma Christian University with a BSN.

Grayce Arrowood: in ICU at A.I. DuPont Hospital; keep her parents, David & Ashley, in prayer as well.

Betty & Bob: Betty will be having triple bypass surgery on May 7. She is the primary caregiver for Bob who has Alzheimers. They are regular pantry volunteers who drive up from Dover every Thursday evening.

Craig Darga: going through a difficult time.

Karisma Elivo: family going through a difficult situation.

Judy Barker requests prayers for an **11-year-old** girl who was diagnosed with cancer.

Kathie Book: kidney trouble after treatment for an infection; continue prayers for her missing daughter, Adelia.

Paul King: continue to pray for fully restored health.

Kyle Abosch: pray for strength and peace.

Greenbank church: Godly guidance for our elders, minister, deacons, and ministry leaders.

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 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.

Dearest Church Family,

Thank you all so very much for celebrating our 50 years of marriage with us. Your attendance at our party made it so much fun for us. We appreciate all of your good thoughts, happy wishes, cards, and gifts. We love you all!

~ George & Sherry

Announcements and Events

Key Request Form

The Security Team asks those who need access to the building outside of worship times and business hours to read the new key security policy and fill out a key request form. This information was previously emailed, but if you need a printed copy, you may pick one up in the office. *The locks will be changed during the first week of May.* When the work has been completed, we will let you know to pick up your new fob or key and return the old one. Please submit your key form as soon as possible so the committee has time to review your request.

Pantry Help Needed

We will be missing several of our regular Thursday evening volunteers this week. If you are available, we need your help! Please arrive by 5:30 p.m. Speak with Sue Maynard if you have any questions.

Building & Grounds Committee – May 1st

George Kirkland will hold a meeting immediately following worship on Sunday, May 1, in the small side of the blue room to discuss work that needs to be done in and around the building. This meeting is for existing committee members, and anyone interested in serving in this area. All are welcome!

Mother/Daughter Luncheon – May 21st

The theme for our luncheon is **Gardening God's Way**. It will be held from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. on May 21st in the fellowship room. We will have food, games, and prizes. All ladies and girls from the congregation are invited to attend and bring your mothers, daughters, daughters-in-law, granddaughters, etc. We do need an accurate count of attendees, so we ask you to please sign up on the sheet posted on the bulletin board by Sunday, May 8.

Men's Leadership Class Begins May 14th

This 5-session training program is for men who aspire to be leaders in the church or who want to better understand biblical leadership. This group will meet on the second Saturday of each month at 9:30 a.m. beginning on May 14th. If you are interested in attending, please contact Domingo Reyes via email: minister@greenbankcoc.org or call/text (302) 981-0163. There is also a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Serving at Greenbank

Were you intrigued by an area of service presented during our Ministry Sunday? Is the Lord nudging you to take a more active role in serving Him? If you would like to become more involved in one of our ministry areas, please contact the ministry leader or the church office. We want to assist you in finding the place you can joyfully serve the Lord here at Greenbank.

SUNDAY MEETING TIMES

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

In-Person Worship Services – 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 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

Mid-Week (hybrid class) – Wednesdays @ 7pm – The Greek of the New Testament led by George Kirkland.

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84709609077?pwd=UVlvOVJ4N3dlcHFpUkxPN3pwazRnZz09>

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 – 2nd Saturday each month @ 11am on Zoom – A Woman Who Doesn't Quit led by Crystal Reyes.

Men – 3rd Saturday each month @ 10am at Greenbank led by Mark Ray.

Young Ladies – 3rd Saturday each month @ 11am on Zoom led by Eileen Hence. Contact church office for Zoom link.

SMALL GROUPS

Bear/Glasgow – 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 2pm – led by George & Sherry Kirkland

Ladies Online – 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 4pm – hosted by Alethia Jones; current study: Bind Us Together

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88051700840?pwd=bVNnUnlkSnRXNlkyUiguaVVyNG5kZz09>

Married Couples – 1st Tuesday each month @ 7pm in the teen room – led by Domingo & Crystal Reyes; current study: Love and Respect (book by Dr. Emerson Eggerichs)

North Wilmington – every other Sunday after morning worship – hosted by Eileen Khan

Singles – every Tuesday @ 7pm – hosted by Mark DaBaldo; Zoom Meeting ID 817 0171 6780 Passcode 123321

Teens – 1st Friday each month @ 7pm in the blue room; led by Domingo Reyes

3 Ways to Give

- 1) **In Person:** Place your offering in one of the wooden boxes located in the back of the auditorium.
- 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: 178 Contribution: \$6,006 Weekly Average: \$5,231