

# <u>If you Want to Be a Leader-Bill Elliff</u>

It is in the heart of many of us to lead. There is something inside of us that longs to help people move forward. If our motivations are right and this is not just for selfish gain or human recognition, it is usually a desire that is placed there by none other than God himself because God longs for his people to progress. God does not leave us without examples. He wants us to lead-in our homes, our churches, our businesses, our communities-more than we want to lead and has promised to give us everything we need. In fact, the most vital aspect of leadership is to have him with us and has provided a way through his spirit's indwelling for that to occur.

One of the great, conquering leaders in the bible was Joshua. Moses led them out, Joshua led them into the promised land. Each had their unique leadership qualities for the task assigned. Notice some of Joshua's leadership qualities:

### Leaders Lead (Joshua 18:3)

The people were dragging their feet on finishing the job of dividing the land. It reminds us that people need to be led. Leaders understand this and do not mind the responsibility of helping people get from one point to the next. Good leaders lead the people all the way to completion if possible. They help people experience the value and satisfaction of reaching the goals.

### Leaders Plan (Joshua 18:4)

Joshua sized up the situation and came up with a plan. Good leaders understand the absolute necessity of clear, workable systems in place to take people forward. Others may not see this (or value it), but a leader does. He sees the problem, develops a solution and a good system to accomplish the goal, and then does what is necessary to start and lead the people through the process.

### Leaders Challenge (Joshua 24:14)

Leaders are not afraid to call people up, to challenge them to higher steps and standards. He knows that without such exhortations and goals they will settle. People may not like this, and some may not follow, but a good leader does not let the fear of man deter from fulfilling his calling to move people forward. **Leaders Model (Joshua 24:15)** 

You cannot lead people where you have not gone. Good leaders do not point the way, they lead the way by personal example. The most compelling challenge is a leader who is experiencing the value of the steps they have already taken and invites others to join.

## Praise & Prayer Requests

Greenbank Church: as we consider names of men to serve as elders.

**Ed Maynard:** Still in hospital. May be another 4 weeks of antibiotic treatment. Pray for Ed and Sue. **Paul King:** pray he will be restored to full health.

John Arnold: Passed away Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>. Pray for the family as they deal with his passing.

**Bud Polk:** health issues; he is Judy Barker's brother.

Georgina Buchanan: her Aunt Elvira passed away in New York.

Caroline Kennedy: pray for improvement of mental health.

Fae Robinson: Pray her back issues will get resolved.

Leila Rahman: 11-year-old undergoing radiation treatments for cancer.

### People with ongoing health concerns: Doug Essex, Ken & Joan Essex; Carla & Cory Bartschi

War in Ukraine: pray for a peaceful resolution to be desired and pursued; pray for all who have been displaced.

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 <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 and Events

#### Save the Date!

Our church-wide picnic is scheduled for Sunday, September 11 immediately after our morning service. Mark this on your calendar and plan to attend. More information will be shared as the date draws near.

#### **REFLECT golf outing**

Chesapeake Bay Rising Sun Golf Club, September 24, 2022, 9:00 A.M. Tee Time Go to <u>www.reflectmissions.org/golfouting</u> or see Rick Mickowski or Boyd Reed for more information.

#### Funds for Ukraine

We are pleased to be able to send \$5,000 to the Let's Love ministry in Ukraine. Thank you to everyone for your generous donations in support of this work.

## 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 <u>NOT</u> 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) – <u>Wednesdays @ 7pm</u> – The Greek of the New Testament led by George Kirkland. Zoom Link: <u>https://zoom.us/j/98664842526?pwd=Rkp6Z3VYSGZpcjY4cXZWNjd1djNpQTo9</u>

**Mid-Week Online** – <u>Wednesdays @ 7pm</u> – The Parables of Jesus led by Domingo Reyes. Connect as on Sunday. **Spanish** (In-Person) – <u>Thursdays @ 6:30 pm</u> – Contact Domingo Reyes for more information.

Ladies – on hiatus for summer; will resume in October – led by Crystal Reyes.

Men – <u>3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month @ 10am</u> at Greenbank led by Paul King.

Young Ladies – <u>3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month @ 11am</u> on Zoom led by Eileen Hence. Contact Eileen for the Zoom link.

## SMALL GROUPS

Bear/Glasgow – on hiatus for summer – led by George & Sherry Kirkland

Ladies Online – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays @ 4pm – hosted by Alethia Jones; current study: Bind Us Together Zoom link: https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/88o51700840?pwd=bVNsUnlkSnRXNlkyUi9uaVVyNG5kZzo9 Married Couples – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday each month @ 7pm in the blue room – led by Domingo & Crystal Reyes Newport – on hiatus for summer; will resume 9/25 – hosted by Mike & Judy Barker North Wilmington – on hiatus for summer – hosted by Eileen Khan Singles – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays @ 7pm – in person and on Zoom. Meeting ID: 876 7070 2282 Passcode: 263755 https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87670702282?pwd=Sy8xYTAyZThkRHpqY1hmbzYrZk4ydz09 Teens – 1<sup>st</sup> 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 <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.)