



## Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, September 25, 2022

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

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### Cows and Christians by Joe Slater

A city slicker bought a farm and moved into the farmhouse. He went to his new neighbor and asked if he might purchase a milk cow. The neighbor sold him his prize milk cow, and the city slicker happily took the cow to the barn on his farm. Within three weeks the cow went dry. The city slicker returned to his neighbor and complained: “That milk cow you sold me is no good!” The astonished neighbor replied, “What do you mean?” The city slicker explained: “She has gone dry! I can’t understand it, either. If ever a person was kind and considerate to an animal, I was to that cow. If I didn’t need any milk, I didn’t milk her. If I needed only a quart, I took only a quart.” The neighbor then explained that the way to keep milk flowing wasn’t to take as little as possible from the cow, but to take as much as possible.

Isn’t that true of the life of a Christian? Like milk cows, we must keep giving in order to keep the flow of Christianity alive. We are to give of our time, our talent, and our treasure. If we give of these things only when an extraordinary need arises, we miss the opportunities and joys of day-to-day service.

In the case of the milk cow, there is always a need for more milk. Not everyone has a full stomach. All over the world there are hungry people. Besides, the “use it or lose it” factor is obvious.

Likewise, there is always more to do in the Lord’s kingdom. There are classes to be taught, discouraged people to be encouraged, sick and homebound people to be visited or called or written to, missionaries to be supported and encouraged, lost friends, relatives, co-workers, and neighbors to be contacted, and a world full of people to be prayed for.

If we are content to do only a tiny bit, we may end up doing nothing at all. On the other hand, if we will give and give and give of our time, talent, and treasure, God will supply every need and give us additional opportunities to glorify Him and bless other people’s lives.

### *Praise & Prayer Requests*

**Caroline Kennedy:** thankful for God’s healing grace and mercy.

**Henry Crick, Sr. family:** he passed away on 9/15; he is Liz Cox’s brother, and his wife, Karen, is a former Cedars member.

**Robin Garvin:** having surgery soon.

**Jay Lewis:** pray for his health; he needs a new liver.

**Jamie Jones:** recuperating from back surgery.

**Ed Maynard:** continues to recuperate at home after surgery on his hip.

**Cory, Carla & Jessica Bartschi, Ken & Doug Essex:** all struggling with health issues and other concerns.

**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](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*

#### Children’s Church

Children ages 3 years old through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will meet for Children’s Church during today’s sermon in the yellow room downstairs (2<sup>nd</sup> door on the left).

#### Marriage & Singles Conference – Saturday, October 22 – 8am-12pm

“Building on a Strong Foundation” is the theme for this event geared to strengthen our relationships whether we are single or married. All are invited to attend this conference on Saturday, October 22 from 8am – 12pm. We will have special speakers and breakout sessions in both English and Spanish. Breakfast and lunch will be served.

Register for this free event at: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/396739607847>

## **Camp Manatawny Fall Events**

Jr/Sr High Fall Retreat – October 28-29 – “By Faith” – Director: Stephen Tupitza. [www.manatawny.org/jrsrfall](http://www.manatawny.org/jrsrfall)

## **Events at Sister Churches**

Several of our sister congregations are hosting events in the month of October... a Free Financial Seminar, a Ladies Hymn Sing, and a Ladies Day. Flyers are posted on the bulletin boards if you desire more information.

## **October Birthdays**

1 – Ania Reyes	16 – Mike Anderson
6 – Jean Brummett, Maria Aguilar	17 – Carlos Rivera
8 – Elias Gore	19 – Lola Winder
10 – Azalea Garvin, Prisilla Sanichar	23 – Diego Martinez
11 – Robin Garvin	24 – Cristel Reyes, Dilan Reyes
14 – Taylor Lackford, Gail Carlisle, Kevin Hence	31 – Eduardo Gil
15 – Milan Reyes	

## **October Anniversaries**

7 – Bill & Barbara Davis	14 – Eileen & Subhotosh Khan, Boyd & Lisa Reed
10 – Jason & Dawn Grabowski	16 – Elmore & Lorraine Martin
12 – Dwain & Betty Asbell	24 – Bob & Linda Crusco

## **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](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**

**Mid-Week** (hybrid class) – Wednesdays @ 7pm – Study of Romans - led by George Kirkland. Join through Facebook (see above) or this Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/98664842526?pwd=Rkp6Z3VYSGZpcjY4cXZWNjd1djNpQTog>

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

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

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

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

## **SMALL GROUPS**

**Bear/Glasgow** – resumes in October on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays @ 2pm – 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://us02web.zoom.us/j/88051700840?pwd=bVN5UnlkSnRXNlkyUiguaVYyNG5kZz09>

**Married Couples** – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday each month @ 7pm in the blue room – led by Domingo & Crystal Reyes

**Newport** – resumes in October on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays @ 12:30pm – hosted by Mike & Judy Barker

**North Wilmington** – resumes in October on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays @ 3:00pm – hosted by Eileen Khan

**Singles** – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays @ 7pm – The Five Love Languages Singles Edition; in person and online.

Zoom link: <https://us02web.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 [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: 131 Contribution: \$4,247**