

Proverbs 16:9 (article by Jared Boser – edited)

If you are anything like me, you've got to have a plan. When it comes to my next activity, planning a vacation, or even getting my outfit ready for Church the night before, I want to be prepared.

I remember when I was about to go to college, I got a hold of the dimensions of my soon-to-be dorm room and planned out the exact spot, months in advance, for my bed, dresser, television, and fridge. Planning is just something that's deep in my core, and when there is no plan, things just seem so chaotic.

The Bible has a lot to say when it comes to planning, including one of my favorite passages, Proverbs 16:9. "A man's heart plans his way, but the LORD directs his steps."

I can plan my way, and I can map out my future to my heart's content, but at the end of the day GOD IS IN CONTROL! He directs my steps, and He guides my choices. Make no mistake, with everything in this life, the Lord is in control. Whether it is wars, elections, or life's constant choices, our God is on the throne. If we trust Him like we should, we can live with full assurance that everything will work out according to His will.

Lastly, when a man's heart is guided by the Lord, his steps line up with where God wants to take him. God wants a relationship with you because He loves you, so why not give in to His will for your life? Proverbs 3:5-6 says it best: "Trust in the Lord with all your heart; and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will direct your paths."

Praise & Prayer Requests

Ed & Sue Maynard: continue to pray for Ed's health to improve and strength for Sue as she cares for him. **Frank & Joann LaBella:** Frank has pneumonia and Joann was just diagnosed with cancer.

Jocelyn Clark: recovering from a second bout with Covid.

Varissa McMickens Blair: pray for our family as we continue to settle into our new home & community. **Kurt Peppler:** pray that I can be reunited with my wife.

Mike Corvino: his father is in failing health and is in hospice care.

Carla Bartschi: recovering from surgery.

Pat Greenwood: recovering from breast cancer surgery; pray for quick healing and a good outcome.

Lillie West: diagnosed with breast cancer; pray for healing and guidance for the physicians and surgeons. **Alexa:** serious health struggles; she is the King's granddaughter.

Shelley Irwin: recovering from surgery; pray for clear direction on next steps in treatment.

Chelsea Brasefield: pray for a safe and full-term pregnancy.

George & Jan Adair: both have significant health concerns.

Bud & Betty Polk: both are experiencing severe health issues.

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!

Reserve the evening of Saturday, December 10 for the annual Christmas Party. More information is coming soon.

November is Mozambique Missions Month

The Chad Westerholm family has been serving as missionaries in Mozambique for more than 17 years. We are happy to continue supporting their efforts which include translating the Bible into the native language, teaching at the Bible training school, working with local churches, and ministering to refugees. We will accept donations for this ministry through the end of November. Envelopes are available for cash donations. Be sure to mark them for Mozambique. If you write a check, make it out to Greenbank Church of Christ and put Mozambique in the memo. You can drop your donations in the collection boxes at the back of the auditorium.

Winterfest! - February 17-19, 2023

The Winterfest sign-up sheet is posted on a bulletin board in the lobby. Students in 6th – 12th grades are invited to participate. A few chaperones will also be needed. All students and adults who are interested in going should put your names on the list. Registration forms and information about the cost of the trip are coming soon! Speak with Lisa Reed if you have questions.

Meal Train for Brasefield Family

We want to support this family while Chelsea needs to take it easy in these early weeks of her pregnancy. Click on this link <u>https://mealtrain.com/9moqrk</u> and sign up to take them a meal. If your schedule doesn't allow you to cook a meal and drop it off, there is also an option to purchase a gift card for restaurant delivery. Please consider what you can do to help them out.

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> – Study of Romans - led by George Kirkland. Attend in person or join through Facebook or this Zoom Link: <u>https://zoom.us/j/98664842526?pwd=Rkp6Z3VYSGZpcjY4cXZWNjd1djNpQT09</u> **Spanish** – Thursdays @ 6:30 pm at Greenbank. Contact Domingo Reyes for more information.

Ladies – 2nd Saturday each month @ 11am on Zoom – led by Crystal Reyes. Contact Crystal for the Zoom link. Men – 3rd Saturday each month @ 10am at Greenbank led by Paul King.

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

SMALL GROUPS

Bear/Glasgow – <u>2nd & 4th Sundays @ 2pm</u> – hosted by George & Sherry Kirkland and Walter & Susan Johnson. **Married Couples** – <u>1st Tuesday each month @ 7pm</u> in the blue room – led by Domingo & Crystal Reyes.

Newport – 2^{nd} & 4^{th} Sundays @ 12:30pm – hosted by Mike & Judy Barker.

North Wilmington – 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 3:00pm – hosted by Eileen Khan.

Singles – <u>2nd & 4th Tuesdays @ 7pm</u> – The Five Love Languages Singles Edition. Attend in person or join online with this Zoom link: <u>https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87670702282?pwd=Sy8xYTAyZThkRHpqY1hmbzYrZk4ydzo9</u>

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

<u>3 Ways to Give</u>

- 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.)