



## **Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, November 27, 2022**

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

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### **Encourage One Another** by Matt Langfield (edited)

Christians have a responsibility to encourage each other spiritually. In 1 Thessalonians 5:11, Paul wrote, “Therefore encourage one another and build up one another.” No matter what phase of life we are in or how busy our lives might be we all have an obligation, given to us by the word of God, to be spiritual encouragers. Consider these three biblical ways to encourage others:

**Pray for them** – Paul constantly prayed for others. He thanked God for their faithfulness and prayed for their spiritual encouragement (Ephesians 1:18, Colossians 2:2). We need to pray for the spiritual strength of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

**Say it to them** – Paul not only prayed for others and told them that he was praying, but Paul also encouraged them with his words. He was not the sort of Christian who found his seat at worship, avoided eye contact as much as possible, and then left quickly. Paul longed to see other Christians and to build them up spiritually with his words. We should be building up each other in the very same way.

**Worship with them** – Worshiping God together is one of the most powerful ways to encourage each other. Hebrews 10:25 teaches us that assembling together is not the only command but encouraging one another is also a vital part of our time of worship. When a person chooses to avoid assembling with other Christians in worship, they not only miss out on being encouraged but also fail to encourage others.

We need to determine to be encouragers of other Christians. We must continually pray for others, encourage others with our words, and be physically present for worship.

### **Praise & Prayer Requests**

**Pat Greenwood:** in Christiana Hospital being treated for RSV; also continuing to heal from surgery.

**Shelley Irwin:** chemotherapy begins on Dec. 1.

**Lillie West:** breast cancer surgery is scheduled for Dec. 14; pray for healing.

**Fern Davis:** her Uncle James passed away last week; pray for comfort for the family.

**Marlin & Marcia Johnson:** pray for peace and healing for ill family members.

**Robert McCleary:** diagnosed with colon cancer; pray for him and his doctors as they decide on treatment.

**Linda Jones:** having a second eye surgery on Nov. 30.

**Zachary Hatfield:** in the hospital with liver issues; he is Faye Hatfield’s grandson.

**Ed & Sue Maynard:** continue to pray for Ed’s health to improve and strength for Sue as she cares for him.

**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.

**Carla & Cory Bartschi:** both are recovering from surgeries.

**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**

#### **November is Mozambique Missions Month**

Today we wrap up our month-long campaign to support the Westerholm family in their mission work. Please remember to place your donations for this ministry in the boxes at the back of the auditorium. Place cash in an envelope marked for Mozambique. Make checks out to Greenbank Church of Christ and put Mozambique in the memo. Please keep the Westerholm family in your prayers as they continue this good work for the Lord.

## **Winterfest! – February 17-19, 2023**

Please pick up your registration forms this week! Forms and first payment of \$75 is due on Sunday, December 18. This is also the last day to sign up to go on the trip. If you have concerns about the cost of the trip, speak with Lisa Reed. Financial assistance is available.

## **Adult's Christmas Party – December 10**

Our holiday party will be in the fellowship room at 6:00pm on Saturday, Dec. 10. Please bring finger foods or desserts to share. There will be a gift exchange. Limit the gift amount to \$25. Ladies bring a gift for a lady; men one for a man. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. Please sign up with the food you will bring.

## **Meal Train for Brasefield Family**

Are you able to provide a meal to Marc & Chelsea on Monday, Nov. 28 or Wednesday, Nov. 30? Click on this link: <https://mealtrain.com/9moqrk> to sign up. There is also an option to purchase a gift card for restaurant delivery. Please consider what you can do to help them out.

## **December Birthdays**

3 – Christy Mickowski	20 – Betty Asbell
7 – Adaliyah Cooke	21 – Penny Pennington
10 – Jan Adair, Melvin Aguilar	22 – Judy Barker, Mario Sanichar
12 – Jacob Connor	24 – Ada Molina, Didier Paguada
15 – Faye Hatfield, Jim Curcio, Mariany Clark	25 – David Toribio, Alexis Galeano
16 – George Kirkland, Mike Phillips	26 – Karolina Toribio
17 – Aleah Reyes	29 – Nysier Stanford, Tomasa Bonilla

## **December Anniversaries**

12 – Ludis Reyes & Dilver Serrano; 21 – Doug & Sherrie Mattis; 27 – Carroll & Wilma Blue

## **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. Attend in person or join through Facebook or this Zoom Link: <https://zoom.us/j/98664842526?pwd=Rkp6Z3VYSGZpcjY4cXZWNjd1djNpQTog>

**Spanish** – Thursdays @ 6:30 pm at Greenbank. Contact Domingo Reyes for more information.

**Ladies** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday each month @ 11am on Zoom – led by Crystal Reyes. Contact Crystal for the Zoom link.

**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** – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays @ 2pm – hosted by George & Sherry Kirkland and Walter & Susan Johnson.

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

**Newport** – 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays @ 12:30pm – hosted by Mike & Judy Barker.

**North Wilmington** – 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. Attend in person or join online with this Zoom link: <https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87670702282?pwd=Sy8xYTAyZThkRHpqY1hmbzYrZk4ydzog>

**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: 139 Contribution: \$3,689**