

# Weekly Newsletter - Sunday, February 18, 2024

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

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#### Love That Lasts

This past Wednesday was Valentine's Day, a holiday celebrating romantic love. Many celebrated with flowers, chocolates, or a nice dinner out. But what happens after the holiday ends? How do we carry love forward in our lives and relationships?

As Christians, we know that true love is much deeper than candy hearts and roses. God calls us to love one another as He has loved us (John 13:34). His perfect love goes beyond fleeting emotions to sacrifice, commitment, and service.

The excitement of Valentine's Day may fade, but God's enduring love remains. Let us continue to love our spouses, families, friends, neighbors, and even enemies. Love is patient, kind, hopeful, and perseveres (1 Corinthians 13:4-7). It is not jealous, rude, or self-seeking.

Let's make a commitment to let God's love shine through you. Surprise your spouse with a card "just because." Help a neighbor in need. Offer forgiveness to someone who hurt you. Visit a sick friend. God's love takes action.

"And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love." (1 Corinthians 13:13) May our lives be filled with love that lasts.

#### Domingo

# **Praise and Prayer Requests**

Pray for all of those who are grieving the loss of loved ones.

**Lainez Family:** Isaias' brother passed away last week.

Beard/Nix family: Dawn Grabowski's friend, Bria Nix, passed away in a tragic accident last week.

**Mike & Judy Barker:** pray for healing from covid. **Alethia Jones:** Chris Jones who is having surgery.

**Steve Schinnerer:** Lisa Reed's brother, who is experiencing MS symptoms.

**Antony DaCunha:** needs right hand surgery due to a sports injury and is without medical insurance. **Johnny White:** Janell Anderson's father is recovering after suffering a stroke and is receiving rehab. **King Family:** pray for their family as well as Emma Green and Lakeisha Smith who are having medical issues.

**Chrissi Steiner:** pray for her patience and strength in job and life, comfort for all those who are hurting. **Patty Conway:** having health concerns. Pray for our country and the world.

**Winterfest attendees**: traveling grace, encouragement and wisdom for the youth, chaperones and teachers who attended the event.

**Sick and Shut In:** pray for all members who are battling cancer, covid and other serious medical issues and those who are unable to attend due to illness or limited mobility.

**Greenbank church:** Pray for godly wisdom and guidance for our elders, minister, deacons, and ministry leaders.

**Greenbank missions:** Eduar Morales (Oxford, PA), Chad Westerholm (Mozambique), Edmund Borfay (Liberia), Samuel Agbeta (Ghana), Camp Manatawny, Reflect Campus Missions/BHC.

If you have an item for prayer or praise, please email it to <a href="mailto:office@greenbankcoc.org">office@greenbankcoc.org</a> 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 <a href="www.greenbankcoc.org">www.greenbankcoc.org</a>.

#### Announcements and Events

#### **Clothed In Love Closet**

The closet has received more women and children donations. Stop by to pick up something new to you or for someone you know. We are in need of fall/winter items for men. If you have donations, please contact Dawn Grabowski.

## **GriefShare - Spring Events**

The GriefShare Spring cycle has been cancelled. Sessions will resume in September. If you have any questions, contact Mike or Judy Barker.

## **Bulletin Board Update**

The bulletin boards in the foyer are being updated. There will be sections for congregational information, mission updates, youth, and the Spanish congregation. Contact the office if you have any needs/recommendations.

## Missions update-Nkwanta

There is a fundraising effort to raise money for Samuel Agbeta to purchase new desks for his school in Ghana. Members are encouraged to share via social media posts to other Christians, friends, and family. See the flyer on the Mission bulletin board in the foyer for more information. Any questions, see Rick Mickowski.

# **Sunday Meeting Times**

In-Person Bible Classes @ 9:30 a.m. - including

a Spanish-speakers class for adults.

In-Person Worship Services @ 10:30 a.m. - English & Spanish

The English service is livestreamed 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 will need to log in to Facebook to join the live feed.
- 3) Zoom: Meeting ID: 862 5363 5838 Passcode: 123456; Phone In: (301) 715-8592

#### **Bible Studies**

**English Mid-Week** – <u>Wednesdays @ 7pm</u> – hybrid class (in person & online) on Facebook Live or Zoom: https://zoom.us/j/98664842526?pwd=Rkp6Z3VYSGZpcjY4cXZWNjd1djNpQT09

**Spanish Mid-Week** – Thursdays @ 6:30pm at Greenbank. Contact Arturo Gallegos for more information.

**Ladies** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday each month @ 9am via Zoom – led by Crystal Reyes. Zoom Link:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88946018992 If you do not have internet access, you can dial in on your phone to connect. (301) 715-8592. Enter Meeting ID 889 4601 8992

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

**Youth** – Thursdays @6:30pm at Greenbank – led by Eileen Hence.

#### SMALL GROUPS

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

**Married Couples** – 1st Tuesday each month @ 7pm in the teen room– led by Domingo & Crystal Reyes.

**North Wilmington** – 1st & 3rd Sundays @ 2pm – hosted by Chrissi Steiner.

**Singles** – on hold until further notice

Zoom Link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87670702282?pwd=Sy8xYTAyZThkRHpqY1hmbzYrZk4ydz09

**Teens** – 1st Friday each month @ 7pm in the chapel; led by Domingo Reyes.

# 3 Ways to Give

- 1) In Person: Place your offering in the collection plate as it is passed during our service.
- 2) By Mail: Send your contribution to 511 Greenbank Road, Wilmington, DE 19808.
- **3) Online:** PayPal has been set up on our website <a href="www.greenbankcoc.org">www.greenbankcoc.org</a>. Click on the "Donate" button And follow the instructions. (Note: there is a small fee assessed from each donation.)

Last Week: Attendance: 144 Contribution: \$6,173 Weekly Average: \$5,628 Weekly Budget: \$5,435