



Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, March 10, 2024

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

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A Fresh Start

When March comes around, the world wakes up from its winter sleep. The cold grip of the past months slowly fades away, and the first signs of spring appear. This change is often marked by the soft pitter-patter of raindrops hitting the thawing ground.

The March rain is a powerful picture of faith. Just as winter gives way to the renewal of spring, our souls can find new life through the nourishing shower of God's grace. The raindrops remind us that even in the darkest, coldest times of life, the reviving power of faith is still there.

When the clouds gather and the rain starts pouring, it can be easy to lose hope and feel despair. But it is in these moments that we must hold tightly to our faith, trusting that the downpour is just a temporary cover hiding the radiant sun that still shines behind it. Each raindrop carries the promise of new life, fresh beginnings, and spiritual growth.

As the March rain cleanses and waters the earth, getting it ready for the colorful blooms of spring, our faith can also nourish and purify our souls. As Isaiah 55:10-11 says, "As the rain and the snow come down from heaven...so is my word...it will not return to me empty, but will accomplish what I desire." Let us welcome the renewal this season offers, allowing our faith to bloom and our spirits to be refreshed by the gentle showers of God's endless love.

Domingo

Praise and Prayer Requests

PRAISE: We rejoice with the angels at the news that Daniel Boreman and Melinda Zistl were baptized February 29, 2024. Pray for them as they begin their new life in Christ.

Dwain Asbell- remains admitted to Christiana hospital, please continue to keep him in prayer.

Alethia Jones-pray for her family as they mourn the passing of her cousin Chris Jones.

Anna Dacunha-her son, Steve, will be deployed to Bulgaria with the Army in April. God willing, he will be stateside in August.

Elisha Wall: pray for her mother who plans to travel to Honduras on a mission trip next weekend.

Shelley Irwin: had skin cancer surgery on Monday. Praying for clear margins and quick healing.

George & Sherry Kirkland-grandson, Lucas, is in a new research study for his Muscular Dystrophy in Florida. Continue to pray for success with the new medications.

Chrissi Steiner-pray for peace, purpose and patience. Pray for all those in our church who are sick and/or hurting and to find a suitable youth intern.

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.

Announcements and Events

Office Hours Modification

The office will be open Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 9am-3pm. Regular office hours will resume on Monday, March 18.

Easter Candy Donations Needed

The Children's Easter party will be March 24th, 2024. We are asking members to donate candy for this event. Please bring donations by Sunday, March 17th and place them in the basket located in the lobby.

Camp Manatawny

Each year we designate the month of March to collect donations for Camp Manatawny. The camp's mission is to be "A Christian camp Glorifying God and Transforming Lives for Christ for a Lifetime." We will accept donations for Camp Manatawny through Sunday, March 31st. Make checks out to Greenbank Church of Christ and write "Manatawny" in the memo. If giving cash, please place it in an envelope designated for Camp Manatawny. The 2024 Camp Manatawny events calendar is on the bulletin board.

March Birthdays

4 – Felicia Connor, Ricardo Reyes	9 – Ruthalee Carroll	20 – Patricia Jones
6 – Dana Reyes	13 – Wendy Diaz Aguilar	21 – Barbara Davis
7 – Sedric Willis, Ceberth Willis	16 – Dawn Grabowski	24 – Brianna Smith
8 – Nora Reyes	19 – Dunia Beltran	26 – Kelia Diaz, Angelica Maisuh

March Anniversaries

10 – Jack & Linda Gaynor	19 – Carlos & Jennifer Rivera	28 – Kevin & Eileen Hence
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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 – Wednesdays @ 7pm – 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 – 2nd 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 – 3rd 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.

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 www.greenbankcoc.org. Click on the "Donate" button And follow the instructions. (Note: there is a small fee assessed from each donation.)