



Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, May 26, 2024

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

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Five Essentials to Christian Living by H. Neu

Christian living is a journey of faith and transformation, rooted in the teachings of Jesus Christ and the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Here are five essentials to embrace for a fulfilling Christian life:

1. Prayer

Prayer is the cornerstone of a Christian's relationship with God. It is a means of communicating with the Creator, seeking guidance, expressing gratitude, and interceding for others. Consistent prayer life helps believers align their will with God's, gain strength in times of trial, and cultivate a heart of worship. Jesus often retreated to pray, exemplifying its importance (Luke 5:16).

2. Scripture Study

The Bible is the inspired Word of God, providing wisdom, instruction, and encouragement. Regular study of the scriptures is essential for spiritual growth and understanding God's will. Psalm 119:105 says, "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Through scripture, Christians learn about God's character, promises, and the life of Jesus, which helps them apply biblical principles to their daily lives.

3. Fellowship

Fellowship with other believers is vital for support, accountability, and growth. Hebrews 10:24-25 emphasizes the importance of meeting together to encourage one another. Being part of a church community allows Christians to share their joys and struggles, serve together, and grow in faith. It fosters a sense of belonging and helps individuals experience God's love through relationships.

4. Service

Service to others is a tangible expression of Christ's love. Jesus taught that serving others is equivalent to serving Him (Matthew 25:40). Christians are called to use their gifts and talents to serve in their churches, communities, and beyond. Acts of service reflect the selflessness of Jesus and help meet the needs of others, fostering a spirit of compassion and generosity.

5. Faith in Action

Living out one's faith means integrating beliefs with actions. James 2:17 states that "faith by itself, if it is not accompanied by action, is dead." Christians are encouraged to live ethically, make choices that reflect their faith, and witness to others about the hope they have in Christ. This includes acts of kindness, integrity in personal and professional life, and sharing the gospel.

Incorporating these five essentials into daily life can help Christians deepen their relationship with God, grow spiritually, and positively impact the world around them.

Praise and Prayer Requests

Marlin Johnson: continue to keep him in prayer, he is admitted to Christiana hospital.

Cathy Servas: pray for healing of her right knee and depression.

Norma Hughes: pray for Tom Gorgone who has cancer.

Gifty Opoku: pray for healing.

Colie & Vera Mason: pray for Brother Franklin and Yvonne Harding.

Moises Philips: pray for the manifestation of the Holy Spirit.

Patty Conway: pray for Leck, Eli, Noah, Cathy M, Cathy S, Chrissi S, the Walls, Terri B and Dawn.

Barbara Wallace: Great grandson Waylon F. Wallace was born with a heart condition and will need several surgeries.

Dawn Dorrell: having eye surgery 5/23 and 6/5. Also pray for her estranged 2 children and grandchildren who are non-believers.

Chrissi Steiner: pray for more faith and to put all her concerns to Him. Also, for thanksgiving and gratitude for all the blessings in her life.

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 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.*

Announcements and Events

Children's Church

Children ages 3 years old through 5th grade will meet downstairs during the sermon.

Bilingual Service

Join us on Sunday June 2nd for our combined worship service with our Hispanic brothers and sisters.

Food Pantry Volunteer Dinner

In appreciation of 12 years of service to the pantry ministry there will be a dinner for all volunteers and their spouses Saturday, June 22nd at 4:00 pm in the Fellowship Room. A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board. See Sue Maynard or Wilma Blue if you have questions.

Church Office Closed

The office will be closed on Monday, May 29, in observance of Memorial Day.

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.

Men – 3rd Saturday each month @ 10am at Greenbank led by Mark Ray.

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.

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.)

Last Week: Attendance: 148 Contribution: \$4,553 Weekly Average: \$5,428 Weekly Budget: \$5,435