



## Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, June 9, 2024

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

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### ***Fear Not When All Feels Lost by Chuck Swindoll (edited)***

God is in charge. He is over everything. He is sovereign, ruling graciously and powerfully from Heaven in perfect wisdom, love, and grace (see Psalm 11). Whatever you face, adverse or delightful, your life is about God—His will, His way.

We easily lose our theological moorings when we insist on living horizontally. When we do, adversity causes us to drift from what we truly believe. How much better to respond with faith, submitting to God's sovereign will and yielding to His purposes in both giving and taking away.

After all, that's His sovereign right. God doesn't exist to make us healthy and happy but to glorify His name. We are the channel for that glory. T. S. Eliot puts it this way:

“To believe in the supernatural is not simply to believe that after living a successful, material, and fairly virtuous life here one will continue to exist in the best possible substitute for this world... it is to believe that the supernatural is the greatest reality here and now.”

Reread that profound statement. Faith is not what you purchase or produce but knowing your heavenly Father works for His glory and your good, molding you into the image of His Son, Jesus. If it takes loss to gain that perspective, embrace it. Abandon what you've counted on if it realigns your life vertically. It is all about God, who gives and takes away.

Job realized that the most important thing is in the supernatural, not the natural. Real living is eternal. Real perspective is understanding the unseen. Real maturity is living by intangibles.

Consider Paul's words from Colossians 3:1-4. That's a foundation for a vertical perspective.

Learn and accept that God is in control, sovereign, and divinely guiding your life. God is incomprehensibly great—omniscient, omnipotent, omnipresent, eternal, ageless, timeless, good, gracious, loving, and just. He's always right, even when you feel wronged.

### ***Praise and Prayer Requests***

**Pagan Family:** Alfredo Pagan (former First State member) passed away Monday. Keep family in prayer.

**Glen & Sue Jones:** David Bickel (son-in-law) having open heart surgery on Monday.

**Mike Barker:** was discharged from hospital, continue to pray for his recovery

**William Bryant:** healing prayers for a cousin that recently underwent an organ transplant.

**Adaliyah Cooke:** pray for her mom.

**Chrissi Steiner:** pray for our leaders, upcoming elections, unity of our nation and peace.

**Gifty Opoku:** pray for God's healing.

**Angelica Maisuh:** pray for peace and God's direction in her life.

**Colie & Vera Mason:** pray for Frank Mason, Vanessa Williams and Cathy Jackson.

**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](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](http://www.greenbankcoc.org) page on our website [www.greenbankcoc.org](http://www.greenbankcoc.org).*

## [Announcements and Events](#)

### Children's Church

All children 3 years old to 5th grade are invited to attend children's church during today's sermon.

### Men's Breakfast-June 15 @ 9:00 am

Our annual Men's Breakfast will be held on Saturday June 15, at 9:00 am. Join us to strengthen the bond of fellowship and to discuss the role of Christian men in God's service. All men interested should sign up on the bulletin board. If you will be bringing others, please indicate how many.

### 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 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00 pm in the Fellowship Room. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. See Sue Maynard or Wilma Blue if you have questions.

### Church Workday – Saturday, June 29 @ 8:00am

Join us Saturday June 29<sup>th</sup> at 8 am to catch up on projects that need to be done around the building. All help is welcome. Thank you, in advance, for helping us keep our building and grounds clean. See George Kirkland with questions.

### Sight & Sound – Friday, September 22nd, 7pm

Tickets have been reserved for "Daniel" at Sight & Sound Theatre in Lancaster, PA. Ticket price is \$60-90 per person. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board. Seating is limited so please sign up by June 30. See Fern Davis or Anna DaCunha with questions.

### English as a Second Language Class

The ESL (English as a Second Language) class is being held on Thursdays at 5 pm. Let's continue to support and pray for the success of this valuable program.

## [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](http://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](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: 118 Contribution: \$7,919 Weekly Average: \$5,537 Weekly Budget: \$5,435**