



## Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, July 28, 2024

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

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### ***The Adventure of Christian Parenting: Embracing the Challenges and Celebrating the Wins by S. Moore***

Christian parenting today is an adventure filled with both challenges and joys. With so many influences competing for our children's attention, guiding them toward a Christ-centered life can feel overwhelming. Yet, Proverbs 22:6 encourages us, "Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it." This verse reassures us that the seeds we plant now can lead to a lifetime of faithfulness.

In our tech-savvy world, where social media and online content are ever-present, teaching our kids about God's love and values requires creativity and persistence. It's not just about setting rules; it's about engaging in meaningful conversations about faith and life choices. Ephesians 6:4 provides a vital insight: "Do not exasperate your children; instead, bring them up in the training and instruction of the Lord." This calls us to be patient and understanding, even when the challenges seem daunting.

The real magic unfolds when we witness the fruits of our labor. There's a unique joy in seeing our children make wise decisions and grow closer to God. These moments are the priceless rewards of parenting. As we navigate this journey, we also strengthen our own faith, becoming role models and setting a solid foundation for our children's futures. Galatians 6:9 reminds us, "Let us not grow weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up." Let's embrace these opportunities, nurturing our children with love and faith, confident that the seeds we plant today will flourish tomorrow.

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

**Praise:** Ian, Alexis and Sophia Jennings have placed their membership with our congregation. We look forward to worshiping and serving the Lord with you.

**Juanda Davis:** her father is battling cancer, keep her family in prayer.

**Shakira Moore & Marcia Johnson:** pray for traveling grace

**Virginia Clark:** continued prayers for strength as she adjusts to the different meds. Thank you for all your prayers.

**Chrissi Steiner:** pray for spiritual guidance in all her worries.

**The Wall Family:** pray for Susan Stromback, who has had recent passing of multiple family members.

**Colie & Vera Mason:** healing prayers for Franklin Mason

**Ron Cox:** pray for Liz's health and well-being.

**Rick Mickowski:** Christy Mickowski has an eye infection, keep her in prayer.

**Cathy Servas:** prayers for Ellen's foot to heal.

**Moises Phillips:** pray for all blessings and an open heart in Christ.

**Patty Conway:** pray for Pattie T, Cathy S., Terri., Andrea, Karen, Steven, Phyllis and Vito.

**Roxie Markey:** keep in prayer as she recovers from surgery.

**Lisa Reed:** nephew Ajay Schinnerer left for 2-week deployment fighting wildfires in CA, pray for safety in travel and on the job.

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

## **Announcements and Events**

**Congratulations!** Jose Lucas and Erika Aguilar were married July 24<sup>th</sup> in a brief ceremony. Congratulations to the newlyweds!

### **Bilingual Service & Fellowship Meal**

Join us August 4<sup>th</sup> for our Bilingual Service followed by a Potluck Fellowship meal. Please bring main dishes, salads and desserts to share.

### **Back to School Supply Drive**

We are collecting school supplies for our children, their families and friends for the 2025 school year. The list of needed supplies is on the bulletin board. Please sign up and return the items by August 4<sup>th</sup>. Supplies will be distributed on Sunday August 11<sup>th</sup> after worship service.

### **Sight & Sound Tickets**

The cost of the tickets for “Daniel” at Sight and Sound is \$72. Those who signed up to attend, see Anna DaCuhna, Fern Davis or Dawn Grabowski to make your payment and pick up your tickets. If paying by check or paypal, indicate Sight and Sound ticket on the memo line. There is a carpooling sign up sheet on the bulletin board. If you need a ride or are willing to provide a ride, please sign up.

### **Reflect Missions Board**

The Reflect Missions Board currently has two vacancies. They are looking to have at least one position filled by a member of Greenbank. If you would like to serve on the board in support of Reflect Campus Missions and Blue Hens for Christ, please see Rick Mickowski.

### **Nkwanta Ghana School Desk Project**

Today is the last day we are collecting funds for Samuel Agbeta to purchase new desks for the students at his school. If you can help, place your donation in an envelope marked “Nkwanta School Desks”. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

## **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: 161 Contribution: \$5,608 Weekly Average: \$5,436 Weekly Budget: \$5,435**