

# Weekly Newsletter - Sunday, February 2, 2025

Office hours: Mon / Wed / Fri 9:00am-3:00pm.
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### Unshaken: Trusting God in Uncertain Times By S. Hayes

Uncertainty is nothing new for Christians. From the early church facing persecution to believers today navigating political unrest and economic instability, the world has always been unpredictable. Fear thrives in moments like these, whispering that things will only get worse. But for those who follow Christ, uncertainty is not a reason to despair—it is an opportunity to trust.

While everything around us shifts, God remains unmoved. His promises never expire, His love never fades, and His presence never wavers. "Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever" (Hebrews 13:8). The stock market may crash, leaders may fail, and disasters may come, but God is still sovereign. He has seen empires crumble and kingdoms vanish, yet He remains faithful.

Even knowing this, worry often creeps in. But Jesus reminds us, "Look at the birds of the air... your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they?" (Matthew 6:26). If He provides for them, how much more will He provide for you?

This is where Christians must stand apart. When the world panics, we respond with peace. When others lash out, we reflect God's love. People should look at our lives and wonder, What do they have that I don't?

So what will we do with this moment? "Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong" (1 Corinthians 16:13). No matter how uncertain life seems, God holds the future—and He never lets go of His people.

# **Praise and Prayer Request**

Barbara Wallace: continue to pray for the Wallace Family.

**Betty Rash:** keep in prayer.

**Mason Family:** Ms. Allyn-complete medical treatments. Frank Mason-healing. **Clark Family:** traveling grace for the family next week. Keep Jeff's father in prayer.

**Patty Conway:** Dawn D., Angel Reyes, Jeff Kirkland, Cathy Servas. **Bev Abosch:** flying next weekend to Ohio to help with parents move.

**Dawn Dorrell:** recovering from foot surgery. Prayers for all those suffering from medical issues.

**Samuel Agbeta:** prayers for safety from the returning violence in Nkwanta.

**Reyes Family:** Angel is still experiencing health issues, continue to pray for his healing.

**Sick and Shut In:** pray for all members who are sick, battling serious medical issues and those who are unable to attend due to illness.

**Greenbank church:** Pray for godly wisdom and guidance for our leaders and congregation. **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="https://www.greenbankcoc.org">www.greenbankcoc.org</a>.

## **Announcements and Events**

## **New Adult Bible Class Topics**

We are offering several new Bible study topics in our adult classes. On Sunday mornings, we will be exploring the Book of Romans in the Chapel and Bible Basics downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Additionally, on Wednesday nights in the Chapel, we will study the Book of Acts. We invite you to join us as we deepen our understanding of God and strengthen our church community.

#### Winterfest Pre-Trip Meeting-February 9

There will be a meeting for all who are going to Winterfest immediately after worship services on Sunday, Feb. 9 on the small side of the chapel at the tables. We will discuss important details about the trip, so please do your best to be there. If you are unable to attend, speak with Lisa Reed as soon as possible.

#### **Congregational Meetings**

The Financial Report meeting is now scheduled for February 16<sup>th</sup> immediately following worship service. All members are asked to attend.

### Fellowship Game Night

The Fellowship committee will host a game night on February 21st at 6pm in the Fellowship room. We will play a variety of board games, dominoes, and card games. Feel free to bring your own games to share. We look forward to enjoying the time together and getting to know each other.

### **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 information. **Ladies** – 2nd Saturday each month @ 9am -hybrid class (in person & online) via Zoom – led by Crystal Reyes. Zoom https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88946018992 or dial in (301) 715-8592. Enter Meeting ID 889 4601 8992.

**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/Newark** – 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 2pm – hosted by George Kirkland/Walter Johnson **Greenbank** – 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 12:30 pm in the building after services– hosted by Kamal Wall **North Wilmington** – 1st & 3rd Sundays @ 3pm – hosted by Chrissi Steiner.

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

**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: 164 Contribution: \$8,178 Weekly Average: \$4,520 Weekly Budget: \$5,443