



Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, April 27, 2025

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

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Our Strength and Shield By Dr. Charles Stanley

Life can certainly throw punches, can't it? Relationships, finances, work pressures, and loneliness—just to name a few—sometimes leave us feeling too weak to keep going. Even if our beliefs are deeply anchored in Christ, all the chaos of life can seem overwhelming. But just like a conductor whose raised arms quiet a stage full of musicians, God calms the raging storm and causes the winds to be still. He remains steady in the storm—our peace amidst the noise.

Are you walking difficult paths and feeling the need for clarity? Do you long for a firm shield as you face harsh words or hurtful memories? What situations are you in that require a protector to fight on your behalf? Take heart, friend. God promises that we will never have to face anything alone. On the contrary, Scripture says, "The Lord is the one who is going ahead of you; He will be with you. He will not desert you or abandon you. Do not fear and do not be dismayed" (Deuteronomy 31:8).

David's words of praise to God from today's passage are still powerful for us. Not only does the Lord shield us from eternal death; He also illuminates our path and strengthens us for each day. Let us hold tightly to the truth that no matter what comes our way, He remains with us.

Praise and Prayer Request

Mary Cannon: PRAISE Jesus for dying for me so I can be saved.

Reed Family: continue to keep the family in prayer as they mourn the passing of Lisa's father, Clyde Schinnerer.

Crusco Family: continue to keep Linda and the family in prayer as they mourn Bobby's passing.

Patty Conway: Dawn, Marlin, Lisa, Chrissi & LeBron.

Marcia Johnson: pray for me as a good mother and caregiver and be a friend.

Jenn Ring-Martin: Prayers and love to Lisa & Boyd Reed and their entire family. Also pray for our GriefShare participants.

Chrissi Steiner: All of those who are sick and hurting, and for those who have lost loved ones.

Remember our members who are homebound due to serious illness or have limited mobility and are unable to attend.

Greenbank church: Godly guidance for our elders, minister and deacons as they lead our 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 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.

Offer of Thanks

From Dawn Dorrell, "Thank you for your prayers. I am feeling much better, Praise God."

Announcements and Events

Greenbank Scavenger Hunt-May 3rd

Today is the last day to sign up for the Scavenger Hunt. All participants should arrive at the church no later than 1:00. Contact Anna DaCunha at Anna.gbfc@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Monthly Food Drive-starting May 4th.

Each month, we will collect a different item for the Food Bank of DE. In May, please donate peanut butter; and in June, low-sugar cereals (like Cheerios). Place items in the plastic tub in the lobby. Contact Rick Mickowski with questions.

Camp Manatawny Events

Summer Camp Sessions (Overnight or Day Camps): Students (grades 1-12). Early registration ends April 30th. Financial aid is available until June 1 to those who qualify.

Ladies Retreat May 2-3. "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Holiness".

Jr/Sr. High Retreat (grades 7-12th)- May 9-10. "It's all how you look at it. Finding balance in an unbalanced world."

See the flyers on the bulletin board for event information or to www.manatawny.org.

Men's Day 2025 Overbrook Park Church of Christ -May 10th

The theme is "Strengthening Brotherhood and Faith." The day features workshops, activities, breakfast, lunch, and an Awards ceremony. See the bulletin board for details. Contact Domingo for questions.

Reflect Campus Missions News

The annual golf tournament to raise funds for Blue Hens for Christ and Reflect Campus Missions will be held on Saturday August 7th. We are looking for players and sponsors for this event. See Rick Mickowski or www.birdease.com/rcm for more information.

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=Rkp6Z3VYSGZpcjY4cXZWVjd1djNpQT09>

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 @ 2pm – hosted by Mona Newsome.

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: 193 Contribution: \$5,931 Weekly Average: \$5,277 Weekly Budget: \$5,443