

# Weekly Newsletter - Sunday, August 24, 2025

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

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## Trusting God's Timing - D. Reyes

Have you ever noticed how much of life feels like waiting? We wait for test results, for doors to open, for prayers to be answered. Sometimes the waiting stretches our faith thin. But the Bible reminds us that waiting is not wasted time—it is preparation time.

Isaiah 40:31 says, "But they who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings like eagles; they shall run and not be weary; they shall walk and not faint." Waiting on God doesn't mean doing nothing; it means trusting Him enough not to rush ahead of His plan.

Think about Abraham and Sarah. Their waiting tested them, and at times they tried to take matters into their own hands. Yet, in God's perfect timing, the promised child came. The same is true for us. Our waiting seasons shape our character, deepen our faith, and remind us that God is still in control.

So, as you go through the week ahead, don't despise the delays. Instead, lean into them. Pray a little longer. Trust a little deeper. God may be teaching you something in the waiting that you couldn't learn any other way.

The next time you feel impatient, remember: God's timing is always better than our own. Waiting with faith will always bring renewal, not regret.

# **Praise and Prayer Request**

**PRAISE:** Justice West and Monique Edwards were recently baptized. Let's keep them lifted in prayer as they begin their new life in Christ.

Patty Conway: Ed Greenwood, Jack G., Erin & Irene, Ian & Laura L.

**Alethia Jones:** the Alexander & Hoosier families for the passing of Deloris Hooser in Virginia.

**Moises Phillips:** pray for peace.

**Aniqua Price:** pray that God protects me from the tricks of the evil one as I continue to seek him.

**Glenda Downs:** thanks for continued prayers for my daughter Dominique. God is Good.

**Benita Baines:** continued growth in the word.

**Jenn Ring-Martin:** continued prayers for my sister, Lorri, who has chemo on Tuesday, for Chrissi & LeBron's upcoming wedding and for my stepdad Gerald's health.

**Anna DaCunha:** my son Antony and daughter-in-law Delia traveling in Europe. **Alec Bowers:** that God leads me and I can serve in the capacity he would like.

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 <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 www.greenbankcoc.org.

# **Announcements and Events**

### **Greenbank Monthly Food Drive**

This month's collection for the Food Bank of Delaware is canned meats such as tuna, salmon and chicken. Place items in the plastic tub in the lobby.

#### **Church Website Draft**

Our new website is currently in development. You may access the site at

https://greenbankchurchofchrist.thechurchco.site. We kindly invite you to review its contents and share your feedback via email to Mike Phillips at mike@ihsconsulting.net.

#### **Church Picnic-Saturday August 30th**

Join us for good food, great company and a relaxing afternoon at Banning Park (102 Middleboro Road, Wilmington, DE) at 12:00. We will have hot dogs, hamburgers and ribs. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share. We look forward to seeing you there!

### **Basement Renovations**

Demolition of the storage closets in the Fellowship Room will take place on Saturday, Sept. 6 at 8:00 AM. Those who can assist, please come and bring any tools you may have for knocking down walls and patching holes. Contact Lisa Reed if you have any questions.

## **GriefShare Program**

The Fall Cycle begins on Sept 8<sup>th</sup> through Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>. Sessions will be held on Monday evenings from 6:30-8:30 pm in the Small Chapel. For more information see the brochure in the foyer or contact Fern Davis.

#### **Camp Manatawny**

Camp Manatawny is seeking kitchen and dishroom volunteers for the upcoming dates: 8/29-8/31, 9/3-9/5, and 10/4. These events raise funds for year-round programs. Meals and housing are included. Contact Rick Mickowski if interested.

### **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. (On break until October)

**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. (On break until October)

**Teens** – 1st Friday each month @ 7pm in the chapel – led by Domingo Reyes. (On break until October)

#### 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 <a href="www.greenbankcoc.org">www.greenbankcoc.org</a>. Click on the "Donate" button and follow the instructions. (Note: there is a small fee assessed from each donation.)

Last Week: Attendance: 136 Contribution: 6,250 Weekly Average: \$5,179 Weekly Budget: \$5,443