



Blessings

It is very easy for us to talk about the problems and challenges that we face before we talk about what is good in our lives. We complain about the rain or the snow or the wind, which we cannot control, before we talk about a beautiful sunny day. We talk about our aches and pains before we talk about the joy of waking up and having a new day. We talk about the people in our lives who hurt us before we talk about the people in our lives who have been kind to us. We listen to all the bad news before we hear any good news.



This happens in our prayer lives to God as well. Often, we start with the shopping list of all the things we want God to do for us to help us before we praise him and thank him for all that he has done for us. Sometimes we don't even get to that latter part.

Now I know, for many, I have overstated the point and perhaps some of you have learned the lesson of our picture and are doing that far better than I am. But there are many times that I need to be reminded to look for and talk far more about the blessings in my life that God and others have given to me than the problems, or difficulties or challenges in my life that do not come from God or even others. When we allow those problems to be the focus, we allow them to rob us of the joy of life in the Lord. We allow ourselves to miss the blessings that come our way. We need to stop focusing on the problems of life and look for all of the blessings we have no matter how small and seemingly insignificant. Paul wrote that **"our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us,"** when Christ returns. (Romans 8.18) But, that glory even begins now as we live in Christ.

And so, let us stop looking down and start looking up. Let our focus in life be on the blessings and not the problems. Let our conversations be centered on the positives and not the negatives. Remember the sun will come out tomorrow, but the Son is always shining and raining down blessings on us every day.

In Christ Alone



Prayer & Praises



- Please keep Dakota Dixon's family in your prayers. Dakota went home to Jesus on Monday.
- Joel Stern shared a praise thanking all the time and talents all the men provided for the mission trip in Kentucky and at Camp Eder's work day.
- Cheryl Kurtz has an unspoken prayer request.
- Roy & Tammy Thompson requested prayer for their son Cory who is having surgery on May 16th to repair a tendon in his right hand. Pray for patience and healing during his 8-week recovery.
- Gerald Cook requested prayer for Ruth Cook who was moved from UPMC Hospital to Encompass York.
- Merv Good requested prayer for Aaron James. Aaron had to have one leg removed and may have to have the other one removed.
- Pray for Bill O'Bryan, who has had severe migraines due to the rain. He also has bronchitis. The meds they gave him for the migraines aren't working so he is discouraged.
- Pray for Gerald Cook who is having breathing issues.
- Charmaine Hoke requested prayer for a couple of friends. Danny Wolf from El Paso, TX fell and isn't doing well, so, keep him in your prayers.
- Gail Lowery, bought a new car and an immigrant crashed into her car and she sustained injuries, a broken pelvis, and broken ribs. Keep her in your prayers for a resolution to replace her vehicle and for healing recovery
- Diana Evans from California had a heart attack and isn't doing well. Keep her and her family in your prayers.
- Pray for the Stepp Family as Fern Stepp has passed away.
- Joanne Miller requested prayer for Joel's oldest sister, Colette Shelly, who had shoulder replacement surgery on April 30th and continues with pain and fungal infection.
- Joanne Miller requested prayer for her sister, Barb Gardener, who fell and broke her ankle yesterday.
- Joanne Miller requested prayer for a close friend's granddaughter, Irelyn Sprenkle, 10-year-old girl, with Wilms tumor. It is a tumor on her kidney and she is currently receiving chemotherapy and radiation weekly at Hershey Medical Center for 10 weeks. Then she will have surgery at Johns Hopkins.
- Please pray for Victor Riddle who is still experiencing pain. Pray also that his new doctors can find what is causing the pain and blood clots he has been experiencing.
- Please continue to keep Joel Deardorff in your prayers. He has been moved to Hershey Medical Center and is still suffering from pancreatitis.
- Please pray for Melvin Lehr who is in the York Hospital with an infection.
- Please pray for Victor Mojica who injured his knee at work 2 weeks ago. He has been off of work since it happened.
- Tammy Thompsom asked for prayer for Brenda Eisenhour (her mom). Brenda fell and fractured her left wrist and right knee cap. She goes to the doctor today to see how things are healing.

Ongoing Health Concern Prayers

*Kathy McWilliams *Sarah Sabold (Smeltzer) *Ken Warren *Mary Fisher
*Alyssa Leakway *Gloria Gerber *Missy Braden *Bryce Baublitz
*Julie Waggoner *Bill Barley *Brandon Little *Derek Meck *Mark Lipsitz
*Josh (Bonnie Tyson's Grandson) *Ruth Cook *Victor Riddle

Cancer Special Prayers

*Julia McCartney *Greg & Sandy George *Butch Warren's brother *Ted Erb (Traci Kauffman family)
*Kathy McWilliams brother-in-law Phillip *Tom Kimmel *Sandy Harlacker
*Ellie Basko *Mark Yonker *Keith Kauffman (Kerry Kauffman's brother)
*Jean Beck *Donald Moore *Butch Warren

CBC Weekly Prayer Point

Pray for God to bless all CBC pastors and that He would raise up individuals for those CBC congregations who need pastors.

Please pray for these congregations and pastors

- Clifton Mills Congregation in Bruceton Mills, WV and Pastor Mike Bernard
- Collinsville Congregation in Collinsville, VA and Pastor Roy McVeye

Important Dates and INFORMATION

This week

Wednesday 5/15

- *Life Group 6:30 pm
- *Men's Vocal Group Practice 7:45 pm
- *Ladies Choir Practice 7:45 pm

Thursday 5/16

- *Walking with Jesus Life Group Study 1:30 pm
- *Great Disappearance Group Study 6:30 pm

Saturday 5/18

- *Men's Breakfast Bible Study 7 am

Sunday 5/19

- *9 am Come Worship!
- *Widows/Widowers Luncheon 12 pm

Next Week

Wednesday 5/22

- *Life Group 6:30 pm

Thursday 5/23

- *Prayer Shawl 10 am
- *Great Disappearance Group Study 6:30 pm

Sunday 5/26

- *9 am Come Worship!

Monday 5/27

- *Memorial Day

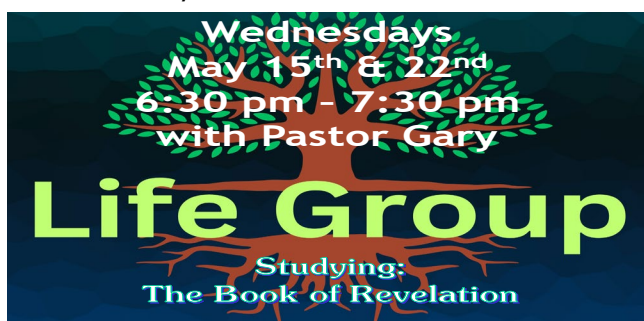


MEN'S BREAKFAST

3rd Saturday each month
NEXT MEETING
May 18th, 7 am
Dover Valley Restaurant



Men's Vocal Practice May 15th at 7:45 pm



Wednesdays
May 15th & 22nd
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
with Pastor Gary

Life Group

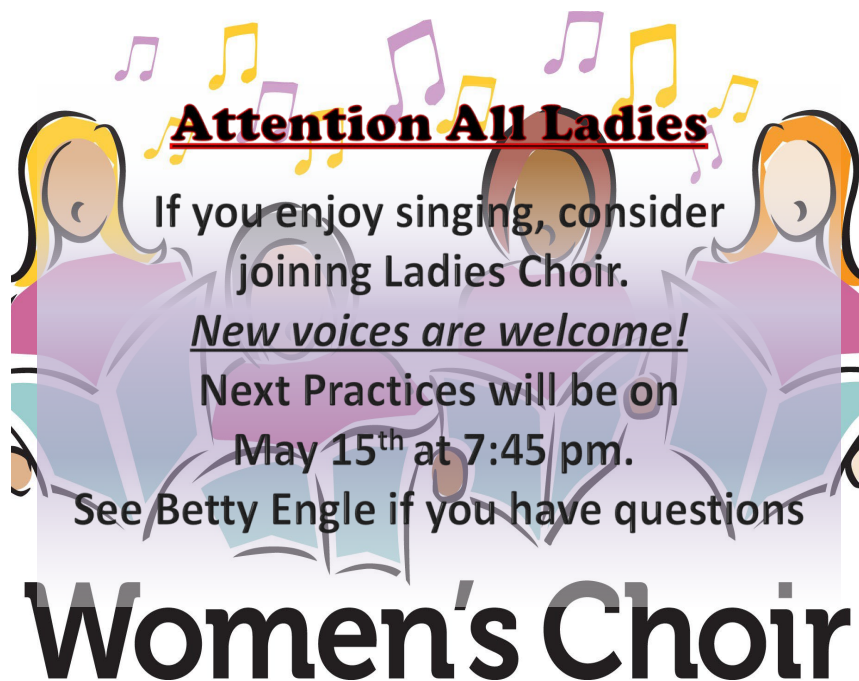
Studying:
The Book of Revelation

Covenant Brethren Church Annual Meeting & Worship Conference

July 18th – 20th, Manheim, PA

information packets are available,
beginning this Sunday. They will be
located in the library area. Or, you
may go on the CBC website to get the
info.

Should you have any questions, contact
Mark Lipsitz.



Attention All Ladies

If you enjoy singing, consider
joining Ladies Choir.
New voices are welcome!
Next Practices will be on
May 15th at 7:45 pm.
See Betty Engle if you have questions

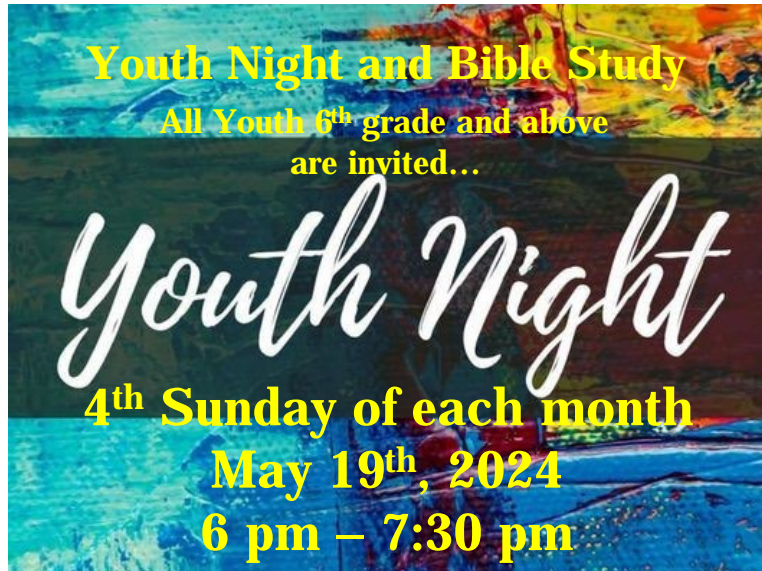
Women's Choir



Walking with Jesus
Thursday Afternoon Life Group
 with Louise Julius
 May 16th, June 6th & June 20th
 at 1:30 pm
 First & Third Thursdays of the month
 through June 20th
 at 1:30 pm
 The Gathering Place



Widow and Widowers Luncheon
 Sunday
 May 19th
 At Noon
 At
**Dover Valley
 Restaurant**
 Please See Nancy
 Smith to RSVP

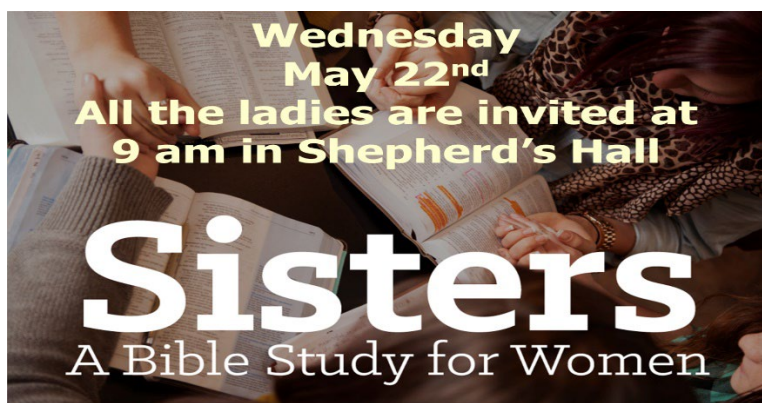


Youth Night and Bible Study
 All Youth 6th grade and above
 are invited...
Youth Night
 4th Sunday of each month
 May 19th, 2024
 6 pm – 7:30 pm

ATTENTION GRADUATES
 Anyone graduating from high school, college, trade school, business school, etc., please complete the form in the May Newsletter so we can "Honor Our Graduates".
 Please enclose/include a picture and return the form completed to the Church Office, Secretary's Mailbox, or email the office at bermudiansecretary@gmail.com
 Please return by May 31st



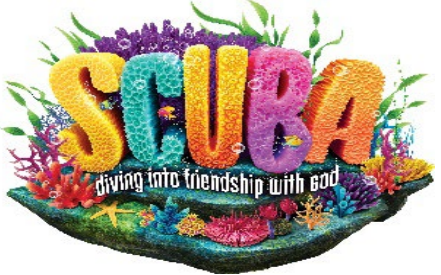
Class of 
2024



Wednesday
 May 22nd
 All the ladies are invited at
 9 am in Shepherd's Hall
Sisters
 A Bible Study for Women



*Prayer Shawl
 Ministry*
Next Meeting
 Thursday, May 23rd, 2024
 10 am – 2 pm



Bermudian Church
VBS Vacation Bible School
 July 28-Aug 1st
 Volunteers Needed!!! See Sue Mayle for more info and to sign up to help!
 Registration is open on the website.bermudianchurch.org