



Bermudian Church The Living Letter

“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace and be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.” Colossians 3:15-17

“enabling every person to experience the living Christ in transforming ways”

Experience | Connection | Growth | Impact

January 2nd, 2024

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

- 9:00 am** Worship – In the Sanctuary
4yr to 4th grade “Sunday Friends”
Children will be dismissed prior to the start of Pastor Gary’s sermon.
- 10:00 am** Coffee and social time in Shepherds’ Hall
- 10:20 am**
 - ***Sunday School for children**
 - ***Youth will meet in their Youth room, located downstairs**
 - ***Adult Sunday school class**
 - **One class in TGP**
 - **One class in the Sanctuary**
 - ***About Life Class group will meet in the room off of Shepherd’s Hall**

- † The nursery is staffed during our worship service
- † Live streaming of our Worship Service is available, on YouTube. It also stays posted there and on our website. Please remember to “like” and “subscribe” and you will be notified each time we post a new video.



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Mission Offering



2024 will get off to a “SOUPER” start:



Sunday, January 21, 2024 – 9:00am
thru

Sunday, February 11, 2024 – 10:00am

More details to follow soon in bulletins and emails

*Prayer Shawl
Ministry*

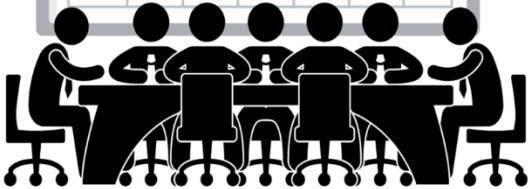
Next Meeting
Thursday, January 25th, 2024
10 am – 2 pm
(weather permitting)

Wednesdays
Next - January 10th
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
with Pastor Gary

Life Group

Studying:
The Book of Revelation

Commission Meeting at 6 Pm
Board Meeting at 7 Pm
JANUARY 9TH



Wednesdays
January 10th & January 24th
All the ladies are invited at
9 am in Shepherd's Hall

Sisters
A Bible Study for Women

**Holiday Dinner
Saturday
January 13th, 2024**

Catering by Hughes
Turkey/Ham – Stuffing/Gravy – Mashed
Potatoes – Corn – Green Beans –
Cranberry Relish – Desserts
Whispering Creek Bluegrass Band

Widow and Widowers Luncheon

Sunday
January 14th
At Noon
At
**Dover Valley
Restaurant**

Please See Nancy
Smith to RSVP



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NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE PUBLISHED February 5th, 2024
Deadline for publishing in Newsletter February 2nd, 2024, 10:30 am

THANK YOU, for your support of the
Carlisle Truck Stop Cookie Ministry by
donating 200 bags of cookies in December.
Once again, **THANK YOU** to Gerald & Ruth
Cook for spearheading this great ministry.

You are Invited!

Women's Fellowship will be visiting with the Fruitbelt Farmworkers on

Tuesday, January 30th at 5:30.

We will be taking them a small gift to take home to their wives and or moms or children. We will have a time of sharing, perhaps Bible study or having a message as well as some singing hopefully. We will be sharing dinner and dessert with them.

This group of workers will be returning to Honduras in March. We would love for more people men and women to come and join us! We do need to know however if you will be joining us. We will carpool from the church at 4:30. A signup sheet will be posted on the bulletin board. **RSVP by January 21.** Thank you for your consideration!

Directory Updates

Directories will be printed in early 2024. Please complete one of the forms and put it in the Secretary's mailbox. You can also email the office with the information you have to change.

bermudiansecretary@gmail.com

- Name
- Address
- Phone numbers (cell and/or home)
- Email
- Birthday
- Anniversary

time to
UPDATE



SERVANT OUTREACH TEAM

In the sermons this past October and November we spent some time focusing on how we can outflow, overflow the marvelous blessings of God in Christ to those around us. As we closed that series I gave an invitation to the congregation to be a part of a team who would brainstorm ways that we could reach out to our community with the love of Christ. After some brainstorming, the team would then make the plans, solicit helpers and then implement the outreach ministry. The hope is that this will be an ongoing ministry. We hope many of you will be interested.

*We are setting **January 25** as the date to gather to begin to organize around this ministry. **There will be a gathering at 10:00 AM and a gathering at 6:30 PM on that day.***

A sign-up sheet will go up this week for individuals to sign-up for one or both of those times. On the sign-up there will also be a place for those who don't want to be on the team per se, but will be willing to be called on to help. Please, begin now to pray for God's leading in this.



Upcoming with Witness Commission



EASTER BERLIN:

Saturday, March 23rd
at East Berlin Community Park



So. PA District,
C. O. B. MEAT CANNING:
Monday, April 1st.



CBC in Partnership with Samaritan's Purse:

April 15th – April 19th. – Kentucky
Rebuild Project in Breathitt, KY.
(12) PEOPLE ARE NEEDED.
Please see Joel Stern for details.



Ruth's Harvest

a cooperative ministry with the Abbottstown-East Berlin Food Pantry and Bermudian Springs School

Furnishing food items for children with inadequate nutrition at home. January 24th



COLLECTING AGAIN

Thank You for your faithful giving!

FRANKLIN GRAHAM
P.O. Box 3000, BOONE, NC 28607

December 13, 2023

Dear Friends,

I want to express my deep appreciation for your gift for the work of Samaritan's Purse. Your partnership and prayers mean so much as we bring relief in Jesus' Name to those who are hurting.

As we celebrate the coming of our Savior during this season, we are grateful for every opportunity to share the hope of the Gospel and the true meaning of Christmas. *"Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel, which is translated, 'God with us'"* (Matthew 1:23). We want people everywhere to know that they can have a relationship with God through repentance and faith in His Son, Jesus Christ.

Please pray for our teams as we continue to provide aid to those impacted by war in Israel and Ukraine, hurricane survivors in Mexico, families who have been displaced by wildfires and storms here in the U.S., and much more. We have just sent disaster relief teams into two locations in middle Tennessee in response to deadly tornados that damaged hundreds of homes.

Merry Christmas, and may God bless you.

Sincerely,

Franklin Graham

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MEN'S BREAKFAST

NEXT MEETING
3rd Saturday each month
January 20th, 7 am
Dover Valley Restaurant

COVENANT BRETHREN CHURCH
HATS = \$ 11.00 each



Dark Blue



Charcoal Grey

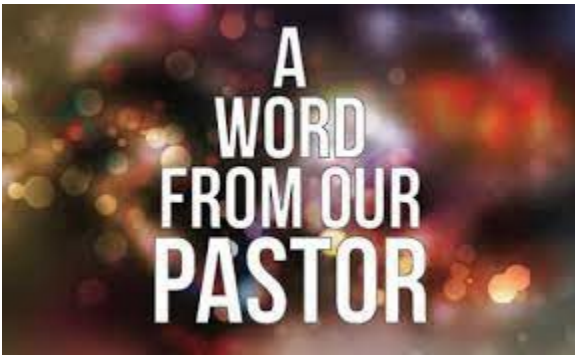
Please see Mark Lipsitz to purchase your hats.

Youth Night and Bible Study

All Youth 6th grade and above are invited...

YOUTH

4th Sunday of each month
January 28th, 2024
6-7:30 pm in The Gathering Place



JANUARY



What do the NFL playoffs and Martin Luther King Jr. Day have in common? One answer is that they both occur in January. The playoffs will start on the weekend of January 14 and Martin Luther King Jr. Day will be on January 15. But there is another commonality. Martin Luther King Jr. spent much of ministry as a Baptist minister, also as a civil rights leader. He desired to change the way people related to all people but especially black people. He strove to stamp out racism and injustice wherever it was found.

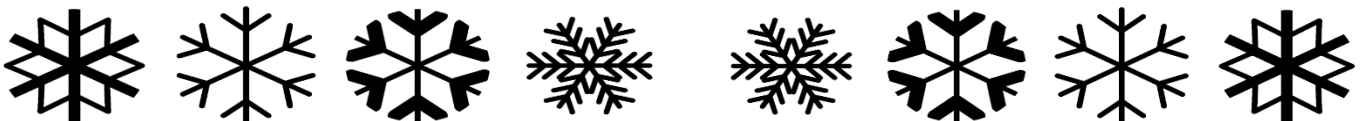
In 2020 the NFL pledged \$250 million over 10 years to promote a campaign to stop racism. Players started to wear short slogans like “stop racism,” or “stop hate,” on their helmets and these and other sayings were seen everywhere like goal post cushions. Although we have come a long way from the 60’s, we have not arrived at a hate free society.

What we know as Christ followers is that we will not arrive there until everyone believes another sign that used to appear at NFL games in the end zones and was a belief of Martin Luther King Jr. That was John 3.16. Only when people accept God’s love and believe in Jesus the Christ and obey his command to love God and love our neighbor will the hate and racism and prejudice we see, not just toward black people, but toward all people, be eradicated.

Scripture sadly gives us the message that that will not happen until Christ comes again. When he does all things will change. And those who do believe in him will spend eternity with him while those who do not will receive their punishment. And so, our prayers are “How long oh Lord,” and “Jesus come quickly.”

While we are waiting for Christ to return, our responsibility is to continue to encourage the change in the hearts of those around us. We are called to live in love and peace and we are called to be peacemakers. Let us share with others the good news that the Prince of Peace has come and that in him is eternal life in the type of place everyone longs for a place without hate and only the love of God.

In Christ Alone



A CHRISTMAS THANK YOU

Linda and I would like to thank all of you who gave or sent us cards and baked goods and other gifts for Christmas. Your expressions of love and appreciation are overwhelming and humbling. We continue to thank God for bringing us here to the Bermudian Church family.

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