

Bermudian Church

"enabling every person to experience the living Christ in transforming ways"

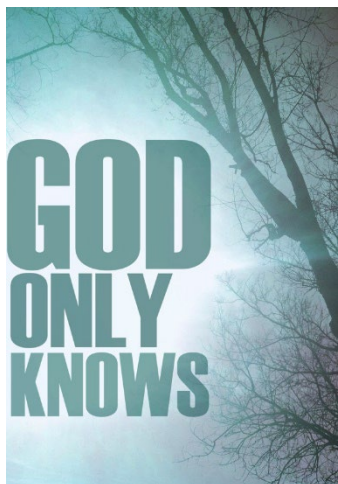
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May 10th, 2023 #985

GOD ONLY KNOWS

"God only knows," is an idiom used by those who believe in a God, as well as those who do not. We do not know the origin of the idiom, but it seems like it has been around for a long time. It is used interchangeably with other phrases like: heaven only knows, lord knows. goodness knows. In secular terms, it has the meaning like, "it is a mystery to me," "who knows," "it's anyone's guess." Some examples are: 'As to why James can't just give me a straight answer, *God only knows!*' "*God only knows* why she's still working at that company; I would have left a long time ago." "Bob: 'Where are we going get a thousand dollars to fix the roof?' Mary: '*God only knows.*'"



As you know I like music. Not my favorite band, but in 1966 the Beach Boys released a song entitled, "God Only Knows." The beginning lyrics are: "I may not always love you - But long as there are stars above you - You never need to doubt it - I'll make you so sure about it - *God only knows* what I'd be without you." These lyrics relate more to the secular view of the phrase

As Christ followers we often use the phrase in the secular way. In spite of that there are many times when we use it speaking the truth, that only our omniscient, all-knowing God is the one who truly knows and understands something. This is especially true in the lives of many who are going through difficulties, when their lives are not what they want them to be, when they are in despair, when sin has really got them down. It is in these times that we need to cling to the reality that God knows and may be the only one who knows what we are going through. He is also the one who gives us and maybe the only one who can give us the kind of love we really need. I hope you will take time to follow the link to the song from which the following lyric excerpt comes. "God Only Knows" by For King & Country.

For the lonely, for the ashamed - The misunderstood, and the ones to blame - What if we could start over? - We could start over - We could start over – 'Cause there's a kind of love that God only knows - God only knows what you've been through -God only knows what they say about you - But God only knows the real you - There's a kind of love God only knows where to find you - God only knows how to break through - God only knows the real you - There's a kind of love that God only knows. [for KING & COUNTRY - God Only Knows \(Official Music Video\) - Bing video](#)

How precious is Your unfailing love, O God! All humanity finds shelter in the shadow of Your wings. (Psalm 36:7) This is the kind of love we all need.

In Christ Alone



Prayer & Praises

- Brian, son of Nancy Stape, had heart surgery on Tuesday to insert a valve in his heart. Pray for his recovery in Harrisburg Hospital.
- Brenda Myers's father, Herbert Smith, passed away on May 2, 2023. Please keep Brenda and her family in prayer as they go through this time of loss.
- Barb and Brad, friends of Sharon Stepp. Brad is in the ICU at Hershey Medical Center after emergency surgery on a large infected kidney stone and kidney itself. He went into Septic shock early yesterday. He has been in the hospital for a few days but this has been an ongoing issue for several weeks. He has extremely low blood pressure but with the infection gone perhaps a turn for the better.
- **Praise~~** Tammy Breighner's 4 year old grandson was going to be admitted to hospital Tuesday for IV antibiotic for a secondary eye infection from a previous sinus infection. – **on the way to the hospital – the swelling went down and Lakota didn't need to be admitted and had a wonderful evening. Thank you to all who prayed.**
- Sue Mayle requests continued prayer for Brenda Eisenhower (Mom) who had 2 back surgeries last week that have a long recovery period.



Ongoing Health Concern Prayers

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

Cancer Special Prayers

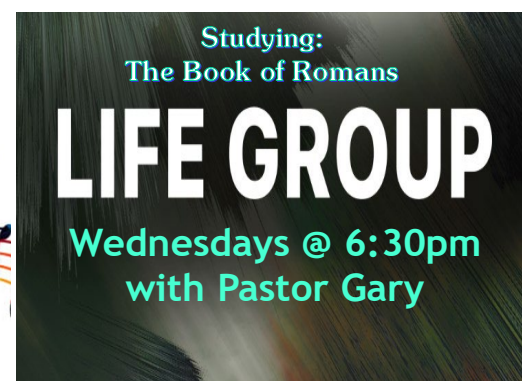
- *Julia McCartney *Greg & Sandy George *Butch Warren's brother *Chris Betts (Smeltzer friend) *Ted Erb (Traci Kauffman family) *Carolyn Kimmel *Kathy McWilliams brother-in-law Phillip *Tom Kimmel *Bob (Ron Engle, friend) *Sandy Harlacker *Ellie Basko *Mark Yonker *Keith Kauffman (Kerry Kauffman's brother) *Jean Beck

CBC and CBC Region 3 Prayer Requests

- Please pray for our CBC Brethren in Rwanda who are currently facing the devastating effects of significant flooding.
- Psalm 122:6 "Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: May those who love you be secure."
- Pray for Israel and all the Jewish people as the nation turns 75 years old this month. The Apostle Paul had a burden for his Jewish brothers and sisters to know Jesus as the Messiah.
- We are asking prayer for Donna Rogers she has been lifelined to Pittsburgh today she is unresponsive Pastor Jeb

Please pray for the following congregations and pastors:

- Iglesia Jesucristo el Camino Congregation in Hendersonville, NC and Pastor Jose' Lucero
- Mt. Joy Congregation in Mt. Pleasant, PA and Pastor P. V. Smith



Important Dates
and INFORMATION

This week

Wednesday 5/10

- *Sisters Bible Study @ 9 am
- *Life Group @ 6:30 pm
- *Men's Practice @ 7:45 pm
- *Ladies Choir @ 7:45 pm

Next Week

Wednesday 5/17

- *Life Group @ 6:30 pm
- *Men's Practice @ 7:45 pm

Saturday 5/20

- *Men's Breakfast @ 7 am



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Thursday May 11th – Julie will be in 1:15 – 4:15 pm

— Everything is —

BETTER

WHEN YOU BRING YOUR FRIENDS

SUNDAY MAY 21ST, 2023

Bring a Friend to Church!



This Week's
Birthdays!

May

- 10 – Luke Rosenberry
- 12 – Korena Rosenberry
- 12 – Kayla (Miller) Lehman
- 13 – Terry Sweitzer

Family Supper &

movie

NIGHT

“Flywheel”

Sunday, May 21st, 2023 @ 5:30 pm
The Gathering Place



Widow and Widowers Luncheon

Sunday
May 21, 2023
At Dover Valley
Restaurant

Please See Nancy
Smith to RSVP



Happy Anniversary

May 16 – Jeff & Jen Miles

May

MEMBERSHIP *class*

Anyone interested in joining the church,
please see Pastor Gary!



MEN'S BREAKFAST

NEXT MEETING

Saturday

May 20, 7am

@ Dover Valley Restaurant



All the ladies are invited
to attend @ 9 am in
Shepherd's Hall
Next meeting is 5/24/23

Sisters

A Bible Study for Women



Prayer Shawl Ministry

Next meeting will be Thursday

May 25, 2023

10 am – 2 pm



Next Regular Meeting

women's FELLOWSHIP

June 6, 2023 @ 6:30pm



Volunteers needed – see Sue Mayle

July 30 – Aug 3

STELLAR

SHINE JESUS' LIGHT

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

2023



Don't forget to check your church mailboxes!

Commission Mailboxes Too!!!