

Bermudian Church

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

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July 12th, 2023 #994

FIREWORKS

Last week on July 4th, Linda and I joined a couple of our children and their families in a day of fun and celebration. We have done that for the last, I don't know how many years. Their town puts on a wonderful



fireworks display in the evening at the end of a day of games and food. This year, once again the fireworks did not disappoint us. They were spectacular. The various colors and shapes. They changed from one color to another. There were sparkles, and there were swirling flashes. And of course, there were the loud bangs. They came one right after another. And of course, they became more intense at the end of the show as the ground show moved into the sky with a thirty-second flurry of firework lights and bangs. All of this was followed by great applause by the audience for the para-technicians and the local committee who hosted the entire day's activities. And so, most of us love fireworks like these on July

4th, Memorial Day, New Year's Day, and other times.

On the other hand, we don't love fireworks in our relationships. We strive to keep them from happening but we are not always successful. There are times when these fireworks also start slowly but continue to build to a major blow-up. It is these types of fireworks that we are called by scripture to keep from happening. One of the ways we do that is taught to us in James 1.19-20 (NIV), "My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires." I do like the way the Message teaches it to us. "Post this at all the intersections, dear friends: Lead with your ears, follow up with your tongue, and let anger straggle along in the rear. God's righteousness doesn't grow from human anger."

In order to keep from fireworks in our relationships this is good teaching. In listening we can learn much about the other person's thoughts, opinions, about what they are really trying to say. We become slow to speak because we think before we speak. Not everything that comes to our mind needs to be said or should be said. There are things that should not even come to our minds. We then are slow to become angry. We should only be angry about legitimate things that God would be angry about. Regarding everything else we must get rid of that anger quickly.

So, let us enjoy the fireworks on special days. But let us strive to eliminate fireworks in our relationships.

In Christ Alone.

PASTOR GARY'S CRAZY, HAZY DAYS OF JULY.

July 10 – 16 – Vacation - Pastor Trevor Rosenberry will preach on July 16

July 20 – 22 – CBC Meeting and Worship Conference

July 24 – 30 – Vacation – Pastor Larry Dentler will preach on July 30



Prayer & Praises



- Miles Family – Jeff Miles Stepfather Leonard lost his life last evening in a motorcycle accident. Please pray for comfort and peace for the Miles family, Jeff, Jen and Jeff's mom Ginny during this time.
- Foy Stambaugh – Terri requests prayer for Foy's cancer diagnosis. Please pray for a treatment plan that will bring positive results.
- Martha (Nancy Smith's Mom) Nancy requests prayer for her mom and their family. Martha fell Monday evening at her nursing home and broke her femur. They were told there isn't anything they can do for her and the family is meeting with hospice.
- Carolyn Kimmel – Carolyn learned her cancer has spread this week. She is now off trial meds. She has several appointments this week to see what her treatment plan will be. Pam & Brett Miller requested prayer for Carolyn.
- Victor Riddle – Victor is experiencing a lot of pain again. Please pray Victor's pain subsides.

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 *Victor Riddle

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 *Tim Kurtz *Warren Beck

CBC and CBC Region 3 Prayer Requests

We are asking prayer for Wayne Hall he has lost his voice and has to see a specialist next week.

Please pray that God would breathe revival all across these United States and that we might truly honor Him on this July 4th. Pray for our leaders and people to turn to Him.

Please pray for the following congregations and pastors:

- Pleasant Hill Congregation in Fairmont, WV seeking Pastoral leadership
- Pleasant Valley Congregation in Jonesborough, TN and pastor Don Hilton

LAST CALL

JULY 16TH

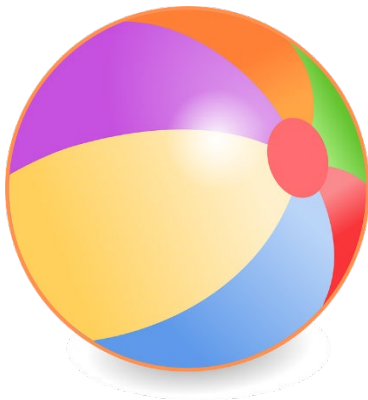
is the LAST DAY that you can bring your food or monetary donations to be sent along with Pastor Gary and the men going to the CBC Annual Meeting & Worship Conference in Fairmont WV from July 20th-July 22nd for the Union Rescue Mission!

Widow and Widowers Luncheon

Sunday
July 16th, 2023
At Noon
At Brenda
Eisenhour's picnic
pavilion

**Please See Nancy
Smith to RSVP**





This week

Next Week

Tuesday 7/11

*Commission Meeting @ 6 pm

*Board Meeting @ 7 pm

Saturday 7/15

*Men's Breakfast @ 7 am



This Week's Birthdays!

July

- 13 – Larry Dentler
- 16 – Tristan Mrakovich
- 16 – Tammy Thompson
- 17 – Sandy Billet
- 18 – Jared Kauffman
- 19 – Brenda Foltz



**MISSION TRIP TO
DAWSON SPRINGS, KENTUCKY**



AUGUST 27 – SEPTEMBER 2, 2023
For more info – see Joel Stern

**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY**

July 23rd – Randy & Barb Becker



PR/AED/BASIC FIRST AID class will be offered on

Saturday, Sept 9th, 9 am-12 noon.

Class will be in The Gathering Place.

Sign up sheet will be available through mid-August.

Any questions, please see Kathi Eisenhart.





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and family about
Vacation Bible School
at Bermudian!!!



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Double Walled Stainless-
Steel Mugs are available for
\$11 each

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Tote Bags are also
available for \$2 each

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Sign-up sheets are in
the library.



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Sign up is OPEN!!!
July 30 – Aug 3



BERMUDIANCHURCH.ORG/MINISTRIES/VBS-SIGN-UP

VACATION
BIBLE SCHOOL

2023



Stellar VBS Adult Study –
July 30 through August 3

Pastor Gary will lead an adult study on the nights of VBS in the sanctuary. The topics will be the same as those that the children will be studying.

Day 1 - Bible Point: When life feels dark, shine Jesus' light!

Bible Story: - Jesus comes as a baby to be king. (Luke 2:1-20; Matthew 1:18-2:12)

Day 2 - Bible Point: When people don't get along, shine Jesus' light!

Bible Story - Jesus accepts Zacchaeus. (Luke 19:1-9)

Day 3 - Bible Point: When good things happen, shine Jesus' light!

Bible Story - Jesus enters Jerusalem as a king. (Luke 19:28-40)

Day 4 - Bible Point: When people are sad, shine Jesus' light!

Bible Story - Jesus cares for his mother during his crucifixion. (John 19-20)

Day 5 - Bible Point: When people need help, shine Jesus' light!

Bible Story - Philip helps the Ethiopian. (Acts 8:26-39)



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

at
Bermudian Church
279 Bermudian Church Road
East Berlin, PA 17316

Sunday July 30th – August 3rd

Ages 2 years - 12th grade
plus Adult Bible Study

VBS Program: 6:15pm-8:45pm
Simple Meal: 5:15pm- 6pm (Mon-Thurs)
Adult Bible Study: 6:45pm-8:30pm (Sun-Wed)

For questions, please contact VBS Coordinator, Sue Mayle
(717)-600-5017 or email: JSMayle1198@gmail.com

Pre-registration not required but recommended 7/19/23

Contact Bermudian Church at (717)-292-1861 to register
Or email bermudiansecretary@gmail.com