

# Bermudian Church

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

Experience | Connection | Growth | Impact



November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2023 #1,011

## Why People Don't Go to Church

There are family and friends who we would love to have come back and worship with us. Some of them are worshipping elsewhere and although we would like to see them here, at least they are worshipping. But, there are those who have walked away and are not going anywhere. Many of them make various excuses for not going to church. Recently I found this parody that hit the nail on the head that I thought I would share. Pray to God for wisdom and discernment about a person that you know who makes excuses who will get the point through this less threatening message.

In Christ Alone

### 12 reasons Christians don't attend sporting events

1. The coach never came to visit me.
2. Every time I went, they asked for money.
3. The people sitting in my row didn't seem very friendly.
4. The seats were very hard.
5. The referees made a decision I didn't agree with.
6. I was sitting with hypocrites—they only came to see what others were wearing!
7. Some games went into overtime and I was late getting home.
8. The band played some songs I had never heard before.
9. The games are scheduled on my only day to sleep in and run errands.
10. My parents took me to too many games when I was growing up.
11. Since I read a book on sports, I feel that I know more than the coaches, anyway.
12. I don't want to take my children because I want them to choose for themselves what sport they like best.

## Prayer & Praises

- Glenn Julius passed away on Saturday. Please pray for the Julius family during this time.
- Ashley & Mike Frantz request prayer for Denny Frantz (Mike's Dad) who had a lung procedure at Hershey Medical on Monday for healing and a speedy recovery. He will leave Hershey Thursday if all goes as planned.
- Sue Deardorff requests prayer for 2-year-old Gabriella who has been in the hospital and has now developed pneumonia. Please pray for healing.
- Jim & Dorothy Kauffman request prayer for the Roach family. Ken Roach passed away suddenly in a tragic accident at his home last Tuesday.
- Please pray for healing for Becky Trimmer who had surgery on Monday.
- Please pray for Linda Kapinksis – This is Wilmer Price's son's Mother-in-law. She has stage 4 lung cancer.
- Mary & Dave Titzel requested prayer for Denea Bell who just found out she has stage 2 breast cancer.



## Ongoing Health Concern Prayers

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| *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     |
| *Josh (Bonnie Tyson's Grandson) | *Ruth Cook               | *Victor Riddle  | *Mark Lipsitz   |

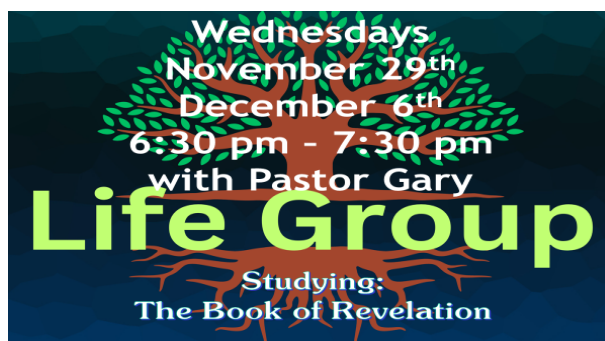
## Cancer Special Prayers

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

## CBC and CBC Region 3 Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following congregations and pastors:

- Red Creek Bethel Congregation in Davis, WV and Pastor John Moyers
- Rhama Congregation in Democratic Republic of Congo Africa and Pastor John Ngoy Kupendwa



## **PASTOR GARY ON VACATION**

Pastor Gary will be on vacation from November 15 through November 19 as he and Linda move to their new home. On Sunday, November 19, Pastor Don Hubble will be our guest preacher. His sermon title will be "Eternal Victory through Christ" from 1 John 5.1-12.



# Important Dates and INFORMATION

## This week

**Saturday 11/18**

\*Men's Bible Study Breakfast 7 am

**Sunday 11/19**

\*8 am Ladies Choir

\*9 am Come Worship!

\*Operation Christmas Shoeboxes

\*Harvest Home last day!

\*Joanne Miller Baked Good

Mission Trip Fundraiser

## Next Week

**Wednesday 11/22**

\*Thanksgiving Eve Service 7 pm

**Thursday 11/23**

\*Happy Thanksgiving!



## MEN'S BREAKFAST

NEXT MEETING  
3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday each month  
November 18<sup>th</sup>, 7 am  
Dover Valley Restaurant

Joanne Miller is having a bake sale on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> to raise money for her 2024 IMO medical mission trip. All items will be on sale before and after church and are available by donation only. Please see Joanne with any special requests.



Save the Date!  
**Holiday Dinner**  
January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
Details to follow



## Ladies Choir

### Attention All Ladies

If you enjoy singing, consider joining Ladies Choir.  
*New voices are welcome!*  
Next Practice will be on Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 8 am. See Betty Engle if you have questions



## Harvest Home

This Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup> will be the last day you can donate to Harvest Home!!!  
You may place your items in the red wheelbarrow. Monetary donations, clearly marked, "Harvest Home" can be placed in the offering basket!



## SAMARITAN'S PURSE OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX

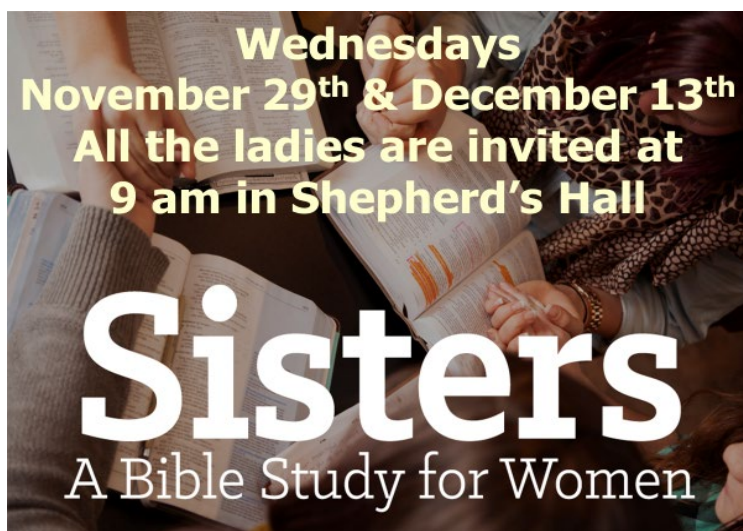
Boxes Available: thru Sunday Nov. 19<sup>th</sup>  
**THIS SUNDAY IS THE LAST DAY!!!**  
**\*AGAIN THIS YEAR: PACK A SHOEBOX ONLINE\***



## Prayer Shawl Ministry

### Next Meeting

There will be no prayer shawl  
In November & December  
See you in January  
(weather permitting)



## Wednesdays November 29<sup>th</sup> & December 13<sup>th</sup> All the ladies are invited at 9 am in Shepherd's Hall

# Sisters

A Bible Study for Women



## LADIES FELLOWSHIP CHRISTMAS PARTY

A Christmas party is scheduled for Tuesday, December 5, 2023 at 6:00 p.m. at Perkins Restaurant, Hanover, PA. ALL ladies of the church are invited to attend. We will have a small gift exchange. If you want to participate, please bring a \$5.00 gift.  
Please RSVP to Sandy Billet (717-292-4631) by November 26, 2023 if you plan to attend.

## CARLISLE TRUCK STOP COOKIE MINISTRY

**DUE BY: Sunday, December 10, 2023, on TGP kitchen island.** We already have the gift bags prepared with small gift items. All we ask is that you place 5 to 6 of your fresh baked cookies in zip-lock style bags and place them in The Gathering Place, on the kitchen island. Start to plan your Holiday cookie creations!

Order Forms are available for Poinsettia's

\$10.50 each

Red/White/Pink

Orders due by November 26<sup>th</sup>

Memorial donations to the Deacon Emergency Fund on the other side of Poinsettia form!

The Sunday school department will present a Children's play during the worship service on Sunday, December 10.

Children need to be at church at 8:30 that morning.

There will be a rehearsal on December 3.

## CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

Women's Fellowship will be attending the Christmas Bazaar on Saturday, December 2, 2023 at the East Berlin Community Center. Congregation is asked to donate baked goods and crafts items. A sign-up sheet will be in the church bulletin for donations. All donated items should be at the church by 10:00 a.m. on Friday, December 1, 2023. (Proceeds from the Bazaar are distributed by Ladies Fellowship throughout the year to ministry needs.)

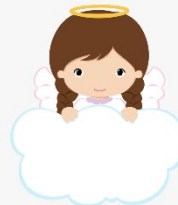
## Youth Night and Bible Study

All Youth 6<sup>th</sup> grade and above are invited...

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of each month

December 10<sup>th</sup>, 2023

6-7:30 pm in The Gathering Place



All Angels have found a home!!! Thank you for your faithful giving and service!!!

## November

15 – Barb Becker  
16 – Shane Dowell  
17 – Glenda Wells

21 – Gary Firster  
22 – Madden Frantz  
23 – Sandy Harlacker  
25 – Jen Miles  
26 – Debbie Ziptfel  
26 – Mary Ida Deardorff



Happy Anniversary  
November

21 – Tony & Sandy Harlacker  
21 – Jeff & Sue Mayle