

# FOCUS

*We exist to grow in passion for God and compassion for people.*

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## From the Pastor's Desk

It's that time of year again when the temperatures will start getting a little cooler and the sun will start to set a little earlier. The lights of the stadiums of high schools all over Western PA will be lit up on Friday nights. In the fall, we not only witness all of the indicators of the start of the season around us, we also see the start of a new season of ministry here at Greensburg Alliance Church. We will be launching small groups this month, and I hope that you will join one and learn and grow together. We really are not meant to do life alone. We'll have our "Sunday Service Instead of Service" where we can truly be the hands and feet of Jesus to those around us. Our Homecoming Outreach will give us a chance to interact and connect with our community by giving out free hot dogs, hot cocoa, and offer free parking.

We will also be starting a new program in our Children's Ministry called "Orange". The name is more than the color of a crayon, it is very intentional. The Church is "yellow" and that represents that we are the light of the world. The Family is "red" and that represents the unconditional love of the family. If the two collide, you get the color "orange". On average, the church spends approximately 40 hours a year with a student. On the other hand, on average, parents spend 3,000 hours a year with their children. You see, we only have forty hours to make an impact, and we know that if we can partner with parents and they can reinforce the lessons that are taught, then we can make a greater impact. We also know that parents have an incredibly hard job of raising their children in a post-Christian world. That is why we want to be a safe place for their kids where we can reinforce the Biblical truths that are being taught at home; we really are better together.

As we make these changes, we will simply need dedicated volunteers. We need people to make Orange work, people committed to investing in the next generation, and making a Kingdom impact. You say 'I don't think I am a teacher'. Ok, well, can you listen? Can you hand out papers? Can you give up one Sunday a month to help our children learn about Jesus and navigate this crazy world?

The funny thing about serving is that we often quickly find out that we get blessed way more by serving than those that we are serving do. We were not meant to sit in church and be spectators. Christianity is not a spectator sport, religiosity is. If we are followers of Jesus, we are all called to step up and step out. Maybe God has laid it on your heart to serve in other areas besides Children's Ministry. That's great! Then serve there, but do not buy into the lie that God does not want to use you. That is not God telling you not to serve, that is Satan whispering in your ear 'God can't use you'. If we look throughout Scripture we will see time and time again that God uses the improbable to do the impossible. It takes an army of volunteers to make the ministries at GAC happen. Each one is vitally important for us to accomplish our mission. If you consider Greensburg Alliance Church your home, I would encourage you to find a place to serve. The truth is that we do not need more people to come to this church to have enough workers. All the workers that we need to accomplish all that God is calling us to accomplish are already here in this building.

Let me leave you with these questions, "Can you give one hour a month to make a difference?" "Can you step out of your comfort zone and trust God enough to use you?" If the answer is 'yes' then contact us and let us know you are willing to serve. We will work with you on the process, and find the best place for you to be a difference-maker here at Greensburg Alliance.

-Pastor Lu



**Rev. James Llewellyn  
Senior Pastor**

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## **Service Instead of Service**

On Sunday, September 16 we will be doing something a little different. On that Sunday morning we will move our service to 6:00pm and we will be spreading out throughout Westmoreland County doing service projects. Instead of having service on that Sunday morning, we will be performing service for those that need it. We have the opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus to a world that is desperate to know they matter. Can you imagine the impact that we can make in just a few hours with four hundred people doing random acts of kindness? Please sign up at the Welcome Center as soon as possible. Also, if you would like to have a new GAC t-shirt for that day you can buy them for \$10 in the Lobby.

## **Small Group Launch**

On Sunday, September 23 we will be launching our Small Groups! It's still not too late to join a group. Contact the Church Office as soon as possible so that we can get you connected, 724-837-1122.

## **Young At Heart - Hymn & Praise Sing - Thursday, September 6**

Do you like to sing hymns? If so, and you are 55 years or older, join us for a Hymn and Praise Sing at our next meeting on Thursday, September 6, 11:30am, in the Fellowship Hall. The Hymn Sing will be led by Dimphina Ayers. If you have never been to one of our meetings, this is a perfect opportunity to connect and fellowship with us. As usual, bring a sandwich for lunch; beverages and dessert will be provided by our committee for the month. Coffee will be ready by 11:00am for our early birds.

Young At Heart is a ministry for those 55 years or older. We get together for lunch, prayer, fellowship, and have a guest speaker or program on the first Thursday of each month, March through December. If you are looking for a place to connect, we would love to have you join us!

## **Men's Outdoor Break - Sunday, September 9 - Note Change in Date!!**

The Men's Outdoor Break will be held on Sunday, September 9 starting at 3:00pm at Tom Keller's home, 701 Arona Road, New Stanton. We'll have food, games, a campfire, and time for plenty of shenanigans. All men are invited and sons are welcome to attend with their fathers. If you have any questions, feel free to call or email Tom Keller, 724-610-0829, goodnews357@comcast.net. Be on the lookout for reminders and details to be emailed through the Men's Ministry email chain.

## **Hempfield Homecoming Outreach - Friday, September 28**

The Hempfield Homecoming Parade will be held on Friday, September 28 starting at 6:00pm. Our church is a perfect location to watch the parade. Invite your friends, and plan to join us for free hot dogs and hot chocolate. This is a great opportunity to reach out and connect with people in our community. Bring your whole family for this fun evening. Remember to get to the church early since Route 136 will close to traffic around 5:00pm.

## **Baby Bottle Campaign for Lifeway Pregnancy Center - Deadline September 30**

The deadline to return filled bottles for our annual Baby Bottle Campaign for the Lifeway Pregnancy Center is Sunday, September 30. There is still time to participate this month - just stop by the Welcome Center, pick up a baby bottle, fill it with coins, currency or a check, and be sure to return it by the end of September. Filled baby bottles may be returned in the Lobby on Sundays, September 23 and 30.

## **Membership Class - October 21 & 28**

A two-part Membership Class is planned for Sunday mornings, October 21 and 28 at 9:15am in Room 235. You must attend both classes. Anyone 16 years and older is welcome to attend. If you are planning to attend or would like additional information, please indicate on your Sunday bulletin information card or contact the Church Office, 724-837-1122, churchoffice.gac@gmail.com. Be sure to sign up so that we have materials available for everyone.

## **Moms 24/7 Meetings - September 11 & 25**

As summer is approaching it's end, and we gather backpacks and school lunches, we are excitedly gearing up for our new season of Moms 24/7. Please plan to join us for two wonderful hours of encouraging one another, equipping each other, and growing in our faith. Our first meeting is Tuesday, September 11 at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall. We will enjoy delicious snacks and play some games in order to get to know each other better.

Our second meeting for the month will be held on Tuesday, September 25, same time, same place, and Sandy Vargo will be speaking on budgeting and saving money. Our September Moms Night Out will be held on Tuesday, September 18 at P.F. Changs. We will meet at GAC at 5:30pm to carpool, or at the restaurant at 6:30pm for dinner. Continue to watch Facebook, email, texts, and handouts for upcoming events. Please be encouraged to join us, even if you have never come before, come to every meeting, or are somewhere in between. Please plan to attend our Moms Night Out events even if you are unable to come to the bimonthly meetings. God has gifted all of us as mothers, and we all have been created with a gift to share with someone else.

Moms 24/7 is a ministry for moms of ALL ages with children of ALL ages. Whether you are a first time mom or you have grandchildren, Moms 24/7 is for you. Whatever your schedule or stage of life, we hope you make Moms 24/7 part of your life. It is not only an opportunity for you to get refreshed and encouraged, but also a chance for you to refresh and encourage other moms. We meet regularly the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month, September through May. For questions or more information, contact Joanne Kreinbrook at the church office, 724-837-1122, or email [kbrook93@msn.com](mailto:kbrook93@msn.com).

## **Weekly Men's Ministries**

**The Men's Tuesday Morning Bible Study** meets at 6:30am in Conference Room 550 with the study being completed at 7:30am. Weekly attendance is not a requirement, and all men and their sons are welcome to drop in as their schedule permits. Resolve to get into the Word of God and let the Word of God get into you!

**The Men's Prayer Ministry** meets every Sunday morning prior to the worship services to pray for the services and our congregation. All men are welcome to join us in the Prayer Room located near the Sanctuary.

## **Anchor College Ministry**

Our focus is on discipleship; building a strong group of Christ oriented students passionate about reaching the world. People committed to living out their faith, rather than just talking about it. Through focused studies, hands-on ministry opportunities, and group oriented discussion, we want to help students personalize the Gospel story to better reach those around them. Our group meets Sunday afternoons, 12:15pm in Room 250/260. For additional information contact Josh Nosbisch, 412-378-5791, [jnosbisch.gac@gmail.com](mailto:jnosbisch.gac@gmail.com).

## **Great Commission Women Conference "Celebrate 2018-Our Story" - October 11-14**

The Great Commission Women Conference, "Celebrate 2018-Our Story" will be held October 11-14 in Lancaster, PA. This is an awesome opportunity to get away and be spiritually refreshed. To enjoy sweet times of fellowship with women from all across the nation in a unique and lovely historical setting. To gain new passion for your walk with Christ and celebrate what He is doing around the world. You won't want to miss this intimate and inspiring event. Headlining the conference will be Laura Story, Grammy award winner for "Blessings", Jane Rubietta, Bible Teacher, and an opening concert featuring Aaron and Sarah Shust.

For additional information, go to the website, [greatcommissionwomen.org](http://greatcommissionwomen.org). Registration fee is \$295 per person. Discounted lodging is available at the Marriott Hotel, \$139 plus tax per room/per night (up to 4 in a room). If you'd like to register, contact Joanne Kreinbrook in the Church Office, 724-837-1122. Please note: the deadline to register is Monday, September 10.

## **Sunday School and Growth Classes - "A Place for Growing... A Place for YOU!"**

Our children's small groups meet for Sunday School at 9:15am in the Children's Ministry wing. Our Youth Jr. High and Sr. High classes meet at 9:15am in Rooms 250-260. Adult Growth Classes are offered at 9:15am and 10:45am. Pick up a brochure at the rack in the Lobby for details.

## **Sunday Morning Adult Growth Classes - Through September 23**

**(Note: There will be no Sunday School on September 16 due to Service Instead of Service Event)**

### **9:15am: Ephesians - Teacher: Todd Miller - Classroom: 240**

Ephesus was a very wealthy and strategic city for Paul to found a church. According to Acts 19 Paul spent over two years building relationships and ministering to the believers. When Paul was in prison he wrote a letter to the Ephesians which speaks of the church as the body of Christ and emphasizes the need for unity in that body. In this six week class we will cover much of the content of Paul's letter which was most likely shared with various churches in Asia Minor. This class will examine the teachings and theology of Paul and then look at how we can apply those truths to our daily lives.

### **10:45am: Why Me? - Teacher: Barry Bupp - Classroom: 250/260**

Suffering of any kind can be a painful, lonely process. When Christians suffer, our first response is often to question God and seek some understanding for our pain. In this study we will explore why it is not always possible to find easy answers to life's most difficult questions. But, we will also see that it is possible to find good and God in every circumstance. It is possible to experience joy alongside pain, and to live a good life in spite of the nagging question, "Why Me?"

**Watch the Sunday morning bulletin for information on upcoming fall classes.**

## **GAC Garden Exchange**

Participation in our Garden Exchange is simple; on Sunday morning just bring your extra garden produce to our table in the Fellowship Hall to share with others at Greensburg Alliance Church. The produce is available to anyone who can use it whether you have a garden or not. The best part is that each week any unused produce will be donated to the Welcome Home Homeless Shelter in downtown Greensburg. Please see Jamie Callen with any questions.

## **Cancelled Postal Stamp Collection Update**

In August we sent 11-1/2 pounds of used postal stamps to the Stamp Ministry located in Fort Myers, Florida. Collecting cancelled postal stamps is an ongoing ministry, so please remember to keep saving throughout the year. The income from the postal stamps goes to support preparation, publishing, and distribution of a Spanish language curriculum for Sunday Schools. Remember that only stamps affixed to envelopes can be processed; do not remove stamps from envelopes or trim around stamps. It is best to submit all or half of the envelope with the stamp attached since they need to be in excellent condition in order to sell to collectors.

## **greensburgalliancechurch.com**

You can find all the information you need to know about our church with easy to use menus. If you miss a Sunday, don't worry! You can listen to sermons from previous Sundays. There are also printable PDF versions of our newsletter, monthly calendars, and registration forms.

## **YouVersion Bible App**

It is now easy to follow along with each Sunday's message. Download the YouVersion Bible App: click "more", "events", and click on "Greensburg Alliance Church". All of the sermon notes and Bible passages will be there for each Sunday's message. There is also space for your personal notes. Remember to click "save" at the end if you would like to have it for future reference.

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# Envision Paris

Shining The Light  
in the city of light

## Summer Ministry in Review - One Hot Summer!

It's been one hot summer, not only temperature-wise, but also with the ministry that God has been doing in the midst of this city. This summer we have had amazing interns who have dove deep in relationships with people, led teams like professionals, stretched their abilities, and loved well.

This summer with the help of interns and teams we helped staff two ministry centers, where we met weekly with 50 people to share English and the love of Christ.

We started an exploration service on Thursday nights and met for eight weeks to follow up the Alpha Course.

Thank you for your faithfulness in praying for our summer ministries. Please continue to pray as we are in the process of planning our upcoming fall events. Also pray for our Connected Café Ministry Center, and for continued financial support.



**Tony, Raeni,  
Fayth & Hannah Roos**



## All in a Name

Recently I was invited to preach at the church that we attend here in Paris. It was my first time preaching in French at a French church. It was an honor. The theme was "God Is Our Rescuer." I talked through Genesis 41 and highlighted the fact that Joseph, despite being second to only Pharaoh and married to the daughter of an Egyptian priest, gave his two sons Hebrew names. I believe it was because Joseph had not lost his identity and that he saw himself as a child of God. He wanted the same for his two sons. I think there is great significance in the naming of a child. It's something that forms them and sticks with them for the rest of their life.

When we had Adley, we gave him a name of worship. It means "God is Just" and his middle name is Benjamin, a name of legacy. The middle names of both his father (me) and his grandfather (my dad). When we had our new little boy we named him Ellison (Ellis) also a name of worship. It means "Yahweh is my God." The middle name is Douglas, the name of his Grandpa Ord (Lisa's Dad).

I, like Joseph, pray that from their first breath my boys would live a life of worship to the one true God. May their sense of identity and direction rest in Him. That they would live to love, follow, and serve Him and become men after His own heart. May they look to the examples of the godly men from which they are named and be inspired to be godly men themselves. May God use them as He deems fit to accomplish His good, pleasing, and perfect will.



**Dan, Lisa,  
Adley & Ellis Lawrence**

## Prayer Requests

- Upcoming speaking engagements and that God would be glorified through them.
- For the new contacts made with people in the community and that our relationships with them can go deeper.
- Our continued language tutoring. Pray for our tutor who is not a believer. May God open a door.
- In September we will be gathering with our C&MA Paris team to pray and plan for next year. Pray that God would speak to us during these times of seeking Him and discussing strategy.

## Children's Ministries

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### Moving Up Day - Sunday, September 2

On Sunday, September 2, the children's Sunday School classes and Sunday Morning Worship classes will "move up" to their new classes. Please note that there will be some room changes this year. Nursery, Preschool (2's and 3's), and PreK&K (4's and 5's) for both services will remain in their current rooms (Room 430 for Nursery, Room 410 for Preschool, and Room 425 for PreK&K).

Grades 1, 2, 3 and 4 will meet in Room 315-325 for both services for the new Orange curriculum. At the 10:45 Service there will be an Orange "After Party" in Room 310-320 ONLY for children who attended the 9:15am Orange Sunday School. If your child did not attend the 9:15 Orange Sunday School, they will attend the 10:45am Sunday School in Room 315-325.

We are also introducing a new program for 5th and 6th grade students called "Club 56". The new Orange curriculum will begin at this time, and lessons will be identical for both 9:15 and 10:45 Services. If your 5th or 6th grader attends Children's Ministries during both services, they have the option to either repeat "Club 56" or attend the regular church service with their parents. Contact Melissa Bartels in the Church Office with any questions you may have regarding these changes, 724-837-1122.

### Attention Parents! Children's Ministry Registration 2018-2019

If you have not completed a 2018-2019 registration form, you will no longer be able to check in your children at the self-serve computer kiosks on Sunday mornings. New registration forms are required each year even if you have completed a form in the past. Information is kept confidential and is used for church ministry purposes only. Registration forms are available at the Children's Ministry desk in the Fellowship Hall or you may register online via the Children's Ministries page on our website: [greensburgalliancechurch.com](http://greensburgalliancechurch.com).

### Bible Quizzing

It's time to get ready for a new Bible Quizzing year! This year, students will be studying the Gospel of John. Any student in Grades 3-12 are able to participate. There is a junior division for the younger students in Grades 3-6, and 2 senior divisions for Grades 7-12. 7th and 12th graders new to quizzing will want to start in the Senior B division where the jumps are slower and more of the question is heard. Quiz meets cover specific chapters and are often held the first Saturday morning of every month from October through April.

If you are interested in participating or have any questions, please contact Jayne or Mark Obringer, 724-861-3548. They will give you the Bible quiz books and optional study guides. They would also be very happy to help students prepare for meets and practice jumping with the quiz lights, but if your student doesn't have time for that, they can still study on their own at home and participate in the monthly quiz meets. Bible Quizzing is a fun way to motivate young people to memorize God's Word. Come give it a try!

### Joyful Noise Children's Choir

Joyful Noise Grades 3-6 will be participating in a special service on Sunday, November 18, as well as both Sunday morning services on December 2. Rehearsals for Grades 3-6 will be held in the Sanctuary on Sunday afternoons, 12:30-1:30pm, October 7, 21, and November 11.

Joyful Noise Grades K-2 will also participate in both services on December 2. Rehearsals for Grades K-2 will be held in Room 225/235 on Sunday, October 21 and Sunday, November 11.

Both K-2 and 3-6 groups also have a combined rehearsal in the Sanctuary on Wednesday, November 28, at 5:30pm. A sign-up sheet and listening CD are available at the Welcome Center. Please see Jennifer Dail, Kami Hauser (Grades 3-6), or Hillary Piggott (Grades K-2) with questions. Joyful Noise participants are required to wear "Joyful Noise" shirts. Contact Jennifer Dail to purchase a shirt for \$5.00 if you do not already have one.

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## **Awana® Begins Wednesday, September 5, 6:30pm**

Awana is fun with a purpose... to reach and train children for Jesus Christ. Each week there are Bible lessons, Scripture reciting, games, music, and lots of other fun activities. Our program is comprised of three age-appropriate clubs:

### **Preschoolers - Age 3 & 4**



In Cubbies, preschoolers have a fun, friendly place to learn about God's greatness. There are games, basic Bible memory, and a two-year curriculum that encourages parents to get involved in their child's learning. To begin Cubbies your child must be 3 years old before September 1 and potty trained.

### **Kindergarten through Grade 2**



Sparks builds on the material taught in our preschool club. It ignites the curiosity of children to learn about the people and events of the Bible, building a foundation of wisdom for knowing Christ. Meetings combine learning with fun to create an atmosphere of excitement. Children love their red vests, the games, and spending time with leaders and friends!

### **Grades 3 through 6**



The goal of T&T is to offer opportunities for kids to understand, retain, and apply what they're learning in the Scriptures. This year we will be working through "Agents of Grace", the third of four books in the T&T series. Lessons will continue to lead clubbers through a deeper dive into the Scriptures. There will also be loads of fun with our team-oriented games!

Awana Clubs begin on Wednesday, September 5, with check-in starting at 6:30pm at the Children's Ministry registration desk. Please enter the building through the Awana/Office entrance. After check-in children should go directly to their classrooms. All guests must register at the registration desk. Club ends at 8:00pm; remember your parent check-in tag in order to re-enter the building. If you do not have your tag, you will be required to show photo ID. We appreciate your picking up promptly at 8:00pm.

If you haven't already done so, complete a 2018-2019 Children's Ministry registration form prior to opening night. Also, be sure to pick up an Awana parent handbook which contains information about our club procedures as well as a calendar of events. September starts off with Cubbies Parent Orientation on September 5, T&T Orientation on September 12, and Sparks Orientation on September 19.

## **It's Not Too Late to Join our Awana Team!**

Do you have a heart for kids to know Jesus and be disciplined in their faith? Then joining our Awana team is for you! It's not too late to join our amazing team. Training is provided with various ways to be involved and flexibility to serve as your schedule allows. If interested, or if you have questions, contact Melissa Bartels in the Church Office, 724-837-1122.

## **Joy In Motion Dance**

We are planning a fantastic Christmas at GAC this year! Joy in Motion Dance will be participating in both Sunday morning services on December 16. Children and teens who have had training in classical dance (ballet, lyrical, or contemporary styles, past or present) are invited to participate. Rehearsals will be held two times per month beginning Sunday, October 14. A sign-up sheet is available at the Welcome Center; deadline to sign up is Sunday, September 30. There is a \$15.00 fee to participate which includes a "Joy in Motion" shirt. Please note that children who dance will also still be able to participate in the Joyful Noise Children's Choir. Please contact Jennifer Dail, dail.jennifer@gmail.com, or at the Church Office, 724-837-1122, with questions.



## **AY Hike- Sunday, September 9 (12:15-7:00pm)**

Come join us on the 9th for a fun hike at Ohiopyle. The hike will be a few miles long and will include enough stops to be comfortable for most of our students. We will also be visiting Cucumber Falls and downtown Ohiopyle. To cover transportation (we're renting a bus) the cost of the event is \$10. Students will also need to bring \$5 for ice cream, a bag lunch, proper footwear (hiking boots or decent sneakers - no converse all-stars, crocks, or flip flops), a water bottle, a drawstring bag to hold their lunch, and water to drink while hiking. We will provide drinking water for refills during the trip. If the temperature and weather cooperate, students have been known to get a little wet at Cucumber Falls so plan accordingly. Students may want to bring water shoes or sandals with straps to walk in the river. We will meet in the Fellowship Hall after the second service. Pre-registration for this trip is required.

## **Ignition - Saturday, September 22, 4:45-9:30pm**

Ignition is an annual youth rally with awesome speakers, inspiring worship, and a powerful time of corporate prayer. The event also serves as a kickoff for "See You at the Pole" (SY@TP). This year's Ignition will be held at Cornerstone Ministries in Murrysville (Export), PA. The event will feature Dan Boal, National Director of Alliance Youth, as the speaker and Illusionist/Comedian Jarred Hall. Tickets are \$6.00 (due at sign-up) and have been pre-ordered, so space is limited. We will meet in the church parking lot at 4:45pm and will return at approximately 9:30pm. Please sign up in the Sunday School room (along with your payment) ASAP. Dan Boal will also be speaking at our church the next morning on Sunday the 23rd!

## **SY@TP (See You at the Pole) - Wednesday, September 26**

On the morning of Wednesday, September 26, thousands of Christian students from all around the nation will meet at the flag pole in front of their schools before classes begin for 30-45 minutes of prayer for their schools and local communities. We encourage our students to participate in this great nationwide event. The times and locations vary from school to school, but it generally takes place about 45 minutes before school begins. For more information, check out the website: [www.syatp.org](http://www.syatp.org).

## **LIFE 2019 (Orlando FL, July 8-14, 2019)**

As many of you know LIFE is our denomination's tri-annual youth conference. The theme of this year's LIFE Conference is "Awaken". The LIFE Conference is meant to play a very important role in the spiritual formation of high schoolers that attend C&MA churches around the nation. There are amazing speakers, inspiring times of worship, service projects, and experiences that are designed to powerfully connect the participants to Jesus and His calling on their lives. LIFE 2019 will take place in Orlando, Florida July 8-14, 2019. The overall cost of the trip will be \$1,200. This will include airfare, lodging, food, conference registration, airport shuttles, and all activities during the trip.

Registration will open on Sunday, September 2, and will require a nonrefundable deposit of \$150. Because we will be flying to the conference we will be closing registration by October 28, 2018. This will secure a cheaper registration price and enable us to book our plane tickets in a timely manner. For more details pick up a registration packet before the end of August. Don't miss out; the opportunity only comes around once every 3 years!

## **Operation Christmas Child Donations Begin**

In September, we will begin collecting items for our Operation Christmas Child shoebox project through Samaritan's Purse. Each year we pack and send a large number of shoeboxes to underprivileged children throughout the world. In order to meet our goal, we will need to take in a lot of donations every month through November. This month our focus will be school supplies and hygiene items. Some suggested donations are pens, pencils, flexible notebooks, erasers, calculators, toothbrushes, bars of soap, washcloths, combs, brushes, hair ties, and barrettes. Please bring donated items to the Sunday School room and place in the donation box. (Please note: we are no longer permitted to include toothpaste or candy).



## Church-Wide Events

**Service Instead of Service** - On Sunday, September 16 there will be no morning services or Sunday School. Students are encouraged to sign up with their families to serve our community that morning. There will be an evening service at 6:00pm where the church will come together for a time of worship. For more details see the article on page 2.

**GAC Homecoming Outreach** - On Friday, September 28 our church will have an outreach event during Hempfield High School's Homecoming Parade. For more details see the article on page 2.

## Upcoming Dates

October 11 - AY Corn Maze (Rain date October 18)

October 21 or 28 - Random Acts of Raking (Date of event depends on the status of the leaves)

October 28 - LIFE Registration Closes

## Congratulations

To Rusty and Christy Bryner on the birth of their daughter, Alina Mae Bryner, on August 13. Alina weighed 7 pounds 1 ounce and was 18 inches long. She joins big sister, Lyndie.

## September Anniversaries

9	Tim & Jocelyn Fox	12	Zac & Stephanie Cross	20	Todd & Kelley Brautigam
11	Carmen & Cheryl Dott Rigel & Julie Holmes	14	Ron & Peggy Longsdorf	24	Kevin & Heather Husband
		15	Rusty & Christy Bryner	27	Tom & Eleanor Raffle

## September Birthdays

1	Dean Ambrose Paul Obringer Karlee Schneider	6	Brandon Kepple Logan McKivens	12	David Burda David Tomko	17	Betsy Danser	24	Isabella Arquillo Karen McKivens Kathy Wills
2	Eleanor Raffle Meryn Zangaro	7	Hayden Davis	13	Ashley Kauffman Jordynn Rock Tiffany Schomer	18	Luke Coughanour	25	Melissa Bartels Jonathon Kraynak Emily Ukasik
3	Heather Husband Colleen Peterson	8	Olivia Bolyen Vernon Brewer Hollie Husband Lilly Llewellyn	14	Jennifer Dail Phyllis Kaylor	20	Jonathan King Joanne Kreinbrook Karen McGarry	26	Dawn Darazio Ed Kerr
4	Kathy Iwinski	9	Ryan Brautigam	15	Duane Sutor	21	Kim Cook David Marquis	28	Sierra Jones
5	Mariann Gault Hillary Piggott	10	Gene Cilli Denny Fellers	16	David Colligan Larry Darazio Valerie Griffith	22	Joel Momper Bob Schoenfeld	29	Tim Myers
		11	Gavin DiClaudio					30	Carissa Graziani

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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<b>2</b> 9:15 & 10:45am Worship, Communion & Sunday School  Move Up Day for Children's Ministry  12:15pm Anchor College Ministry	<b>3</b> <b>Labor Day</b> <b>Church Office</b> <b>Closed</b>	<b>4</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study  6:30pm Elders Meeting	<b>5</b> 6:30pm Awana Begins Cubbies Parent Orientation	<b>6</b> 11:30am Young At Heart Hymn & Praise Sing  6:30pm Thursday Night @ The Well- Alliance Youth (AY)	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> 9:15 & 10:45am Worship & Sunday School  12:15pm Anchor College Ministry  12:15pm AY Hike  3pm Men's Outdoor Break at Tom Keller's Home	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study  9:30am Moms 24/7 Meeting	<b>12</b> 6:30pm Awana T&T Parent Orientation	<b>13</b> 6:30pm Thursday Night @ The Well- Alliance Youth (AY)	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>16</b> 9am-Noon Serving Sunday (No AM Worship Services) (No Sunday School)  12:15pm Anchor College Ministry  12:15pm Deacons Meeting  6pm Celebration Service	<b>17</b> 6:30pm Governing Board Meeting  7:30 pm Elders Meeting  <b>Newsletter Article</b> <b>Deadline</b>	<b>18</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study  6:30pm Moms Night Out @ PF Chang's	<b>19</b> 6:30pm Awana Sparks Parent Orientation & Team Night - Wear Black & Gold	<b>20</b> 6:30pm Thursday Night @ The Well- Alliance Youth (AY)	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> AY Ignition Trip
<b>23</b> Small Group Launch  9:15 & 10:45am Worship & Sunday School  12:15pm Anchor College Ministry	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study  9:30am Moms 24/7 Meeting	<b>26</b> 6:30pm Awana Wacky Hat Night	<b>27</b> 6:30pm Thursday Night @ The Well- Alliance Youth (AY)  7pm Trustees Meeting	<b>28</b> 6pm Hempfield Homecoming Parade Outreach	<b>29</b> 9am Bible Quiz Meet @ Indiana Alliance
<b>30</b> 9:15 & 10:45am Worship & Sunday School  12:15pm Anchor College Ministry						

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 6:30pm Elders Meeting	<b>2</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study	<b>3</b> 6:30pm Awana Pumpkin Palooza Night - Wear Orange	<b>4</b> 11:30am Young At Heart Meeting  6:30pm Thursday Night @ The Well- Alliance Youth (AY)	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>WPA District Prayer Meeting &amp; Conference</b>						
<b>7</b> 9:15 & 10:45am Worship, Communion & Sunday School  12:15pm Anchor College Ministry  12:30pm Joyful Noise Age 3-6 Practice	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study  9:30am Moms 24/7	<b>10</b> 6:30pm Awana Cow Night Wear Black & White	<b>11</b> 6pm Alliance Youth Corn Maze Outing Meet at Corn Maze (Rain Date 10/18)	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Great Commission Women Conference 10/11-14 Lancaster Pa</b>						
<b>14</b> 1 Car 1 Bag Food Collection Day  9:15 & 10:45am Worship & Sunday School  12:15pm Anchor College Ministry  12:30pm Joy In Motion Practice	<b>15</b> 6:30pm Governing Board Meeting  7:30pm Elders Meeting	<b>16</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study  6:30pm Moms Night Out @ Olives & Peppers	<b>17</b> 6:30pm Awana Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Night - Bring a small item to add to a shoebox	<b>18</b> 6:30pm Thursday Night @ The Well- Alliance Youth (AY)	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 9:15 & 10:45am Worship & Sunday School  9:15am Membership Class Part 1  12:15pm Anchor College Ministry  12:15pm Deacons Mtg  12:15pm Alliance Youth Random Acts of Raking (or 28th)  12:30pm Joyful Noise Ages 3-6 Practice	<b>22</b> <b>Newsletter Article                      Deadline</b>	<b>23</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study  9:30am Moms 24/7	<b>24</b> 6:30pm Awana Meet the Pastor Night	<b>25</b> 6:30pm Thursday Night @ The Well- Alliance Youth (AY)  7pm Trustees Meeting	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> 9:15 & 10:45am Worship & Sunday School  9:15am Membership Class Part 2  12:15pm Anchor College Ministry  12:30pm Joy In Motion Practice  5pm Trunk or Treat	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> 6:30am Men's Bible Study	<b>31</b> 6:30pm Awana Fall Festival			



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**Children's Ministry Move-Up Day - September 2**

**Labor Day - September 3 - Church Office Closed**

**Alliance Youth Hike - September 9**

**Men's Outdoor Break - September 9**

**Serving Sunday - September 16 - See Page 2 for Details**

**Moms Night Out - September 18**

**Alliance Youth Ignition - September 22**

**Hempfield Homecoming Parade Outreach - September 28**