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The Greenville Alliance Church Newsletter



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Pastor's Corner

June 2016

In my own times reading scripture I've been working through Judges! In the second chapter verse ten I came across these words, "But, finally all that generation died, and the next generation did not worship Jehovah as their God and did not care about the mighty miracles he had done for Israel."

Honestly that is a hard verse to read! God had done amazing things, miracles of every kind, provision, victories, healings, and freedom. Yet after one generation the nation of Israel turned their backs on God. They wouldn't worship Jehovah. To me this says we need to really focus on reaching the next generation. We can't assume our kids or grandkids will know who God is. That means we need to have a close walk with God ourselves. We need to pray for our kids and grandkids daily, not just that God would bless them but God would capture their hearts and keep them hungry for Him. It means we really need to make sure we bring our children to worship and children's and youth ministries with the same priority and passion as for school and sports activities.





Pastor Nathan Seckinger

Then I think we need to tell our children regularly how God has worked in our own lives. We all have stories of God doing miracles in everyday situations. Has God ever provided for you? Has God ever changed a situation you thought impossible? Has God ever given you peace in a hard situation? This month why not make a list of all God has done for you in the past! Then start sharing them with your children and their children. If you don't have kids "adopt" a couple and share God stories with them when you get together!

Don't assume our kids know our Savior and Lord. Take the time to introduce them! Let's do our very best to capture the new generation with the Gospel and the Kingdom of God! Remember God longs to use you!



Pastor Nathan

Dewey & Grace Augustson Liz Bolster

Mark Callander Maxine Clark Peg Cochran

Shirley Durney Kitty Fenton

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Rollie Fenton Faith Noelle Gibson

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Ryan Hart Gabby Iliev Shirley Kiser

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Church Ministries

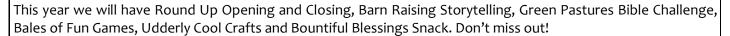


BARNYARD ROUNDUP

JESUS GATHERS US TOGETHER



6:00-8:30 PM EACH DAY



In order to have all these things, we need your help! We need decorations. Anything you would find on a farm. For example, wheelbarrows, rakes, windmills, flowers, animals, old fashioned water pumps, bushel baskets, galvanized water cans and buckets. However, no sharp items.

Also, in the lobby, you will see a VBS table. There is a list of supplies for crafts and snack needed. Check back often as the list changes.

Registration forms can be found on the church website and on the VBS table. Forms can be given to Stacy Miller, Michelle Toy, or mailed in to the church office.

Any questions, please contact Stacy. 724-815-7604 or 724-588-8405.



Good
Shepherd
Needs

Remember the local Salvation Army donations and the Good Shepherd request for JUNE OF CANNED OR BOXED MEALS.





NEIGHBOR 2 NEIGHBOR

Our church, along with Crossroads Church, has agreed to provide the evening meal for the 6-8 interns who will be working with Downtown Ministries on the Neighbor to Neighbor project. This project is hoping to introduce the love of Jesus to many of our youth who are lost. They hope to build relationships with kids and also reach out to parents in our community, to encourage them to become involved with a local church. If you would be willing to provide a meal, please contact Becky Milliron at 724-866-6883 or 724-588-2685. If you are unable to prepare a meal, you could even provide a gift card to a restaurant. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

PRAYER FOR GREENVILLE

Downtown Ministries invites you to meet at Fresh Grounds Coffeehouse every 3rd Tuesday of the month to pray for our community.

We begin at 5:30 PM and pray for about an hour.

We are appealing to our Creator for guidance for what it is that we can do, where and how we should concentrate our efforts. We see needs in our community that are not going away by themselves.

To those who are skeptics, I understand because I used to be also. But now, from the depths of my being, I believe that prayer works. I believe that Fresh Grounds, Sans MOCO and all that is going on at 172 Main Street would not be here if not for prayer.

There is no secret agenda or special program. We circle around, briefly discuss a few current issues and then open the floor to anyone who wants to pray.

We invite you to come and listen, pray along silently or out loud. However it is that you are comfortable.

Nothing is impossible,

Marty Johnson



Greenville Alliance Women



<u>'Greenville's Alliance Women' Schedule for June, 2016</u>

Schedule for June, 2016

June 7 ~ GAW Evening Mtg., 7:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall

June 14 - GAW Prayer Time, 9:30 AM, in the Library

June 21 - GAW Prayer Time, 9:30 AM, in the Library

June 28 - GAW Prayer Time, 9:30 AM, in the Library

Thank you!

A special 'thank you' goes to all that helped to make our Mother/Daughter Banquet such a blessed event. To the committee that worked so hard to make all the ideas for it come together, the men that helped serve, to you women who brought such delicious, large dishes of food, to you who brought guests. Thank you!

June, 2016, Evening Meeting

We will be welcoming Meghan Pasquarello, a new International Worker Marketplace Ministries Worker, to our meeting on June 7th. Meghan will be leaving in August of this year as a new appointee. We look forward to hearing how God has called her to this new position. The men are invited to join us ladies to get to know Meghan. Please mark this as a top priority meeting to attend.



Missions Corner

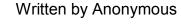






Missions Corner....There is Life in this Book







A friend had given him a New Testament before that friend returned to his home country. The successful businessman gladly received the gift, and he promptly put it on a shelf with his other books. It stayed there, unopened for a long time. This man went on with his everyday life, overseeing the work on his land and running his business. He had nice cars, beautiful property, and a growing family. Things were going well for him, yet his heart remained hungry.



One day, he looked at the books on his shelf. He had read all of them but one--and none of his other books had offered the answers and meaning his heart longed for. He picked up the New Testament, and thought, "Why not?" So he began to read.



Immediately, he realized this Book was different from all the others. This Jesus he read about was unique. His teachings! His miracles! His invitation to all who are weary and burdened to come unto Him and find rest for their souls! It was as if Jesus was speaking directly to him! . . . The man read on and on.

When he reached the fourth book of the New Testament, he read, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God" (John 1:1) As he continued reading, he understood that this was talking about Jesus, and he was amazed. He thought, "There is life in this Book!" The Holy Spirit continued to speak to him through the pages of the New Testament, and he gave his life to Christ. Suddenly, all of the things of the world that had meant so much to the man before no longer mattered. He had found life in Jesus--eternal life.

He had to tell the people he cared about. He had to let them know where they could find rest and eternal life as well. He also searched for other believers with whom he could find the kind of fellowship he read about in the New Testament. His search led him to an Alliance church in his country here in the Middle East, where he was welcomed and nurtured in his walk with Christ.

Eventually several in his immediate family joined him in his new-found faith. But many of his other relatives were not so receptive. When it became clear that his life was in danger, he decided to leave his country. He also left behind the cars and land, home and business, but he knew that he now had something far more valuable: a right relationship with his God and Savior. What more could he ask for? Why would he ever trade that for anything else?

In a new country now, trusting the Lord day by day, he continues to tell others of the Life he found in the Book. Please pray for this man who found the Way, the Truth, and the Life as he read the pages of the Bible. Pray for continued boldness and grace as he helps others find the Truth, and for clear leading by the Lord as this man seeks to follow the Lord's will for his life. Pray for others like him throughout the Middle East to also hear and respond to the voice of Jesus when they read the pages of Scripture.

The Christian and Missionary Alliance

"Missions is not an activity; it's not a thing that we do; it isn't even center to the church life. It is the hinge of history . . . When the job is done, then the King will come."

David L. Rambo

Birthdays and Anniversaries

BIRTHDAY - JUNE

- Abigail Ball Lois Hunter
- 2. Amber Rickert
- 3. Jeremy Morian Luke Morian Zina Long
- 4. Brenda Gregory Marie Julian
- 5. Linda Keller Ethan Seckinger Daisy Townsend
- 6. Jacob Rickert
- 9. Norma Beckdol Kelly Fenton Justin Stuyvesant
- 11. Eric Williams
- 12. Sandy Saxion
- Steve Brewer Neo Madden
- Mekhi Hawkins
 Don Richardson
 Cathy Snyder
- 16. Linda Shearer
- 17. Mary Ella Young
- 19. Dale Boyles
- Sherrill Callahan Jeff Villard
- 21. Dianne Downing
- 22. Rachael Gregory Izzy Iliev Ellie Phillips
- 23. Teri Rose
- MacKenzie Lambert Janice Williams
- 25. Taylor McClay
- 26. Eric Hawkins
- 27. Thomas Walker

ANNIVERSARY - JUNE

- Andy and Tracy Hatton
- 7. Ken and JoAnn Dietrich
- Jerry and Lois Hunter
- Sam and Linda Keller
- 18. Dewey and Grace Augustson
- 24. Jerry and Janet Harpst
- 27. Josh and Jeanette Rowley
- 28. Dean and Trish Gregory











BIRTHDAY - JULY

- Sam Keller
 Toby Rhoades
 Esther Stuyvesant
 Barb Worley
- Rachel Jones Becky Milliron
- 4. Peggy Cochran
- 8. Brenda Liszka
- 9. Tom Parker
- 11. Betty Marsh
- 16. Summer Rose
- 18. Brian Cox
- 21. Bobbye Sue Foster Earl (Ted) Palmiter Andrew Reckhart
- 22. Ray Young
- 23. Wendy Mallek
- 24. Gary Williams
- 27. Katie Melvin
- 28. Hayley Fenton Kyle McCartney Jonah Winklevoss
- 29. Ann Marie Walker
- Jay Kremm Lisbeth Toy
- 31. Greg Shank

ANNIVERSARY - JULY

- 1. Steve and Kate Tyson
- 4. Doug and Bonnie Prugh
- Darrin and Amber Rickert Jon and Bobbie Rochow John and Barb Worley
- 12. Philip and Phyllis Hoobler Keith and Rebecca Iverson
- 13. Chuck and Liz Bolster
- 15. Dick and Sheryl Miller
- 22. Bryan and Tracy Mohr Ray and Mary Ella Young
- 26. Ethan & Brittany Seckinger



23 Bible Reading Plans That Will Satisfy Anyone

A diverse and fairly comprehensive collection of Bible reading plans. All of them are easy to follow and most of them include a printable copy you can keep in your Bible.

alextran.org/23-bible-reading-plans

Examples from the website:

60 day overview

Every book in 61 days - key passages

Major events and people in 61 days

90 day overview

121 days of people in the Bible

180 day overview

The Bible in a year — 7 different ways

Short term commitments -2 week guided tour -10different kinds. For example: 2 weeks on the teachings of Jesus; 2 weeks on the life and teachings of Paul

30 days for new Christians

30 days in Psalms and Proverbs

30 days with Jesus

30 stories you've probably never heard

New Testament reading plans — 3 different ones

Other reading plans cited: Bible Gateway; One Year Bible Outline; Into Thy Word; Blue Letter Bible; Heartlight

Alex Tran says of himself: I am a disciple of Christ, an introverted people person and a computer programmer by education. (Graduated from Case Western Reserve University

PRAYER MEETINGS

The weekly prayer meetings are on Thursdays at 7:00 PM and on the first Sunday of each month. This is a time when individuals get together and pray for international workers, our country, the church ministries and for the requests that are shared by the church family. Please join us.

MANY THANKS for the beautiful flowers and cards, words of comfort and hugs from our church family at the passing of Connie's broth- Thank You Notes Brian, Connie and Corinna Cox



DEAR BROTHERS AND SISTERS AT GREENVILLE ALLIANCE

CHURCH, We are truly thankful for your willingness to open the doors of your beautiful facility to our Volunteer Appreciation Night. Our numbers have outgrown our building and yours was perfect! Our volunteers enjoyed the opportunity to see the new space. We pray for many, many years of seeing God glorified through all of you. In Christ,

Marty, Martha and Staff-Downtown Ministries

DEAR GREENVILLE CMA CHURCH, Thank you so much for giving to our vehicle fund. We are excited to let you know we were able to purchase a van for ministry here in Kosovo! Your support has been a blessing!

In His Service, Ben & Jessica Vreeland

THANKS — Thank you to everyone who gave to the first GAC Clothing Swap/Giveaway. It went very well. The remaining clothes went to the Marriage Encounter group to help fund the next Marriage Encounter weekend.



Welcome New Members

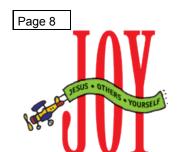
May 8th we welcomed three new members: Judy Mischick, Carol Nay and Bob Ramp.

May 15th we welcomed new member Jody Martin.

We are glad you are here!

THE DEACONESS MINISTRY is available to help our growing church family.

If you are in need or know of someone within the church family who is need of care in the month of June, please contact Tricia Gregory @ 724-301-6164. These members of the body are ready to serve when needed.



J.O.Y. Fellowship ++

J.O.Y. COOKOUT

The June meeting of J.O.Y. Fellowship will be on June 30. Watch your bulletin for more details.

J.O.Y. Fellowship is for all adults 50 years of age and over. Any questions about this event can be directed to Pastor Jerry Hunter.



MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

NOVEMBER 11-13, 2016
PARK INN, WEST MIDDLESEX, PA

Brochures are on the table in the lobby. Questions about this event can be directed to: Brian & Theresa Williams or Pastor Jerry.

HOLY LAND TRIP

Pastor Jerry Hunter is organizing another trip to the Holy Land from March 15-25, 2017. Information is on the table in the lobby.

CROSS COUNTY SHORELINERS

The six member a-cappella group will give a barbershop and gospel style vocal presentation during the 10:30 AM service on Sunday, June 5.

Invite your family and friends for this special event. Please note the regular 8:00 AM service will be held as usual.





BELIEVER'S BAPTISM

Believer's Baptism will be Sunday, July 3 at the 10:30 service. Sign-up in the lobby before June 20 if you are interested in learning more. Baptism brochures are at the Welcome Center and by the sign-up.

Note: There will be NO 8:00 AM service that day — one service only. Sunday School will be held.

Graduation Celebrations





Celebrate Jason's graduation from Jamestown High School on Saturday, June 4 from 3-6:30 PM at his home — 4085 Adams Road, Jamestown, PA 16134

Hannah Park

Will be graduated from Greenville High School on June 4, 2016. She will be attending Mercyhurst University in the fall to study Fashion Merchandising.

Open House — Sunday, June 12 from 4-7 PM at the ALC. Please RSVP to 724-967-4648 if planning to attend.

Abigail Kremm

Is graduating from Lincoln Park Performing Arts Charter School on Saturday, June 11, 2016.

She will be attending YSU for Communications. Her graduation party will be Saturday, July 23 from 4-8 at her home 29 McMinn Rd., Sharpsville.

All are welcome.





ALC YOUTH NIGHT

Basketball, Volleyball, Dodge...Avoidence Ball, Corn Hole, Board Games and more.

Every Friday from 3:30 pm to 6 pm in the Alliance Life Center Building

4 TWELVE—SUMMER DATES TO REMEMBER!

June 3-9 Jr. High Adventure Camp

June 6th — Summer Kick Off BBQ

Jr. & Sr. High

6-9:30 PM

Location to be determined

June 19-25 — His Work His Way

July 17-23 — Sr. High Teen Camp

July 27 — Presque Isle Beach Day

August 6-7 — Hiking Trip

Spend the night under the stars and worship God in His creation

Sunday morning

August 7-13 — Family Camp

See Dean or go to edinborocamp.com

for more information

His Work His Way





HIS WORK HIS WAY

JUNE 19-25, 2016

A start-up meeting and service will be at GAC Sunday, June 19 at 7:00 PM.

See the notice board in the lobby for items needed for the food list. Boxes for donations are in the lobby. **Items are due June 14**.

Some examples of food items are:

- ⇒ 24 jars spaghetti sauce 24 oz. or larger
- \Rightarrow 15 2 pound boxes Kraft Velveeta Cheese (no substitutes)
- \Rightarrow 30 1 pound boxes macaroni (elbow, rotini or small shells)
- \Rightarrow 6 pounds butter
- ⇒ 180 Air Nerd Bars
- ⇒ 10 dozen hamburger buns
- ⇒ 10 cases 12 oz. bottled water
- ⇒ 12 dozen cookies
- ⇒ 10 50 count boxes Variety Snack Bags
- ⇒ 8 large watermelons (<u>To Greenville High School 6/20</u>)
- \Rightarrow 30-1 pound bags coleslaw mix (**TO GREENVILLE HIGH SCHOOL 6/20**)

As you can see we need LOTS of food donations. No one person is expected to fill any category. Check the notice board and take a sticky note for what you would donate. It will have the item and the amount for an individual donation.

Continue to pray for Witness, Workers and Weather and Thank God for His provision....that He will do more abundantly beyond all that we ask or think, according to the power that works within us.



Edinboro Youth Camp

PLEASE CONSIDER SENDING YOUR CHILD TO CAMP THIS YEAR!

Training in Ministry (TIM) Camp Week — Ages 12-16 — June 14-19

Explorer — Ages 6-7 — June 17-19

Trailblazer — Ages 8-9 — June 19-25

Pathfinder — Ages 10-11 — June 26-July 2

Adventurer — Ages 12-14 — July 3-9

Teen Week — Ages 15-18 — July 17-23

Base 1 Camp Week — Ages 13-15 — July 11-16

Base 2 Camp Week — Ages 115-18 — July 25-30

Day Camp Weeks 1 & 2 — Age 5 - Grade 5 Camp Week 1 — June 20-24; Camp Week 2 — June 27-July 1

EDINBORO CAMP is first and foremost a camp that ministers to the spiritual needs of campers. We seek to keep the Lord Jesus Christ at the center of all activities. We strive to minister to the campers' all around needs including: spiritual, physical and emotional. Services are held daily with special speakers, music and missionaries. A variety of athletic and nonathletic activities are planned as well.

OUR MISSION is to glorify God by providing opportunities for followers of Christ to strengthen their spiritual walk through sound Biblical teachings and enriching Christian fellowship, and to reach out from a relationally Christ-centered environment to those who have yet to accept Jesus as their Savior and introduce them to Him.

Website: www.edinborocamp.org E-mail: edinborocamp@gmail.com



The Shoes

My alarm went off, it was Sunday again. I was tired, it was my one day to sleep in. But the guilt I'd have felt for the rest of the day would have been too much, so I'd go; I'd pray. I showered and shaved, adjusted suit and tie, got there and swung into a pew just in time, bowing my head in humble prayer.

Before I closed my eyes, I saw that the shoe of the man next to me was touching my own and I sighed. With plenty of room on either side, I thought, "why do our soles have to touch?" It bothered me so, he was glued to my shoe, but it didn't seem to bother him much. Then the prayer began: "Heavenly Father," someone said — but I thought, "Does this man with the shoes have no pride?" They were dusty, worn, scratched end to end. What's worse, there were holes on the side!

"Thank you for blessings," the prayer went on. The shoe man said a quiet "amen." I tried to focus on the prayer, but my thoughts were on his shoes again. Aren't we supposed to look our best when walking through that door? "Well, this certainly isn't it," I thought, glancing toward the floor.

Then the prayer ended and songs of praise began. The shoe man was loud, sounding proud as he sang. He lifted the rafters; his hands raised high, the Lord surely heard his voice from the sky.

Then the offering was passed, what I threw in was steep. The shoe man reached into his pockets, so deep, and I tried to see what he pulled out to put in, then I heard a soft "clink" as when silver hits tin.

The sermon bored me to tears and no lie — it was the same for the shoe man, for tears fell from his eyes.

At the end of the service, as is custom here, we must greet the visitors and show them good cheer. But I was moved inside to want to meet this man so after the closing, I shook his hand.

He was old, his skin dark, his hair a mess. I thanked him for coming, for being our guest. He said, "My name's Charlie, glad to meet you, my friend." And there were tears in his eyes but he had a wide grin. "Let me explain," he said, wiping his eyes. "I've been coming for months and you're the first to say, "Hi." I know I don't look like all the rest, but I always try to look my best. I polish my shoes before my long walk but by the time I get here they're as dirty as chalk."

My heart fell to my knees but I held back my tears. He continued, "And I must apologize for sitting so near but I know when I get here, I must look a sight, and I thought . . . If I touch you, our souls might unite."

I was silent for a moment knowing anything I said would pale by comparison, so I spoke from my heart, not my head. "Oh, you've touched me," I said. "And taught me, in part, that the best of a man is what's in his heart." The rest, I thought, this man will never know . . . How thankful I am that he touched my soul!

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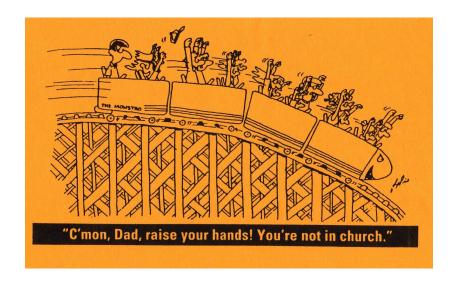




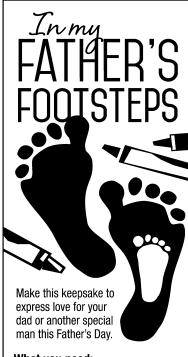
Soul Small Group

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Pathfinder's Camp at Edinboro June 26-July 2



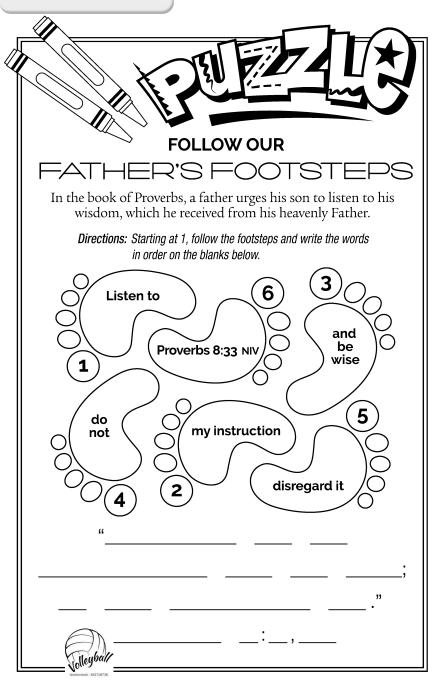
What you need:

- White construction paper (11" x 13" sheet)
- Pencil
- Black permanent marker
- Crayons or paint

What you do:

- 1. In the center of the paper, trace your foot in pencil. Darken the outline with marker.
- 2. Color or paint the footprint. Let it dry.
- 3. Trace your father's foot (same one) on top of your footprint (with yours in the middle of his).
- 4. Color or paint his footprint. Let it dry.
- 5. Sign your names and the date at the bottom.

Kids Page



Answer: "Listen to my instruction and be wise; do not disregard it." Proverbs 8:33, NIV

MINI SPORTS CLINIC — VOLLEYBALL

Saturday, June 18 — 10 am to 12 pm — Ages 6 through 12

At the clinic held in the ALC, you will learn the fundamentals of volleyball. This clinic will be for the novice as well as for those who already had experience playing volleyball. No sign-up needed, just come and enjoy!



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NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

If you have information that you would like put in the July, 2016 newsletter it must be submitted by June 15. Please put the information in the blue folder by the computer in the library, or use the newsletter e-mail address (listed above) to submit information.