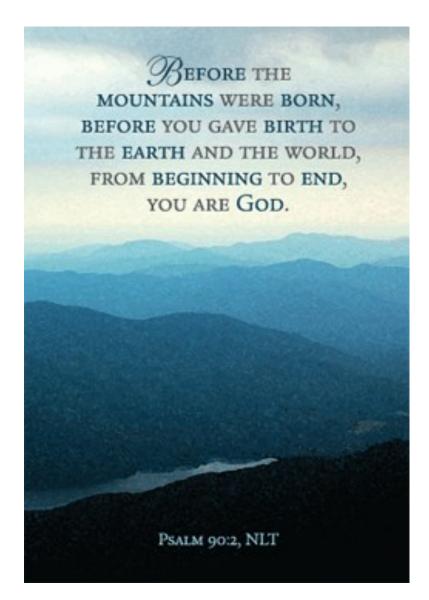
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Pastor's Corner

September 2016

"Brothers, we do not want you to be ignorant about those who fall asleep, or to grieve like the rest of men, who have no hope."

First Thessalonians 4:13 puts it so well, there is grief and hope. Joyce and I would like to thank all of you for your prayers, words of comfort and encouragement. It is truly amazing how our lives can change in a moment. Joyce and I have experienced God's strength, power and peace in so many tangible ways. Our hearts are so grateful for His provision. And yet we realize this is the beginning of our journey. For all of our family there are times of quiet rest and moments of heartache. At this point we still are looking for a text or phone call from Jed. And there are so many memories and thoughts that enter our hearts.

And we haven't figured out what this new normal looks like. What has been a comfort is that many of you have shared your wisdom as you have walked through similar situations.

Lastly, we have been clinging to the hope we have in Christ. One day we will be together and enjoy each other's company. That is our hope and truth, we have been resting in this. We are so thankful that even in grief we can look forward. Please keep praying for us. And don't be thrown off if at times we are distracted and a bit "fuzzy." We know we will journey together in the days ahead. Again, thank you all for your care and love, words aren't enough, but know you have ministered to us with the hands and voice of Jesus!

Love,

Pastor Nathan and Joyce

Dewey & Grace Augustson Faith Noelle Gibson Colton Thomas Ligo Gloria Bardella Mark Callander Levi Gill Carl Long Norma Beckdol Maxine Clark Joan Gow Betty Marsh Jim Blair Peg Cochran Ray Hammond Chuck McGonagle Shirley Brown Shirley Durney Sandy Hammond Cheryl Miller Donna Crawford Kitty Fenton Eileen Hanson Scott Shaffer Mable Heffer **Rollie Fenton** Ryan Hart Phyllis Smith Alice King Shirley Kiser **Dick Stanley** Jane King Twila White Fran Lazzar Nancy Lusk houghts & rayers

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Pastor Nathan Seckinger

Church Ministries

NURSERY HELPERS We are in need of adult volunteers for the nursery. If you are interested in helping, speak with Linda Shearer. The church will pay for the background check if one is needed.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE SHOEBOXES will be coming soon. Just a reminder, school supplies will be on sale at this time of year. This would be a good time to purchase those little extras you might want to add to your shoeboxes.

MEN'S LINK—GEAR UP! Calling men of all ages including young men age 10 and older to the Mahaffey Camp on September 16 and 17. This retreat is perfect for men who want to recharge, refocus and redefine their purpose. Brochures in the lobby.



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COLLEGE AND CAREER—Going to college or in the military? Please make sure to give your address for college or for where you are stationed to the church office ASAP so the church family can stay connected when you are away.



TRUNK OR TREAT — Primetime is looking for

volunteers for Trunk or Treat on Wednesday,

October 26 from 6-8 PM. Sign up soon. If you

have any questions, contact Melissa Villard.

Potluck Dinner

After the 10:30 AM service

September 11

PICKLE BALL will have a change of time for the fall beginning Tuesday, September 6. The new day/time will be Tuesdays from 7-9 PM in the ALC building. Teens and adults are invited to participate. Sign up in the lobby if interested. See Ken Dietrich if you have any questions.

ENSEMBLE — Rehearsals for Ensemble will

begin on Sunday, September 18 at 6 PM. If

you have questions about practice, cantatas

or the music ministry, contact Mary Ella

helping hand.

The Good Shepherd requests for SEPTEMBER are

PASTA, RICE OR DRY GRAINS. Please bring do-

nations to the church and put them in the

Good Shepherd Center container in the coat

room by SEPTEMBER 25. We should all

try to participate as this is a ministry

of our church to those who need a



<u>THE DEACONESS MINISTRY</u> is available to help our growing church family. If you are in need or know of someone with-

in the church family who is need of care in the month of September, please contact Joan Grinnell @ 724-815-7660. These members of the body are ready to serve when needed.

Remember the local SALVATION ARMY donations. Suggested items are rice, canned vegetables, canned fruit, tuna, gravy, mac 'n' cheese, spaghetti sauce or boxed



dinners. Please put any donations for the Salvation Army in the coat closet at the top of the stairs off of the lobby.







Greenville Alliance Women



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

Schedule for September, 2016

September 6	~	Monthly Evening Meeting with
		International Worker – men invited
September 13	~	GAW Prayer Time, 9:30 AM, in the Library
September 20	~	GAW Prayer Time, 9:30 AM, in the Library
September 27	~	GAW Prayer Time, 9:30 AM, in the Library

We have 7 ladies that are praying with us at 9:30 AM on Tuesday morning in their homes as they are unable to be at the meeting in the Library. If you would like to be part of this group that pray in their homes at this specific time please let Alice Myers know.

What is the Greenville Alliance Women?

Description of Ministry

In 1914 a group of Alliance women united for a common purpose and thus became a basis for the National "Great Commission Women" of today with their objectives being that every Alliance woman would be involved with missions, a praying woman touching lives and reaching out, a giving woman, a sharing woman, a helping woman and a world Christian. Our 'Greenville Alliance Women' is a local group of this auxiliary organization of the Christian and Missionary Alliance denomination and is for any woman who is affiliated with our Greenville Alliance Church! It is for women of all ages, shapes, sizes and color! It is for women who love the Lord and want to serve Him in missions, prayer, fellowship and outreach.

Opportunities to serve in the ministry

To accomplish the above objectives our "Greenville Alliance Women", the local group has monthly evening meetings, weekly daytime prayer times and service projects where we ask for everyone's help during the year. These projects are the saving of cancelled stamps, used all-occasion cards, Campbell UPC Codes, used eye glassed and small pill bottles. We need ladies to volunteer to help with our projects, our outreaches such as Mother/Daughter Banquets, Mission Conference Breakfasts, be willing to accept different offices in Alliance Women, prayers, financial support so we can help our International Workers from W PA and be able to have them (when they are on home assignment every 4 years) come and share their ministries with us, plus many other activities that one can be involved in. Fellowship among our ladies is a priority. We desire your help.



Missions Corner

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Missions Corner....The Spirit of the Lord has sent me

By Esther Schaeffer in Burkina Faso,



After almost a year stateside, I was anxious to make my first visit to the Bobo prison. Our prison ministry team made regular prison visits during my absence and they let me know which women prisoners had been released during this past year and which new ones I would meet. I was especially eager to reconnect with Bibata, a bitter woman who had been imprisoned for a few years.



As we went through security yesterday, the guards greeted us warmly and we had a good meeting with the women prisoners. But Bibata was not there. When we came out of the courtyard where the women are kept, we passed a small cement cubicle about the size of a phone booth. It had no windows, just a tiny screened area above the locked metal door. When we asked the guards about the cubicle, they informed us that my friend Bibata obtained contraband and had been disrespectful. So, five days earlier, she was locked in that crowded cubicle with no bathroom, no place to lie down, only extreme heat and loneliness.

"Had Bibata heard us singing in the courtyard?" I wondered. "Had she heard my voice when we passed by her cubicle and realized I was back?" I was heartbroken to think of anyone in such a sorry state in that tiny cubicle. But not my friend Bibata, for whom I have been praying!

Bibata is in a visible prison. But I wonder, "How many people do you and I pass by every day that are in spiritual bondage, alone and without hope?" Jesus said: "The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, for he has anointed me to bring Good News to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim that captives will be released, that the blind will see, that the oppressed will be set free, and that the time of the Lord's favor has come" (Luke 4:18). That is how we long to be used in Burkina Faso.

Please pray with us that our heavenly Father will anoint us to bring good news of freedom to those who are held captive by fear, by anger, by hatred, by our own common enemy. Pray that we will be useful in building up Christ's body so that together we can be instruments of peace and hope and freedom. We are so grateful for you who send us, who stand with us in this work, and who share our burden for those in captivity.

The Christian and Missionary Alliance

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"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 - SEPTEMBER

- 1. Nathan White
- 2. Ron Park
- Mable Heffer John Kokoski Ron McDonald
- Edwina Johnson Sharin Mody Tracy Mohr
- 8. JoAnn Dietrich Tracy Hatton
- 9. Trent Reeves
- 13. Marjorie Brooks
- 15. Erin Scheib Bob Watson
- 16. Devin Sulick
- 17. Hannah Park Chris Parker Linda Rhoades
- 18. Nellie Beilstein
- 20. Deb Spaulding
- 21. Kyle Miller
- 25. Peggy Blair
- 26. Melanie McCartney Carol Nay
- 27. Mary Krall Ken Shepard Ashley Villard
- 29. Alyssa Gregory Nancy Stanley
- Jeanette Rowley Bill Sorg Paul Williams

ANNIVERSARY - SEPTEMBER

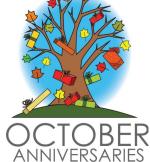
- 7. Don and Mary Richardson
- 11. Bill and Kathleen Sorg
- 13. Sid & Talleha Walker
- 14. Rich and Stacy Miller











BIRTHDAY - OCTOBER

- 1. Jamie Ball
- 3. Georgia McClimans
- 4. Aleen Danner
- Dale Shearer
 Sid Walker
- 7. Lexi Banic
- Nathan Seckinger
- 12. Joe Aversa
- 13. Kaitlyn Fenton Ava Park
- 14. Ian Rickert
- 16. Melinda Hawkins Keith Mody Jamie Park
- 17. Philip Hoobler Lacy Jones Linda Swogger
- 18. Levi Miller Tom Uber
- 20. Bob Callahan Cindy Miller
- 21. Jason Liszka Chloe McLaughlin
- 22. Bob Brooks Theresa Williams
- 23. Alice King Dave Myers
- 25. Annie Ball
- 27. Chuck Bolster

ANNIVERSARY - OCTOBER

- 1. Ron and Jamie Park
- 4. Michael and Wendy Mallek
- 6. Tom and Kathi Parker
- 7. Jeff and Brenda Raney
- 9. Joe and Elaine Aversa Eric and Sue Rinella
- 10. Earl (Ted) & Marilyn Palmiter Gary and Carol Williams
- 12. Mark and Terri Hoffacker Steve and Melanie McCartney Denny & Sandi Mowry Dave and Lori Reeves
- 13. Rollie and Kitty Fenton
- 14. Brian and Mary Krall
- 16. Mark and Debbie Madden Matt and Becky Williams
- 18. Dick & Hazel Shollenberger

Prayer Concerns, Notes of Thanks and Church Family News Page 7



We express our deepest sympathy to Pastor Nathan, Joyce, Ethan and Brittany and their family for the loss of their loved one. Their son, brother, grandson, nephew and friend, **JEDIDIAH SECKINGER**, went to be with the Lord August 2.

We give our sympathy to Brenda and Bob Ramp and their family for their recent loss. **JOHN FRY**, Brenda's father, passed away August 4.

We give our sympathy to Pegge Clark and her family. Pegge's daughter-in-law, **THEA CLARK**, passed away August 13.

We share with the church family that **MARY CORBETT**, one of our nursing home residents, passed away in July. She previously attended J.O.Y. activities.





Shirley Kiser 106 Valley Circle Warren, Ohio 44484 330-856-7103

OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE — The trustees need a volunteer to check the gutters at the parsonage and fellowship hall and, if needed, to clean them out. If you are willing to complete this task or have questions, please contact Earl (Ted) Palmiter.

THANKS—We would like to thank our church family for the cards, flowers and support during this difficult time. It's truly comforting having the love and support of Greenville Alliance Church. May God bless each one of you.

Rodney & Patti Lewandowski

DEAR CHURCH FAMILY, On behalf of my family, I want to thank all of you for the support you showed during my brother Joe's illness and passing. All the prayers and cards were appreciated. Special thanks to Pastor Jerry for his visits and officiating the service; Pastor Nathan for his visits and Alliance Women for preparing the meal. In Christian Love, Liz Bolster

THANK YOU to the church family for your thoughtfulness, prayers, food and flowers at the time of the passing of our loved one.

The Clark and Chapman families

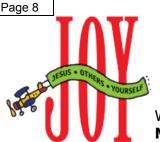
THANKS — To Our CMA Family, Thank you so much for the gift of the Peace Lily for my dad's funeral and for sending us a card of sympathy. In times like these we rely on the strength of our Lord and His people. Thank you again. Bob and Brenda Ramp-family of James L. Fry

If you've missed worship at Greenville Alliance for a couple of weeks, please be aware of the **New UPDATED TRAFFIC FLOW**. The South entrance is an **ENTRANCE ONLY** except for those who park in the front lot for which it is an **EXIT**. The remainder of the parking lot is **ONE WAY** with traffic going around the sanctuary and the ALC with separate **EXIT** lanes for those turning north and south. JP and Nichole Aversa welcomed a baby boy, NICHOLAS JOSEPH AVERSA, on July 18. He joins his two big sisters, MarDann and Avery, who are very excited! Blessings to the family.

On July 30 ALYSSA MURPHY and DILLON BABCOCK were united in marriage. We give them our congratulations.



J.O.Y. Fellowship



Announcing our Fall J.O.Y. Bus Trip September 8, 2016

Where? We will leave the church parking lot at 8:00 AM and first tour the **WARTHER MUSEUM & CARVINGS** in Dover, OH. Time will be spent watching hand wood carving and see their famous steam locomotive collection, including the Funeral Train of Abra-

ham Lincoln. There will be time to visit their gift shop as well as the **Button House**" which includes items made from a total of 73,000 buttons!

Next we will travel to **DUTCH VALLEY** and enjoy an authentic Amish meal which you can order from the menu. Then to walk it off we can shop at the **DUTCH VALLEY MARKET** with a wide variety of cheeses and other items. As well there is the **DUTCH VALLEY GIFT SHOP** and another shop called "**THE COOP**".

We should arrive back home between 6:30 and 7:00 PM.

The cost is \$35 per person for the bus trip and the **WARTHER MUSEUM** and tour. Lunch and shopping are extra. Make all checks payable to Pastor Jerry Hunter and mark it for the J.O.Y bus trip. Sign up sheet to follow. Don't miss this event!!

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.

Reservations for the bus trip have been filled. We hope everyone has a great time.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND NOVEMBER 11-13, 2016 PARK INN, WEST MIDDLESEX, PA

Brochures are on the table in the lobby. The purpose for this ministry opportunity is to help you...rekindle the romance in your marriage, discover how to share more intimately, renew the love, hope and joy in your marriage and learn to better understand your marriage. 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.

LIVING CHRISTIANITY

In the home it's KINDNESS

In business it's HONESTY

In society it's COURTESY

In work it's FAITHFULNESS

Toward the unfortunate it's PITY

Toward the weak it's HELP

Toward the strong it's TRUST

Toward the penitent it's FORGIVENESS

Toward the fortunate it's CONGRATULATION

Toward God it's OBEDIENCE.

Vacation Bible School









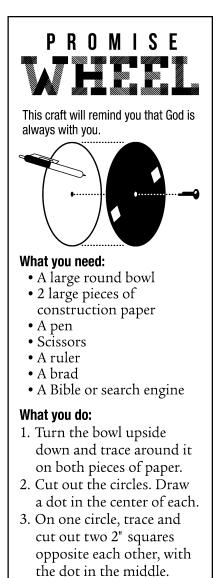


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- 4. Align the dots and place the brad through both circles.
- 5. In the space left by one square, write a fear you have. Then write a comforting Bible verse in the other square.
- 6. Rotate the circle to a new blank space, and write another fear and verse.

Kids Page

God always watches over us, during good times and bad.

'HE LORD WILL

Directions: Connect the dots, according to the instructions below. Then use the

resulting word to complete the Bible verse.

Start at 19. Draw from 19-18, 18-17. 47-62, 62-77. 22-21, 21-20. 50-51. 82-81, 81-80, 80-65, 65-50, 50-35, 35-20. 24-38, 38-53. 24-40, 40-55. 17-32. 47-48. 32-47. 26-41, 41-56, 56-71, 71-86. 56-57, 57-58. 55-54, 54-53, 53-68, 68-83. 55-70, 70-85. 58-43. 57-73, 73-88. 43-28, 28-27, 27-26.

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Answer: fear

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