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*Real People
Relevant Ministry
Renewed Hearts*



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May

5- National Day of Prayer

10:00 am: Senior Adult

7:00 pm: Ladies Bible Study

7- 8:00 am: Men's Breakfast & Bible Study

8- Mother's Day

10- 6:00 pm: Youth Night!

12 - 10:00 am: Senior Adults

14- 11:00 am: Mother/Daughter Banquet

17- 6:00 pm: Youth Night

19- 10:00 am: Senior Adults

20 - 7:00 pm: Multicultural

22- 11:00am: Multicultural Event

24- 6:00 pm: Youth Night!

26- 10:00am: Senior Adults

29- 12:30 pm: "Get to Know Us"

30 - Memorial Day - Office Closed

31- Office Closed

Wednesday's:

Adult Bible Study: 7:00 pm

TeamKID: 6:45 pm

Welcome to the month of May. It seems like I should be writing about February or March, but here we are in the fifth month of the year already. Since it is May, I would like to share some very important "mays" in the Bible with you, if I may. Just for fun, keep track of how many times you see the word "may" in this article. Who knows, you just may have some fun. So far, there have been 6.

There are 1306 "mays" in the Bible. It all started in the garden. The very first "may" was given by God in Genesis 2: 16 And the LORD God commanded the man, saying, "Of every tree of the garden you may freely eat. You may remember that there was one exception and man chose to disobey God's commandment. Years past and man became sinful and God brought judgment in the form of the flood. It may appear that the same thing is happening today with all of the rain we've had this spring. You may remember after the flood, Noah prophesied over his 3 sons. Genesis 9: 27 May God enlarge Japheth and may he dwell in the tents of Shem; and may Canaan be his servant."

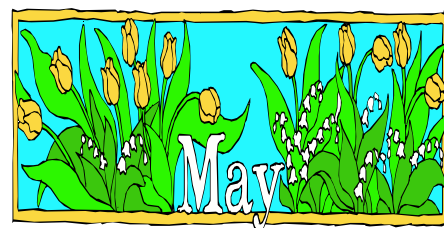
The next "may" may be found when man tried to build a society without God in Genesis 11: 7 Come, let Us go down and there confuse their language, that they may not understand one another's speech." Years later, God called Abraham to be the father of the nation of Israel, so that God may bless the world through His own people.

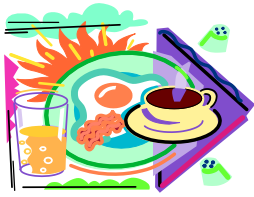
Israel became a large nation while in bondage in Egypt. God called Moses, so that God may use him to set His people free. Exodus 3: 10 Come now, therefore, and I will send you to Pharaoh that you may bring My people, the children of Israel, out of Egypt." After the Exodus, God called Moses' brother, Aaron to be the first priest of Israel. This is the blessing that was to be spoken over the people. Numbers 6: 24 "May the LORD bless you and may the Lord keep you; 25 May His face

shine upon you and may He be gracious to you; 26 May the LORD lift up His countenance upon you and may He give you peace."

David cries out in Psalm 24: 3 Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? Who may stand in His holy place? You may or may not know God's answer to that question. Verse 5 says, "He shall receive blessing from the LORD and righteousness from the God of his salvation." This is God's promise being fulfilled that was given to Abraham, that all of the world may be blessed. The ultimate fulfillment of this blessing may be seen in the coming of Jesus. You may have heard of Him. Ephesians 3: 14 For this reason I bow my knees to the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, 15 from whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, 16 May He grant you, according to the riches of His glory, may you be strengthened with might through His Spirit in the inner man, 17 that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith; may you, being rooted and grounded in love, 18 may you be able to comprehend with all the saints what is the width and length and depth and height- 19 to know the love of Christ which passes knowledge; that you may be filled with all the fullness of God. May the Lord bless the reading of His Word. How many "mays" did you find?

God bless you and your family,
Pastor Robert





MEN'S BIBLE STUDY & BREAKFAST

Men, come join us on Saturday, May 7th @ 8:00 am at IHOP in Germantown, then we will return to the church for

Bible Study. All men are welcome to attend. For more information, see Pastor Robert.

“Get To Know Us” Fellowship

You are invited to join us on Sunday, May 29th, following the morning worship service. We will meet in Room #6 for a time of fellowship with a cup of coffee, tea or punch and delicious goodies! Join us as we “get to know” each other.

“With Heartfelt Thanks”

Dear GBC,
Thank you for making me feel so loved and blessed on Administrative Professional Day! It was such a treat to receive the delicious fruit bouquet.
Thank you for your love and support,
Kimberly Walker

GBC Family,
I want to thank you for the flowers, cards, prayers and your visits after my surgery. I am still improving, keep on praying for me. Also, thanks to the families that brought us dinners.
Love In Christ, Evelyn Thomas

Dear GBC Family & Friends,
We deeply appreciated the beautiful flowers and the wonderful luncheon after Mom’s funeral. Thank you for your support at this sad time.
Sincerely,
The Family of Lois Sutphin Burdette

Directory Update

Please make the following change in your church directory.
New telephone number:
Gina Takemori - (240) 715-2263



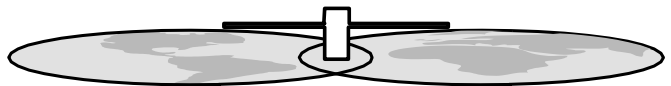
OASIS
(Older Adults Sharing In Service)

Dear GBC Seniors,

Join us on May 5th at 10 am for focused prayer for our government, state & county leaders, our church families, our military and for revival in our nation.

We encourage all senior adults to join our fellowship on Thursday’s at 10 am. Our time together is filled with joy, laughter, games and hearing & study of God's word. The week before resurrection Sunday we were blest with an in-depth study of John 3:16 led by Calista Umberger.

Carole Fusco



MULTICULTURAL NEWS!

As you may know that people in Zimbabwe have gone through difficult time especially those living in rural/village area. This project is inspired by our sister, Freda, who has been shipping basic items such as used clothes, dry foods, school supplies, etc. to help them out. We would like to be part of this ministry and are collecting items through out the year. There will be a list of items what we are collecting this month on the Educational wall. If you would like to donate, please put them in the designated box marked "ZIMBABWE PROJECT".

Monthly Fellowship

The Multicultural Group will have their monthly fellowship meeting on May 20th @ 7:00 pm. Please see bulletin for location. We will be having a potluck-dinner, praise and worship, devotion time, testimony sharing and prayers. This is a good opportunity get to know more about each other, encourage one another, and build each other up.

For more information, please contact Gil Gurrea

MULTICULTURAL CELEBRATION

Please join us on Sunday, May 22 at 11:00 am for a time of Worship, Praise, Thanksgiving, and Testimony as we hear from God’s children around the world! Following the service there will be a potluck luncheon. Bring you favorite ethnic dish to share with all. Please bring enough for your family plus two more people. The church will provide the beverages.

Ushers for May



- 1- Rick Simms, Steve Foster, Gary Cavell, Ryan Lentz
- 8- Brett Whitworth, Dan Cavell, John King, Mike Lentz
- 15- Howard Crogan, Chris McKee Chris Lentz, Bill Stanton
- 22- Eddie Brassell, Ngata Nganga, Percy Jones, Tyler Walker
- 29- Tom Beavers, Kenny Solomon, Rick Simms, Gary Cavell



Greeters for May

- 1- Lindsay Walker & Evette Gurrea
- 8- Ivette Lopez & Armelia Brassell
- 15- Sharon Stuart & Bud Whitworth
- 22- Frankie Kline & Penny Gardner
- 29- Alicia King & Jacquelynn Whitworth



Co-ed Softball Schedule



Come cheer on our 32 softball players. All double-header games are played on Saturday afternoons at 5:00 p.m.

Game Schedule:

- May 7 Derwood at Strawberry Knoll Park
- May 14 Burtonsville at Strawberry Knoll Park
- May 21 1st Baptist Rockville at Blueberry Hill Park
- June 4 Shady Grove at Strawberry Knoll Park
- June 11 Atonement at Nike Missile Park
- June 18 Good Shepherd at Nike Missile Park
- June 25 Redeemer at Strawberry Knoll Park

Contact the team coaches Eddie Brassell (301-498-7441) or Janice Crogan (301-831-8056) if you have any questions or need directions to the fields.



National Day of Prayer 2011

The 60th Annual National Day of Prayer will take place Thursday, May 5, 2011. Millions will unite in prayer at thousands of events from coast to coast. The theme, "A Mighty Fortress is Our God", is based on the verse from **Psalm 91:2** which states: "I will say of the Lord, He is my refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust."

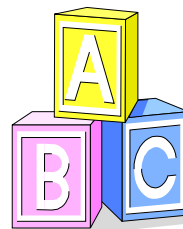
GBC Family, please join us on this Day of Prayer. The church will be open from 7:00 am - 7:00 pm on Thursday, May 5th for you to come and pray. You are invited to pray in the sanctuary. Please be respectful of other that are praying when you arrive by entering the sanctuary quietly and leaving in the same manner. The side door of the church will remain unlocked during these hours.

For more information, please contact Ngata Nganga.



Annie Armstrong Offering

We praise God for His blessing on this offering, as we received \$3,741. God bless each of you for giving to the ministry of our missionaries.



CONGRATULATIONS

**Hailey Michelle
Born: April 27, 2011**

**Proud Grandparents:
Eddie & Armelia Brassell**

SIS (Sisters In Spirit)



May Bible Study Schedule

Thursday, May 5: 7:00 pm

Mother/Daughter Luncheon

Mothers & Daughters, you are invited to join us for lunch at Dutch's Daughter in Frederick on Saturday, May 14th @ 11:00 am. Please see bulletin board for sign-up information.

Casual Dress Attire- please no jeans.

Cost:

Active GBC Attendees: \$10 per person

All Others:\$18 per person

Please sign-up, pay and return your menu form to Kimberly Walker by Sunday, May 8th.

Our ladies ministry, "S.I.S" is open to all ladies. Please join us for Bible study or our monthly activities. We would love to have you open God's Word and fellowship with us. If you have any suggestions or would like more information about this ministry, please feel free to contact me.

Love In Christ, Kimberly Walker

Thank you to those who placed lilies in the sanctuary for Resurrection Sunday.



- Tom & Louise Beavers in memory of parents, brothers and sister

- Randy & Vicky Smith praying for full recovery for Shar

- Jeff & Dawn Nichol in memory of George Beck, Jr.

- Marilyn Patton in memory of Bill and Beca Williamson

MEMORIAL ★ DAY

Monday, May 30, 2011

"Remember Our Fallen"

Church Office will be closed:

Monday, May 30 & Tuesday, May 31, 2011



What's Going GBC Youth?

#1: Tuesday Night Bible Study! _____ Join the Youth (grades: 7th-12th) every Tuesday night from 6 pm- 8pm! There will be team challenge games, Student Life Character Bible Study, prayer, fun & fellowship! This night is set apart just for YOU! Bring you friends, wear closed- toe shoes, warm clothes, and your BIBLE! If you don't have your own Bible, there are _____ Bibles at the church you can borrow or see Pastor Robert and he will get you one! It's that simple!

#2: Student Life Camp! _____ Student Life Camp will be July 18-22, 2011 at Liberty University! This summer the youth will be having fund-raiser to help earn their money for camp. Please watch the bulletin for fund-raiser times and locations! You don't want to miss out! Only those Youth who participate in the fund-raisers will earn money towards their SL Camp balance.

For more info on Youth Events, please contact Pastor Robert or Kimberly Walker, Youth Leaders.

TEAMKID CLUB

We invite all kids grades K - 6th to TeamKID on Wednesday nights at 6:45 pm. TeamKID is a high- energy ministry that encourages kids to know Jesus Christ and to grow in a relationship with Him. All parts of TeamKID - Bible stories, Scripture memory, life application, missions and recreation - connect to teach life lessons to kids. Please come and be part of this exciting club at GBC!

For more information or to register your child, please contact Kimberly Walker

Learning about God - Using the Bible- Living for Jesus



**Sunday,
May 8, 2011**

Directory of Services

Sunday

Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship & Junior Church 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday

Youth Bible Study & Fellowship Time 6:00 p.m.

Wednesday

TeamKID (K - 6th Grade) 6:45 p.m.
Adult Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

Thursday

Senior Adult Ministry 10:00 a.m.

Thursday (1st Week)

Ladies Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

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