

THE SHINING LIGHT

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**Real People
Relevant Ministry
Renewed Hearts**



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September

- 1- 10:00 am: Senior Adults
- 4 - Sunday School Promotions
- 5- Labor Day (office closed)
- 6 - Church Office Closed
- 6- 6:00 pm – Youth Night!
- 9 - 7:00 pm: Youth Fear Factor
- 11- 12:15 pm: Church Council
- 13- 6:00 pm: Youth Night!
- 15- 10:00 am: Senior Adults
- 16 - 7:00 pm: Multicultural
- 18- 12:15 pm: Church Dinner
- 20- 6:00 pm: Youth Night
- 24 - Secret Sister Luncheon
- 25 - 12:30 pm: “Get to Know Us”
- 27 - 6:00 pm: Youth
- 30 - Beth Moore Conference

Wednesday's:

6:45 pm: Team KID

7:00 pm: Adult Bible Study

I'm sure that some of you parents are happy that your kids will be going back to school. This is the first year that I can say that I have a college student. Man! That makes me feel old. Hopefully, you enjoyed this summer, even though it seemed to pass by in a blink. It seems a little strange that we actually begin our new school year in September rather than in January.

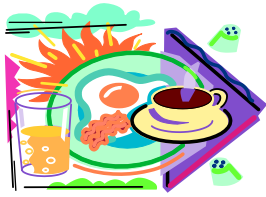
The Old Testament celebrated the Day of Atonement as the beginning of their new year. *Leviticus 23: 26 And the LORD spoke to Moses, saying: 27 "Also the tenth day of this seventh month (Tishri-September/October) shall be the Day of Atonement. It shall be a holy convocation for you; you shall afflict your souls, and offer an offering made by fire to the LORD. 28 And you shall do no work on that same day, for it is the Day of Atonement, to make atonement for you before the LORD your God.* The Day of Atonement was the day that the nation humbled itself before the Lord to remove the sins of the nation.

This was the ceremony of the scapegoat. 2 Goats were used. *Leviticus 16: 8 And Aaron shall cast lots upon the two goats; one lot for the LORD, and the other lot for the scapegoat. 9 And Aaron shall bring the goat upon which the LORD'S lot fell, and offer him for a sin offering. 10 But the goat, on which the lot fell to be the scapegoat, shall be presented alive before the LORD, to make an atonement with him, and to let him go for a scapegoat*

into the wilderness. The writer of Hebrews tells us that Jesus fulfilled both roles. He was the One who was sacrificed for all sin, once and for all. It no longer required an annual ceremony. The Old Testament ritual was a picture of what Jesus would do through His own blood. *Hebrews 13: 12 Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. 13 Therefore let us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach. 14 For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come. 15 Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name.*

We can thank God that we don't have to repeat a Day of Atonement each and every year. Jesus has provided a one-time atonement for all time. Atonement simply means to reconcile two parties together. Jesus has reconciled fallen man back to a holy God by paying our sin debt. Now there is "at-onement" with God. We are at one with Him through Christ.

God bless you and your family,
Pastor Robert



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY & BREAKFAST

The Men's Bible Study & Breakfast will meet again on Saturday, October 1st, due to the Labor Day holiday.

Prayer Gathering



Due to the Labor Day holiday, the next Church Wide Prayer Gathering will be held on Saturday, October 1st @ 10:00 am.



CHURCHWIDE DINNER

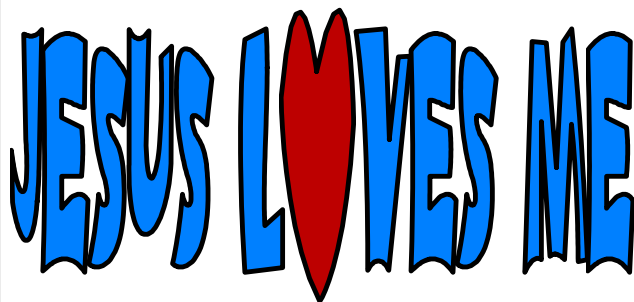
You are invited to join us on Sunday, September 18th following the morning service for a church dinner. Please bring a covered dish, enough for your family, plus 2 more. The church will provide the beverages. Hope to see you there!

Thank you, Kitchen Committee

"GET TO KNOW US" FELLOWSHIP

Please join us on Sunday, September 25th after the morning Worship Service for a brief time of fellowship with each other. Light snacks, coffee & punch will be served.



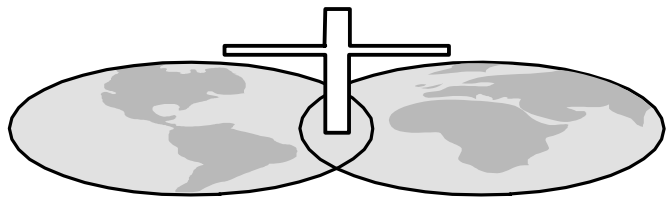


OASIS
(Older Adults Sharing In Service)

Again this year we collected school supplies for Germantown and Clopper Mill Elementary Schools. We will be delivering two large boxes to each school, filled with notebooks, dividers, paper, pencils & pencil boxes, colored pencils, rulers, glue, crayons, scissors, erasers, calculators, backpacks, tissues, Clorox wipes, etc. Also, included in these items were cloth backpacks which the OASIS group completed, decorating them by hand. These are for kindergarten children. The ladies and gentlemen did a great job with their free hand decorations. God blessed us with an abundance of supplies because you cared. THANK YOU!

Carole Fusco

OASIS



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

Join us for a Multicultural Fellowship on Friday, September 16th in the GBC Basement. Potluck dinner starts at 7pm, followed by singing worship songs, a devotional Bible study, sharing testimonies and prayers. Looking forward to fellowship with you.

For more information, please contact:

Gil Gurra @ 301-775-5349.

Ushers for September



- 4 - Rick Simms, Tyler Walker, Ryan Lentz, Mike Lentz
- 11 - Ngata Nganga, Bill Stanton, Steve Foster, Chris Lentz
- 18- Howard Crogan, Brett Whitworth, Eddie Brassell, Percy Jones
- 25- John King, Kenny Solomon, Dan Cavell, Tom Beavers

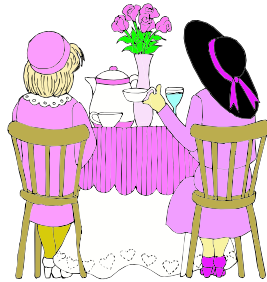
Greeters for September



- 4 - Mike King & Wimberly King
- 11- Dawn Nichol & Tina Simms
- 18 - Evette Gurrea & Lindsay Walker
- 25- Armelia Brassell & Ivette Lopez

Secret Sisters Luncheon

All ladies are invited to attend the annual Secret Sisters luncheon. The luncheon is planned for September 24 at 11:30 a.m. The location, details and sign up sheet are posted on the activity bulletin board. Come join the fun – current Secret Sisters will be revealed and gifts exchanged. Those who like to participate next year will draw a name of a lady and be their Secret Sister by sending her notes, or small tokens of remembrance for their birthday, anniversary or special occasions during the year.



**WEEK OF PRAYER FOR STATE MISSIONS
SEPTEMBER 11 - 18, 2011**

Pray for our state missionaries and prayerfully consider what God would have you give towards our church goal of \$1800. God loves a cheerful giver.



" WITH HEARTFELT THANKS"

Thank you to the church for all your prayers, cards, visits, and fruit arrangement while I was in the hospital and recuperating at home from quadruple pneumonia. I am thankful for such a caring church family.

Howard Crogan

Church Family,

Thank you for your prayers, cards and fruit/flower basket.

God Bless, Evelyin King

Operation Christmas Child

Don't forget while shopping for school to add a couple school supplies for the upcoming Operation Christmas child shoeboxes.

Following are monthly shopping suggestions to make shoe box filling easy.

- September school supplies
- October Hard Candy
- November small toys to complete your

Change of Address

Ike & Jean Harrell
 18003 Mateny Rd. #105
 Germantown, MD 20874
 301-540-8229

Mae White
 18003 Mateny Rd. #202
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SIS (Sisters In Spirit)



Beth Moore Conference
September 30 - October 1, 2011
Final balance due by: September 11th

NEW BIBLE STUDY!

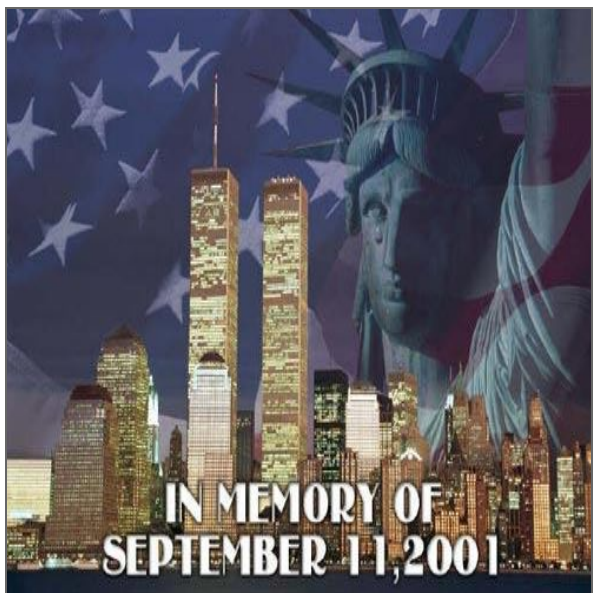
You can't escape life's interruptions, but you can change your perspective on them.

Join us for JONAH: Navigating A Life Interrupted

Learn how to see life's interruptions as divine interventions. Beginning Thursday, October 20th @ 7pm. The study will continue for 6 weeks on the first & third Thursday of each month. The cost is \$12 for each member book. Sign up today!

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



Remember to keep the families who were affected by this tragedy in your prayers.



What's Going On With 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, 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: FEAR FACTOR PARTY!

What are your fears? What things gross you out? Are you ready to face them? Come join us on Friday, September 9th here at the church at 7:00 pm for a great time of games, challenges and lots of gross things. We will have pizza! Youth, bring a dessert!

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

TEAMKID CLUB IS BACK!

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

Lord's Supper

Please join us in observance of The Lord's Supper on Sunday, September 4th during the 11:00 am Worship Service. We have open communion at our church, all Believers In Christ are welcomed to participate.

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 (1ST & 3RD)

Senior Adult Ministry 10:00 a.m.

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