



## Weekly Newsletter – Sunday, January 11, 2026

Office hours: Mon / Wed / Fri 9:00am-3:00pm.

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### God's View on Racism

Racism doesn't start with policies or headlines. It starts when we stop seeing people the way God sees them. Scripture is clear about that, even when we're not always comfortable with what it exposes about our hearts.

From the very beginning, God settles the question of human value. "So God created mankind in his own image..." (Genesis 1:27). Not some people. Not certain cultures. All of us. God's image isn't divided up or handed out in portions. Every person carries it fully.

As you move through the Bible, you notice a pattern. God keeps pulling His people toward those they'd rather avoid—the foreigner, the outsider, the one who doesn't fit their assumptions. He challenges pride when it dresses itself up as tradition. He confronts prejudice when it hides behind preference. God keeps saying, in different ways, "That's not how I see people."

And here's where it lands. Racism isn't just a social failure—it's a gospel problem. It contradicts the message we claim to believe and the Savior we claim to follow. The church should be the one place where walls come down, not where they quietly stay standing.

Scripture doesn't leave this open-ended:

"Believers in our glorious Lord Jesus Christ must not show favoritism" (James 2:1).

### Domingo

#### Praise and Prayer Request

**Johnson Family:** our dear brother Marlin, passed away on Sunday. Pray for Marcia and the Johnson family during this difficult time.

**Tina Jones:** will be having extensive surgery on Jan 22nd.

**Chrissi Parker:** continued healing for LeBron's eye, Chrissi's upcoming surgery and for blessings on our marriage and family.

**Kirkland Family:** George had a biopsy of his lung Thursday and sonogram of thyroid on Friday. Please keep him in prayer.

**Desmona Newsome:** prayers for a year full of love, peace and positivity.

**Benita Baines:** husband Brad's continued search for work and for his spirits to be uplifted.

**Patty Conway:** George & Sherry, Shawn & Tony, Crystal and Domingo-Anniversary.

**Jenn Ring:** continued prayers for my sister, Lorri and our family, her cancer has returned and is more aggressive. Prayers for our church members who are dealing with sickness as well.

**Maria Gatlin-Burgos:** pray for my mental health, been battling with depression lately and other health concerns.

**Jan Adair, Betty Asbell, Linda Crusco, Christy Mickowski, Bob & Penny Pennington:** all are homebound or have limited mobility.

**Greenbank church:** Pray for godly wisdom and guidance for our elders, minister, deacons, and ministry leaders.

**Greenbank missions:** Eduar Morales (Oxford, PA), Chad Westerholm (Mozambique), Edmund Borfay (Liberia), Samuel Agbeta (Ghana), Camp Manatawny, Reflect Campus Missions/BHC.

If you have an item for prayer or praise, please email it to [office@greenbankcoc.org](mailto:office@greenbankcoc.org) for inclusion in our weekly list. To view previous prayer requests and those on our ongoing lists, please visit the Weekly Bulletins page on our website [www.greenbankcoc.org](http://www.greenbankcoc.org).

## **Announcements and Events**

### **Sunday Youth Bible Classes**

Bible classes are held every Sunday from 9:30 to 10:30 am for children from Pre-K through grade 12. The Cradle Roll class is designed for children ages 6 months to 2 years, those who can't sit up on their own should be brought to class in their car seats. Parents are encouraged to participate in Bible study and bring their children so the whole family can learn about God's word together.

### **Children's Church**

Children ages 3 years old through 5th grade are invited to attend Children's Church during the morning sermon every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday.

### **January Sermon Series**

Check out the video announcement for the "Purpose Is Not Optional" sermon series at <https://www.greenbankcoc.org/special-sermon-series>. Please share it with your family and friends on social media and invite them to come hear the message.

### **2026 Communion Schedule**

Volunteers are needed for communion preparation for our worship services. Please sign up on the sign-up sheet posted on the main bulletin board. Those who have not previously participated in communion preparation are welcome to volunteer, and a training session will be arranged. Contact Susan Johnson if you have questions.

### **Greenbank Monthly Food Drive**

Thanks to your generosity we donated 40 cans of fruit to the Food Bank of Delaware in December. This month we will be collecting hot and cold cereals (oatmeal, cheerios, corn flakes and raisin bran) and boxed shelf stable milk.

### **Movie Night-Friday January 16<sup>th</sup>**

The fellowship committee is hosting the first movie night of the year in the small chapel. Doors open at 6:30 and the movie begins at 7:00 pm. Everyone is welcome. The movie selection will be announced next week.

### **Annual Congregation Meeting**

A congregational meeting will be held immediately after service on January 18<sup>th</sup>. We will present the trustees and the 2026 budget. All members are asked to attend.

## **Sunday Meeting Times**

**In-Person Bible Classes @ 9:30 a.m. – including a Spanish-speakers class.**

**In-Person Worship Services @ 10:30 a.m. – English & Spanish**

**The English service is livestreamed with 3 ways to connect:**

**1) Facebook Live:** <http://www.facebook.com/greenbankchurchofchrist>

**2) Greenbank Website:** [www.greenbankcoc.org](http://www.greenbankcoc.org) Click on the Facebook Live tab on the menu bar at the top of the page. You will need to log in to Facebook to join the live feed.

**3) Zoom:** Meeting ID: 862 5363 5838 Passcode: 123456; Phone In: (301) 715-8592

## **Bible Studies**

**Community** – Wednesdays @ 10 am – led by Domingo Reyes.

**English Mid-Week** – Wednesdays @ 7pm – hybrid class (in person & online) on Facebook Live or Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/98664842526?pwd=Rkp6Z3VYSGZpcjY4cXZWNjd1djNpQT09>

**Spanish Mid-Week** – Thursdays @ 6:30pm at Greenbank. Contact Arturo Gallegos for information.

**Ladies** – 2nd Saturday each month @ 9am -hybrid class (in person & online) via Zoom – led by Crystal Reyes. Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88946018992> or dial in (301) 715-8592. Enter Meeting ID 889 4601 8992.

**Men** – 3rd Saturday each month @ 10am at Greenbank led by Mark Ray.

**Youth** – Thursdays @ 6:30pm at Greenbank – led by Eileen Hence

## **SMALL GROUPS**

**Greenbank** – 2nd & 4th Sundays @ 12:30 pm in the building after services– hosted by Kamal Wall

**North Wilmington** – 1st & 3rd Sundays @ 2pm – led by Mark Ray.

**Married Couples** – 1st Tuesday each month @ 7pm in the small chapel– led by Domingo & Crystal Reyes.

## **3 Ways to Give**

**1) In Person:** Place your offering in the collection plate as it is passed during our service.

**2) By Mail:** Send your contribution to 511 Greenbank Road, Wilmington, DE 19808.

**3) Online:** using our website, [www.greenbankcoc.org](http://www.greenbankcoc.org), go to “Give” at the top of the page, scan the QR code or select “give online”. (Note: with PayPal there is a small fee assessed from each donation.)



**Last Week: Attendance: 114 Contribution: 7,567 Weekly Average: \$7,567 Weekly Budget: \$5,577**