

# Weekly Newsletter - Sunday, September 28, 2025

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

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# The Hidden Work of God

One of the hardest things about following Jesus is learning to trust that God is working even when we can't see it. We love quick results and clear answers, but God often works in ways that are hidden until later. Romans 8:28 tells us, "And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him." Notice it doesn't say all things feel good, but that God works through all things for good.

Think about a seed planted in the ground. For weeks, nothing appears to be happening. It's dark, hidden under the soil. But roots are growing, life is pushing, and in time the plant breaks through. Our lives often feel the same way. In hardship, discipline, or disappointment, it can seem like God is silent. But beneath the surface, He is shaping us, strengthening us, and preparing something we don't yet see.

On a practical level, this means we can stop measuring God's faithfulness by today's feelings. If things are hard at work, in your family, or even in your own heart, that doesn't mean God stepped away. It means He may be doing His deepest work where you can't yet trace it.

So, here's the wisdom: trust the unseen hand of God. Keep showing up in prayer, keep obeying in small steps, and keep believing He's at work. The breakthrough might not come today, but the roots are growing.

"He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus." — Philippians 1:6

- D. Reyes

# **Praise and Prayer Request**

**Jenn Ring:** prayers for Chrissi & LeBron's wedding, George Kirkland and his family, Fern Davis on her bucket list trip and for all those sick or hurting at this time.

**Elisha Wall:** health and healing for my mom while under the weather and health and healing for my family.

**Chrissi Steiner:** LeBron and I's marriage and all of those traveling from out of town.

Patty Conway: Ed G., George K., Bro. King, Sis. Sharon King, Liam B & Jay L.

Moises Phillips: pray for blessings.

**Bev Abosch:** safe travels for trip to Ohio & back.

**Anna Dacunha:** Brenda Graves' husband is back in the hospital; they are making arrangements for possibly putting him on hospice.

**Desmona Newsome:** prayers for Shirl Ellis in her surgery on 9/26.

**Dawn Grabowski:** travel grace and mercy during our trip.

Remember our members who are homebound due to serious illness or have limited mobility and are unable to attend.

**Greenbank church:** Godly guidance for our elders, minister and deacons as they lead our congregation. **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 <a href="mailto:office@greenbankcoc.org">office@greenbankcoc.org</a> 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 <a href="https://www.greenbankcoc.org">www.greenbankcoc.org</a>.

### Offer of Thanks:

**Dawn Dorrell-**"Thank you to Jason G for a wonderful financial class. I was truly blessed and learned so much."

### **Announcements and Events**

### Children's Church

Children ages 3 years old through 5th grade will meet downstairs during today's sermon.

### Teens Night resumes Friday, October 3rd

Our teen group activities will be held the first Friday of each month at 7 pm in the small chapel. All teens are encouraged to attend and bring your friends! Any questions contact Domingo Reyes.

### Married Couples Small Group-Tuesday, October 6th

Our married couples' group will be held on the first Tuesday of each month at 7 pm in the small chapel. Any questions contact Domingo & Crystal Reyes.

### Fellowship Committee Meeting-October 4th -9 am

We will be planning for the 2026 fellowship activities. Anyone interested in being on the committee next year should attend. Any questions, contact Anna DaCunha.

# **New Small Group-starting October 15th**

Domingo will facilitate a Community Bible Study every Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the small chapel. Those interested in participating should add their names to the signup sheet posted on the bulletin board.

# November Fellowship Meal-November 2nd

Join us for a heartwarming "Friends Giving" celebration as we gather in gratitude, fellowship and delicious food. See the menu on the bulletin board and sign up for a dish to bring. Let's celebrate the season of thankfulness with a table full of blessings and hearts full of joy. All are welcome!

### **Sunday Meeting Times**

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

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 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**

**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.

**Teens** – 1st Friday each month @ 7pm in the small chapel – led by Domingo 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:** PayPal has been set up on our website www.greenbankcoc.org. Click on the "Donate" button and follow the instructions. (Note: there is a small fee assessed from each donation.)

Last Week: Attendance: 155 Contribution: 4,593 Weekly Average: \$5,127 Weekly Budget: \$5,443