

Weekly Newsletter - Sunday, November 23, 2025

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

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When Relationships Leave a Mark

Most of the pain we carry comes from people we expected to walk with us. Sometimes it's a friend who let us down, a family member who said something that cut deeper than they realized, or someone we trusted who didn't show up when we really needed them. Those moments stay with us, not because we're weak, but because relationships matter.

The Bible doesn't shy away from this reality. Proverbs reminds us that good friends can refresh the soul, but broken relationships can weigh heavily on the heart (Proverbs 27:9–10, paraphrased). God understands how much it hurts when a connection we valued shifts or fractures.

Healing begins with honesty—telling God exactly what happened and how it affected you. From there, He helps us see the situation clearly and respond with wisdom instead of bitterness. Scripture calls us to a better way:

"Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience." — Colossians 3:12

That doesn't mean ignoring what was done. It means choosing not to let the pain reshape you into someone you're not.

And as God works in us, He reminds us why relationships are worth fighting for:

"Two are better than one... if either falls, one can help the other up." — Ecclesiastes 4:9–10

If someone has wounded you, know this: God sees it, God cares, and He can still lead you toward healthier, life-giving relationships.

Domingo

Praise and Prayer Request

Anna DaCunha: Mom, Rose Mohsen has a pulmonary embolism, pray for healing.

Roxie is in the hospital. Naomi (friend's mom) has inoperable cancer.

Mason Family: Family healing.

Lisa Reed: pray for Boyd and I as we both recover from colds.

Patty Conway: King family, Younger family, Bramble family, Davis family, Cathy Servas.

Jenn Ring: prayers for our GriefShare participants for healing. Prayers for the Reyes family as the deal with a personal matter.

Elisha Wall: Kamal not feeling well.

Clark Family: keep our family in prayer. Teenage years are hard, call Mariany by name in your prayers please.

Glenda Downs: continue to keep Dominique in prayer and pray for my son, Isaac who serves our country in the US Air Force.

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 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.

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.

November is Mozambique Missions Month.

We will continue to collect special contributions for the work that Chad and Amy Westerholm do in Mozambique through the month of November. Chad will be providing an update of their works during his visit on December 14. If you would like to make a donation to support this work, please write a check to Greenbank Church of Christ and put "Mozambique" in the memo. Cash donations can be made using the envelopes on the welcome table in foyer.

2026 Budget Preparation

All deacons and ministry leaders are asked to submit your 2026 budget requests to the elders by next Sunday, November 30th. If there are others who would like to lead a new event or additional ministry, please submit your ideas in writing with a budget proposal also by Nov. 30.

Holiday Party: Saturday December 13th 5:00-8:00 pm.

You're invited to our annual holiday party! Take part in our Gingerbread House Building Contest—graham crackers and candies will be provided, and the contest runs from 5:30 to 7:00. Please sign up if you'd like to join in. We'll also have a gift exchange; if you wish to participate, bring a wrapped handmade gift or one recycled from home. Don't forget to bring finger food to share with everyone.

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 Reves.

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:** using our website, 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: 151 Contribution: \$7,799 Weekly Average: \$5,454 Weekly Budget: \$5,443