

# TABERNACLE UNITED Methodist Churc

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Let the believer who is lowly boast in being raised up. ~James 1: 9, NRSV

Dear Tabernacle Family:

May God's love and care be upon you and work through you each day. My time "off" was very pleasant. I would say time *away* but with the pandemic, a staycation proved quite beneficial.

Preparing for Sundays drives my other days of the week. At the end of August, I/we began a series from the Book/Letter/Epistle of James:

SKIN: through Thick & Thin

As we go through this pandemic lifestyle including a heated political season, we Jesus-followers will need the "thick skin" of toughness and the "thin skin" of tenderness. Confidence and Compassion are marks of the Christian disciple.

Like Advent and Lent, I plan to offer a daily (or near-daily) devotional exploring what we learn on Sundays. But I am a bit fearful of being too "in-your-face" with what comes out of the Book of James. However, since James is himself writing from and through God the Holy Spirit, then as long as I offer His Word in love, then fear should not be an issue. I rely on the Lord for guidance (including the words).

On Sunday, September 6, we will also celebrate our second in-person celebration of Holy Communion since resuming indoor worship in the Michael Hall gym. If you are one of those staying safe at-home by watching via the Internet or listening via the telephone, then I offer to personally deliver the Bread and Cup in a careful and caring manner. But you will need to let me know if this is what you want.

Lastly, let me express my deep thankfulness for the many souls who cared for the many souls at Tabernacle in my absence. Your faith continues shining forth as we "boast in the Lord to raise us up." Praise God from whom ALL blessings flow!

In Christ's Love and Care, Pastor Glenn



#### Bible Facts...

The Bible is the most shoplifted book in the world!

King Solomon had 700 wives and 300 concubines!



REMINDER TO TRUSTEES, SPRC, LAY SERVANTS & PASTOR: Annual Charge Conference reports are to be submitted online by September 21st. Emails were sent by Margie on 7/26 & 8/10 to all who need to report. If you are filling out a paper copy of your report, please email or mail it to Margie so it is received by Sept. 10th. Blank forms were attached.

BASIC BLESSINGS - Have YOU received a blessing by being a part of Basic Blessings? Email or mail to Margie a brief paragraph on how this ministry has blessed your life. We will be sharing these blessings in the coming issues of the Torch.

The next "Bring A Bag of Basics" drive will be on Sunday, Sept. 13th (Missions Sunday) to prepare for the distribution on Sept. 19th.

Listen to the service on your phone! If you receive the printed copy of The Torch and are unable to access the internet, you may call-in to the 11am service and listen via your phone! Just call this number...

The phone number: (929) 205-6099 give the The Meeting ID: 981 176 2526 and the Password: 779813.

**Shoprite cards** are available by calling Susan Scheyhing at (609) 600-7331, or find her after the Sunday service.

Congratulations! Len & Betsy Phillips

As you retire from World Gospel Missions to continue your mission work in the USA. Our love and prayers go with you.



Jody Cathrall

Betty Wund

Carol Cahill

Flo Magee

 John Dickinson Dawn Garretson

Ralph Genovese

 Andrew Wund Lyndsey Bolton

Betty Church

Betty Carlton

Tandi Ankrum

Tom Ankrum

Cathy Oney

• Cass Pascali

• Steve Brown

• Mr. Phil Breden, Sr. Buddy Halbruner

• Braden Brojakowski Margie Katity (knees)

Mary Still (pneumonia)

Jay Sporl

Pastor Glenn & Family

Prayer reminds us that we are not alone in our feelings and we can ease our own fears by praying for others. As we pray for our friends and family listed below, please also remember in light of the Coronavirus pandemic, the extra challenges that we face from time to time... fear, anxiety, economic hardships, isolation, & many other stresses that are unique to the times we live in.

#### Prayer for those who have lost loved ones

- Janis Halbruner & Family
- The Chinn Family
- Bill Stahl & family
- Elizabeth Bailey & Family
- Flo Magee and Family
- The family of Mary Mason
- Jackie Matkowski & Family

#### **Covid Related Requests**

- The Lords protection over those attending services at church
- Pray for an effective Covid-19 vaccine soon
- Wisdom for leaders in Local & Federal Government
- Basic Blessing workers and distributions during Covid-19

#### Those in Shut In & Convalescent Care

- Wesley Manor: Shirley Rutherford & Shirley Halbruner
- Pitman Manor: Edna Dickinson Victoria Commons: Mary Still

Those that live alone: Doris Raker, Ella Elliott, John Leo, Ernie Long, Bob Jenkins, Alice Futty, Steve Brown and others who remain anonymous.

• Court House Center: Carol Cahill

### **HOW DO I GIVE MY OFFERING?**

If you choose to mail your church offering, please send to our Treasurer's Home Office at: T.U.M.C.

C/O Marjorie Katity, 115 Aspen Dr., Swainton, NJ 08210

## **Inspired to Give**

The following was written by Audrey Hepburn, who was asked to share her "beauty tips"

For attractive lips, speak words of kindness.

For lovely eyes, seek out the good in people.

For a slim figure, share your food with the hungry.

For beautiful hair, let a child run his/her fingers through it once a day.

For poise, walk with the knowledge that you never walk alone.

People, even more than things, have to be restored, renewed, revived, reclaimed, and redeemed; never throw out anyone.

Remember, if you ever need a helping hand, you will find one at the end of each of your arms.

As you grow older, you will realize why you have two hands; one for helping yourself, and the other for helping others.