



The TrumBulletin



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The Christmas Miracle

It is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Helper will not come to you. But if I go, I will send him to you. John 16:7 (ESV)

It's a beautiful holy day, and I love it. But sometimes as the hours of Christmas tick by, they begin to feel anticlimactic, as if I'm searching for *What now?* I don't want to let go of this day for another year. It comes and goes too quickly, a reminder of how Jesus came to earth, died, rose, and returned to heaven. And what then?

He promised to come back someday, and now humanity is in waiting mode again. However, that first Christmas changed all of our future days of "What now?" After Jesus returned to His heavenly Father, He sent His Spirit to abide throughout the earth, and even better, directly within His believers.

How much difference does His spirit's presence in us make for life, for all the days that are not December 25? It's all the difference. Before Jesus was born in Bethlehem, His spirit didn't abide within believers. Now that He does live in us, every day of this fallible, messy life holds the glory of Christmas because He is still here.

Jesus, in the midst of any old everyday day, fills each one with His glory, like Christmas. Even if a day holds sorrow or disappointment or health scares or relationship troubles, it is still full of the Christmas miracle. We can look forward to tomorrow, knowing it'll be as glorious as the one when Jesus came to us all those generations ago.

Erin Kelley Marshall

NEWS & NOTES

Today Dec.10th right after service in fellowship hall Jay Repecko will give a presentation on SIBI studies being offered to everyone.

Tues, morning Bible
Study-Dec.12 via zoom @9:30
am via zoom

Dec 16 9-12 noon Families with young children Christmas Party Breakfast , a movie, crafts. Stay in your PJ's and bring a pillow if you like, If you plan to attend please notify Derin/Kristen by Dec. 15

Sooner House in need of non-perishable items.

Our in house food pantry in need of restocking or grocery store gift cards.

Barnabas Project- if interested in joining contact Mary Lou (475)529-5751

*Pray for **Emille Jones**, recently diagnosed with Multiple Myeloma.

*Pray for **Sam Walkup** who is hospitalized with many health issues.

*Pray for **Helen Haddad** (98 Y.O.) who is now on hospice care.

*Pray for **Mike Fernandes**, Ray's brother, who is dealing with several health issues. Also prayers for Mike's granddaughter **Mallory**.

*Pray for **Joe Nuzzo** who recently had surgery.

*Pray for **Randy Springer** who is recovering from back surgery.

*Pray for **Marie Cornel** (friend of Paula & Mike Ross) who has serious health issues.

*Pray for safe travels for **Esther and Rocko Aggrey**, they traveled to Ghana this past week.

*Pray for **Angela's Aunt Mary**, recently diagnosed with acute Leukemia, also for her friend, **Fred Schy** who is dealing with many health issues.

*Pray for Brandy's F-I-L, **Paul Woodward**, who is not doing well.

*Pray for **Israel**- the hostages and all those who have lost loved ones.

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*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- **Judith Gomez, David Fritzinger, Cohen** (Ron's friend), **Sarah** (Angela's niece), Tom Byer ***Prayers for all those who have lost loved ones this past year.**

*Pray for **families, relatives, friends and people we are reaching out to**, that they may turn to the Lord. Special prayers **for our church leaders.**

Prayers for all families caring for their elderly or sick loved ones: Allie Saracino-Cherie, Bob and Joanne Discala-Virginia, Greg & Linda, Gina Porto

***Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses:**

Nadine Keller, Greg & Linda Cerminara, Jeremy Sazone, Flo Repecko, Pat Yagowski. Meegan and Irene, Sylvia Sandoval, Nuris Gomez, Mildred, Karen O, Angela's mom Connie Scalzo, Anthony Katz., Jasmyn Malagutti, Daniel Ruiz., Zak Pappas Fernandes., Jim Walkup's brother (Sam), Cyrus (Zach's friend) dad who has brain cancer, Lance Flood, Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety & all children with diabetes.

*Anyone interested in helping with **World Bible School**- contact Ron

***Opportunities** to serve: any men willing to participate in worship service in other capacities for the church, please contact Bruce Post. Anyone interested in leading and/or helping with the building or church house maintenance please contact Bruce Pancoast.

Please bring nonperishable food items for the **Spooner House** - a list of all items needed is on back table: Jelly/Jam/Peanut Butter, Cereal/Oatmeal, Canned Meats: Chicken, Tuna, Corned Beef Hash, Canned Ravioli/Tomatoes, Pasta Sauce, Canned Fruit/Applesauce, Crackers/Snacks, Pancake Mix/Syrup, Ramen, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Baked beans/Pork and Beans, Canned/Dried Beans (i.e. Black, Chick Pea, Cannellini, Kidney, Pinto), Rice/Rice-A-Roni, Soup/Stew/Chili, Instant/Canned Potatoes/Yams. Bring these food items to the building to be delivered to the Spooner House. Please make sure that items do not have expired dates. Thank you

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Wednesday Bible Class: 7:00 pm via zoom

Bible class 10am, Worship Service 11 am

Online bible class and worship service

Go to our website :

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Week of 12/03/23

Song Leader: Bruce Pancoast

Lord's Table: Zach Saracino

Closing Prayer : Bruce Post

Usher: Andrew Langalis

Week ending: 12/03-12/09/23

Donations: \$ 4605

Expenses: \$4697