

## A Publication of the Trumbull Church of Christ, 2 Drew Circle, Trumbull, CT. 06611 203-261-5201

Volume CL 150 Issue 34, July 28,2024 Endure and Press On

As we read the New Testament letters written by Paul, we are amazed at his Passion for sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are amazed at how much he was willing to endure and overcome to get the Good News of Salvation out to the known world. We admire his dedication to writing God's Word while traveling in dangerous conditions and while in prison. And we are inspired when we read his words in 2 Timothy 4:6-8, "For I am already being poured out like a drink offering, and the time has come for my departure. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day-and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing." What kept him going? We know he sometimes had his storms and trials (2 Cor. 1:8-10; 11:22-29; Phil. 2:28). How could he fight on with such firm resolve? How could he attack life with "a spirit not of fear but of power and love and self-discipline?" (2 Tim. 1:7) For Paul, everything began and ended with his focus on Jesus (1:8-10), the one who brought to life the plan God formed "before the creation of the world." Jesus died on a cross for the sins of the world, was buried, and then conquered death by being raised to life on the third day. All people can have salvation and a new start because, in Jesus, God fulfilled his purpose and poured out his grace.

When we read Paul's summary of events in 2 Timothy 1:8-10, we are not surprised to hear his confidence in verses 11-12 where he says, "Of this gospel I was appointed a herald and an apostle and a teacher. That is why I am suffering as I am. Yet I am not ashamed, because I know whom I have believed, and am convinced that he is able to guard what I have entrusted to him for that day." Paul knew Jesus. He trusted Jesus. He would refuse to be ashamed no matter what anyone thought about him because of his faith in Jesus. He would even suffer, if necessary, for Jesus. He would not be shaken by uncertainties or things he did not know. When would the suffering end? When would the Day he awaited come? He didn't need to know those details because he knew Jesus, who he is, and what he has done.

Knowing Jesus, Paul knew he had been saved and called to a holy calling. So, he kept serving as he had been called, as an evangelist, apostle, and teacher. He remained true to teaching he had received and taught. He did not give up on what he believed to be true. He endured! He pressed on! Let us likewise endure and press on!

~ Ron Saracino

NEWS & NOTES						
Sept. 17- zoom mid-week ladies bible study-study of Genisis to continue. Sat. Sept 21 trip to Big E Sun. Sept.29- 3:30pm area wide hymn sing at our building	Sept,- Friday nights- Biblical boundaries by Flo Repecko starting Sept. 6 - 6:30 for fellowship, 7pm Bible study Refreshments will be provided.	Sat. Oct.12 10am-12 noon Ladies Saturday Bible Study at the church building	Remember to contribute to Spooner House food collection and our own food pantry BARNABAS PROJECT- IF INTERESTED in joining contact MaryLou(475)529-5751			

\*Pray for all those who are traveling.

\*Pray for the family of **Mike Foglietta** (Jay & Flo's friend) who recently passed away. His spouse, Erin, also lost her father shortly after.

\*Pray for **Mike Fernandes** (Ray's brother), he has having circulatory problems due to diabetes.

\*Pray for Leah's brother, **David** who has intense back pain. He will be seeing a surgeon soon.

\*Pray for Judith Gomez who is in the hospital with severe back pain. She will be having an MRI soon to determine if the lymphoma has spread.

\*Pray for **Louise** (Mary Lou's friend) who is injured and has blood clots due to the injury.

\*Pray for **Donna (Murphy) Blakenship** recently diagnosed with melanoma.

\*Pray for **Carrie Christey** (Debbie Christy's niece) recently diagnosed with cancer.

\*Pray for Pamela Pimpton's friend **Megan** who is going through a difficult time and a friend whose brother recently passed away.

\*Pray for **Margaret** for healing after knee surgery.
\*Pray for **Esther** and **Nana Aggrey**, they are dealing

with health issues.

\*Pray for **Carol and Joe Ligouri**, both are dealing with health issues.

\*Pray for Greg Saracino's friend, **Kimberly** who is struggling with multiple health issues.

\*Pray for **Nadine Keller**'s general health and she will have a bone biopsy 7/25

\*Pray for **Al Wilson** (Michelle's brother), he has begun chemotherapy.

\*Pray for those dealing with cancer and chemo treatments- Judith Gomez, David Fritzinger, Cohen (Ron's friend), 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

\*Pray for those suffering from long term illnesses:Emille Jones, Ted & Toni Bonadio, Kevin Early, NadineKeller,Greg Linda Cerminara,Jeremy Sazone,Flo Repecko, Pat Yaglowski. 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), Lance Flood, Zach Saracino, Joshua Ruiz, Brody Streety

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

& all children with diabetes.

\*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 Night Bible Study**

7:00 pm via zoom

Bible class Sun. 10 am, worship service 11 am Online bible class and worship service go to our website: **trumbullchurchofchrist.org** 

Week of 7/28/24

Song Leader :Derin Wilson Lord's table:Bruce Post Closing Prayer:Kris Eddy Usher:Yeremi DeLeon Week of 7/21/24-7/27//24 Donations \$ 1591 Expenses:\$3416