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# Postcards from Jr. High 1 Week at Camp Manatawny!



# From Daniel's Den

"Words of Affirmation Cost So Little, But Are Worth So Much!"

**Just curious, what did you do during those hot, hazy, humid days?** It really was too hot to do much outside, right? On one of those hot days, I simply sat inside the house and read (for the second time) those heart felt cards that you all presented to us on Sunday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. What a blessing it was to read your words of affirmation and encouragement. My conclusion; I am a blessed man, and Katherine and I are a blessed couple. My second conclusion; **"Words of affirmation cost so little, but are worth so much."** You can quote me on that.

This was my second time to read your cards. Cards came from small children (thanks Audrey and Shane), cards came from teens, cards came from young adults, from non-members and members, and I even received a card from an old classmate at Harding University, who is currently preaching in Oklahoma (thanks Ron). They blessed me just as much the second time I read them as they did the first. Thank you for blessing us! And, heaven will be sweeter because we've known each other here.

Greetings to you from Aruba! Katherine and I flew out Friday and we will be back home this coming Saturday, Lord willing. This is our first time to visit the island of Aruba (so we are really excited)! Those of you who have been to Aruba before have assured us we will have a great time. Once we return from Aruba, I'll teach my Sunday morning Bible class, then I'm be leaving Sunday afternoon to do pots and pans during Manny's week of camp. "Hello, Minister!" I'll be joining a couple dozen of our other "ministers" as we serve at Camp. God bless you!

- Dan the Connecting, Camp Connecting, Semi-Retired, Preacherman



Dan Cooper aka "Dan, Dan, the Preacherman"

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Manny Vander Vennen Deacon

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# A Servant Speaks

#### Scratches

A few weeks ago, Becky and I found ourselves in a used car dealership looking for a minivan to replace our old one that had reached the end of its usable life. We were happy to find one that had all the features we wanted, but we were not feeling entirely happy with it because of a few very noticeable scratches in the paint. Kevin, our used car salesman and a remarkably nice guy, understood our concern and shared the following words of wisdom, "A wise man in this business once told me, used car: scratches... new car: no scratches." We all laughed at the obvious nature of this statement, but it did actually help us move our focus away from the scratches and back to the mission of finding a good vehicle for our family.

After we purchased the minivan, I got to thinking about how in life we can sometimes become fixated on the "scratches" and lose sight of our mission. We live in a "used car world" that can be filled with struggles, sorrows, and sin. But we are citizens of a "new car world" and to achieve our mission, we need to stay focused on where we are going (John 14:2), who we are taking with us (Matt. 28:19-20), how we are getting there (John 3:16; 14:6), and the joys that await us when we arrive (Rev. 21:4). A wise God through His Word reminds us: *This life: struggles, sorrows, sin.... next life: peace, joy, perfection.* 

#### - Manny

**John 14:2-** My Father's house has many rooms; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you?

**Matt. 28: 19-20-** "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

**John 3:16-** For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.

**John 14:6-** Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."

**Rev. 21:4-** He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away.

### Bread Ministry Volunteers Needed



I am looking for bakers, men or women, to prepare the visitor's bread for the following months: August, September, October, November, and December. Please sign your name on the sign-up sheet located at the Welcome Center. In addition, volunteers

are also needed to pass out or assist in passing out the bread on Sunday. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns. Thank you in advance for your assistance. - *Mary Collier* 





Women's Book Club Begins Sept. 2019!

Please plan to join us for a Women's Book Club on Tuesday, September 24th at 6:30 pm at the home of Gloria Myerson in Sewell. We will discuss the book "Everybody Always" by Bob Goff, 240 pages, \$9.85 paperback on Amazon. Get your copy and read it this summer! Please see Brenda Busch and Gloria Myerson for more details!



### Volunteers Needed for Camp Manatawny



#### August 3-10, 2019

Manny Vander Vennen is <u>urgently</u> looking for male counselors (*age 18 or older*) and Bible class teachers who would be willing to serve at Elementary 1 week.

Elementary 1 is the week with the youngest group of campers, aged 7-8 years old. This is something that promises to be a highlight of your summer! *Please contact Manny if you are able to help*: (home: 856-241-7757; cell: 484-886-5349; email: manatawny@amail.com)



Congratulations to **William Bartley, Jr., Javon Willis,** and **Phylicia White** on graduating from high school this past June 2019. We're so proud of all three of you, and we're excited to see where God leads you in this next phase of life!



Thank you for your help in supporting the unborn!



Just this week, "Choices of the Heart" sent us a thank you letter recognizing our donations of \$2,386.66 for the baby bottle cam-

paign. Thank you again for your generous support, whether you gave change or a check. We also received a thank you from "The National Life Center" thanking the elders and ministers for sponsoring the Mother's Day Carnation Sunday. Both of these letters are posted on the bulletin board down our B Classroom Wing.



Volunteers Urgently Needed for the following roles...

Greeters (Front-Door and Back-Door)
Before class and worship: Welcome visitors and arriving members, hand out bulletins, provide visitors info about where to go for adult and children's classes, help those needing assistance (unloading cars, wheelchairs, etc.)

#### Welcome Center Attendants

After worship: Welcome visitors, receive connection cards, answer questions, provide welcome center materials, hand out gift bread.

Contact andym@cochrist.org if you can help!

#### Our Schedule

#### Sunday

9:00 am Bible Classes 10:00 am Worship

Wednesday 7:00 pm Bible Classes

## Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Last Week	
Bible Class	83
Worship	179
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	NC

#### Ministers

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Elder on Call for July and August: Garth Hutchinson

#### Serving Us Today

Nursery TRD

Kids For Christ Summer Break Jr. Worship Summer Break Greeters: Front Entrance Joe Marshall

Greeters: Back Entrance Derrick & Brenda Busch

Information Center Mary Collier

Ushers Andy & Donna Mychajlowycz

Shepherd's Call Mike Broyles Song Leader Garth Hutchinson

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Please pray for all of our Troops!

New Cadet Luke C. Olley P.O. Box 3097 West Point, NY 10997-3097

(Drop "New" after August 17<sup>th</sup>)

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**CC Brianna Peoples** 950 Reynolds Road #169 West Point, NY 10996



# This Week's Prayer Requests

#### **Prayer Requests:**

Diana Ford, sister of Jayne Schofield, surgery for colon cancer Tomorrow, July 29<sup>th</sup>.

Judy Fitzpatrick, still in a lot of pain. Still unable to eat. Emma Drummer, continues to undergo testing. Doctors determined she had another mini stroke. Phone calls are welcome. **Zachary Kuznetzoff**, grandson of Elinda Hunter, recovering from pneumonia. He is just now starting to be up and about, and his cough seems better, though he is still on breathing treatments and some other meds. Praise God the healing is slowly happen-

**Cliff Dando**, home resting following his recent fall and his stay at Cooper Hospital. He appreciates all the prayers.

Zach Rizzuto, brain cancer. Will have another MRI this month. Eddie, son of Debbie Camorata's friend/coworker, continues to have several serious health issues. Continued prayers are appre-

Max Lancaster Health Update: Cardiac procedure to eliminate a-fibs was successful and he is experiencing solid improvement in stamina in recovering from Pneumonia. Grateful for so many prayers for Debbie and me this year in our surprise health issues

Please continue to pray for Clare Hightower, Patti Frambes, Doug Oliver, Elinda Hunter, and Linda Prenger, as they receive treatment for/recover from cancer, as well as Kareem Rutledge, Jr. and Je'Ani Lyles in their rehabilitation/recovery from life changing injuries.

## **Weekly Men's Prayer Times**



Mark these in your date book. Add these to your calendars. Each prayer time lasts 1

hour. In the Conference Room

Tuesdays at 10:00 am Fridays at 7:00 am Saturdays at 8:00 am

### REGARDING OUR PRAYER LISTS

We are a church that believes strongly in the power of prayer. Your prayer requests are invited and important! In an effort to keep our prayer lists current, please note the following: We run immediate and urgent prayer requests in the bulletin for 2

weeks. Please update us after two weeks if you want the request to continue. All ongoing prayer requests, including engagements, pregnancies, military service, long term travel, and chronic illness will appear on the "Ongoing Prayer Requests" sheet which is updated monthly. We appreciate your understanding and your cooperation! Thank you!

