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# Doing the Work of Jesus

It's easy for a church to get side tracked from doing the work of Jesus. Churches, because they are made up of people, are prone to major in minors and minor in majors. Churches tend to get excited about lots of activity, but all of that activity may be nothing more than being busy.

At our church...we care deeply. We may not always get it right, but, we are working to make a difference, to connect with our community, as we help others and share the wonderful story of redemption. (See Matthew 25:31-46 and Matt. 28:18-20.) I want to share some of the things we are doing to connect with those outside our church walls... not because I want to brag, but because I want to remind you and celebrate the good that we are accomplishing here in the name of Jesus.

- We reach out to and support abused and neglected women and children through our efforts to encourage and provide holiday gifts and festivities to families housed by Eleanor Corbett House of Glassboro.
- We reach out to and support families who have fallen on hard times through donations and financial contributions to specific efforts by **Angles Community Outreach** in Pitman.



Serving a meal to those who are in need in downtown Trenton.

- We feed the hungry and lonely by financially providing for and serving meals in Trenton in a cooperative effort with the N. Clinton Ave. Church of Christ. You can sign up NOW at the Information Center to volunteer to serve the upcoming meal on July 14.
- Camp Manatawny is a mission field; half of the campers are from outside our churches of Christ fellowship. We provide financial support to children who want to attend camp and whose families are unable to cover the cost. Many of our members volunteer there each summer, and some serve all year as board members and summer camp directors!



**Eleanor Corbett House Christmas Party.** 

- We support our Pitman Road Youth Group, enabling them to go on TIME Team (Teens In Mission Experience) trips. This year's trip is to an Indian reservation in Arizona to serve and teach children (July 13-19).
- Every two years we send a team from our church to the Centre Bonnefoi in **France** to provide maintenance, landscaping, and construction work in order to prepare the Christian camp for the French-speaking youth from France, Belgium, and Switzerland that attend there each year. We also provide financial and prayer support to the mission work in Marseille, France, throughout the year. (If you are interested in serving on our upcoming June 2019 mission trip, see me!)
- Four times each year we host homeless families in transition through a cooperative effort with Family Promise of Gloucester County, a local organization designed to provide clean, loving, compassionate care for those in transition to housing and employment. Our next opportunity is coming up on July 15-22... sign up now to volunteer! Mark your calendar for the following Host Week, October 28-November 4.

orphans, neglected, and/or have had brushes with the law.



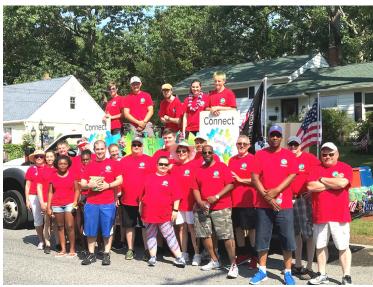
Building new facilities at Centre Bonnefoi.

We financially support Timothy Hill Children's Ranch, a Christian home on Long Island for troubled children who are

-Grateful for a Partnership in Many Good Works, Dan

# From Daniel's Den

### Above and Beyond the Call of Duty!



- \* For decades, I have wanted our church to have a float in the Pitman July 4th Parade. We are now doing it! Many are responsible for helping our parade presence to happen, but no one has done more to get us in the parade with a good looking float than Troy Spencer, Tim Davis and Mike Broyles. What a cool partnership!
- ★ July 4, 2018 was hot and humid. Really hot and really humid! All day long. And, we had brothers and sisters



Dan Cooper aka "Dan, Dan, the Preacherman"

that went hard all day long. Several of them, and they are worthy of double honor, went from before sun up until after sun down! Literally. It takes intentional efforts to **connect with our community.** 

\* Special thanks to Troy, Kelly, Trent, and Donovan Spencer,

who were up on July 4th at 4:00 am to do the decorating of our float for the parade. BTW, they were also at the building late passing out hot dogs and water during the fireworks. Troy also arranged for the good looking truck that pulled our float.

- \* Special thanks to the two dozen soaking wet volunteers that walked in the parade on that steamy hot July 4th parade. The parade route goes over a mile.
- \* Special thanks to **Bud Britton** for the **flag display** in our church building parking lot.
- \* We, the **Coopers**, were thrilled to have over **50 individuals** (family, members, friends, and neighbors) join us in our front yard for the parade. We were thrilled to provide cold drinks and grilled hot dogs for all takers.

Grateful for a Partnership of Many Workers in Many Good Works, Dan



## Update on Jee Jee!

This past Thursday, a number of our members visited with **Je'Ani Lyles** and her mom, **Carla Ortiz** at the rehab facility in Baltimore. Jee Jee and Carla are both in great spirits, and were very much encouraged by the large group visit.

Carla related a story that someone recently said to her that her optimistic viewpoint is unrealistic; she must be "in shock" and should get "real" about her daughter's condition. Carla told this individual that she is not in shock, that she thanks God that her daughter is

alive, has good use of her upper body, and will be able to have a good, productive life! Dan shared that both Carla and Jee's attitudes are "amazing."

Jee has been approved for 8 weeks at the rehab facility. Jee and Carla's goal is for Jee to be home in time to begin school in September, which aligns with the rehab stay.

Special thanks to **Tim, Melody, and a group of teens** for making the trip in 90 degree weather in the church van with failing a/c.

Visits to Jee in Baltimore are both welcome and encouraged! Fo your benefit, please contact Carla first! The trip is approximately 2 hours each way. Jee is approved to go on trips outside the facility, so they are not always there. Parking is free... but you do need specific directions to find it (which you can get from Carla, Dan, or Derek Davis).

Jee's new mailing address is: Kennedy Kreiger Institute 707 N Broadway Baltimore, MD 21205 Rm 317, Je'Ani Lyles

You can text or call Jee directly at her cell phone: 856-325-8877



## Thank You for Your Generosity!



I want to the thank the congregation for your participation in the Baby Bottle Campaign for Choices of the Heart. Diana spoke with the director of the center and she expressed how our church went above and beyond what churches normally give. We turned in over 100 bottles and gave over \$3,200! Thank you for your caring spirit. Thank you for choosing to help families in crisis and for your desire to help the unborn. I want you all to know how proud I am of our church. Your actions exemplify our goal to meet others where they are and to truly make a difference in our community (Philippians 1: 3-6).

-In Christ, Garth Hutchinson

#### BEGINNING THIS WEDNESDAY!



In this 8-session series. Louie Giglio will take us through the book of Colossians to help us form a complete picture of Jesus. What we believe about Him influences everything from our corporate worship, our relationships, to our attitude toward sin. Now alive in Christ, we can live a life worthy of God instead of falling back into the ways of the world. Meeting in the Chapel.

Mallory Keeks was awarded a Master's Degree in Art Therapy from Drexel University on June 15 after completing an intensive two year, full time pro-



gram. She graduated summa cum laude with a 4.0 gpa and was elected to the Alpha Eta Society, National Honor Society for Allied Health Professionals. Mallory's graduate thesis was entitled "Mindful Art Making for Helping Professionals" and she completed an internship at Cooper Hospital in Camden. Congratulations Mallory and best wishes as you begin your career!

You're invited to a Birthday Party to celebrate Timothy Busch's First Birthday on

Saturday, July 14 • 12:00-3:00 pm
in the Family Life Center
Please rsvp to Brenda Busch
(646) 258-5031 or bhall727@optonline.net.
No gifts please, just your fellowship!

## Congratulations!

Each year, we highlight our high school graduates. There are six very accomplished young people in our congregation who graduated this year! This week we are featuring three, and will feature the remaining three as we receive their complete graduation information. Congratulations to all our graduates!

Kareem Rutledge graduated from Kingsway High School. (You may have seen Kareem's graduation ceremony featured on area TV stations!) Kareem distinguished himself as both a scholar as and as an athlete. He is a member of the National Honor Society at his school. He received the Most Improved Player Award for Varsity Football and Academic Scholar Athlete Award for Varsity Football. Kareem is also an active member of the Pitman Road Youth group and a camper and staff volunteer at Camp Manatawny.



Kareem plans to attend the **University of Delaware** where he was awarded the **Presidential Scholarship!** 



Cassidy Brooke Davis graduated from Hammonton High School. Cassidy was an active participant, scholar, and athlete at her school. She graduated 5th among students in her class; is a member of National Honor Society; was a Peer Tutor for 3 years; 4 year member of Key Club and Student Council; 4 year member of the Varsity Soccer Team; active member of Pitman Road Youth Group; staff volunteer and camper at Camp Manatawny; player for the Hamilton Elite Academy '99 soccer team.

Cassidy will be attending Oklahoma

Christian University. She will be playing soccer and most likely majoring in engineering.

Clay Matthew Olley graduated from Cedar Creek High School. Clay was active in many extra curricular, scholastic, and athletic activities: 4 year Distinguished Varsity Scholar; 3 year Varsity Soccer, Team Captain; 1 year Varsity Football, kicker/punter; Special Teams Player of the Year; **National Football Foundation Schol**ar Athlete & scholarship; 4 Year Varsity Lacross; National Honor Society; National World Language Society; **Academic Excellence Award in World** Language/German. Clay is also an active member of the Pitman Road Youth group and a camper and staff volunteer at Camp Manatawny.



Michael Baldwin, close family friend and school board member, presented Clay with his diploma.

Clay plans to attend **Susquehanna University** in Selinsgrove, Pa. and will study **International Studies with a minor in foreign languages.** He was recruited as a **punter for the Susquehanna University River Hawks Football team**.

#### 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	86
Worship	181
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	NA

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Elder on Call for July and August: Garth Hutchinson			

#### Serving Us Today

Nurserv **TBA** 

Kids For Christ **Summer Break** Jr. Worship **Summer Break** 

Greeters: Front Entrance Steve & Jayne DePrince Greeters: Back Entrance Andy & Donna Mychailowycz

Information Center Mary Collier

Ushers Dave & Annette Perine

Shepherd's Call Mike Broyles Song Leader Garth Hutchinson

Communion



#### Find Us on Social Media:







## This Week's Prayer Requests

Sunday Morning Request for Prayer: Elizabeth Caratinni came forward to request prayers for her family and for her faith to remain strong.

**Je'Ani Lyles,** see page 2 for full update. Cards can be sent to: Bloomberg 10 South, 1800 Orlean St., Baltimore, MD 21287 Kareem Rutledge, Jr. continues his stay at Magee Rehabilitation Hospital. He is making great progress, but has a long road to full recovery. Continue to pray for his complete recovery.

**Linda Prenger,** surgery went very well! All margins around the tumor in her sinuses were clear, and the surgical team was able to preserve her eye. She did have extensive reconstructive surgery around the sinuses and orbital area around the eye. She is currently recovering in Jefferson Hospital and is in a lot of pain. Visitors are not appropriate at this time.

Brian Mansdoerfer, recovering from surgery for a torn pectoral muscle.

Roseann Savastano, diagnosed with meningitis caused by Lyme's disease.

Diane Perales is having cataract surgery on July 19 & 26. **Dwight Thompson**, next chemo scheduled July 9. It was great to see him at worship the past couple of Sundays!

Rose Williams, aunt to the Williams sisters, is now in hospice

Cadmon, Helena Cirquoni's brother, broken wrist and was experiencing nausea and extreme pain.

Fran Point, recovering from cataract surgery.

Van Edwards, all cancer was removed in lumpectomy. Praising God that she is now cancer free!

Mary Mishoe, Jayne DePrince's mom, in Lincoln Specialty Care, Room 203, on Lincoln Ave. in Vineland. Visits and/or phone calls are welcome. Her cell# is 757-653-1709.

**Jayne Schofield,** prayers for several serious health issues.

Mike Lazar recovering from shoulder surgery.

John Cerquoni, Adam's brother, moved to Lourdes Acute Specialty Hospital, Willingboro. You can send cards of encouragement to John c/o Madison Wilson, 162 Thornwood Dr., Marlton, NJ 08053.

Sandy Sheehan, recovering from endovascular aortic aneurysm repair surgery. Will retest liver enzymes in several weeks.

Lea Ann Kellum, ruptured tendon in her foot.

**Stephanie DeStefano**, diverticulitis, requesting prayers for complete recovery.

Stephanie Robins friend of Barbara Robinson, skin cancer.

#### VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED!

