



10 Reasons

to Bring Your Child to Bible Class

- 1. Teaching for Their Phase:** Where else can your kids get Biblical instruction that's focused toward their developmental abilities? Where can you get guidance for walking with your child through each phase of their life?
- 2. Friends:** In Bible Class, your child will build positive friendships with their peers by discovering God's Word together.
- 3. It's Fun:** Our teachers work hard to teach the Bible in ways that are relevant and fun for kids.
- 4. Widen the Circle:** A dedicated teacher can be a Christian mentor who supports you, builds a relationship with your child, and helps inspire the faith of your child.
- 5. Mobilizing Biblical Messages:** Our curriculum is designed to give a broad foundation, so children will understand how all the parts of Scripture point to Christ. It focuses on character traits to mobilize them to live in wonder of God, discover who they are in God, and fuel passion to serve God.
- 6. Praying Teachers:** Our teachers consistently pray for your child's faith to grow. Coming to Bible Class gives another occasion for God to answer those requests.
- 7. Leverage Your Time:** If you're already coming to church, just come a little earlier. That one change will equal over 800 hours of additional Christian teaching before your child graduates. You only have so many hours, days, weeks, years as the primary influence of your kids. How you use what you have communicates what's important.
- 8. Create a Good Rhythm:** Making Bible Class a priority shows your kids that God's Word really does matter more than pillow-time. What does the rhythm of your life communicate?
- 9. Elevate Community:** While the children enjoy their class, you can fellowship with other adults in your own Bible study group.
- 10. You'll Be On Time:** Families who come to Bible Class always get to worship on time. It's the easiest way to avoid being late.

- Written By: Tony Kummer, Founder and Editor of Ministry-To-Children (with some changes to reflect Orange language)

Our Mission

Meet others where they are and together be transformed into the image of Christ.

From Daniel's Den

Commandment #5...do you remember it?

Smack, dab in the middle of the Ten Commandments is this one: "Honor Your Father and Mother!" (Remember the two places in the Torah where the 10 Commandments are listed? Answer provided below.) While that commandment seems directed to children, that 5th commandment is to be obeyed by people in their 60s. My dad turned 91 this past Thursday. I flew from Philadelphia to Spokane, WA, to be with him on his birthday and to obey this command. How do I (a man currently collecting Social Security), still honor my parents? Yep, I am a granddad, and I have grown children still honoring me, but I am still honoring my 91 year old dad. So, how do I honor my aging parents? Five suggestions:

Forgive them. They did not do everything right. They made mistakes. We honor our parents by extending grace and forgiving them. (Luke 23:34)

Speak well of them. Our words can bless them, or curse them. We need to honor them for the good that they have done (Rom. 13:7). While it has become popular in some circles to air our dirty laundry, to the degree we are able, we need to speak well of our parents.

Esteem them publicly and privately. "You know dad, one thing you did for me that I really appreciate..." I thank my dad for helping me to develop an evangelistic spirit. I thank my mom for helping me to see the value of a letter or a hand written note.

Seek their wisdom. They have experiences that we "younger folk" do not have. Ask them for their input and advice. Honor them by seeking their input. Job. 12:12; 20:29

Support and provide for them. Of course that includes financial support, but it also involves supporting them with love, care, concern, and even something as simple as regular phone calls or visits. (Ps. 71:9)
- Adapted / Tim Challies

Our nation just invented "Grandparents Day." What did that look like in your house? When I honor my dad (my only living parent) I also honor my kid's grandparents. Whether you are 8, 18, 58, or 68, will you join me in obeying that fifth commandment and honoring your parents? (See Ex. 20:1-17 and Deut. 5:6-22)

Those were 10 Commandments, Not 10 Suggestions ; **Dan the Connections Man**



Dan Cooper
aka
"Dan, Dan,
the Preacherman"

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Derrick Busch
Minister

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We're All A Mess

5 Myths About Depression- Michael S. Lundy

Myth #3: **Nobody knows the trouble I've seen.**

This is the final myth of this 5 part series that I've been sharing from Michael S. Lundy; again, an abbreviated sharing. But, I encourage you to visit the following website for the full version of all 5 Myths about Depression at: <https://www.crossway.org/articles/5-myths-about-depression>

One of the most dangerous attitudes I encounter is one which is almost intrinsic to depression: *isolating self-pity*. Now, most of us engage in this from time to time, and a little "licking of one's own wounds," so to speak, is not always a bad thing. But when it leads to the sort of isolation which defies the comfort extended by friends and family, it is a bad thing indeed, and when it goes further than that—and it regularly does—it can become implicitly (if unintentionally) *blasphemous* in quality.

With regard to that comfort offered by friends: it may be dismissed by an angry, "You have no idea what I'm going through!" That statement may be perfectly true, but it does not mean that comfort is not intended or available from that source. When we demand *identity* from a would-be comforter as a prerequisite qualification, we go quite against Scripture and common sense. We do not demand that a surgeon suffer appendicitis before we allow him to remove our ruptured one, nor would one refuse treatment for diabetes from an internist not so afflicted. Practical compassion *does something* concrete to alleviate suffering.

Yet, we also crave and need *empathy*. We want to be understood, and often mistakenly believe that we cannot be adequately understood by someone who has not suffered similarly. This may be accurate in context and in proper proportion, which explains the value of support groups for cancer survivors or those with PTSD. It is helpful to have someone know how we *feel*, though that *emotional knowledge does not necessarily bring the help we need*. So, while some may *empathize* with us but not be positioned to help in a practical sense, others can *appreciate* or *sympathize* with what we endure without "feeling" it, yet be willing and able to do something about our plight. We must not ask of empathy what only sympathy can give, nor must we demand of sympathy what is afforded by empathy.⁷ Similarly, when we need both empathy and sympathy, we must not settle for only one or the other. Rather, we must allow that they may come from separate sources.

Please, visit the website above for the full version of this insightful article packed with Biblical illustrations to heal your soul!

- Derrick



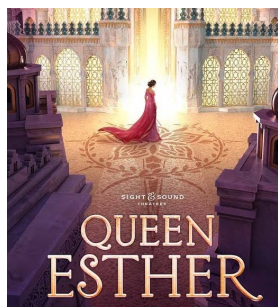
CAMP MANATAWNY - MEN'S RETREAT Friday, Sept. 27th & Saturday, Sept. 28th

This is a great opportunity for young men to focus on their spiritual life and develop their faith along with peers, their fathers, and other men! The

youth will have their own special program and lessons and are highly encouraged to attend.

Cost: **Only \$35!** * Cost for Boys 12 and Under: **Only \$10 ***
(plus a \$4 processing fee on all registrations)

Go to manatawny.org for the schedule, to register, or for more information!



We have a bus trip scheduled to see "Queen Esther" at Sight & Sound Theatre on **Saturday, April 4, 2020**. The cost is \$125 for adults and \$60 for children (ages 4-12).

The cost includes show, bus and dinner at Shady Maple restaurant. There is a sign up sheet at the welcome center. **There are 153 tickets available. All money is due by January 18, 2020.**

For additional information please contact Brian Holden. (H) 856-881-6792 (C) 856-759-2542 e-mail: bchandle94@hotmail.com

Can You Help???

Barbara Robinson is extremely grateful for those who have brought her a meal, and she even had enough to freeze some. However, she has since finished all of the meals, and her vision is still not good enough to cook. **If you are able to provide a meal, please contact Lucy Fair.** You can either bring the prepared meal to the church building and Lucy will deliver it to Barbara, or you can call Barbara (856-392-5268) directly and drop the meal off on a personal visit. Thank you in advance for your assistance!



Join us for an old fashioned Potluck Lunch after Testimonial Fifth Sunday! Plan to stay for a lunch and a time of fellowship.

Bring your favorite main course or side dish to share!

Please bring all hot food PREHEATED!

Beverages will be provided. Desserts provided by elders' and deacons' wives.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

* **Would you like to be a part of our next Church Cookbook?**

Pick up a recipe card at the Welcome Center, fill it out, and bring it back along with the dish that you bring to the **Fifth Sunday Potluck on Sunday, September 29th**. You can drop your recipe card off at the Welcome Center!



Say Yes to Children's Ministry! Open team positions and job descriptions are posted in the foyer near the children's wing. Use your gifts in the classroom, on the stage, or behind the scenes. Add your name to a job tag and make a commitment to our kids today! See **Robin Steward** for help finding the position that fits you best.



Please join us for a **Women's Book Club** on **Tuesday, Sept. 24th**, at 6:30 pm.

Finger foods will be provided -- no need to bring anything!

RSVP to Gloria requested by Tuesday, September 17th!

(phone) 609-970-8267

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Location: Gloria's home, 108 Hummingbird Way, Sewell, 08080

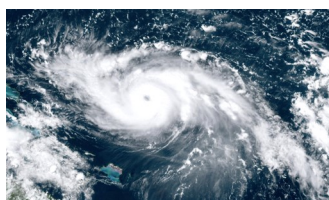
Book: "Everybody Always" by Bob Goff

Please see Gloria Myerson or Brenda Busch for more info!

***** PLEASE RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 17TH! *****

Our hearts are breaking for those suffering the devastating effects of Hurricane Dorian...

Our deacon over Caring and Sharing designated a **\$2,000 contribution out of our church budget** to help with Hurricane Dorian Relief Efforts. I loved his decisive and immediate response! In addition to the church's contribution,



another \$150 was donated by individual members this past Sunday to help with this effort. **If you would like to add to this amount for the relief efforts, please get your check to the church office (Dottie) by this Sunday.** We will then send one large check covering the church's donation and the individual Christian donations. If you do not get your check to the church office by this Sunday (Made out to the Pitman Church of Christ, Memo: Dorian Relief Efforts), please send your checks directly to Healing Hands International, at the address indicated to the right.

We are sending support to:

Healing Hands International
455 McNally Drive
Nashville, TN 37211
615-832-2000

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	156
Worship	201
LIFE Groups	129
Wednesday	43

Giving for August

August GOAL	\$39,248.00
Total August Contribution	\$37,001.00
Fiscal YTD GOAL	\$78,496.00
Fiscal YTD Contribution thru August	\$73,117.00

This Week's Prayer Requests

Prayer Requests:

Glenn Ziegler, Melody Davis' dad, has an 8 inch section of enlarged aorta. Any type of surgery/stent isn't an option. He will need to modify his activity/diet along with take medication to control his BP. Doctors are still deciding when to take care of the large kidney stone.

Jane, Hope DeStefano's grandmother who suffered a stroke, is now home and working on rehabilitation at home.

Diana Ford, sister of Jayne Schofield who is recovering from surgery, is in Genesis Rehab in Millville. She is in room 404B.

Frankie George, a little boy who Marlene Patterson is requesting prayers for, is still fighting two infections. He's lost over 10 pounds and his labs are showing malabsorption. Prayers are needed for the doctors as they come together to agree on a plan.

Gary, Sandy Sheehan's ex-husband, is moving along slowly. He has to learn how to walk again due to complications.

Bob, Sandy Sheehan's brother, infection is gone but he still has a blood clot in his leg that is causing a lot of pain.

Cliff Dando, cellulitis has improved, but he is falling a lot due to vertigo. He would appreciate our prayers!

Wilma Gillespie, mother of Elinda Hunter, suffered another fall last weekend. She will be going back to a rehab facility.

Please continue to pray for **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.

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Elder on Call for September and October: Mike Lazar

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Hope DeStefano
Kids For Christ	Robin Steward
Jr. Worship	Callie Peacher
Greeters: Front Entrance	Corny & Phyllis Walker
Greeters: Back Entrance	Derrick & Brenda Busch
Information Center	Shachara Adams
Ushers	TBD
Shepherd's Call	Mike Broyles
Song Leader	Garth Hutchinson

LIFE Group	Location	Contact
Ageless	Mychajlowyczs' at noon	908-294-4056
Brook Besor	Durham's Tuesday at 7 pm	856-589-2280
Circle of Sisters	Stetser's Monday at 7 pm	856-419-0544
Hammonton	Petersons' at 1 pm	609-576-6141
Men's Bible Study	Church Bldg. Monday at 7 pm	856-217-3956
Refreshed b/c Christ	Church Bldg. rm B4 at noon	267-303-4877
Solid Gold	Walkers' at 12:30 pm	856-478-6972
Teens	Church Bldg. at noon	610-476-9057
Vineland	H. Pearl's at 5 pm	609-805-0228
Women in the Word	Church Bldg. FLC, Tues. 9:45 am	856-981-9754
Young Adults	Hutchinsons' Friday at 6:30 pm	609-414-2606
Married with...	Church Bldg. rm B2 at noon	856-899-9466

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FAMILY PROMISE HOST WEEK

Sunday, October 20 – Sunday, October 27

Our next Host Week of the year is coming up next month, so it's time to start signing up to volunteer! Please see **John Ashton**, our coordinator, in the lobby TODAY to volunteer, or call him at **609-214-8522**.

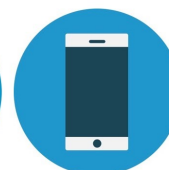
Volunteers for the following positions are needed: (See John for specific days.)

Shopper	Cook
Set Up	Breakdown
Laundry	Van Transfer
Morning Driver	Evening Driver
Evening Host	Overnight Host

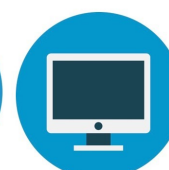
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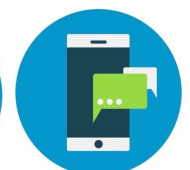
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worship service.



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mobile app.



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