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PITMAN ROAD POST

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Our Vision

To be a place where God's love is experienced, known, and shared by all.

THERE'S AN A.P.P. FOR THAT!

[A PEACHER'S PERSPECTIVE]

FAITHFUL RESPONSE



Joey Peacher
Preaching Minister

The Psalms are a variety of honest prayers to God. Many are questions we want to voice but are sometimes afraid to ask. Psalm 13 is a good example of this. David bluntly asks God questions. David is struggling. Sorrow is overwhelming him, and he is questioning God's care and protection. David's problems are big too. Soldiers chasing him to kill him. Hiding in the wilderness from his enemies. Here are the words of his heart:

O Lord, how long will you forget me? Forever? How long will you look the other way? How long must I struggle with anguish in my soul, with sorrow in my heart every day? How long will my enemy have the upper hand? (Psalm 13:1-2)

What usually happens when people start questioning God like this, when hard, unexplainable things occur, is our hearts harden towards God. We may slip into depression. We may lash out at the people around us. We may even abandon him. I've been there at the edge of an emotional cliff. Maybe you have too. That's why the end of Psalm 13 is a refreshing surprise.

But I trust in your unfailing love. I will rejoice because you have rescued me. I will sing to the Lord because he is good to me. (Psalm 13:5-6)

David begins talking about God's blessings and love. He begins to sing. Isn't it bad timing for a rousing praise song? One moment he tells God he feels abandoned and the next he is singing about his goodness. The emotion is there, but does the timing seem odd? Maybe it's just the right time for bursting out in praise of God. These two verses of this Psalm are connected by faith.

Jesus followers are supposed to be all about faith. Faith doesn't wait for answers to the questions or for the sadness to depart. Faith sings in the middle of the unknown darkness that surrounds. Faith sings while chained to a wall, like Paul and Silas. Faith sings when there's nothing left to do but hit your knees and trust in God. Faith clings tightly to what we believe, but do not see: Jesus, what's he's done for us, and his return to us. Faith knows that when Christ died on the cross over 2000 years ago, God's strategic rescue plan for humanity took place.

One of the best ways to express the Good News about Jesus is how we handle things when life causes us to question God.

We look above to him. We bring our questions to him and then we faithfully sing to him.

Inspired by "How Long, Lord?" By Christa Threlfall"



BLUE HENS FOR CHRIST

Blue Hens for Christ is a University of Delaware campus ministry focused on finding, living, and experiencing Jesus together. Back in July, Connor Brown came to Pitman Road from Blue Hens and spoke to our church on a Sunday morning about reaching the campus at Rowan University. His lesson was "Know Your Why". Following this, Connor wrote an article about his visit to our church for the Reflect Campus Missions 2021 Update Spring/Summer Newsletter. If you would like to read this article, visit <https://www.reflectmissions.org/reflect>

campusmissions-spring-summer-newsletter and click the link to access the PDF. We will also be sending it out in an email. If you would like to watch the sermon that Connor gave, visit our YouTube channel and go to the Sunday Morning Service from July 18, 2021.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We are filling shoeboxes again this year for Operation Christmas Child. **All packed boxes will be**

due by Sunday, November 21. Boxes and additional information are available in the foyer on a white table. Visit <https://www.samaritanspurse.org/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/> for important COVID-19 updates and how to pack your shoebox. You can also bless children around the world without leaving home, by building a shoebox online. If you have any questions, please contact Tina Broyles.

Bring Your Own Craft Day

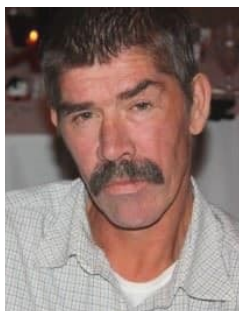
Saturday, November 27

Noon to 5:00 PM

in the Family Life Center

Snacks are provided!

Hope to see you there!



WITH SYMPATHY

Evelyn Jefferson's father, **Sherman Pusey**, went on to his reward last Monday night, November 1, 2021. We send our love, prayers, and comfort to Evelyn and her family during this difficult time.



ALL ARE WELCOME. COME AS YOU ARE.

Sunday, November 21 @ 5:30pm
Here at Pitman Road

Includes Light Refreshments



IN LOVING MEMORY

Our brother, **Bud Britton**, went to be with our Lord on Sunday, October 3, 2021 at his home in Mullica Hill. He was a loving husband, father, friend, and proud US Marine. Bud was loved by so many and will be deeply missed. We send our love,

prayers, and comfort to Barbara, Debbie, Phil, and the rest of the family and friends.



MANY THANKS

Dear Elders & Members,

I appreciate and acknowledge your love and cooperation for the Lord's work in Ghana. So many moments that the PRCC fraternity sacrificed to move my ministry. You thought of helping the Ebenezer family financially and prayerfully just to cause the progression and stabilization of my ministry.

You have wiped away tears from our eyes when a storm devastated our properties and fenced wall. You never learned to say no to any of my requests and invitations. Indeed, you stand for that.

Thanks for your gift money of US\$1000 to relieve us from such a disaster. We thank all the elders and the entire members so much for caring, supporting, and encouraging. May God bless your jobs and enlarge your borders.

I will update you when it is all done.

Warm Regards,

Ebenezer, Ghana.



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PACK THE PULPIT

We will be handling "Pack the Pulpit" the same way that we did last year. We plan to collect and distribute 50 Thanksgiving baskets to those in need.

PACK A BAG

The "official" shopping list and grocery bag are in the foyer on the white communion table. **Packed bags are due NEXT Sunday, November 14, which will be "Pack the Pulpit Sunday"**. You do not need to wait until Pack the Pulpit Sunday to bring in completed bags. Packed bags can be dropped off to the building during office hours any time before the deadline.



Thanksgiving Holiday Schedule

Wed., November 24
The church office will close at noon.

Thurs., November 25 & Fri., November 26
The church office will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday.



BRING IN A TURKEY AND/OR PIE

We will also be in need of 50 turkeys and 50 fresh pies. (Please, no frozen pies!) If you would like to donate a turkey and/or a pie, please see or contact Dottie or Kate by THIS Wednesday, November 10. Turkeys and pies need to be brought in on November 21, the Sunday before Thanksgiving.

** Please do not bring turkeys and pies to church next week on "Pack the Pulpit Sunday". We do not have enough freezer space to store 50 turkeys.*



THANKSGIVING CARDS

Thanksgiving cards for members who have moved, those needing encouragement, missionaries, military, and continuing financial supporters are available in the

lobby to sign until **NEXT Sunday, November 14.** You may also stop by the building any day during office hours to sign them.

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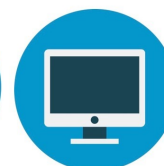
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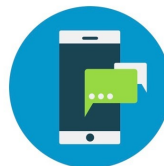
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worship service.



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