

The Barnesville Lantern

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Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path (Psalm 119:105).

The Pastor's Spotlight

"Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness; come before Him with joyful songs. Know that the LORD is God. It is He who made us, and we are His we are His people, the sheep of His pasture. Enter His gates with thanksgiving and His courts with praise; give thanks to Him and praise His name. For the LORD is good and His love endures forever; His faithfulness continues through all generations" (Psalm 100:1-5).

As we prepare ourselves for the Thanksgiving season, we all need to stop and reflect on how God Almighty has provided for us, loved us, and protected us throughout the past year. God's Word tells us to shout for joy to the Lord. We are to worship Him with gladness. We are to come before Him with thanksgiving in our hearts. We are to know and to remember that He made us and we are His people, the sheep of His pasture. And yes, that is more than enough to praise Him for!

So how do we praise Him, worship Him, and honor Him in our lives, especially during Thanksgiving? I feel that the greatest way to show our love for God is to show others His love through us! No matter what we are facing, we can be a witness of God's love just by sharing a hug, a smile, or a kind word. Love is contagious; share it and it will spread like wildfire. When you relax and enjoy the salvation, peace, and joy that Jesus has given you, you will see that others will give the Lord praise and thanks because they first saw Jesus' love through you!

Thank you, BBC, for loving Cindy and I. We are so blessed to be part of the family of God known as BBC.

God Bless,

Pastor Danny

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Upcoming Events

November 4 Business Meeting
November 7 Youth Hayride and Hot Dog Roast
November 11 Veterans Day
November 20 Watkins Cabinet Lunch
November 21 Baptist Men's Meeting
November 25 Thanksgiving Eve Service, 7:00 pm
November 26 Thanksgiving, Church Office closed



"I will make them and the places all around My hill a blessing; and I will cause showers to come down in their season; there shall be showers of blessing" (Ezekiel 34:26).

The Pew Perspective

Lee Michael

God's glory is a theme from the Scriptures that I've noticed cropping up during the past week several times, so I'd like to explore it here with you. God's glory has many facets but is simply defined as the demonstration of His presence and the expression of His awesomeness. Our English word "glory" comes from the Hebrew term "heavy", meaning that the very idea of God is weighty, deep, and richly laden with majesty. Through God's Word we get just an idea of what God's glory is. It is really so vast and beyond our comprehension that we can only get a glimpse of glory's full meaning. Some of the things that have been revealed to us about God's glory include:

It belongs to Him. God lacks any real competition for ultimate glory. *"I am the Lord, that is My name; and My glory I will not give to another..."* (Isaiah 42:8).

It is His purpose for creation. The universe and all the galaxies, stars, and planets in it exist to demonstrate His power and skill. *"The heavens declare the glory of God..." (Psalm 19:1).*

It is the explanation for why He created us. *"Everyone who is called by My name, whom I have created for My glory; I have formed him, yes, I have made him" (Isaiah 43:7).* When people ask why they are here on this earth, the answer is that we are here to glorify our Creator through our lives.

It creates awe and separation between an infinite God and man. "And the priests could not enter the house of the Lord, because the glory of the Lord had filled the Lord's house" (II Chronicles 7:2). Sinful, imperfect man cannot co-exist with the moral perfection of God.

It is His intent for salvation. God's mercy and forgiveness of sinners displays His glory in the same way that His punishment of unrighteousness does. *"That He might make known the riches of His glory on the vessels of mercy..." (Romans 9:23).* It was given to us in the person of Jesus Christ. *"And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory..." (John 1:14).* It was through Jesus' incarnation that the invisible God was made visible and accessible to us.

It is the objective of prayer. *"And whatever you ask in My name, that I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son" (John 14:13).* We don't pray to "get stuff". Whatever God's answers to our prayers are, they will glorify Him.

It is our cause for worship. *"Give unto the Lord the glory due to His name; worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness" (Psalm 29:2).* We praise the Lord because He deserves to receive our recognition of His worthiness.

It is the reason why things happen. *"When Jesus heard that, He said, 'This sickness is not unto death, but for the glory of God, that the Son of God may be glorified through it'" (John 11:4).* When we don't understand our circumstances, we can trust that they will inevitably serve to glorify God.

It is the goal of Christian service. *"If anyone ministers, let him do it as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ" (I Peter 4:11).* God doesn't require our help to accomplish His will. Rather, He gives us an opportunity to be part of His amazing plans.

It is our end state. *"When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory" (Colossians 3:4).* We will live forever with God in perfect bodies and bask in His glory.

Member of the Month: Johnny Haney

- ★ Born: October 9, 1956 in Aguadilla, Puerto Rico
- ★ How long a BBC member: since June 2015
- ★ How he first came to BBC: "I called Pastor Randy Gilliam and he met with me, a complete stranger".
- ★ Favorite Hymn: "Holy, Holy, Holy"
- ★ Favorite Pew: all of them
- ★ Favorite Bible verses: *John 1:12-13, Ephesians 1:13*
- ★ Age at baptism: 9 years old
- ★ Childhood church: Baptist
- ★ Personal claim to fame: "My God is the Lord of heaven and earth".
- ★ Most important historical event in his life: global warming
- ★ Farthest place he's been from Barnesville: Belgium
- ★ Most important technology invented in his lifetime: the Internet.
- ★ Childhood heroes: "My great-aunt Josefina and aunt Myriam".
- ★ Hobbies: reading



November Birthdays

- **1** Dorine Shields
- **4** Laura Luhn, Matt Burriss
- 5 Randy Gilliam, Clark Brown
- 6 Sam Berry, Nancy Wells
- **8** Loraine DeFries
- **11** Jane Fowler, Brenda Cross
- 12 Cris Driver
- 13 Faith Shive
- 15 William Rodgers, Carol Williams
- **16** Sherry Morrison
- 18 Anna Michael, Todd Rice, Resha Layman
- **21** Junior Luhn
- 22 Michelle Ennis
- 23 Kitty Cooley, Tod Luhn
- 26 Joyce Dunn
- 27 Margie Stream
- 28 Cheryl Shive
- **29** Connie Connelly

Prayer Concerns

the family of Bill Morrison at his passing Flora Gilliam Pastor Lord Boadu and Calvary Life Baptist Chapel

Rex Schmidt, Watkins Cabinet friend

the men & women of the Upper Montgomery Co. V.F.D. Dick Magruder and Mike Magruder

Homebound: Tod & June Luhn, Junior & Arlene Luhn, Ollie Baumbaugh, Margie Stream

Cancer patients: Billy Heaton, Cathy Mallory, David Fogle, Doug Swank, Gail Zingg, Jody Pelligrino, Jimmy Benson, Phil Brudner, Patti Watkins, Eddie Weston, Shirley Molitor, Butch Thompson

Our missionary friends: Manuel & Cindy Batres (Guatemala), Steve & Emily Ruffner (International School Project), David & Cheryl Shive (Faith Home Ministries), Matt & Ellen Zell (Honduras)



"The LORD is righteous in all His ways, Gracious in all His works. The LORD is near to all who call upon Him, To all who call upon Him in truth. He will fulfill the desire of

He will fulfill the desire of those who fear Him; He also will hear their cry and save them" (Psalm 145:17-19).



Report from the 144th Annual Business Meeting in October:

- A motion to start the 2016 budget process passed; the standing committees will report to the Treasurer by Nov. 8.
- Bylaws to define the benevolence fund and benevolence policy were adopted.
- Pastor Danny & Cindy Moore and Lee Michael were appointed to serve as messengers to the BCM/D annual convention, being held Nov. 8-10 in Ocean City, MD.
- The membership applications of Doug & Barbara Swank, each by statement; and Bobbi Comert, by profession of faith pending baptism on Oct. 25, were approved.
- A motion to increase the Electric and Ministry Reimbursement budget line items by \$1,000 each passed.

Expected at the November Business Meeting:

- The Internal Administration Cmte. will move to increase the Benevolence budget line item by \$1,000.
- The Internal Administration Cmte. will offer a bylaw to allow a portion of the security deposit for non-members' weddings to be given to the church custodian.

COTCD Cartoon



News You Can Use

Constitutional amendments. All BBC members are requested to attend a special business meeting after the service on Sunday, Nov. 22 to consider four amendments to the Church Constitution. The proposed changes, recommended by the Pastor and Deacons, would improve and clarify our procedures related to admitting and dismissing members, applying the Church's views of faith and practice, and defining deacon tenure and service. A formal announcement will be made on Sunday, Nov. 1, after which church members will receive additional information about the amendments.

Christmas dinner scheduled for Dec. 6. The Christmas Dinner will be held at St. Mary's Pavilion in Barnesville on Sunday, Dec. 6 at 5:00 pm. The cost for the chicken and ham dinner is \$15.00 per adult. Children ages 12 and under are the guests of BBC. Join us for good food, activities, and fellowship to get the Christmas season started. Please RSVP by Sunday, Nov. 29, to Gary or Jan Burdette by cash or check made payable to BBC.

Beast feast. Over two dozen men enjoyed the second annual



beast feast on Saturday, Oct. 10. The menu included fried fish, venison burgers, bear chili, and wild game stew. Dave Graham played his

guitar and provided entertainment in song.

Youth events. On Saturday, Oct. 17, 22 youth and adults enjoyed

an evening at Summers Farm in Frederick. The wind was cold but the bonfire was hot, around which we cooked hot dogs and s'mores. Several intrepid groups braved the corn maze. The next youth event is a hayride to Sugarloaf and a hot dog roast planned for Saturday, Nov. 7 at 4:00 pm. On Sunday,



Nov. 15, the youth will assemble gift baskets for seniors during Children's Church and deliver them on the 22nd.

Get ready for Operation Christmas Child. You can share the



love and hope of Jesus Christ with needy children around the world by packing a shoebox with toys. Brochures containing gift ideas and labels for the boxes are available in the church vestibule. The WMU needs your donations no later than Sunday, Nov. 15.

Christmas poinsettias for sale. If you would like to purchase a Christmas poinsettia in honor of/in memory of a loved one, please contact Kitty Cooley at 301-349-5119. The poinsettias will be used to decorate the sanctuary for Christmas services and throughout the holiday season.

Bill Morrison, 1938-2015. Bill Morrison passed away on Oct. 12 at the age of 77. Bill joined our congregation in 2006 and served as a deacon and groundsman. We mourn Bill's passing with his wife Sherri and pray that the Lord will give the Morrison family comfort and strength in the days and weeks ahead.



Baptism. Following Jesus' example, Bobbi Comert was



baptized on Sunday, Oct. 25 by Pastor Danny Moore. Bobbi's membership application was approved at the October business meeting. We are so pleased to have Bobbi join our church family!

Honduras Missions Trip Report

Megan Fedders

Ed. Note: Megan will give a slide presentation about her trip during the worship service on Sunday, Nov. 1.

My missions trip to Honduras was a life-changing event! I had a desire to help others, especially children, and after hearing Matt & Ellen Zell speak about their ministry in

Honduras, my desire was even greater. After a meeting with Ellen and Pastor Danny, we started planning my trip. Thanks to the Lord for allowing all the pieces to come together. I left on Sep. 12 and stayed

with the Zells for two weeks. I was able to work with the children of La Paz, Honduras in an after school program that the



Zells started. I visited an orphanage, a women's pregnancy waiting house, and met some of the poorest people in La Paz. I also visited the Runkles family and the orphanage where they serve. I took two suitcases filled with crafts, shoes, and clothes for the children. While in La Paz, I was able to do crafts with the children, who loved them. It was wonderful watching the children's joy when picking out their own clothes.

I did not know how really blessed we are and how we live here in the United States. After seeing the way some of the people live in La Paz it made me appreciate the smaller things even more. Thanks to my church family for providing me this opportunity and to everyone that donated items. A special thanks to the Zells for opening up their home to me and for allowing me to have an amazing experience. The ultimate thanks goes to God for allowing me to serve Him.

Youth Activities & Interests

November 2015

Being Thankful

by Ashley Babyak

It's November already! That means Thanksgiving, with the turkey and stuffing and all the yummy sides! But there is so much more to the holiday we need to remember this month.

This month I challenge each of our youth (and adults) to come up with something new they are thankful for every day. We often forget to be thankful for the little things in life, or we focus on our burdens rather than what we have been given. I often find myself complaining that I have to do laundry, but instead I should be thankful that I have clothes to wear and a family that has provided me with them. The next time you have to pick up your toys or clean your room, be thankful for having toys to pick up and for having a room to live in. When being thankful for these things, don't forget to thank the real source of everything we have, God. Yes, your parents may buy you the things, but none of that is possible without God's blessings.

As Thanksgiving and Christmas draw near, we also need to remember all those that can't be with us in church or with their families during the holidays. On Sunday, November 15, the youth will be meeting at the church to make baskets for members of the church that are unable to join us in person every weekend. Then on December 5 we will be making gifts for the residents of Sunrise Assisted Living in Frederick. I encourage all youth to join us these days for fellowship and a time of giving.



Pastor's Note

Once again another month has flown by. The question that I have for you this month is: How did you try to get involved in your church youth and young adults group in October? Did you pray for each other? Did you invite others to come to the outings and Bible study times? Did you support each other by making time to come yourself?

Your church family here at BBC is so excited about seeing God work within the lives of our youth and young adults. Are you excited about coming and sharing and helping us grow closer to God and to each other? If there is anything we can do to help us reach out in Jesus' name to you and to your friends, please call Vicki or myself. I promise we will pray about it, and if possible we will do whatever we can do to honor God and to bring all of us closer to each other. The bottom line is we really do care for and love you all! We all need each other to be all that God wants us to be!!

In His Love,

Pastor Danny

Upcoming Youth Events

Saturday, November 7 Hayride to Sugarloaf Mountain and Hot Dog Roast Sunday, November 15 Children's Church: Making Gift Baskets for Seniors Saturday, December 5 Project Day: Making Gifts for Sunrise Assisted Living Residents

Prayer Concerns

Share your prayer concerns with and questions for your pastor:

IT'S IN THE BAG!



Psalm 136:1

The answer to this puzzle is in the suitcase. Fill in the blanks in each sentence. Use the numbers under each answer to fill in the puzzle on the suitcase. You'll find a verse that tells what we can do.

