

# 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

"Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved" (Acts 2:46-47).

On Saturday, Sep. 22, we looked so much like the early church in Acts 2 as we and believers from different ethnic backgrounds came together as God's people to honor and praise our Lord as well as to fellowship and grow closer to each other. As the pastor of BBC, I am so grateful to be part of the BBC family of believers. We as a congregation opened our hearts and lives to God and allowed Him to use us in mighty ways to share love with other God-fearing churches like Commissioned World Outreach Church Ministry and the Thai Christian Church of Washington, DC. In return, we were all blessed for it. Anyone within earshot could tell that being a child of God and a member of the family of God is exciting, fun, and rewarding. I believe that our Savior and Lord looked down on all of us and said "Well done, my good and faithful servants". God blessed us with great weather, the presence of the Holy Spirit was powerful, and the fellowship, food, and worship was amazing.

We had about 120 people on the BBC grounds from many different backgrounds and cultures all praising and worshiping Jesus together as one. Let's never forget why we do these types of outreach. In *Acts 2:47*, when the early church praised God, it enjoyed the favor of all the people, and the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved. Thank you, Lord, for your love and mercy. Thank you, Holy Spirit, for opening the doors of opportunity to share the Gospel of Jesus with everyone who was there and to all those that came by. The work doesn't stop there, so let's keep focused on God's plan and we all will be blessed. Thank you to all the men and women who helped with this awesome outreach. To God be the glory!

God Bless,



Pastor Danny

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### **Upcoming Events**

October 3 147<sup>th</sup> Annual Business Meeting October 6 Youth Campfire at Summers Farm October 19 Watkins Cabinet Lunch October 20 Baptist Men's Meeting; Beast Feast for Men October 21 Calendar Planning Meeting October 27 Children's Trip to National Aquarium October 31 Halloween



"So Jacob went near to Isaac his father, and he felt him and said, 'The voice is Jacob's voice, but the hands are the hands of Esau"" (Genesis 27:22).

#### The Pew Perspective

Lee Michael

Jesus' healing miracles not only restored the sick, they taught spiritual truths about sin and salvation. In Jesus' day, many people believed that sickness and suffering were the result of sin. In John 9, Jesus explained that a man's physical blindness was not caused by his spiritual condition (9:3), but sin can indeed cause spiritual blindness, making unrepentant sinners unable to know God or understand His truth (9:40-41). However, the good news is that believing in Jesus provides spiritual sight. In Matthew 9:27-29, two blind men asked Jesus to restore their sight. When Jesus asked them if they believed that He could heal them, they said yes, and Jesus opened their eyes "according to their faith".

When we look at the lepers Jesus healed, we can learn that while sin is spiritually incurable in man's power, faith in Jesus is the divine cure. In biblical times, leprosy was considered a divine punishment for sin that had no earthly remedy. Those who had leprosy were considered ritually unclean and banished to live far away from others. We read in *Luke 17:13* that 10 lepers asked Jesus for mercy from their condition. Speaking to one man who thanked Jesus for his healing, the Lord linked his healing to his faith, saying, *"Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well"* (*Luke 17:19*). We are saved from sin only when we put our trust in Jesus, just as the lepers were healed when they put their faith in Him.

Jesus was known for healing the lame and paralytics, giving them the full use of their bodies. Just as sin makes one spiritually incapable, God's forgiveness through Jesus restores people to be and do what God created them for. In *Matthew 9:1-8*, Jesus both forgave and healed a paralytic, drawing a rebuke from the scribes. Jesus demonstrated His authority and power to forgive sins when the paralyzed man rose up and walked home under his own power. We too can walk in the power of God when we trust in Him as Savior and Lord.

Jesus' healing of the demon-possessed shows how far sin can pull men down, taking over people's lives and minds to such a degree that they are completely overtaken by evil. In *Luke* 8:26-39, Jesus came across a demon-possessed man who was so controlled by evil that he wore no clothes and could not be restrained, even with chains. Jesus rebuked the demons, driving them away. When the people of that area came to investigate, they "...found the man from whom the demons had departed, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind" (Luke 8:35). We can see in this incident that while sin makes us unholy and unsettled, Jesus' salvation clothes us in righteousness and peace.

The most serious consequence of sin is that it results in both spiritual and physical death, but Jesus' mercy results in eternal life (*Romans 6:23*). Death--separation from the source of life--as a consequence of sin is a fair and just outcome, but God's love and mercy allow us to live again. We can see God's lovingkindness in *Luke 7:11-17*, when Jesus raised a widow's son in the city of Nain back to life. Jesus came across the funeral procession, a mother crying over the lifeless body of her only son. Jesus could have offered sympathy and went on His way, but instead, "*when the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her...*" (7:13) and restored her dead son to life. Many people glorified God as a result, and we too can rejoice in God's great love that gives us life everlasting.

#### **Biblical Tricks & Plots Scramble**

Can you match each of these biblical tricksters and plotters with those they conspired against? Answers are on the bottom of page 3, column 1.

Absalom A. Nehemiah 1. Adonijah B. David 2. Caiaphas C. Paul 3. Cain D. Naboth 4. Delilah E. Daniel 5. 6. Demetrius F. Samson G. Mordecai Gibeonites 7. 8. Haman H. Jacob 9. Herod Isaac I. 10. Herodias J. Christians 11. Jacob K. Joshua 12. Jezebel L. Judah 13. Korah M. John the Baptist N. Job 14. Laban O. Solomon 15. Potiphar's wife 16. Sanballat P. Shechem 17. Satan Q. Joseph 18. satraps R. Moses 19. Simeon S. Jesus 20. Tamar T. Abel

#### **Biblical Tricks & Plots Word Search**

F. Т INOEBIGT R L S J S TASA н PAR Т Α Ν Е EMS UIRTEME D Ν ZNRSANBALLA R Т Е HNSADONI JA 0 Η SAHPAIAC D В ΗV R Ι Е HZRBONBABA B LXASOOTL Α ОМҮ W т AAMEKIIAC S Η B RLBMALRT Ρ Ε Α G Ν OKIAENGQRH Μ Ι J M D SMDNBTOLAAD RPPDZKRDPCPNR

Word Bank: Absalom, Adonijah, Caiaphas, Cain, Delilah, Demetrius, Gibeonites, Haman, Herod, Herodias, Jacob, Jezebel, Korah, Laban, Mrs. Potiphar, Sanballat, Satan, satraps, Simeon, Tamar

# **October Birthdays**

- 6 Michaela Driver
- 9 Johnny Haney
- **10** David Shive
- **23** Kaycee Saylor
- 26 Liz Heimlich

#### **Prayer Concerns**

Ashlinn Cole Nick Cole Linda Roberts Susan Rice

the men & women of the Upper Montgomery Co. V.F.D. Seniors: Gene & Patty Bennett, Hisle Beach, Janet Magruder, Jo Blalock, June Luhn, Arlene Luhn, Bilyie Luhn, Margie Stream, Ollie Baumbaugh, Paul & Trudy Meissner, Rebecca Umstead, Phoebe Rogers, June (Cole) Houseknecht

Cancer patients: Pauline Fowler, Gail Palestine, Charlie Driver, Cathy Rockenhauser, Dennis Oden Our missionary friends: Manuel & Cindy Batres (Guatemala) and 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 those who fear Him; He also will hear their cry and save them"

(Psalm 145:17-19).

# **Biblical Tricks & Plots Scramble Answers**

1. **B** (II Samuel 15); 2. **O** (I Kings 1); 3. **S** (John 11:47-57); 4. **T** (Genesis 4:8); 5. **F** (Judges 16:4-20); 6. **C** (Acts 19:24-27); 7. **K** (Joshua 9); 8. **G** (Esther 3); 9. **J** (Acts 12); 10. **M** (Matthew 14); 11. **I** (Genesis 27); 12. **D** (I Kings 21); 13. **R** (Numbers 16:1-3); 14. **H** (Genesis 29:15-30); 15. **Q** (Genesis 39:13-19); 16. **A** (Nehemiah 4); 17. **N** (Job 1-2); 18. **E** (Daniel 6); 19. **P** (Genesis 34); 20. **L** (Genesis 38).



# **Business Meeting Briefs**

# *Report from the Monthly Business Meeting in September:*

- A motion to amend the August 2018 motion to authorize Church officer and committee positions for the 2018-2020 term by adding an at-large seat to the Internal Administration Cmte. was approved.
- Pastor Danny Moore, Cindy Moore, Lee Michael, and Luke Fedders were appointed as messengers to the 83<sup>rd</sup> Montgomery Baptist Association Annual Meeting, being held on Oct. 14 at Colesville Baptist Church.

#### Expected at the 147<sup>th</sup> Annual Business Meeting:

- A resolution to begin the annual budget process for 2019 will be offered; the standing committees will report to the Treasurer by Nov. 4.
- The Deacons will offer motions to approve the membership applications of Cortland & Ola Moore, each by statement.
- The Select Committee on Nominations will report on its recommendations for 2018-2020 church officers, and the Church will then vote on those nominations.
- Note: All outstanding motions not acted on at the October Business Meeting must be re-introduced for any further consideration by the Church.

#### **COTCD** Cartoon

### CHURCH OF THE COVERED DISH by Thom Tapp

WELL, I LIKE SPECIAL EMPHASIS SUNDAYS AS WELL AS THE NEXT FELLOW, BROTHER ELI, BUT I CAN'T SEE MYSELF INVITING MY FRIENDS TO "BRING A SINNER" SUNDAY....



#### News You Can Use

Pig Pickin' report. The Sep. 22 Pig Pickin' and Inter-



national Fellowship was a great success. We got a little glimpse of what heaven will look like as BBC members were joined by Christian brothers and sisters from the

Commissioned World Outreach Church Ministry from Sterling, VA and the Thai Christian Church of Washington, DC as well as several from First Baptist Church of Rockville and the Montgomery Baptist Association. Dishes and desserts from Africa, Asia, and America were enjoyed by all during the dinner. Worship in song was

offered by Doug Fetty, two ladies from the Thai church, and a group from the Ghanaian church. Special thanks to Roy Leibrand for cooking the meats on his grill,



the Baptist Men for all of their work in preparing and hosting the event, and to everyone who contributed to the food and fellowship.

*Men invited to beast feast.* All men are invited to the fifth annual beast feast on Saturday, Oct. 20 at Roy Leibrand's farm at 19715 Mouth of Monocacy Rd. in Dickerson at 5:30 pm. The menu will include fried fish, venison burgers, and wild game stew, and Roy will have his smoker up and running. There will be a few door prizes and a drawing for a couple of \$50 gift certificates to help hunters get ready for the upcoming season.

*Fall youth events*. On Saturday, Oct. 6 at 6:30 pm, the youth will enjoy an evening at Summers Farm in Frederick, which will include a campfire, a corn maze, and hot dogs and s'mores. Youth admission will be paid for by BBC; adult admission is \$12.00. Please pay/RSVP to Lisa Fedders or the Church Office by Oct. 1. The Children's Ministry will have a trip to the National Aquarium in Baltimore on Saturday, Oct. 27. Cars will leave from BBC at 10:00 am. Please contact Tina Appleton with any questions. The next youth event is a hayride to Sugarloaf and a hot dog roast planned for Saturday, Nov. 4 at 4:00 pm. All are invited!

*MBA annual meeting & fall revival*. The Montgomery Baptist Association has scheduled its annual meeting and fall revival for Oct. 14-17 at Colesville Baptist Church in Silver Spring. Speaking this year are Pastor Danny on Sunday with Rev. Michael Mattar, Rev. Brian Tubbs, and Rev. Gayle Clifton, all from the MBA, on the following evenings. On Sunday, Oct. 14 the annual meeting will be held at 4:30 pm and the revival service will start at 7:30 pm. BBC is sending four messengers.

*Calendar planning meeting*. Church officers and ministry leaders are requested to attend a working lunch on Sunday, Oct. 21 to schedule major activities for 2019 immediately after the service in the Fellowship Hall. This meeting has been moved to October so the newly-elected standing committees can plan their events at the same time they are developing their 2019 budget requests.

*New 2018-2020 directory coming soon.* Updates for the new church directory are being collected through October. Anyone with changes to their contact information or regular attendees who would like to have their picture and information included for the first time should promptly submit their data to Lee Michael. The next directory update is planned for April 2019.

*Sunrise Center services*. Each second Sunday of the month, BBC spends an hour in the afternoon at the Sunrise of Frederick retirement home in Frederick. Led

by Paul Foster, we worship with the residents by singing old time hymns, sharing



some scripture, and enjoying fellowship. On Sunday, Sep. 9, a record 14 Sunrise residents participated. Several were faithful attenders, but many were there for the first time. We praise God for the opportunity to share His love with the Sunrise residents each month.

*WMU meetings*. The Women's Missionary Union will hold its first meeting of the season on Monday, Oct. 8 at 10:00 am in the Fellowship Hall. All ladies are invited to participate in WMU's efforts to educate and involve the Church in the cause of Christian missions.