



Bethany Banner

August 2019

*The Newsletter of
Dover Bethany UM Church
4510 Bull Road
Dover, PA 17315*

Back to School Time (for all of us!)

Summer is quickly coming to a close and it will be time for children to head back to school. In honor of all the students who will be heading back to their educational pursuits I have discovered a little song (from the viewpoint of a student). This song is to be sung to the tune of "My Bonnie." It is written by Kenn Nesbitt and entitled "Welcome Back to School."

"Dear students, the summer has ended. The school year at last has begun.
But this year is totally different. We're going to only have fun.

[Chorus] "Sit back. Relax. The school year is gonna be fun, so fun.
We'll play all day. The school year is gonna be fun.

"We won't study any mathematics, and recess will last all day long.
Instead of the Pledge of Allegiance, we'll belt out a rock-and-roll song. [Chorus]

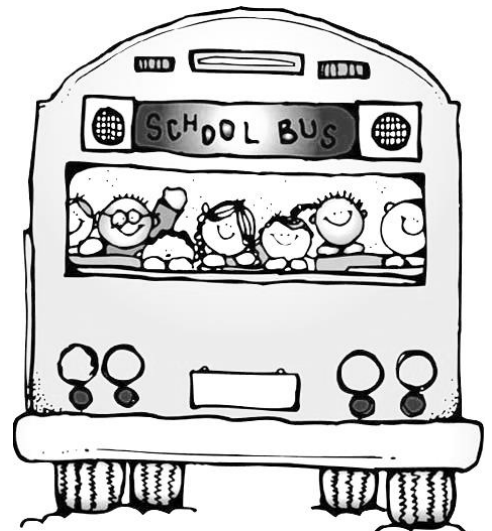
"We'll only play games in the classroom. You're welcome to bring in your toys.
It's okay to run in the hallways. It's great if you make lots of noise. [Chorus]

"Your video games are your homework. You'll have to watch lots of T.V.
For field trips we'll go to the movies and give away candy for free. [Chorus]

"The lunchroom will only serve chocolate and triple fudge sundaes supreme."
Yes, that's what I heard from my teacher, before I woke up from my dream!

Some children look forward to school starting again. Some children dread it. Bottom line: learning should be a lifestyle not just a brief time in life to get a diploma. For all of you students (young and old), September starts again all sorts of educational options like Sunday school, Bible studies and Wednesday night gatherings. Don't forget your spiritual education. Plug in, engage and participate. We will have lots of fun, but we'll also have to do some hard work. It can't be all fun and games. But the benefits will have eternal value!

"Take Risks" and God Bless,
Pastor Sal



Operation Christmas Child Update

We have less than three months and still need a number of items.

Please focus on bringing in the following for our shoeboxes:

- ♥ Soap
- ♥ 24 pack of crayons
- ♥ 10 or 12 pack of pencils
- ♥ small water bottle
- ♥ pack of loose leaf paper or 70 page notebook
- ♥ **THIS IS THE SEASON TO GET ALL SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR A GREAT PRICE!**
- ♥ And of course, **TOYS!!!!**



We have received more than enough washcloths, toothbrushes and combs. Thanks!

Some of our savvy shoppers have found great purchases: you can get 24 packs of pencils from Dollar Tree for \$1. They are in the store and also online at: <https://www.dollartree.com/jot-yellow-wooden-2-pencils-24ct-bonus-packs/201768>. Crayola 24 pack crayons are at Target and Walmart stores or online for 50 cents a box.

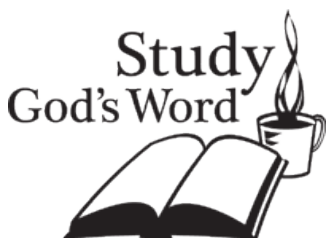
The next **counting/sorting of donations for Operation Christmas Child will be Monday evening, August 26th at 6PM.** Hope to see you there.

Mission Central Trip

The next trip to Mission Central is Wednesday, August 7th, meeting at church @ 9am. Please sign up on your Communication Card.

Scholarship Offering and Presentation

Sunday, August 18th will include a special offering for our scholarship fund, that will be added to the \$933 we currently have to distribute. We have 5 applicants for funds. Last year, we gave out \$3,500.00 in scholarships. Thank you for your generosity in supporting our college and seminary students.



Thursday Morning Pastor's Bible Study

Thursday morning Bible study will start back on September 5th at 10AM. Pastor Sal is still deciding which book of the Bible to study. If you have a suggestion or request, let us know on your Communication Card.

Wonderful Wednesday - Begins again on September 11th at 6PM

Join us for a meal, song, prayer and a time for questions and discussion concerning Sunday's sermon. It is a great time to make some new acquaintances and catch up with friends. An offering basket is available for donations to offset the cost of our meal.

August 2019 Volunteer Schedule	4	11	18	25
Sanctuary door Greeters	Bob & Carol Sarver	Mark & Margie Burkhart	Robert & Brenda Lamparter	Ruth Beveridge June Gise
Hospitality Center	Mark Burkhart Margie Burkhart	Jeff Stief Lynette Stief	Linda Deneen Ray Deneen	Kathy Aughey Marlin Aughey
Nursery	Steve Green Kathy Lamparter	Ruth Beveridge Ellen Krause	Denise Brulinski Michelle Duncker	Carol Sarver Sonja Crisamore
On Call for Nursery	Becky Drawbaugh	Ginger Lehr	Margie Burkhart	Elaine Myers
Head Usher	Bob Sarver	Ray Neiman	Jack McLeod	Rich Crager
Counters	George & Ruthie Laird	George & Ruthie Laird	George & Ruthie Laird	George & Ruthie Laird

Come and Join us for a **Contemporary Worship and Song Concert** by our Praise and Worship Team on **Sunday, August 25th at 7 PM**. There will be offering for Medical Mission Team headed to Nigeria this fall.

Dover Bethany United Methodist Church Calendar						August 2019
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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						5p Dover Bethany Restaurant/Picnic
4 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship 10:45am Sunday School	5	6 9am Ladies' Bible Study 7:00p Board of Directors Meeting	7 9am-2pm Mission Central Trip 6:30p Wednesday w/ Emily	8	9	10
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18 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship – Scholarship Offering and Awards 10:45am Sunday School FOOD BANK Sunday	19	20 9am Ladies' Bible Study	21 6:30p Wednesday w/ Emily	22	23	24 7am Men's Covenant 9am August Book Discussion
25 8am Adult Sunday School 9:15am Worship 10:45am Sunday School 7 pm Contemporary Worship Concert	26 6:30 pm Counting & Sorting Operation Christmas Child Donations	27	28	29	30	

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We need your help on August 17th!

On Saturday, August 17th, we need to install some upper and lower cabinets in a basement classroom; demolish a wall and do some painting. Weather permitting, we may also have some outside work to do: painting, digging and mulching. 8 AM to Noon. Sign up on your Communication Card. It is a number of odds and ends that we want to check off our “to do” list.

