



Always Learning, Never Graduating

“Ask the former generation and find out what their ancestors learned.”

Job 8:8 New International Version

“Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it.”

George Santayana, 1905

In a 1948 speech to the House of Commons, Winston Churchill changed the quote slightly when he said, “Those who fail to learn from history are condemned to repeat it.”

It is graduation season and my mind wanders to what I have learned, what I’ve failed to learn, and what I still need to learn. We should always be pursuing spiritual growth, because when it comes to the imitation of Jesus Christ and the practice of the fruit of the Spirit, we always have something we can be improving.

Have you noticed when it comes to Sunday School you never finish? There is no graduation from Sunday School! When I first came to Dover Bethany, a member of the Helping Hands Class told me that when folks graduate from that class they go across the street (the cemetery!).

It is almost 30 years since I graduated seminary, but I know there is so much more I need to learn and apply! I have a dream list of books I want to read that is longer now than at any other time in my life! These are not books from the New York Times best seller list. These are books from church history and theology and devotional classics.

Now that may sound too academic for you or you might feel those are too hard for you (and they might be), BUT the question remains – ***what are you doing to grow spiritually?***

Sunday worship, Sunday School and daily devotions (Bible reading and prayer) are not enough. Too often they only scratch the surface of topics and you don’t get to go deep so your spiritual growth suffers. You also need some partners along the way to keep you motivated, to discuss with and to hold you accountable. ***What are you doing to grow spiritually?***

Summer is a good time to put a little extra effort into this.

“Take Risks” and God Bless,

Pastor Sal

Graduates Class of 2019 – Congratulations to:

· Riley Runk, daughter of Jared and Abby Runk, graduate of Dover High School. She will be attending Lock Haven University in the fall for Health & Physical Education.

· Emily Buonocore, daughter of Sal and Nancy Buonocore, graduated Summa Cum Laude from Asbury University with Bachelor of Arts degree. She will be attending Asbury Theological Seminary in the fall for a Masters of Divinity degree.

101 Membership Class

There will be a basic membership class on Saturday, June 8th from 8:00 am– 12:00 pm. You are encouraged to come and find out more about the mission and ministry of Dover Bethany UMC. Please sign up on your Communication Card.

Operation Christmas Child Update

We have enough toothbrushes and combs for our boxes for this year!

Please be purchasing the following items for the shoeboxes:

☺ 24 pack crayons

☺ color books

☺ 12 pack pencils

☺ sidewalk chalk packs

☺ pencil sharpeners

☺ any other items that would make good gifts for our shoeboxes



☺ washcloths

☺ loose leaf notebook paper packs

☺ plastic water bottles

☺ stuffed animal

Our next sorting time will be Monday, June 24th at 6:30 PM. Mark your calendar – we need a good group of volunteers to help process all the recent donations. Thanks!

MISSION CENTRAL TRIP on Wednesday, June 5th leaving at 9 AM.

June 2019 Volunteer Schedule	2	9	16	23	30
Sanctuary door Greeters	Marie Lauer Nancy Snyder	Ray & Bertie Neiman	Steve & Carla Green	Mike & Ginger Lehr	Glenn & Mary Fetrow
Hospitality Center	Mark Burkhart Margie Burkhart	Jeff Stief Lynette Stief	Linda Deneen Ray Deneen	Kathy Aughey Marlin Aughey	Kevin Drawbaugh Becky Drawbaugh
Nursery	Pat Keller Bertie Neiman	Mark Burkhart Ginger Lehr	Kathy Lamparter Margie Burkhart	Becky Drawbaugh Jeanne Spahr	Ellen Krause Marie Lauer
*On Call	*Carla Green	*Ruth Beveridge	*Denise Brulinski	*Michelle Duncker	*Nancy Snyder
Head Usher	Bob Sarver	Jack McLeod	Ray Neiman	Jack McLeod	Rich Crager
Counters	Don & Donna Barshinger	Don & Donna Barshinger	Don & Donna Barshinger	Don & Donna Barshinger	Don & Donna Barshinger

Wednesday Nights Summer Bible Study

Emily Buonocore will be leading a study on Old Testament Culture this summer on Wednesday nights beginning on June 5th. There is no meal; singing will start at 6:30 pm, with the lesson beginning at 7 and lasting for approximately an hour. Make room in your summer schedule for this informative and interesting study.



Men's Breakfast and Bible Study Saturday, June 22nd at 7 AM

All men in the church are encouraged to join in this time of food and fellowship. Bring your appetite and a Bible. We finish about 9AM.

Dover Bethany Scholarship Fund

The Dover Bethany UM scholarship fund is for college and master level students who are active church members of Dover Bethany Church. Students applying must submit a written letter stating: 1) their educational pursuit (major and occupational/vocational pursuit), 2) the school they are attending (with mailing address), 3) how far along they are in their educational pursuit and 4) how they are doing academically. Request letters are submitted to the Dover Bethany Board of Directors.

Deadline: Letters must be received by August 1st and individuals will be notified of their acceptance by August 18th. Checks to schools will be sent after August 18th. Order of priorities of distribution of funds: Full-time students pursuing pastor ministry; Full-time students pursuing other ministry degrees; (youth, music, counseling, etc.); All other full-time students; then finally, part-time students

Scholarships will be awarded Sunday August 18th and there will also be a special offering for the scholarship fund received on that Sunday.

Summer Reading List



If you would like to join our book discussions, purchase a copy of the book and let us know you are participating. We will contact you to schedule a day we can get together to discuss and have a light lunch.

June: "The Screwtape Letters" by C.S. Lewis

July: "Pilgrim's Progress" by John Bunyan

August: "The Confessions of St Augustine"

HOSS' Fundraising for IMO Trip

On Tuesday June 4th 2019, we will be having a fundraiser at Hoss's Steak and Sea House in West York located at 2175 White St, York, PA 17404. Funds raised from this fundraiser will benefit the team going on IMO mission trip in September. Pick up your card/email print out at the welcome center, which you need to present when ordering. You can also take a picture of the card and show when ordering.



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MISSION NIGERIA! VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 17-21st @ 9 – 11:30AM

*We are headed on a mission –
to share God's love here and in Africa!*

Vacation Bible School will be June 17 – 21st from 9:00 – 11:30 AM. Our Bible study will focus on parables told by Jesus. Our mission theme will be on the IMO Medical Missions and our team who is going to Nigeria this fall from Dover Bethany. We expect a fun week of learning, songs, crafts, snacks and games for ages 3 – 12.

Registration forms are available at the welcome centers or call the office at 717-292-2716 to pre-register for the week. **We still need a few more volunteers!** If you can help, we can use you – even if it is not every day. Please call Nancy Buonocore at 717-292-9508 if you are available. Thanks!