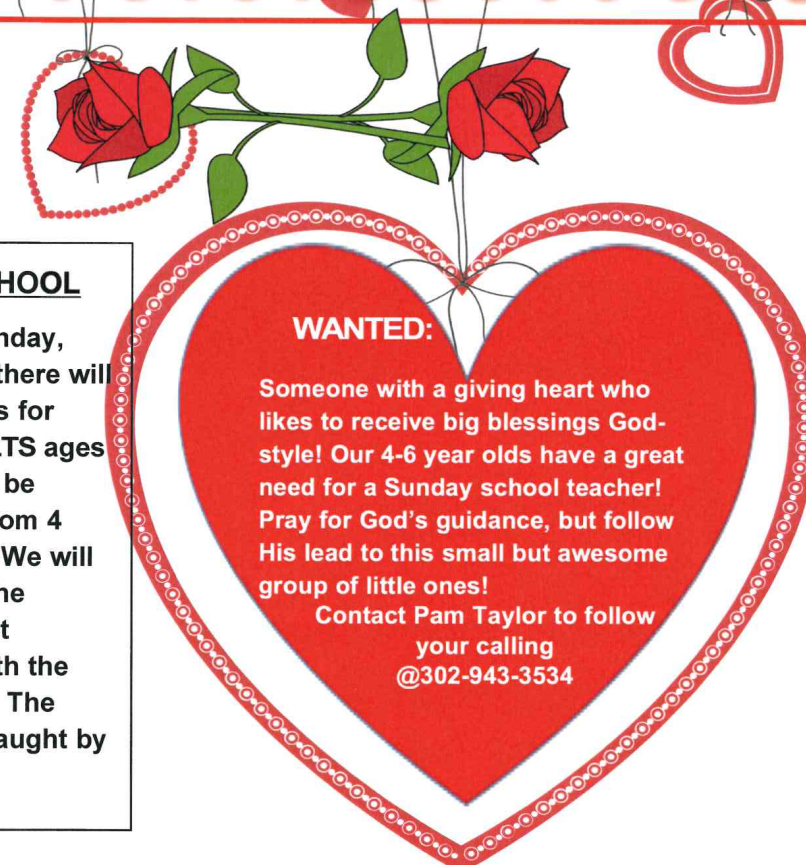




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February

Connections



SUNDAY SCHOOL
Beginning Sunday, January 26th there will be a new class for **YOUNG ADULTS** ages 18-25. We will be meeting in Room 4 each Sunday. We will be following the Gospel Project curriculum with the other classes. The class will be taught by Pam Taylor.

WANTED:
Someone with a giving heart who likes to receive big blessings God-style! Our 4-6 year olds have a great need for a Sunday school teacher! Pray for God's guidance, but follow His lead to this small but awesome group of little ones!
Contact Pam Taylor to follow your calling
@302-943-3534

CHRISTIAN LIFE DEVELOPMENT CENTER – WINTER SESSION

Two classes being offered this winter. For all the information about these classes find the full article on page 5. Any questions??? ask Pam Taylor.

The monthly newsletter of Christ Memorial Baptist Church

Mission Ministry

During the month of January, we were promoting our Retired Ministers and Missionaries Offering. At the time of this writing and with one more week to go, we are \$607.00 of our \$800.00 goal. We thank each one that participated and gave as God led them to give. We also know that God does great thing in us and through us when we follow His lead.

It is time once again to begin promoting Operation Christmas Child. Each month we will be asking for a different item to be included in each shoebox gift. During February we will be collecting bar soap and washcloths. Items can be placed in the container by the Welcome Center and we that you in advance for your support.

Continue to support OCC by giving us your Redner’s receipts. Last year we took in over \$365, which helps cover some of the postage for shipping.

As we receive news from our missionaries (global servants) we will post their letter in the Communications Room.

Once again thank you for being such a mission minded church family and HAVE A GREAT MONTH!

Wednesday Night Dinners and Menus

Your presence is requested at Wednesday night dinners. Join us as we gather around the tables for good food and great fellowship. The cost of each meal is \$3.00 per person, but not to exceed \$15.00 per family. Please sign up in the Communications Room each week.



- Feb. 5th - Spaghetti, Garlic Bread, Tossed Salad
- Feb. 12th – Parmesan Crusted Chicken, Rice Pilaf, Green Beans with Almonds
- Feb. 19th – Beef Stew, Rolls
- Feb. 26th – Chicken a la King, Rice, Broccoli



February

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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RENOVATE REGIONAL CONFERENCE, March 20-21

Church leaders are encouraged to join the pastor at a Renovate Conference to be encouraged and learn more about church revitalization.

RENOVATE is a movement of church revitalizers committed to learning, growing, changing and leading change! This church revitalization conference is designed to connect, inspire, equip and challenge church leaders and pastors.

We will enjoy:

Inspiring times of worship

Encouraging key note presentations

Equipping times of break-out for pastors, staff and all church leaders.

Cost: \$29.00

Location: Faith Baptist Church, Glen Burnie, MD

Register: <https://bcmmd.org/get-involved/renovate/>

Sermon Schedule February 2020

February 2, 2020 Series: On Being Human; *The Gift of Singleness*, 1 Corinthians 7:25–40, PRS: Judges 15:16-20

February 9, 2020 Series: On Being Human; *Love & Relationships*, 1 Corinthians 7:1–16, PRS: Judges 16:1-3

February 16, 2020 Series: Infused with Joy, a study of Paul's letter to the Philippians; *Epaphroditus... Who?*, Philippians 2:25-30, PRS: Judges 16:4-12.

February 23, 2020 Series: Infused with Joy, a study of Paul's letter to the Philippians; *Jehovah Jireh: God, Our Provider*, Philippians 4:19 PRS: Psalm 29:1-11

40-Day Tithing Challenge Begins!!!

February 26 – Ash Wednesday; Lent Begins.



Moving on with Property and Grounds

Another month has passed by quickly. Work started on January 21 to repair the Fellowship Hall stairs. Weather permitting, we should have new steps within a month.



Women's Ministries



Join us for our monthly meetings!

Night Owls Women's group

Monday, February 3 @ 6:30 p.m.

Peggy Curtis – hostess (131 Brookdale Road)

Mary Dobrinski – Program leader

Dayglow Circle

Tuesday, February 4 @ 12:30 p.m.

Nancy Majors – hostess (10717 Westville Road)

Janice Jacobs – Devotions

Cheryl Soyster – Program leader & dessert

Gathering of Friends

(knitting & crocheting)

Monday, February 10 @ 7:00 p.m.

Monday, February 24 @ 10:00 a.m.

At the Church – 1160 E. Lebanon Rd.

2020 CMBC Custodians going GREEN!

This year my husband Danny and I have made a conscious decision for our family to GO GREEN. We feel in order to be good stewards of the ministry God has placed in our hands we want to use less chemicals and more ecofriendly products. This will be a slow and step by step process as we dwindle down our current supply and integrate healthier and safer cleaning options throughout the year. Please help by sharing with us your favorite DIY cleaning recipes and products. Our mailbox is in “The Fridge”.

Thank you,
Candie and Danny Rodriguez

IMPROVING OUR COMMUNICATION

In order to help us stay in touch with each other better, a paper has been distributed to your church mailbox to provide address, phone numbers, email addresses, etc. for each person in the family. Also, please check the box to let us know whether each person's information is okay to publish for the whole church or if it should just be kept for the use the church leadership or just the church office and pastor. Thanks for helping us build our fellowship in Christ!

COMMUNITY MEN'S BREAKFAST

Men and young men are invited to join the Pastor in attending a community Men's Breakfast on the second Saturday of each month at 9:30am at The Church the Body of Christ, 764 Townsend Blvd., off Route 13 in Dover. Come and enjoy a good meal, good fellowship with fellow believers, and a good message to strengthen your walk with Christ. The next Community Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, February 8th and you are encouraged to sign up at church so they will know how many to feed!



DFPC is making the Christian voice heard in the halls of government. You can play an important part. Join the pastor at the member update on February 20th at Grotto Pizza in Dover (not the new Camden Grotto's) at 12:30pm. Let him know you will be there, and he'll buy your lunch!

Also, **DFPC's Annual Pastors & Leaders Summit** is **Thursday, March 12, 2020**. Doors will open at **7:30am** with a networking continental breakfast. The program starts at 9am and ends at 12:30 followed by lunch and time with vendors. They're really excited about the line-up and all we're going to learn. In addition to an important legal briefing, joining us this year is **George Barna**, hailed as the most quoted person in the Christian Church today. He has written more than 50 books, addressing cultural trends, leadership, spiritual development, and church dynamics, and named by various media as one of the nation's most influential Christian leaders. The Summit will be held at Crossroad Community Church once again, thanks to their amazing generosity and support.

BACK ON THE BUS!!!

It's time to plan another bus trip outreach. We would like to do a Saturday trip into Washington D.C. and offer it to the community. If you would be interested in helping to plan the trip, please speak to the Pastor.



2020 Vision: 2 GROW & 2 REACH OUT
"WHERE DID ALL THESE PEOPLE COME FROM???"

That's the question we ought to be hearing from the ladies who prepare our Wednesday evening dinners each week. We don't realize what a blessing they provide for us!

When my kids were growing up, one thing we insisted on as a family was that we spent mealtimes together. That was the time to share what happened in our day and what was going on in our lives. It was a time to get to know each one's personality and enjoy their company. It was important family time and no phones, TV's or ipads were allowed.

Do you understand the importance of family meal times together? Then you should also understand that for us to grow as God's Family we also need to spend time together and grow in our fellowship with one another. That can't happen when we just pass by each other on a Sunday morning. But it will happen around a table. And there is an element of fellowship that is supernatural because God shows up and brings our hearts together.

In 2020, let's grow in our fellowship. Let's make it a priority to spend time together and be a part of each other's lives.

In the year 2020, we're making it our vision to grow in Christ as His disciples and to reach out to others to help them also grow closer to God through faith in Jesus Christ, His Son.

In 2020: **GROW:**

- by reading God's Word and praying daily
- by gathering for worship at least weekly
- by seeking fellowship with other believers at least weekly
- by involvement in a course of study (Sunday School, CLDC, online, etc.)
- by reading a book on some aspect of discipleship or theology at least monthly

REACH OUT:

- by making friends – especially with the friendless
- by inviting others to church
- by engaging in conversations about Christ
- by giving away Bibles, gospels, books, DVD's, devotionals, etc.
- by being generous to others
- by praying for others

Now that New Year's resolutions are growing old and being forgotten, let's resolve to grow in our walk with Christ.

See you Wednesday!!!



The Pregnancy help center has changed its name, but not its mission! For over 25 years, the Pregnancy Help Center of Kent County has been serving our community by caring for women, children and families in need. The mission of the Center is to demonstrate the love and truth of God regarding the sanctity of all human life from the first moment of fertilization until natural death. They provide peer counseling, pregnancy testing and ultrasound confirmation by a physician; life-affirming alternatives to abortion, as well as compassionate support and healing to those affected by abortion. As a Christian ministry, they endeavor to center everything they do on the Gospel of Jesus Christ. Please keep the center in your prayers and consider volunteering. Workers of all ages are needed from the sorting of baby clothing, books and supplies, to counseling and assisting. **Donations** of clean baby supplies are always welcome. Interested in learning more? Attend their **conference on Saturday, February 29th at the Modern Maturity Center**. Find out more at their updated website: newdaypcc.com or drop by. They are located at 811 South Governors Ave in Dover, just south of the hospital (next to Planned Parenthood).

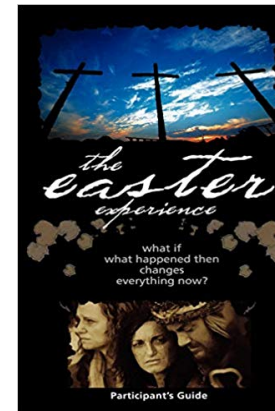


Chinese immersion students perform a traditional fan dance for Good News Club leaders at the Good Neighbor Breakfast at W. B. Simpson Elementary School on January 22nd.

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as an opportunity of blessing and spiritual enrichment. We will also encourage everyone to participate in a “Tech-Free Week” (March 15-22) when we can decompress from the constant barrage of technical information that comes at us every minute. And Holy Week (April 5-12) will bring opportunities to worship together with the larger community (details TBA next newsletter). We hope you will use this Lenten season to take a positive step to grow closer to Christ and to one another!

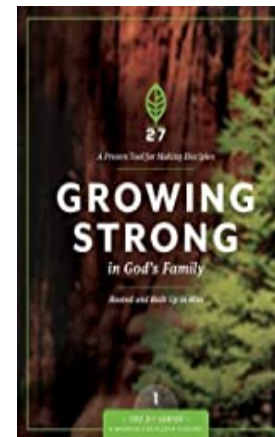
CHRISTIAN LIFE DEVELOPMENT CENTER – WINTER SESSION



Wednesdays, beginning February 26th at 6:15pm, we will begin a unique 6-week DVD driven study in preparation for Easter. **“The Easter Experience”** will help you paint yourself into the story of Jesus’ crucifixion and resurrection through “dramatic storytelling and challenging teaching” to make the message of Easter come to life. The participant's guide takes you through the 20 minute episodes giving additional information, discussion questions, and gives tips to help you grow spiritually. This DVD study is facilitated by Pam Taylor and the participant’s book is \$8

Sign up and order your book today!

GROWING STRONG IN GOD’S FAMILY



Beginning on Wednesdays at 6:15pm in early February (date is TBA), “this first book in The 2:7 Series is designed to help you build a strong foundation for your Christian life through enriching Bible study, Scripture memory, and group interaction. With its biblical and practical approach to discipleship, this workbook will yield long-term, life-changing results, such as: a closer relationship with God, enthusiastically setting more balanced priorities, a renewed concern for non-Christian friends, and a growing fellowship and bond within others in your small group.

No matter how long you have been a Christian, no matter how well you think you know the Bible there’s always more to learn! AND it’s always good to **“refresh your screen”** and go back to basics.

Pastor Jeff, Wednesday evenings, 6:15 – 7:30pm

The study book is \$13 –

sign up and order your book today!

Christmas Offering

The Christmas offering last year totaled \$1,418.00 and will be used for Youth Ministries.

LENT BEGINS ON FEBRUARY 26th

The Season of Lent is the 40 days leading up to Easter and Holy Week. It begins on Ash Wednesdays, February 26th, and is traditionally a season to encourage us to grow in our walk with Jesus Christ. The early church used Lent as the period in which they would teach new Christians the Catechism (a theological teaching outline of what we believe). New converts would learn how to live as Christians. For us, this Lenten season will include a similar opportunity as we offer *Growing Strong in God's Family* for those who have never been disciplined. Also, Pam will be leading a study on Easter. In addition, we will be invited to take up the challenge of tithing (giving 10% to the Lord, starting March 1st) (cont. on page 8)

Finance Ministry

Wow! Christmas has come and gone. And, we are already through the first month of the New Year. What new challenges will we face in calendar year 2020? Some challenges are planned while others will be totally unexpected. But when these challenges are over and we look back, we will discover that the Lord has given us many blessings.

This month, I would like to focus on two different topics, tithing and outreach.

When I think of tithing, the first verse that comes to mind is Proverbs 3:9-10 NIV. This verse states; "9 Honor the LORD with your wealth, with the firstfruits of all your crops; 10 then your barns will be filled to overflowing, and your vats will brim over with new wine." How has the Lord blessed you in regards to tithing? Is there an experience or experiences that you would be willing to share? The Finance Ministry is seeking individuals who would be willing to share their experiences of tithing with our congregation. How has tithing challenged you and as a result blessed you? If you are interested in providing your testimony, please contact me.

As I look back at 2019, there will be one event that will remind me of the power of the LORD. That event was the Christ Memorial Baptist Church (CMBC) Christmas Program. As many of you have heard me say; "As I stood up in front of our church, I was absolutely amazed at the number of people that were in attendance. And after the program was over, it was just awesome to experience fellowship with so many people!" CMBC was alive with the spirit of the LORD! I have been discouraged by the decline in the number of people that attend our Sunday Services. This decline has been happening for over a decade. But if you look at our youth program, it has been an absolute blessing. Our youth program has grown by leaps and bounds over the past 18 months. Pam Taylor, Luis S. Figueroa and the other members who minister to the youth of CMBC, THANK YOU for your tireless efforts. Our youth are the future of CMBC.

For the entire Finance Ministry Team,
Mike Pollock

YOUNG PEOPLE'S CORNER:

Teen Life meets every Friday, 6:30pm – 8pm for ages 10-15.

Young Life (ages 18-25) meets every Friday, 6:30pm – 8pm and has Bible study afterward at 8pm

You read that right!! – we have **TWO** groups that meet on Friday nights now!

We ALL gather at 6:30 for Praise and Worship; then **Young Lifers** and **Teen Lifers** join together to read through the Bible at 7pm and play some games.

Young Life group meets at 8pm for Bible study and fellowship. Right now, their study is "Uncommon Sense / A Study of Proverbs"

Teen Life = Teens Living in Faith Everyday

Young Life = Young people Living in Faith Everyday



2020 Oneness SUMMIT
A JOINT MINISTRY FOR COUPLES AND BY COUPLES

PASTOR ENNIO AND DR. MARIBEL ZARAGOZA
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PASTOR CHRISTOPHER AND APRIL HALL
"INTIMACY"

THE CARMONAS
PASTOR CARMONA "PREACHING"

ELDER ALDRICH (JREAM) & EVANGELIST DEBBIE HINES
"LET'S HAVE SOME FUN"

DEACON LESLIE & REV. CASSANDRA CARTER
"ONENESS"

PASTORS RA'SHIN & DONNA AKINS
"REAL LOVE COVERS"

FEBRUARY
7TH FRI **8TH SAT**

FRIDAY - DOORS OPEN 6:00 PM
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