



A note from the Pastor

Living as a Child of Promise

God has given us His very great and precious promises so we can partake of the Divine nature. Wow! What an encouragement. The implication of these verses in 2 Peter 1:3-4 reaches down into the nitty-gritty of every day life and pulls us onward to new hope.

Like the hull of a beautiful sailboat is under pressure by the sea, so does life press against our souls. Some days it seems as though you're just keeping your head above water. Remember child of God, there is much more to life. God's Spirit calls us to the deeper water of living by faith. As a confessing hydrophobe, the idea of losing sight of the dock or even letting go of the dock causes me much trepidation. But I know that God's calling requires us to let go and follow. It requires us to raise the sails of hope and to catch the wind of the Spirit. The wind of the Spirit moves us past cynicism and doubt concerning God's faithfulness. It teaches us to let go of destructive attitudes and habits in our lives. Living by faith moves God from the peripheral and makes Him foremost in your life. How liberating it is when the voice of God provides deeper security than the mundane, all too familiar attachment we have with the dock.

All this talk about the sea makes me think about vacation, those temporary distractions from "everyday life," the smell of the salt water and the cool breeze off the water. But the end of the week comes quickly and it's time to head back to reality. I believe that God wants more for us than "temporary distractions" from reality. He longs for us to see that by His Grace and through faith in His promises, we can live a life of adventure. His goodness and calling equip us for everyday life. Living as a child of promise empowers us to have joy at work, peace in illness, hope in hard times, faith in raising kids, love in marriage, the "spirit of adoption" to defeat loneliness and rejection, strength to flee temptation, and courage in reaching out to our neighbors. The faster a boat cuts through the water, the higher it is lifted from the water. If you think you're about to go under, grab hold of the God life, the life of promise and allow His Spirit to lift you.

We are sojourners in this life. This isn't our home; we're just passing through. However, since we are only here for a brief time we may think of Heaven as our escape and life as our time of unfortunate suffering. If we live life just waiting for it to end we miss the adventure of life, we overlook the miraculous. God has many great blessings for those who will step out, try something new for Him, and get involved. So join a small group or whatever it is God is nudging you towards. We, His children hear His voice deep in the recesses of our hearts, His voice calling us homeward, calling us into deeper waters and calling us to live in victory. Untie those moorings and follow God!

Pastor Todd

Kid's Clubs Have Resumed! Wednesday Evenings 7:00-8:15 for children ages 4-12

God's Girls is a girls Bible club that strives to teach girls that they are "Beautiful in God's Eyes". Beauty in God's Eyes is not based on external appearance, but on the heart.



Ranger Boys is a ministry to boys. Scriptural teachings, games, and crafts are used with the goal of reaching and teaching boys for Jesus. Our goal is to help boys grow in their relationship with Christ and to become men that honor and glorify God.

KVAG Men's Ministry

"Two are better than one, because they have a good reward for their labor. For if they fall, one will lift up his companion. But woe to him who is alone when he falls, for he has no one to help him up". Ecclesiastes 4:9-10

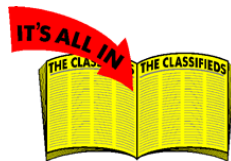
KVAG Men's Ministry is a Bible-based Christ-centered forum where men meet as believers seeking God's will and His plan for their lives. Men openly share and build closer relationships through fellowship with other men. There have been tears of healing as Christ's love is shared. The men strive for purity of mind and soul and to serve God in their daily lives.

Taking a closer more in-depth look we find Del, a man of faith, loving and willing servant, Jeff, new much needed young blood seeking God's will as he grows through challenging questions and debate, most of all he listens to God. Kevin seeker of God's will for himself and his family, shares of himself willingly. John, steadfast servant faithful and true to the Lord. Jack, wisdom with a discerning spirit seeking God's will. Harold, strong in his faith, wise teacher, willing servant. Todd, filled with the spirit, wise leader, doer of God's will, calming steadfast friend, Christ-like. Gene, his faith is fully apparent in his life, his faith is his life, generous loving servant. Randy, full of God's wisdom, his faith is evidenced through his life, humble servant. Ron, wise teacher, patient, caring, full of the spirit. Mark, faith that rivals that of Job, humble eager servant. Jason, newly reborn, accepting and eager to serve, listening as God speaks. Jamie, cries tears of healing and joy in the Lord, eager, honest, lover of the Lord, willing servant, humble putting others before himself. Frank, honest, strong in faith, always the first to step forward when a need arises. Bill, humble leader willing to serve eager to share God's good news, learning discipline by seeking God's will.

I would like to share several quotes from these men as well. Gene "Men's Meeting is for more than "work projects." It is exploring God's word just to be comfortable talking about the Lord as an everyday part of life. God doesn't just live at the church so we need practice making sure we know how to see Him "alive and well" in all areas outside the church. The Men's Ministry is a great place to talk about how we can do just that on a daily basis." Bill "Who needs a reality show when you have real men meeting together as real disciples of God, having a real relationship with Christ Our Lord!" Todd "I really look forward to getting together with the guys. It's a great way for our men to build friendships and deep loyalty to God. I believe every man in our church would find this meeting worthwhile."

Seeking God's will, banding together as brothers in Christ, making a difference in our church and in the world around us. Join us as we grow closer to God.

Bill Bell



FREE – Small house stereo – some records. 724-845-7453 (Bernice)

FOR SALE – Professional Yamaha 60 Keyboard with stand and music. Like new. Asking \$300. – 724-845-7453

If you have a need or a blessing and would like it advertised, please submit it to one of the newsletter team members: Bill Bell, Ruth Hazley, Tina Pugh, Jim Montgomery, Diane Swank, or Bernice Wolfe.

Things to Thank God For

Sheree Collins continues to heal nicely after her knee surgery. On Sunday, September 24th, she went hiking for the first time in years!

Praise God for kidney dialysis. It has saved Frances Bollinger's life. Please pray for a complete recovery for Frances.

Praise God that we live in America. Keep praying for all in authority.

Congratulations to Matt and Nikki Marziale on the purchase of their first home. They bought an older home that sits on a little over an acre of land in Gilpin township. After searching for months, they are happy to have finally moved into a place of their own and are making plans to remodel it. We are sure that with hard work and their creative imaginations they will turn this house into a warm, inviting home in no time.

Did you know...

74 men have seen God, ate with Him and lived. Exodus 24:9-11

The lamp stand in the tabernacle weighed 75 pounds, all gold, had 7 lights facing forward and had 24 almond blossoms engraved upon it.

Bernice Wolfe

Women of Purpose

"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope." Jeremiah 29:11

Women of Purpose, the KVAG women's ministry lead by Cora Zubal, is one very active, loving group. They meet the third Monday of every month. All of the women of the church are welcome to attend. The meetings are a time of fellowship and planning. During the meetings, they have devotions, they pray for each other's needs, they encourage one another, they make plans for the group and plans for helping the community.

The Women of Purpose enjoy spending time together. They go on fellowship outings such as the road trip to the Yankee Peddler Festival in Ohio. They have an annual Christmas party where they have dinner, exchange gifts, play games and sing Christmas carols. They also attend the annual Women of Purpose Conference in Hershey, PA. This year ten women are planning to go. These women have a lot of fun together and at times even get into a little mischief together. The Women of Purpose not only show their love for each other, they also show their love for the community.

I John 3:18 tells us, *"Dear children let us not love with words or tongue but with actions and in truth."* These wonderful women definitely put their love into action by helping the community. They stay in touch with single mothers in the area and provide whatever help is needed. They participate in the "Cook for a Day" program at Teen Challenge, where they cook meals for the men who are working so hard to get their lives together. They take meals to the homes of those who have been released from the hospital. They provide bereavement dinners at the fellowship hall for those who have lost loved ones. They also throw fun-filled bridal showers for those nervous brides-to-be.

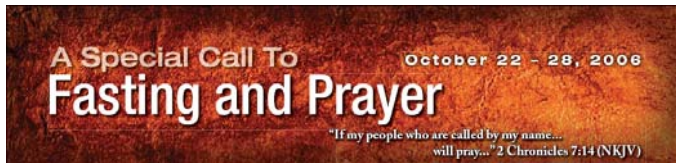
These loving, caring, giving women are a definite feather in the cap of Kiski Valley Assembly of God. We thank them for all they do.

Diane Swank



October 28th from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Heroes Unmasked is the all-fun, no-fear Bible adventure we're hosting at our church. It's packed with carnival games and free candy. Be sure **you** come, too. There's a special Heroes Hangout where adults can enjoy a cup of coffee while their kids enjoy the fun.



**A Special Evening of Worship and Prayer
Friday, October 27th at 7:00**



**219 Market Street
Leechburg, PA 15656
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Weekly Schedule

Sunday:

- Prayer 9:00 a.m.
- Sunday school 9:30 a.m.
- Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
- Nursery Provided
- Children's Church ages 4 – 12
- Youth Service 7:00 p.m.
- Women's Book Study & Men's Meeting are the First Sunday at 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday:

- Celebrate Recovery 7:00 p.m.
- For all kinds of hurts, habits, and hang-ups – Free babysitting provided.

Wednesday:

- Boys & Girls Clubs 7:00 – 8:15 p.m.
- Adult Worship & Study 7:00 – 8:15 p.m.

2nd Sunday of Every Month:

- Benevolence Offering – Used to help those within the church body or those referred.