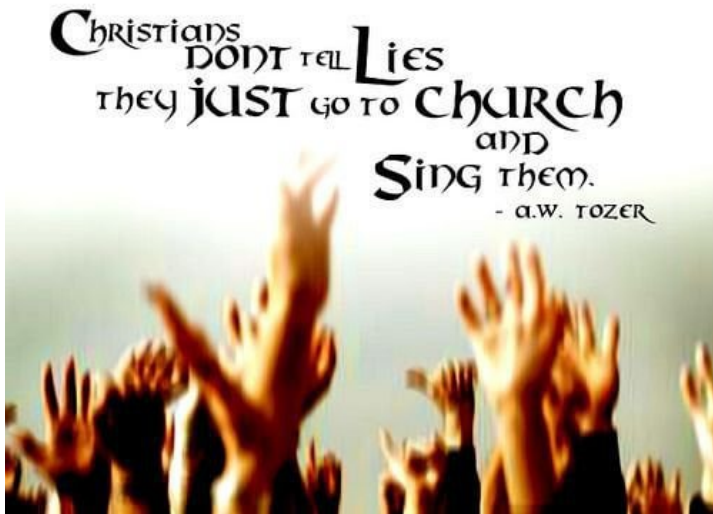


## Lying in Church

Take a moment to read the quote by A.W. Tozer in the picture. This may seem like a strange statement until we really unpack it. We truly want the first part to be true. We don't want to be telling lies. But what does he mean by stating that in church we sing lies. Well, what Tozer was really getting at is the fact that we often sing songs that do not coincide with our actual spiritual state.



For example, we often sing the praise song "I Will Follow":  
*"Where You go, I'll go, Where You stay, I'll stay  
When You move, I'll move, I will follow..."*

But then, we don't follow his leading and we live like the world on Monday through Saturday.

Or we sing the hymn, "I Surrender All":  
*All to Jesus I surrender, All to him I freely give  
I will ever love and trust him, In his presence daily live.*  
And then we don't give him all of our lives. We hold things back when he wants to be the ruler of all we are and all we have. We don't always live for him.

I could go on exposing more lyrics we regularly sing that we often do not live out or are contrary to the state of our hearts. This hypocrisy is no small matter in the eyes of the Lord. He desires truth in the inward parts (Psalm 51:6). There should be integrity and sincerity in all that we do and say, especially when it comes to worshipping the King of Kings. But sadly, we are guilty of lying to God in the church services and meetings while singing hymns and contemporary worship songs. Although some may be intending to deceive God and themselves, most of us don't want to lie. We don't want to pretend that we want to live for God when we don't. Deep down we really believe what we are singing. We do want those words we sing to be true. But our actions don't follow through.

So, do we stop singing these songs or verses of songs? I would give an emphatic, "NO!" But here are some thoughts.

First, as we are singing the hymns and praise songs, let us pay very close attention to the words. This is especially true for songs we know so well that we don't even think about what we are singing. Let's pay attention to what we are really saying, pledging, promising, proclaiming to believe in these songs.

Secondly, we need to examine our lives against the words that we have just sung. Are we really living out those words? Do we really desire what we sang about? Do we believe what we sang about?

Thirdly, because the answer is that we should be living out, desiring and believing the words of the song, let us pray that the Spirit will move in our lives and convict us that we need to make the changes necessary so that when we sing that praise song or hymn again, we are not lying, but are speaking the truth from our heart.

In Christ Alone

## Prayer & Praises

- Please keep Mark Lipsitz and his entire family in prayer after the passing of his sister Lynn.
- Please keep Mary Stover in your prayers. She has cancer in her shoulder and had decided not to have treatment. Pray that her pain will be less than expected during this time.
- Please keep Kala Yost in your prayers. Her surgeon has decided he is not able to deal with the tumor on her spine and she has been referred to a surgeon in Raleigh, North Carolina which is 2 hours from her home.
- An update and praise for Chelsey Meyers friend Brittany. Brittany has received the results from her ultrasound and mammogram and they found nothing abnormal, so Brittany is very happy about that.
- Ellen Krause requests prayer for Dale Gerber her dad for healing from the cellulitis on his legs.
- Dave and Mary Titzell wanted to thank you for your prayers.
- Keep Victor Riddle in your prayers for his medical issues and changing medications.
- Pray for Victoria Good for her fatty liver issues.
- Please pray for Mark Lipsitz and Christiana Lipsitz as they heal from their neurovirus.
- Please pray for Jerry Stiffler as he heals from his hip surgery.



### **CBC WEEKLY PRAYER POINT**

**“For the flesh sets its desire against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; for these are in opposition to one another, so that you may not do the things that you please.” *Galatians 5:17***

Heavenly Father, we praise You for Your infinite and unfathomable wisdom. Thank You for indwelling us with Your Holy Spirit. We ask for you to slay the beast of disunity between our Spirit and Flesh. Help us to fix our eyes on You and change our desires to align them with Your desires, plans, and purposes in our lives. Amen

**Please pray for God to be glorified in all CBC youth camps this summer and that souls will be saved in each one!**

**Please pray for these congregations and pastors:**

- White Pine Congregation in Romney, WV and Pastor Donald J. Judy, Jr.
- Wiley Ford Congregation in Wiley Ford, WV and Pastor Kenneth Hamilton





# Important Dates and INFORMATION

## This week

**Wednesday 5/28**

\*Life Group 6:30 pm @ Bonnie Tyson's

**Thursday 5/29**

\*Newsletter Deadline

\*The Chosen Small Group 6:30 pm

**Sunday 6/1**

\*Come Worship – 9 am

**Tuesday 6/3**

\*Women's Fellowship 6:30 pm

## Next Week

**Wednesday 6/4**

\*Life Group 6:30 pm

**Thursday 6/5**

\*The Chosen Small Group 6:30 pm

**Sunday 6/8**

\*Come Worship – 9 am



Bermudian Church  
**Vacation Bible School**  
**Online registration is open!**  
[Bermudianchurch.org/vbs](http://Bermudianchurch.org/vbs)

July 27<sup>th</sup> - July 31<sup>st</sup>

## Volunteers Needed!!

Craft Helpers, Herders, &  
Teacher for the 2-3-year-old class  
See Sue Mayle for more info  
and to sign up to help!



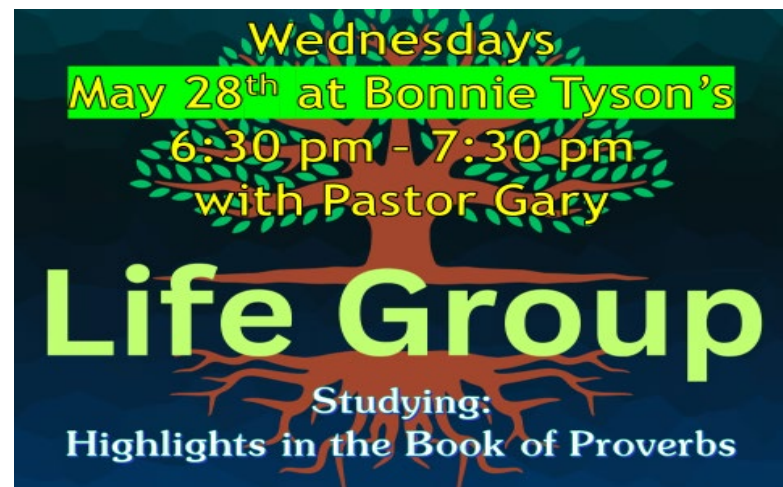
Celebrate the Graduation of  
Courtney Grim and Landon  
Frantz with us on June 22<sup>nd</sup>!



DEAD TO SIN - ALIVE TO CHRIST

**BAPTISM**

There will be a Baptism Service on  
June 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025 after our regular  
morning service. There will be no  
Sunday School.





# Newsletter

THE LAST DAY TO SEND ITEMS  
IN TO BE PLACED IN THE  
**JUNE NEWSLETTER**  
**IS MAY 29<sup>TH</sup>**  
**BY 10:30 AM**

## MEN'S BREAKFAST

FOOD x FELLOWSHIP x FAITH

**NEXT MEETING**  
**June 21<sup>st</sup>, 7 am**  
**Dover Valley Restaurant**

## The CHOSEN SEASON 4

### Small Group Study

**Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> & June 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**at 6:30 PM in the sanctuary.**  
**Led by Dave Titzell**

## Free Community Appreciation Picnic

**June 13<sup>th</sup> – 5 pm – 8 pm**

**Food & Games**

**Warrington Township Municipal Park**  
**Rain or Shine**

**Hosted by Bermudian Church**  
**[Bermudianchurch.org](http://Bermudianchurch.org)**

**SAFE HAVEN TRAINING** – Everyone who works in any ministry of our church that involves children/youth (e.g. Nursery, Sunday School, VBS) is required to provide the church with State Police Clearances **and** Childline Clearances. Julie keeps track of this and will remind you when your clearances are due. Our Safe Haven policy also requires periodic trainings in the area of child abuse and the details of our policy. It has been quite a while since the training has happened so we are asking everyone who is involved with any of our children/youth ministries to attend **one** of two trainings by Pastor Gary in June.

**The dates and times are:** Tuesday, June 17, 6:30 to 8:30 PM. Saturday, June 21, 9:30 to 11:30 AM. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the Library. Thank you all for your service in our children/youth ministries.



## ATTENTION GRADUATES

For anyone graduating from high school, college, trade school, business school, etc., please complete the form in the May Newsletter so we can "Honor Our Graduates".

Please enclose/include a picture and return the form completed to the Church Office, Secretary's Mailbox, or email the office at [bermudiansecretary@gmail.com](mailto:bermudiansecretary@gmail.com) **Please return by May 31<sup>st</sup>**

**GRADUATE INFORMATION:** Name, Parent's Names, School's Name, Date of Graduation, Area of Interest/Major, Degree, Honors/Awards/Activities, Your future plans, and if attending college, name of college.

## Fe<sup>W</sup>owship

**Tuesday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
**at 6:30 pm**