

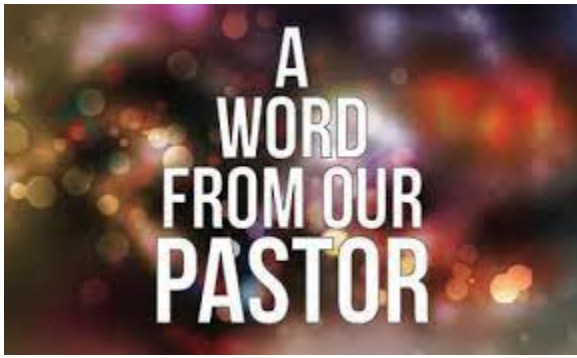
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Mother's Day Tribute to Spiritual Mothers

The mother's role in the life of her children is very important for their growth and development. Many of us appreciate the sacrifice, love and nurture of our mother's. We thank God for the joy especially of having Godly mothers who instructed us in the ways of the Lord and may have even been instrumental in our belief in Jesus and becoming a Christ follower. But there are many spiritual mothers who have nurtured children and youth along the path of life. They were teachers, neighbors, family friends, and relatives. Some of them have children of their own, others do not. But each one poured into children the love of Christ.

Paul encouraged Titus to help these women. **"Likewise, teach the older women to be reverent in the way they live, not to be slanderers or addicted to much wine, but to teach what is good. Then they can train the younger women to love their husbands and children, to be self-controlled and pure, to be busy at home, to be kind, and to be subject to their husbands, so that no one will malign the word of God. (Titus 2.3-5)**

In the book of Acts, we have an example in Priscilla. **"A Jew named Apollos, a native of Alexandria, came to Ephesus. He was a learned man, with a thorough knowledge of the Scriptures. He had been instructed in the way of the Lord, and he spoke with great fervor and taught about Jesus accurately, though he knew only the baptism of John. He began to speak boldly in the synagogue. When Priscilla and Aquila heard him, they invited him to their home and explained to him the way of God more adequately. (Acts 18.24-28)**

And so, to all you spiritual mothers, here is a tribute poem by an anonymous author.

You did not hold me as a **babe**,
Nor wipe my childhood tears away.
But when my **spirit** felt so lost,
You showed me how to gently pray.
You are a **mother** to my faith,
A steady rock when I am weak.
You speak with **wisdom** from above,
And show me Jesus when you speak.
For every **woman** who leads in grace,
Who mothers hearts she did not bear,
We honor your sweet **sacrifice**,
And thank the Lord for all your care.

In Christ Alone


Upcoming Events

Daytime small group

will meet at Louise Julius' home beginning June 10 at 1:00. We will meet for five weeks ending July 8. Our time will be 1:00 pm – 2:30 pm. Our study will be Max Lucado's "Hope is Here," a study of the Holy Spirit. This study is open to all, but will be a great opportunity for ladies who do not like to drive after dark. Sue Deardorff is facilitating, but the study will be shared leadership by all present. Available space for 6 people, so don't delay. There are one or two steps to enter the home. Great study and fellowship opportunity. Don't delay!

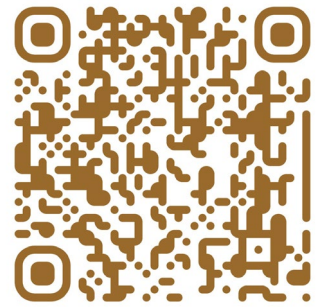
Free Puppet Show

By Genesis Puppets (formerly Yahdah Ministries)

 Bermudian Church **May 9th @ 7PM**



ONLINE GIVING



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Wednesdays

May 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th

6:30 pm - 7:30 pm with Pastor Gary

Life Group

The book of 1 Thessalonians

The Chosen 5 Bible Study will meet on Thursday evenings through June 4th, with the exception of May 7th. Please see Dave Titzell with any questions you may have.

The CHOSEN SEASON 5

MEN'S BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDY

Saturday, May 16th at 7 am
At Dover Valley Restaurant

Widow and Widowers Luncheon

Sunday
May 17th
At Noon

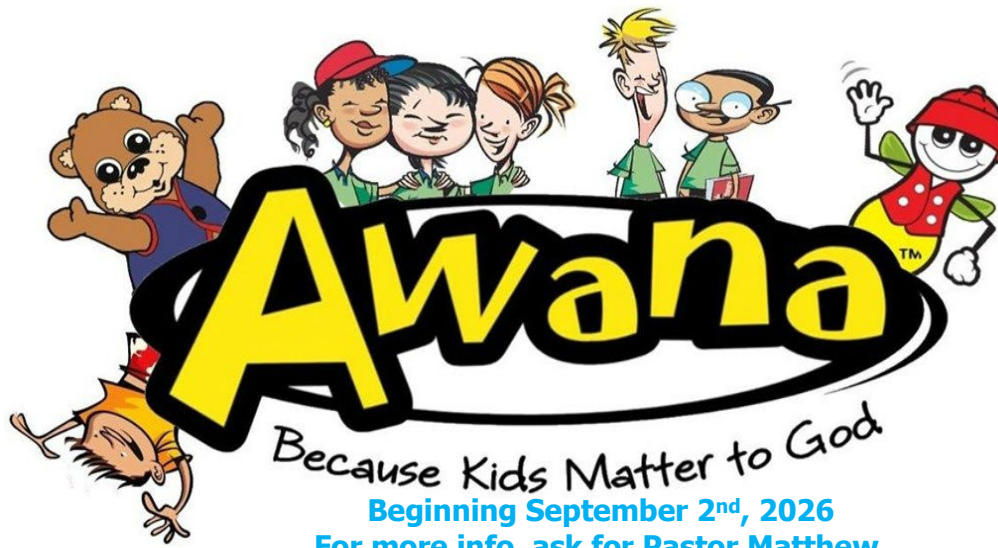
At Dover Valley
Restaurant

Please See Nancy
Smith to RSVP



Save the Dates – Revival

Saturday, October 17th & Sunday, October 18th



2026-2027 Awana Calendar

September 2026						
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Date	Special Event
11/25/2026	Thanksgiving Service
2/10/2027	Ash Wednesday
5/19/2027	Awards/Party
TBD	Awana Sunday

Theme Nights	
Date	Theme
9/23/2026	Parents Night
10/28/2026	Midwest Night
11/18/2026	B.A.R.F. NIGHT
11/25/2026	Thanksgiving Eve Service
12/16/2026	Ugly Sweater/Festive Night
1/6/2027	Oversized Night
2/3/2027	Super Bowl
3/24/2027	Super Hero
4/28/2027	Backwards Night
5/12/2027	Hawaiian Night
TBD	AWANA Sunday

Night Color Coding	
	Regular Awana
	Last Night
	No AWANA
	Theme Night
	Special Service
	Holiday - No AWANA

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March 2027						
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An Encouraging Word for All of Us

You may ask why I am always smiling, even though I may be in pain. I can tell you why in one simple word...God. I have a God that cares for me, of every tear and of every smile. As David wrote, "Who am I, Lord God, and what is my family, that you have brought me this far?" (1 Chronicles 17.16) He is always with me; his presence so warm and fluffy, like a teddy bear. At times I may not be happy, but I always have the joy of the Lord's rich presence. True joy is when He is my all and I'm just hanging on. He provides always for me in ways sometimes I think unthinkable.

Just to think, the man that once hung on a tree for you and me can now set us free from our sins and forever as children. He will be our heavenly Father so rich and free!

Victor Riddle

Thanks for your support!



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ATTENTION GRADUATES



Anyone graduating from high school, college, trade school, business school, etc., please complete the form below 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 Please return by May 31st

GRADUATE INFORMATION

Graduate's Name: _____

Parent's Name(s): _____

School's Name: _____

Date of Graduation: _____

Area of Interest / Major: _____

Degree(s): _____

Honors / Awards / Activities: _____

Your Future Plans: _____

If attending college, please name the college: _____

Bermudian Church

The Living Letter

“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace and be thankful. Let the message of Christ dwell among you richly as you teach and admonish one another with all wisdom through psalms, hymns, and songs from the Spirit, singing to God with gratitude in your hearts.” Colossians 3:15-17

“enabling every person to experience the living Christ in transforming ways”

Experience | Connection | Growth | Impact

May 5th, 2026

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

9:00 am Worship – In the Sanctuary
4-year-old to 4th grade “Sunday Friends.”
Children will be dismissed before the start of Pastor Gary’s sermon.

10:00 am **Intersections Café** - Coffee and social time in Shepherds’ Hall

10:20 am ***Sunday School for children**
***Youth will meet in their Youth room, located downstairs**
***Adult Sunday school class**

- **One class in TGP**
- **One class in the Sanctuary**
- **Young Adults in Shepherd’s Hall**

The nursery is staffed during our worship service

† Live streaming of our Worship Service is available on YouTube. Please remember to “like” and “subscribe,” and you will be notified each time we post a new video.



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THE NEXT NEWSLETTER WILL BE PUBLISHED

June 2nd, 2026

*Deadline for publishing in Newsletter **May 27th, 2026, 10:30 am***

If you have a mailing address change
please let us know ASAP by e-mail or calling the office.