

June 10th, 2026 #1,142

Take Up Your Cross Daily

Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me.

LUKE 9:23

There are things that all of us must do daily. We must eat daily, except for those special times when we must fast for health reasons or medical testing. We must sleep daily. We don't always get enough of that, but we need to do it daily. There are other activities we need to do daily.

But there is also one very important spiritual activity we must do daily which Jesus gave to us as recorded in Luke 9.23 **“If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. (ESV)** This is also found in Matthew 16.24. The difference in these two renderings is that Luke added Jesus' use of the word “daily.”

This is not just a one-and-done activity. Professing initial belief in Jesus as savior and lord through which we are regenerated, birthed from above, receive salvation, are justified is a one-time event. We do not have to do that over and over again. But denying ourselves, taking up our cross and following him is a daily activity as a part of our discipleship and maturing in the faith leading to holiness.

Let's summarize the three actions that are to be daily activities. First, we **deny ourselves**. This means that we renounce control over our own life and submit to God. Daily, we choose to prioritize God's glory and his will, over our personal desires, ambitions, or sinful impulses. This involves humility, abandoning pride, and choosing to live according to the Spirit rather than our ego.


Secondly, we are to **take up our cross**. Paul describes this as being “crucified with Christ” so that Christ lives in the believer, emphasizing a decisive rejection of the sinful nature and worldly patterns. Galatians 2:20, **“I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.”** It is a call to die to self, accepting the consequences of living faithfully in a world that may oppose God's ways.

Thirdly we are to **follow Jesus**. This means more than physically walking behind Him. It is the call to imitate his life, obey his commands, and align our daily choices with his example. Discipleship is a continuous, daily commitment, requiring Christ followers to choose Christ's way over their own, accept the shame or challenges of the world, and remain faithful in all circumstances.

In summary, the phrase “deny yourself daily, take up your cross, and follow Me” encapsulates the essence of Christian discipleship, which includes self-sacrifice, faithful endurance, and wholehearted commitment to Christ. It challenges all of us to surrender personal desires, embrace suffering for righteousness, and live in obedience to God daily.

**Free
Community Appreciation Picnic**
June 27th – 5 pm – 8 pm
Food & Games
Warrington Township Municipal Park
Rain or Shine

Hosted by Bermudian Church
Bermudianchurch.org



Daytime small group
will meet at Louise Julius' home beginning **June 10** at **1:00 pm**. 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!

Widow and Widowers Luncheon
Sunday
June 14th
At Noon

At Brenda
Eisenhour's Picnic
Pavilion

Please See Nancy
Smith to RSVP



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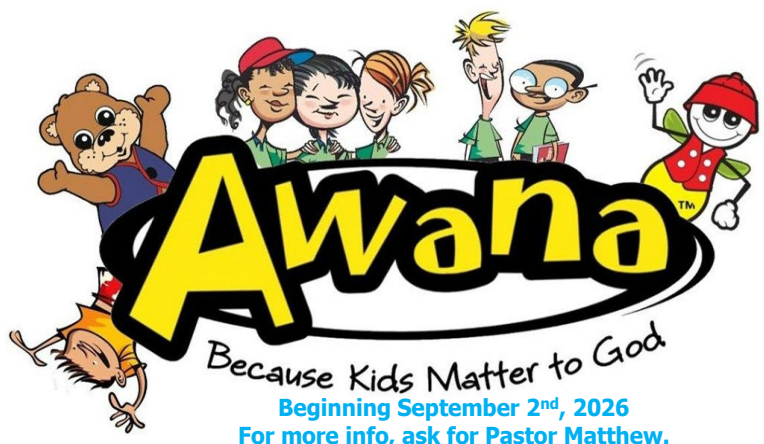


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**MEN'S
BREAKFAST
& BIBLE STUDY**

Saturday, June 20th at 7 am
At Dover Valley Restaurant



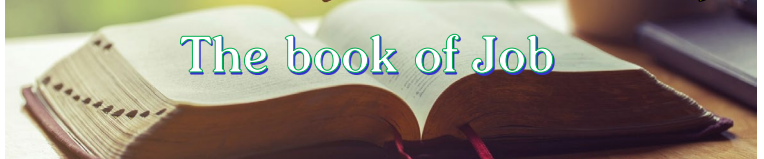
Awana
Because Kids Matter to God.
Beginning September 2nd, 2026
For more info, ask for Pastor Matthew.



Vacation Bible School
August 2nd—6th
RAINFOREST FALLS
Exploring The Nature of God

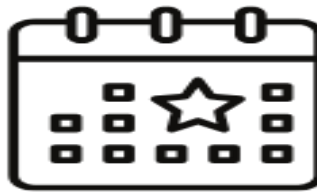
BIBLE Wednesdays
June 10th, 17th, 24th
Study 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm
with Pastor Gary

The book of Job



THE SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL BUSINESS MEETING SCHEDULED FOR JUNE 14 HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

PRAISE FROM IMO – With the donations that IMO has received to this point, the generator and protective cage has been installed. They are diligently working toward being able to start surgeries again next week. Praise the Lord and thank you for your contributions to this great mission.



Reminders

Prayer & Praises

- Dave Titzell's cardiac catheterization went well, but they did have to insert a stent and open another area of plaque buildup with a balloon. He will be staying overnight at the hospital.

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CBC Weekly Prayer Request

Please pray for these congregations and pastors:

- Old Furnace in Ridgeley, WV and Pastor Philip Matthews
- Osage in McCune, KS and Pastor James Therrien
- Pan Del Ciolo in Venezuela and Pastor William Martinez
- Paracllet in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Africa

Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a few cents.

Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, "Truly I tell you, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything—all she had to live on."

Mark 12:41-44

Wednesday 6/10



Arabella Gomez's Birthday



Joel & Barb Stern's Anniversary

1:00 pm – Daytime Small Group

6:30 pm – Bible Study

Sunday 6/14



Clara Strasser's Birthday

09:00 am – Come Worship

10:00 am – Intersection's Café

10:20 am – Sunday School – all ages

Wednesday 6/17

1:00 pm – Daytime Small Group

6:30 pm – Bible Study

Thursday 6/18



Joyce Wagaman's Birthday

Friday 6/19



Tony Harlacker's Birthday



Glen & Sue Deardorff's Anniversary

Saturday 6/20



Jeff Gleim's Birthday



Joel & Joanne Miller's Anniversary

7:00 am – Men's Bible Study Breakfast – Dover Valley Restaurant

Sunday 6/21



Darlene Snelbaker's Birthday



Jerry Stiffler's Birthday

09:00 am – Come Worship

10:00 am – Intersection's Café

10:20 am – Sunday School – all ages