

The Air Hill Breezes

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AIR HILL STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

“To Follow Jesus Christ through the Wind of the Holy Spirit”

The Pace of Jesus

Recently, a Renovare weekly newsletter included three different articles about the pace of Jesus. I am going to give you an excerpt from each of the articles for you to ponder.

Katelyn Dixon in an article entitled “Living at the Speed of Jesus” wrote:

What if the whole time I thought I was learning to wait, I was actually learning to *live*—slowly, intentionally, creatively — at the pace God created me to live? I wonder if instead of me waiting for God’s divine pre-packaged life plan to arrive on my doorstep, God was actually waiting for *me* to learn that life with Him is simultaneously much simpler and much richer than I could have imagined. Maybe God was inviting me to catch up to his pace — which means slowing down.

After all, how fast did Jesus move while he lived among us? He moved at the speed of walking.

Jesus only moved and acted at the intentional pace of the Spirit and the pleasure of the Father — which is to say, Jesus moved at the speed of Triune relationship. After the Pharisees accuse Jesus of breaking the Sabbath by healing a paralyzed man, Jesus tells them he was simply acting in utter dependence upon his Father. **Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does....**

Chris Hall in an article entitled “Some Things Take Time” wrote:

The wisest, time-tested pattern for change seems to be slow assimilation; we allow a truth to stew in our mind and heart, to percolate in our brain and body, refusing to sprint toward change. In spiritual formation, God offers us a marathon much more often than a one-hundred-yard dash.

Richard Foster in an article entitled “Waiting on the Lord Involves... Waiting” wrote:

The post-modern person is addicted to haste, hurry, hustle. And the addiction shrivels our soul. Our desperate need today is for a time-full life. When we are fractured and fragmented with “muchness” and “manyness” we cannot experience a time-full life. When we chaff under the “slowness” of our microwaves and our computers it becomes nearly impossible for us to obey the divine Whisper, “Be still and know that I am God” (Ps. 46:10). Some things simply will not yield to our perpetual hankering for the instant, the immediate, the sudden. Surely the growth of our soul before God is one of those things.

Time ... time and space ... time and space and stillness ... these are the tools God uses to build a patient endurance within us. One of the most repeated counsels given in Scripture is the simple admonition to “Wait upon the Lord.”



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Could it be that we are outrunning God? Could our outbursts of frustration, our fatigue, our stress-filled anxiety, and so much more all be caused by our out pacing Jesus? We have an interesting statement of purpose, “To follow Jesus Christ through the wind of the Holy Spirit.” To follow someone, you need to stay behind. In the words of my car driving wisdom to my family in the past, “You can’t drive quicker than the one in front of you.” Crashes are bound to happen if you do. To follow Jesus, we must go his pace.



Pastor John

AUGUST 2022 BIBLE READING PLAN			
1	Proverbs 1	14	Proverbs 12:1-14
2	Proverbs 2	15	Proverbs 12:15-28
3	Proverbs 3	16	Proverbs 13:1-12
4	Proverbs 4	17	Proverbs 13:13-25
5	Proverbs 5	18	Proverbs 14:1-18
6	Proverbs 6	19	Proverbs 14:19-35
7	Proverbs 7	20	Proverbs 15:1-17
8	Proverbs 8	21	Proverbs 15:18-33
9	Proverbs 9	22	Proverbs 16:1-16
10	Proverbs 10:1-16	23	Proverbs 16:17-33
11	Proverbs 10:17-32	24	Proverbs 17:1-14
12	Proverbs 11:1-15	25	Proverbs 17:15-28
13	Proverbs 11:16-31		

CHURCH BOARD

- The children’s committee requested permission to use unused portions of different line items within the children’s budget for upcoming events.
 - Motion was made to accept this request for the 2022 budget.
- Motions were made to ask Mike Hawbaker to serve another term as Treasurer, Margaret Burkholder to serve another term as Deacon, and four persons to serve another term on the Personnel Committee.
- A motion was made to move the nomination of Treasurer’s Report Reviewers to the roster immediately preceding the upcoming review.

All motions passed



From the Cemetery Committee: The 1967 Chevy C50 dump truck is available for sale by sealed bid. The truck has 95,000+ miles. If you are interested in purchasing the truck, submit your sealed bid to Todd Bender by Aug. 14th.

Aug. Spiritual Exercise:

Study and meditate on the following Scriptures that refer to waiting on the Lord. What can you learn about what it means to wait on the Lord and the benefits of waiting on the Lord? I would also encourage you to read the context, for that might help you grasp the situation and understand even more what it means to “wait on the Lord.” I invite you to take notes of what you learn. We might have an opportunity to share them at the end of the month.

2 Kings 6:33
Psalm 5:3; 27:14; 33:20; 37:7, 34; 38:15;
119:166; Proverbs 20:22;
Isaiah 8:17; 26:8; 30:18; 64:4;
Lamentations 3:24-26;
Hosea 12:6;
Micah 7:7;
Acts 1:4;
Romans 3:23-25;
1 Corinthians 1:7; 4:5;
1 Thessalonians 1:10;
Titus 2:13.

Aug. Prayer:

Gracious Father, I wait for you. My soul waits, and in your word I put my hope. My soul waits for you more than watchmen wait for the morning. I put my hope in you, for with you is unfailing love and with you is full redemption.



August Scripture Memory:

Psalm 139:1-16

¹You have searched me, LORD, and you know me.

²You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar.

³You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.

⁴Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely.

⁵You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.

⁶Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.

⁷Where can I go from your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence?

⁸If I go up to the heavens, you are there; if I make my bed in the depths, you are there.

⁹If I rise on the wings of the dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea,

¹⁰even there your hand will guide me, your right hand will hold me fast.

¹¹If I say, “Surely the darkness will hide me and the light become night around me,”

¹²even the darkness will not be dark to you; the night will shine like the day, for darkness is as light to you.

¹³For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb.

¹⁴I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.

¹⁵My frame was not hidden from you when I was made in the secret place, when I was woven together in the depths of the earth.

¹⁶Your eyes saw my unformed body; all the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.

From the Missions Committee:

Emergency supplies are needed
You can provide relief today.

MCC recently sent five containers of relief supplies to Ukraine, and is planning another shipment for later this year. There is an increased demand for supplies to send to Ukraine and other countries around the world.

Our inventory of material resources is getting low.

We will begin collecting donations in August and continue to receive donations until September 11. (an example of items are on display in the Narthex)

Here is a list of items needed:

Contents (NEW items only)

- 4 large bars bath soap (leave in wrapper)
- Shampoo (1 or 2 bottles, totaling more than 20 oz; place in resealable plastic bag)
- 4 large bars laundry soap (such as Fels Naptha®, Sunlight® or Zote® brands)
- 4 adult-size toothbrushes (in manufacturer's packaging)
- 4 new bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright colors; approx. 29 in x 60 in)
- 2 wide-toothed combs (6–8 in)
- 1 nail clipper (good quality)
- 1 box adhesive bandages (minimum 40, assorted)
- Sanitary pads (**THIN**; 1 or 2 packages, Minimum 28 pads total)

The Shepherd Ministry Continued Training

met on Saturday, June 25th from 9 - 11 am. The morning began with a continental breakfast followed with training from "The Way of the Shepherd"

Shepherds learned four leadership functions and were encouraged to go beyond PACE (**P**ray, be **A**vailable, **C**ontact and be a good **E**xample)

Shepherds were encouraged to provide spiritual direction for their sheep.

Following the training, we had a circle time of sharing concerns, sharing praises, and praying for each other.

Ephesians 4:2 Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love.

James 4:10 Humble yourselves before the Lord and He will lift you up.

If you have questions about the Shepherd Ministry, please speak to Rozanna Myers. She would love to speak with you.



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- **Membership Classes are scheduled for September 18th and October 2nd. If you are interested contact Pastor John.**
 - **Membership Celebrations for all members are scheduled for October 16th and November 6th. More information will be in your mailboxes soon.**

Living On Purpose

...it was for this purpose that I came... - Jesus



ATTENTION CAREGIVERS AND WIDOWS:



Mark your calendar for August 18th for an ice cream social with pie ala mode at 1:00 pm in the Annex. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board. For more information contact Sandy Todd.

Funfest is coming

September 17th.

Find out how you can be part of what God can do through sharing your time and talents. Speak to Sharon Warren for more information.

Let's Celebrate! **PMI** pregnancy ministries

God has truly done wonderful things in the lives of our clients! We have been blessed to be a part of saving babies and helping their parents make life changes.

Please join the celebration, hear client stories and be inspired by guest speaker, Toni McFadden.

Toni is a Pro-Life Advocate and speaker. She is also the founder of the program Relationships Matter. Toni has a burden to expose the lies of abortion, especially within the black community. She shares her abortion story of regret with transparency while leaving her listeners with hope.



Celebration & Fundraising Dinner

Thursday, October 13
6:15 pm at Antrim Brethren In Christ Church

Reserve your seats now. We expect to fill up again this year.
RSVP at www.pregnancyministries.org/events
or call 717-267-3738



VIRTUAL CHALLENGE

DATE: October 8th - 23rd
LOCATION: Anywhere in the world

Proceeds will benefit The Tide® ministry's new Pashto children's radio program in Afghanistan.

REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN AND SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE!

thetide.org/race

Kickoff event will be held
Saturday, October 8th
Norlo Park - Fayetteville, PA

Watch for more details

AUGUST

Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	1	2 7:00 pm Praise/ Prayer	3	4 6:30 pm Prop. Mgt. Meeting	5 Roxbury Camp	6 Gym in Use 11 - 4:30
7 8:30 Prayer 9:00 S.S. 10:00 Worship	8	9	10	11	12	13
Roxbury Camp						
14 8:30 Prayer 9:00 S.S. 10:00 Worship Roxbury Camp	15 7:00 pm S.S. Committee	16 7:00 pm Praise/ Prayer Blood Drive	17	18	19	20
21 8:30 Prayer 9:00 S.S. 10:00 Worship	22	23 7:00 pm Praise/ Prayer	24	25	26	27
28 8:30 Prayer 9:00 S.S. 10:00 Worship	29	30 7:00 pm Praise/ Prayer	31			