

The Air Hill Breezes



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AIR HILL STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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

I just completed a book called Learning the Vocabulary of God: A Spiritual Diary by Frank Laubach. I shared with you before that he was a missionary who wrote about the game of minutes. He tried to think of God and pray to God at least once every minute. In this book Laubach shares his journal over a six-month span, from January 1937 through June 1937. I thought I would share with you some excerpts from some of his entries as he reflects on this game of minutes and sharing his faith.

January 5: God, teach me how to hold on to You when thronged by people who are interested in other subjects more than in You.

January 6: God, this prayer calendar says, “We sometimes fail because we imagine God is not interested in the little things. We are bidden to take everything to God.”

January 10: God, Your mind is superior to mine in one tremendous particular: You will never forget me, or any other, because You can think of countless billions of subjects at the same instant.

March 11: To know that I find You best when I work listening, not when I am still or meditative or even on my knees in prayer, but when I work listening and co-operating. Thank You, too, that the habit of constant conversation grows easier each day. I really do believe all thought can be conversations with You. And what is this strange new sense of knowing answers instead of being baffled, a sense of intellectual miracles happening. O God, I am so glad to see that our real battles are all in the mind. Outward acts of sin are

outcroppings of inner disease. Outward acts of kindness are also outcroppings of fellowship.

May 2: So we say “fight” sin by avoiding sinners, while Jesus was a friend of sinners and ate with them. He sought incessantly to help others; we seek merely to save ourselves.

May 4: I am like an oarsman rowing against a current. My will-pressure must be gentle but constant, to listen to God, to pray for others incessantly, to look at people as souls and not as clothes, or bodies, or even minds. The moment the pressure on the oar ceases, I drift, and downward... “Let go and let God” does not fit my experience. “Take hold and keep hold of God” is what it feels like to me. There is a will-act, and I can feel the spiritual muscles growing from rowing.

June 10: Looking back to my college days and since, I now believe all my social failures have been failures to possess enough of the love of Christ, failures to abide every moment in the vine...Here is my will. Do not let me have it back. I hate that ugly, separated self. Apart from You, self rots.

June 15: We can never overcome evil by denunciations. We must flood the world with glory drawn out of God’s own heart and make it irresistible.

June 26: (referring to sharing our faith.) Opportunities come and go so swiftly that we must seize them instantly or never.

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May Spiritual Exercise:

Keep track of in a journal and/or tell someone of God-moments: ways in which you see God act in you or around you with people or situations. Pay attention to those “coincidences” which come from God.

May Prayer

Father, open my eyes to see what you are doing in this moment. May I make the most of every opportunity you put before me in oneness with Jesus.

Amen.



May Scripture Memory

Psalm 139:1-10

- 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.

MAY 2022 BIBLE READING PLAN

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1	Psalm 95	14	Psalm 107
2	Psalm 96	15	Psalm 108
3	Psalm 97	16	Psalm 109
4	Psalm 98	17	Psalm 110
5	Psalm 99	18	Psalm 111
6	Psalm 100	19	Psalm 112
7	Psalm 101	20	Psalm 113
8	Psalm 102	21	Psalm 114
9	Psalm 103	22	Psalm 115
10	Psalm 104	23	Psalm 116
11	Psalm 105	24	Psalm 117
12	Psalm 106:1-23	25	Psalm 118
13	Psalm 106:24-48		

CHURCH BOARD

- A discussion about the Endowment interest was tabled until next meeting.
- Advertising for a youth pastor has begun using “Handshake” at several colleges and through the BIC Website.
- A mid-term review of Pastor John was discussed with the board unanimously expressing their appreciation of the ministry of Pastor John.
- A recommendation to present to council the receiving of Fred and Lisa Ocker as Deacons was approved.
 - Council will be May 22, 2022
- An absentee membership letter was approved.

Meet Abigail and Sarah Briggs

Abigail (Abby), was born in the Hudson Valley in New York and lived in various places in New York until she was 17, at which point, she moved to PA.

She was homeschooled from second grade through twelfth. After her high school graduation, she attended Wilson College for four years. After taking time for herself, she decided to go back to New York and attend college and received her accounting degree.

Abigail was around six or seven when she accepted Jesus. She grew up in a church and when she was old enough, she attended a Christian camp for a week in the summer and a weekend in the winter. Her brother talked about accepting Jesus at camp and she knew she wanted to accept Jesus too.

She has been married for almost eight years, and she and her husband are CPA's in Chambersburg. They have one daughter Sarah, and one dog named Jessie which she's had for almost fourteen years.

Sarah is five years old. She loves reading, riding horses and playing outside.

When asked what brought her here to Air Hill, she said she drove by it every day to work and a couple years ago she saw our Funfest event on the board out front. She thought it would be a fun event for Sarah. It was sometime after that when they began to attend regularly.

When you see these two ladies, make sure to welcome and get to know them.



Mother's Day



Question: what makes a Christian mother distinctive from other mothers? Answer: salt.

Jesus said, "You are the salt of the earth" (Matt 5:13). A Christian mother isn't necessarily better than other mothers; but rather she has special seasoning due to the presence of the Holy Spirit. The believing mother has a wealth of resources available to train, discipline, and love her children in the grace of God.

Shepherd Ministry

On Friday, March 25th, the Shepherd Ministry had their first training and fellowship of this year. We are continuing our training from "The Way of the Shepherd" given by Pastor John.

First we learned to "Make the pasture a safe place"

Joshua 1:9 "Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go"

John 14:27 "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world give. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."

Next we learned that our sheep can have fears of being harmed. Our job as a shepherd is to keep them informed.

Next we learned there can be rivalry or competition. We need to aim to make everyone feel important.

Pests can be a problem with sheep, so we are to do our best to limit small disturbances within our flock. We must make a safe place where people thrive by being visible and not allowing problems time to fester.

Following our training, we circled in small groups to share concerns, praises, and to pray for each other.

A time of refreshments and fellowship followed our circle time.

Hebrews 13:6 "So we say with confidence, The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me?"

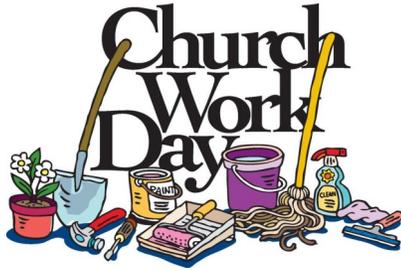
If you are interested in becoming a Shepherd and caring for the flock, please see Rozanna Myers.



MOTHER'S DAY TRIVIA (you can find the answers in the scripture reference)

1. Which mom puts her baby in a basket to save him? (Exodus 2)
2. Which mom prayed for a baby while she visited a temple? (1 Samuel 1:10)
3. What mom saw her son die on a cross? (John 19:25)
4. Name the mom of John the Baptist? (Luke 1)
5. Who was the first mother on earth? (Genesis 2)
6. Who was Joseph's mother? (Genesis 30:25)
7. Which evil mother taught her daughter to dance seductively and ask for John the Baptist's head for a prize? (Matthew 14:6)
8. Who called herself, "The Mother of Israel?" (Genesis 35)
9. Whose mother brought him a new coat each year? (1 Samuel 2:19)
10. What does the law say you should do when you find a bird on its nest? (Deut. 22:8)

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Join us on May 5th beginning at 4:00 pm to do some spring cleaning outside the church. See Chris Rickabaugh for more details.

All teachers are welcome to attend a teacher training class on May 7th @ 10:00 am. Please sign up on the bulletin board.



The next men's breakfast is May 14th @ 8:30 am. Please sign up on the bulletin board. Donations are appreciated.

Join us and invite your family, friends, and neighbors to see the life of Christ presented using scripture as the script.

May 15, 2022
10:00 am



We can help Pregnancy Ministries by taking a baby bottle, and bringing it back by May 29th filled with money.



June 6-10

6-8 pm

Ages 3-5th grade.

“God is a BIG god who can do amazing things.

Evidence of this can be found in the Bible.”

Our annual picnic is planned for June 5, 2022. We will have worship service at 10:00 am at the Berean Gardens @ Roxbury.

Lunch will be served at 12:00.

Meat and drink will be provided.

Please bring a hot or cold dish to share, your own place settings and a tablecloth.

The waterslide will be open for 1 hour.



Praise and Prayer Service happens every Tuesday evening @ 7:00 pm.

Won't you join us in praying for our church, our community and our country?

Quotes from “Fresh Wind, Fresh Fire”

“God has chosen prayer as His channel of blessing”

“The feature that is supposed to distinguish Christian churches, Christian people, and Christian gatherings is the aroma of prayer”

“If we prevail in prayer, God will do what only He can do”

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<p>1 8:30 am Prayer 9:00 am S.S. 10:00 am Worship Allen Lehman is speaking</p>	<p>2 7:00 pm Shepherd Core Team Meeting</p>	<p>3 7:00 pm Praise/Prayer</p>	<p>4 6:30 pm Youth Group</p>	<p>5 4:00 pm Work Night</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 10:00 am Teacher Training</p>
<p>8 8:30 am Prayer 9:00 am S.S. 10:00 am Worship </p>	<p>9 8:30 am Ladies Sewing 7:00 pm Church Board</p>	<p>10 7:00 pm Praise/Prayer</p>	<p>11 6:30 pm Youth Group</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 8:30 am Men's Breakfast</p>
<p>15 8:30 am Prayer 9:00 am S.S. 10:00 am Worship</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 7:00 pm Praise/Prayer</p>	<p>18 6:30 pm Youth Group</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 2-9 pm Gym in Use</p>
<p>22 8:30 am Prayer 9:00 am S.S. 10:00 am Worship</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24 7:00 pm Praise/Prayer</p>	<p>25 6:30 pm Youth Group</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28</p>
<p>29 8:30 am Prayer 9:00 am S.S. 10:00 am Worship</p>	<p>30  Memorial Day</p>	<p>31 7:00 pm Praise/Prayer</p>				