GREENMOUNT CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN Welcome to Worship April 21, 2024

The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart. The commands of the Lord are radiant, giving light to the eyes.

— Psalm 19:8

Hymn: "I'll Fly Away" Celebration Hymn #779

Announcements

Prelude

Prayer Requests/Morning Prayer

Hymn: "Soon and Very Soon" Celebration Hymn #757

Scripture: 2 Timothy 3:10-17

Invitation to Give "Doxology" Celebration Hymn #815

Offertory Prayer

Special Music: "Sinner Saved by Grace" Church Choir

Dismissal for Children's Ministries: Nursery (ages 5 years and under) Children's Church (ages 5-11 years or elementary school)

Message: "Losing Life to Find It" (Mark 6:14-29)

Hymn: "Rock of Ages" Celebration Hymn #342

Benediction: For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." Amen (Mark 10:45 CSB)

Postlude

Service can be streamed live at www.greenmountchurch.org on the "This Sunday" page or on the Greenmount Church of the Brethren youtube site

Remember in Prayer: IJ Armstrong; Jean Armstrong; Mary Blair; Mike Bonner; Melissa Bowman; Shane Brubaker; Cathleen Cavender; Donna Cavender; Jessie Collins & family, David Curry; Debbie Dale; Natalie Dodge; Christian Dove; Kenneth Dove; Sheena Dove; Vickie Dove; Joe Evans; Karen Garner; Jimmy Givens; Ed Gordon; Bill Gutschmidt; Rod Harman; Jonathan Hasler; Mary Hess; James Hinegardner; Vivian Kesler; Kenny Kimble; Sara Lam; Ellen McDonald; Beverly & Leon Mitchell; Brad Mitchell; Leon Moyers; Willie Moyers; Shannon Napier; Barbara Reynolds; Chloe Rochester; Lucas Rogers; Alice Shifflett; Barbara Smith; Roger Strawderman; Tom Taylor; Jeremy Tyler; Wanda Williams; Pat Velanzon.

We extend our sympathy to and pray for the family of Nancy Lam. Nancy passed away on Sunday, April 14.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Today: 9:15 am Opening 9:30 am Sunday School NO Choir Practice
- April 22 at 7 pm Nurture Meeting
- April 24 at 7pm Kids Club and Bible Study
- **April 28** congregational meeting (see below)
 Baby bottles for AVA Care are due

There will be an open congregational meeting on 4/28 after worship for District representative, John Jantzi, to ensure the reasons for Greenmount's withdrawal are clear. Questions may be asked, and clarifications given.

I want to thank Mark and everyone who helped with the cleanup last Saturday and brought me two HUGE loads of wood! It is such a blessing and I am so very thankful! My church family is so good to me and so is my God!!! – Jessie Collins

It's week 3 of AVA Care's Change for Life baby bottle campaign fundraiser. Don't forget to fill your bottles with spare change, cash, or a check (made out to AVA Care of Harrisonburg). Every donation helps make a difference in providing education, help, and hope to women and men facing unintended pregnancy. If you still need a bottle, or need an additional one, please pick one up from the vestibule. Remember – bottles are due NEXT WEEK!

April 27: Brethren Wood Annual Spring Festival begins at 7 am with fishing, followed by other activities and an auction. This is their annual fundraiser. If you have items you would like to donate to their yard sale or auction, please let Cheryl know.

There is a box out at the table in the vestibule to submit questions for Wed. Night Bible Study. It can be questions about the Bible or how we should apply the Bible to something going on in our culture or life. We might not find a black/white answer but together we can continue to know God and His ways better through Spirit filled study of His word.

Disaster Auction Booklets are on the table in the vestibule. Please be sure to pick one up. Please feel free to take extra to share with others. There are many uniquely crafted items that have been made/or donated to the auction that are pictured in the booklet. The auction will take place **May 17 & 18** at the Rockingham County Fairgrounds. If you are interested in volunteering (there are several areas that need volunteers), please contact Catherine Lantz at 540-896-7556.

Wed., May 22 there will be dinner and a kickoff to Vacation Bible School which is also the last night of Bible Study & Kids Club for the spring. Please mark your calendar and consider how you can help with this community evening. More information from Nurture coming soon.

Vision Statement: "We believe God's vision for ALL believers at Greenmount is to be Spirit led in the study of God's word and prayer, in spiritual maturation, and in purposefully discipling others as we seek to be living examples of Jesus to the world."

Worship Leader: Rick Dove

Pianist: Heather Armstrong

Deacon of the Month: Mark and Janice Bolton (540-833-6299)

April 14 Attendance: 81 April 14 Regular offering: \$ 4643.00

Pastor: Scott Harris 810-1473 (office hours are on Tues. and Wed.)

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April 2024 Missionary Update Grover and Angelina Yip

Dear Friends at Greenmount,

We hope you are well! We're glad to be sending you an update from Chad. We started 2024 with a 9-hour road trip to attend a wedding in the Guera region, and much has happened since then.

Pray for Chad

Pray for Chad--for peace, stability, integrity and wisdom in leadership, and for the upcoming presidential elections on May 6th. Spiritual Retreat & Conference Angelina helped with our retreat and conference logistics, which included finding volunteers for various responsibilities, organizing a community yard sale, and being the game host for our staff family fun day...in spite of hot season, we still held a jump rope competition and bent over backwards for a game of limbo, but we fittingly concluded the evening with a water balloon fight. During our spiritual retreat, we enjoyed corporate prayer and worship and heard teaching from a Chadian pastor on the impact of the presence of God in the lives and ministry of believers. Our conference meetings and discussions were beneficial.

Language Technology for Scripture Access

Gabri-Maja is a language community of southern Chad. Grover started creating a Gabri-Maja New Testament (NT) phone app in late January, and is excited that the community was able to start distributing the published app at their New Testament dedication ceremony in March.

From Grover: In early February, I helped facilitate our Paratext (translation software) course for beginners; some participants are already involved in Bible translation projects in their languages, and some are prospective translators. I taught sessions on how to add comments to a project, how to open up various French Bible versions in Paratext to compare and better understand the meaning of the text, and how to follow a project plan broken down into manageable tasks

that will help guide their work from initial exegesis to final translation: going through steps and marking them as complete.

From Angelina: Over the last few months, I took on the task of gathering content for SIL Chad's annual report, which features SIL Chad's contributions to Chadian language development in 2023 through literacy programs, dictionary development, training courses, and app and print publications in Chadian languages. We printed the report in March and began distributing copies to our partner organizations in Chad. In other news, I recently became the children's program coordinator at our international church fellowship, so you can pray for me in that new leadership role.

January marked 10 years since Grover and Angelina first met at our alma mater, CanIL!

In February, we hosted a birthday party to celebrate Valerie turning 5 and Elizer turning 3! God is good! At our first parent-teacher meeting, Valerie's teacher only had encouraging things to say and noted that Valerie expresses herself in French easily. Bravo, Valerie! Elizer will start preschool in September. Sending a big thank-you for your ongoing partnership and for being an integral part of this ministry! With grateful hearts!

Grover and Angelina Yip