

Church Calendar

Sunday, October 25

REFORMATION SUNDAY

8:30 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 9:45 AM Membership Class
 9:50 AM Children's Chapel
 9:55 AM Diaconate Training
 10:00 AM **SUNDAY SCHOOL**
 11:00 AM **MORNING WORSHIP**
 5:30 PM Season of Prayer in the Chapel
 6:00 PM **EVENING WORSHIP**
 7:30 PM Evangelism/Church Growth Committee

Tuesday, October 27

10:00 AM WIC Bible Study
 5:00 PM Mites Basketball practice
 6:00 PM Evangelism Explosion Training
 6:30 PM Jr. High Boys' Basketball practice

Wednesday, October 28

5:00 PM CE Committee Meeting
 5:15 PM Youth Ensemble (7th-12th grades)
 5:30 PM **FAMILY NIGHT FELLOWSHIP SUPPER**
 6:45 PM **REFORMATION PARTY**
 6:45 PM Diaconate Training
 6:55 PM **PRAYER MEETING FOR ALL ADULTS**
 7:25 PM **BIBLE STUDY FOR ALL ADULTS**
 7:25 PM College & 20's Bible Study
 7:30 PM Chancel Choir Rehearsal
 8:30 PM Sr. High Boys' Basketball practice

Thursday, October 29

9:30 AM WIC Precepts Bible Study
 9:30 AM WIC Bible Study
 6:30 PM Midget Boys' Basketball practice

Friday, October 30

12:00 PM Men's Lunch and Bible Study
 6:00 PM College & 20's Class Bonfire at the Loopers'

Saturday, October 31

8:30 AM I-Mites Basketball practice
 10:00 AM Sr. High Girls' Basketball practice

Scripture Reading for the Week

Psalm 111:1-3

Praise the LORD! I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. Great are the works of the LORD, studied by all who delight in them. (ESV)

Upcoming Events

Oct. 21	Administration Committee Meeting
Oct. 22	Calvary Presbytery at Mitchell Rd. PCA
Oct. 24	ANNUAL FALL PICNIC
Oct. 25	REFORMATION SUNDAY
Oct. 25	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee
Oct. 28	CE Committee Meeting
Oct. 28	REFORMATION PARTY
Oct. 30	College & 20's Class Bonfire at the Loopers'
Nov. 1	Daylight Savings Time Ends
Nov. 1	Called Session Meeting
Nov. 2	Diaconate Meeting
Nov. 4	WIC Council
Nov. 4	Pastoral Care Committee Meeting
Nov. 4	Called Session Meeting
Nov. 5	Jessamines
Nov. 7	Basketball games begin
Nov. 8	New Members Reception and Luncheon
Nov. 8	Worship & Music Committee Meeting
Nov. 9	Session Meeting
Nov. 10-11	WIC Circles
Nov. 11	Missions Committee Meeting
Nov. 15	The Lord's Supper at the morning services
Nov. 16	Young At Heart
Nov. 18	CE Committee Meeting
Nov. 18	Administration Committee Meeting
Nov. 18	Called Session Meeting
Nov. 20	College & 20's Friends Giving
Nov. 22	Evangelism/Church Growth Committee
Nov. 22	Scott Cook's Ordination & Reception
Nov. 25	THANKSGIVING SUPPER & SERVICE
Nov. 26-27	Church Office Closed
Nov. 28	WIC Decorating for Christmas
Nov. 29	Congregation Informational Budget Meeting

Mark Your Calendars!

⇒ Diaconate Election	Dec. 13
⇒ Chancel Choir Christmas Music	Dec. 13
⇒ Christmas Dinner/Program	Dec. 16
⇒ Lessons and Carols	Dec. 24
⇒ Christmas Hymn Sing	Dec. 27

Plan early and get your event on the church calendar!

We are asking that you get your event on the church calendar early as dates fill up fast. Call the church office (232-7621, ext. 10) or email (jgrant@spcgreenville.org).

Remembering One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following shut-in members. Also, send them a note of encouragement and/or give them a call.

Marion and Iris Dillard

320 LaBoone Road
 Easley, SC 29642
 442-6613

Praying For One Another

Remember in prayer this week the following members.

Sara Cater


Mike and Livia Chiu

Richard and Beverly Chivers


Missionary for the Week

The Persecuted Church International Day of Prayer—Nov. 8, 2015

- Pray for both the repentance and redemption of those engaged in evil against the Church and for God's intervention against their evil schemes.
- Pray for disruption to the terror cycle and the God would change the hearts of all those who persecute Christians.
- Pray for our persecuted brothers and sisters who live in fear daily under threat and for those who are imprisoned and sentenced to death because they have turned to Jesus.
- For God's protection to be upon the persecuted Christian in every way, guarding their bodies, minds and spirits.



REFORMATION SUNDAY
OCTOBER 25, 2015



REFORMATION PARTY
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 28TH

*We need booths, prizes, and candy.
If you would like to sponsor a booth see or call Scott (ext. 25).
If you would like to donate candy and/or prizes,
please mark and leave in the gym.*

30 Days of Prayer for World Missions

The 30 Days of Prayer for World Missions calendars are now available on the counter outside the library. This November calendar is put out by MTW and is a tool for you to use to pray for MTW missionaries and ministries throughout the month, particularly for those in restricted-access countries where believers are often persecuted for their faith. The calendar also highlights the International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church on November 8, giving you the opportunity to join the worldwide body of Christ in prayer for the persecuted Church. Be sure and pick up one of these calendars as we join together during the month of November in prayer for World Missions.

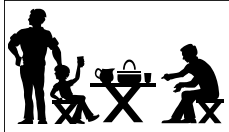
Baptism

Caroline Elizabeth Angell, covenant daughter of Aaron and Olivia Angell received the Sacrament of Baptism on Sunday, October 18, 2015. We are thankful for the Angell family and pray for Caroline that she will know and love the Lord all the days of her life.


College & 20's Class

BONFIRE
Friday, October 30th
6-9pm
Home of Jimmy and Tammy Lopper

FALL CHURCH PICNIC

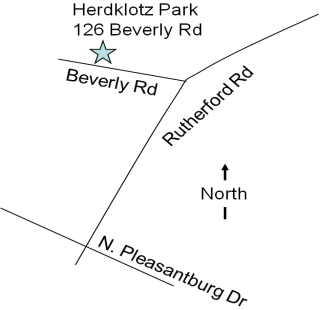


Saturday, October 24
9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Lunch-11:30 AM
(rain or shine)
Herdklotz Park
126 Beverly Road, Greenville
The Deacons will provide the meat and drinks.
Everyone please bring salads, side dishes and desserts.



There will be a dessert contest!

Come join us for food, fellowship and fun at the 2015 Fall Picnic. Lunch will be served at 11:30 AM but come early. There are playgrounds and lots of room to run at the park, so bring your footballs and Frisbees.



Treasurer's Report

SEPTEMBER 2015 & YTD			
	Actual		
	Sept. 2015	YTD 2015	YTD Budget
Offerings	78,935	910,947	1,009,500
Outlays:			
Operating Expenses	82,195	790,327	748,437
Mission	<u>35,763</u>	<u>108,093</u>	<u>114,057</u>
Total Outlays	117,958	898,420	862,494
Net Offerings	(39,023)	(12,527)	

—Contributions in September 2015 were \$78,935.
—Contributions YTD Sept. 2015 were \$910,947 versus \$802,235 for YTD Sept. 2014.
—Please continue to pray that the Lord will provide the financial resources necessary for the programs and ministry of SPC.
—If you have any questions, please contact Bobby Mann or Jeremy Weaver.

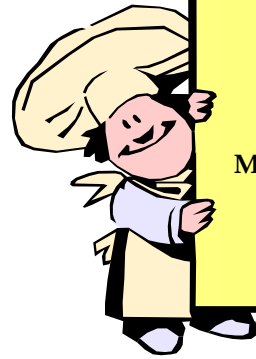
Pack a Shoe Box

Operation Christmas Child
"The Power of A Simple Gift"

Share God's love and the joy of Christmas by packing a gift-filled shoe box for a hurting child overseas. Your simple gift can make an eternal difference. Shoe boxes with instructions on how to pack a shoe box are located throughout the church. **Our goal this year is 300 shoeboxes, so we need your help.** Boxes need to be in the church office by November 15th. Contact Pat Tyner if you have any questions.

THE SHOEBOX

After shoeboxes are packed, sent off with prayer and prepared for overseas shipment, they travel by plane, boat and truck to countries where local churches receive them with joy. Every gift-filled shoebox provides these churches with an opportunity for evangelism and discipleship in places they otherwise might never be received. As a result, the Gospel is transforming children, families and entire communities. Don't miss the opportunity to be a part of this process. National collection week is coming up November 16-23.



New Members' Luncheon

All members and visitors are cordially invited to a luncheon honoring our new members,
Sunday, November 8, 2015
immediately following the 11:00 morning worship service in the church gymnasium.
Meat and drinks will be provided by the church.
Church members are asked to bring generous portions of side dishes (vegetables, salads, breads) and desserts.



Daylight Savings Time Ends
November 1st
Don't forget to turn your clocks back 1 hour Saturday Night.





many other unique factors that contribute to the suffering of missionaries. The missionary needs prayer for Spirit-filled perseverance and heavenly-minded perspective.

“Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus.” (2 Tim. 2:3; cf. Eph. 6:17-20; 1 Cor. 15:58; 2 Cor. 12:1-10; Phil. 3:7-10).

4. To stay focused on the mission. Pray for missionaries to not fall into legitimate distractions. In our globalized culture, there are many ways to stay connected. For some missionaries, the host culture can be so difficult and daunting that they slip into anesthetizing habits and seek to escape to their friends in America through social media. Much time is unduly wasted simply trying to stay connected to everyone and stay up-to-date on the latest entertainment, news, and trends of American society. Too little time is spent in prayer, intercession, and meditation, which can result in disheartened evangelistic efforts, undisciplined language learning, indifference to disciple-making, and overall spiritual anemia.

“No soldier gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to please the one who enlisted him.” (2 Tim. 2:4; cf. 1 Tim. 1:18; 6:12; 2 Cor. 5:9-11; 10:4).

5. To keep the Word. Pray for missionaries to obey the Word of God carefully. There are many pragmatic ways to create a platform, fund a project, or start a church that are not prescribed in Scripture. There is a temptation to call every good activity “preaching the gospel” or “missions,” when in fact the gospel is not being preached at all. There are many good deeds done in the name of love, hope, and peace; just as words that have no works are empty, so are good works without good news.

“An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules.” (2 Tim. 2:5; cf. John 15:4-11; 1 Cor. 9:25; 1 Tim. 6:12; 2 Tim. 4:7; Isa. 8:20; Josh. 1:6-9).

6. To work hard. Pray for missionaries to work hard. As in any ministry where there is sometimes little accountability, idleness and slothfulness can become big temptations for missionaries. Because of the stress and exhaustion of living cross-culturally and in hostile countries, unconscious discouragement can lead to resignation and apathy. Sometimes the hardest thing is to just survive living a normal day. So, any effort given to making disciples, evangelism, and prayer can become weak. Because of the daily sacrifices and the relentless spiritual battle, the gospel labor of a missionary is indeed by the power of Christ alone working effectively through the missionary. No one has the strength in himself to proclaim the gospel, let alone in a foreign language and hostile culture.



“It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops.” (2 Tim. 2:6; cf. 1 Cor.15:10; Col. 1:29; 1 Peter 4:11; Rom. 15:18).

7. To meditate on the Word. Pray for illumination from the Word. Pray that missionaries would do the work of Bible memory and meditation. One of the greatest ways to fall into despondency, to slacken in evangelistic zeal, to neglect prayer, and to abandon Bible-driven ministry for other more tolerable and socially acceptable ventures is to lose confidence in the supremacy and sufficiency of the Word of God. This happens when the mind is not regularly immersed in and recalibrated by the Scriptures. Missionaries will lose perspective and hope if they only read the Bible briefly and occasionally but do not take time to absorb it and think hard about the Spirit-intended meaning.

“Think over what I say, for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.” (2 Tim. 2:7; cf. Ps. 19:7-11; 119:9-11, 18, 41-47, 129-131; Prov. 6:23; John 14:23-24; 15:4-11).

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Pray For Our Missionaries

Ray and Michelle Call

- Residency approved.
- First service on October 4, 2015.
- Michelle is expecting a baby.

Ruth and Scott Hill (Cherokee)

- Bring more Cherokee people to their Bible Study.
- Ruth’s leading a Bible Study at the Cherokee Cancer support Center.
- Pray for the new principal Chief Patrick Lambert and new Vice Chief Richie Sneed.
- That God would grant favor in the eyes of the tribal leaders.
- Asked for a 25 year extension.
- Planning for next summer.

Octavius and Marie Delfils (Haiti)

- For the new members class, that they may understand the Gospel and take seriously their vows before the Lord.
- For the continuous blessing of the Lord on the preaching and teaching of the Gospel in the Reformed Presbyterian Church of Demas (Port-au-Prince); that people may be good hearers and doers of Word.
- That the Lord provides men for leadership in the church; that the church may continue to grow spiritually and numerically.
- For a great work of evangelism in the community. Pray that people may be willing to go and for a great success of that endeavor.
- For the visitors in the church: that they may understand the Gospel and stay under the preaching of the Word.
- For rain in Haiti. We are still having a drought season.
- For peace and security in Haiti the next three or four months. Presidential election is in October and December this year. Please continue to pray for peace and the Lord’s protection for his children.
- For a replacing vehicle for the ministry. The engine of the truck I was using stopped working in January.
- For a full support of the ministry budget. As for now, we are supported at about 50%. If the Lord puts on your heart to support financially this ministry, or if you need to know more specifically about our financial needs, and pray for us, please contact: Mr. Scott Clark Member of Woodruff Road Presbyterian Church (WRPC)

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Church Services: **Sunday:** Sunday School - 10:00 AM
Morning Worship - 8:30 and 11:00 AM * Evening Worship - 6:00 PM
Wednesday: Supper - 5:45 PM * Prayer Meeting - 6:55 PM
Adult Bible Study - 7:25 PM

At the Corner of River and Rhett

Some good words on church hospitality towards visitors adapted from Reformation21.org

1. Approach people, welcome them, don't wait for them to come to you.
2. Show new people to their seats. If you're worried about it ask them, 'Would you like me to show you to your seat?'
3. If you can, sit them next to someone who will talk to them and turn to them after the service.
4. There are people in every church who are great at giving up their seats and making room for others. Get in the habit of being *inconvenienced* for others. They will be a great help particularly with latecomers who are often visitors.
5. Pay attention to older visitors and people with special needs.
6. Ask folk if they need a lift somewhere after the service.
7. Some people want to practice hospitality each Sunday, let your elders know if you would be open to sharing a meal with visitors.
8. Realize that greeting doesn't end with the call to worship. Look out for outsiders after the service and aim to speak with them.
9. Try and speak with new families and get the minister or an elder to welcome and explain what happens in our church service to families.

~The Editor



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Return Service Requested

**WORSHIP AT SECOND
THE LORD'S DAY
October 25, 2015
REFORMATION SUNDAY**

**MORNING WORSHIP
8:30 & 11:00**

IN THE BEGINNING

Genesis 1:1
Hymns: 166, 347, 92
Anthems: Antiphon/Sing Joy
Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

**EVENING WORSHIP
6:00 PM**

WEEP NO MORE

Luke 8:22-25
Hymns: 360, 691
Psalter: Psalm 92

Dr. Richard D. Phillips preaching

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Seven Things to Pray for Missionaries

There are numerous ways a church or even those who are preparing for ministry can pray to bless their missionaries. Because the church might not always know those immediate, pressing issues in the missionary's life, praying from God's Word is always valuable and applicable in every season and place. Here are seven simple ways to pray for missionaries from Paul's charge to Timothy (see 2 Tim. 2:1-7):

1. To be strengthened in Christ. Pray that the missionaries would be strengthened by the grace of Christ; pray that they would stand on the promises of God and derive their confidence from the past, present, and future triumph of Christ.

"You then, my child, be strengthened by the grace that is in Christ Jesus." (2 Tim. 2:1; cf. Rom. 16:25; Eph. 3:14-20)

2. To make disciples. Pray that the missionaries would be actively making disciples. There are many good, helpful services that can be done on the mission field, but a missionary fails to obey Christ if disciples are not being made. Making disciples does not happen passively; it requires actively pursuing people, planning what to teach, and raising up nationals to lead and serve the local church. Essentially, a missionary should always be looking for ways to work himself out of a job.

"What you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also." (2 Tim. 2:2; cf. Matt. 28:18-20; Titus 1:5; 1 Tim. 4:16).

3. To suffer well. Pray for missionaries as they suffer with Christ. There is a heightened level of adversity and affliction that missionaries experience due to the spiritual darkness of the host culture, the overall stress of living cross-culturally and its physiological effects, the mental exhaustion of learning to operate in foreign language, the emotional challenges that can result from isolation, strained relationships, and overall discouragement in the ministry. And, there are