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*In the Essentials
...Unity*

*In Non-Essentials
... Liberty*

*In All Things
... Charity*

From the Pastor's Heart:

I'm sure we are all aware of those individuals in our lives that murmur, complain, and in general have a less than pleasant disposition. In our broken, sin-filled world, they are everywhere.

I was recently reminded of this fact when I had the privilege of presiding over the renewal of a wedding vows ceremony. I was told there were certain family members who didn't get along with other family members. When people are more self-centered than God centered or other centered, we can be assured that problems will arise, including among God's people.

Moses, the person God called to lead the Israelites out of slavery, was consistently reminded of their discontentment with life. Instead of being grateful for their new freedom and provisions from God, they "wailed" over their menu (Numbers 11:4-6). They "opposed" and "quarreled" with Moses and Aaron about not having water, wishing they had died in Egypt (Numbers 14:2-4). At one point, Moses's own siblings were jealous of his leadership (Numbers 12:2) and complained to God about their brother and his Cushite wife. For those who don't Fully Rely On God (F. R. O. G.) and trust Him and the leadership he raises up, murmuring and complaining comes easy but, at a great cost. Read what happened to Miriam in Numbers chapter 12.

**God always has
and always will
deal with those
who oppose
His plans**

Our Mission Statement:

We, at the Leicester Evangelical Presbyterian Church, confess Jesus Christ as our Lord and Savior. We prayerfully seek to do His will through the power of the Holy Spirit in our worship, discipleship, ministry, mission, and fellowship and continually strive to make this church one that glorifies God and is pleasing to Him.

God always has and always will deal with those who oppose His plans and purposes, instead of being grateful for His loving provisions. The Scriptures are filled with warnings against murmuring and complaining. Instead, we are to "Do everything without complaining or arguing, so that you may become blameless and pure, children of God without fault in a crooked and depraved generation, in which you shine like stars in the universe, as you hold out the word of life..." (Philippians 2:14). Is your "star" shining brightly?

For those who live in the kingdom of God, we are to demonstrate our trust in God by living as those who know, trust, love and obey Him. As those who reflect His light, we are instructed to "give thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ" (Ephesians 5:20, 21).

Our old sinful nature wants to avoid those who complain against us with a sharp and biting tongue but, is that the response God honors? Let's take a look at Moses again. When he was harshly accused, he didn't retaliate or defend himself. Instead, he demonstrated amazing humility and compassion on those he led, repeatedly interceding for them. Moses pled with God to heal Miriam's leprosy (Numbers 12:13). He begged God to forgive Israel's unbelief when it was time to enter the Promised Land (Numbers 14:19). He lay prostrate before God, fasting forty days and nights after Aaron and the Israelites had made the golden calf to worship (Deuteronomy 9:13-18). Admittedly, there were moments when the Israelites' constant complaints drove Moses to the brink of despair (Exodus



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Pastor's Heart continued

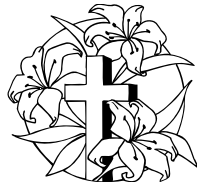
5:22; Numbers 11:14-15), yet by God's grace he persevered. And even at the very end of his life, he was still lovingly leading the disobedient Israelites.

Yes, there will always be those who oppose the will and plans of God, if His plans don't align with theirs. Remember, Jesus was falsely accused, yet he remained silent, like a lamb led to be slaughtered (Isaiah 53:7). For those who belong to the "Good Shepherd" we too can show our love for those who wrongfully treat us by forgiving them and praying for them.

In a few months we will once again celebrate the arrival of the Word who became flesh, our Savior, Jesus Christ. In dwelling among us he demonstrated the fullness of grace and truth, even to those who wrongly slandered, mocked, opposed and crucified Him.

As His witnesses in our world, let us not be complainers, but purpose to follow His example, so that others might come to know the Savior and the fullness of life he alone can provide.

I'm praying for you,
Pastor David



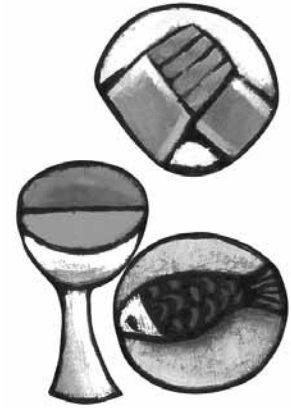
**Leota (Olmstead)
Chichester**
*Joined her Lord
and Savior,
Jesus Christ on
September 25, 2017*

Leota had been a faithful member here, joining UPC on April 22, 1934, when this church was known as the Union Presbyterian Church of Leicester. She had spent many of her senior years in Florida living with her daughter and son-in-law, Cynthia and Gregg Skeates.

Her daughter requests that sympathy cards not be sent, but if one were to write down a fond memory of her mom, it may be used in a future memorial service.

Arrangement plans had not been finalized at the time of this Steeple publication.

Holy Communion
will be celebrated on the
second Sunday of the month
in November
instead of the traditional
first Sunday.



Leicester/Cuylerville Food Pantry

The Leicester/Cuylerville Food Pantry will soon be relocated from St. Thomas RC Church to Leicester EPC.

The pantry will be a great opportunity for LEPC to reach out and serve the community. Volunteers will be needed to sort the food donations, check freshness dates, put together bags of food when requested, and meet the person requesting food at church.

We are especially looking for someone to volunteer as a "Contact Person". This person will be given a Tracfone (cell phone) purchased by LEPC so that your home phone number will never be given out to the general public. If the Contact Person should be gone away for a number of days, the Tracfone will be given to one of the other volunteers to receive any calls.

The Contact Person's responsibilities would include taking phone calls from persons requesting food or calling back anyone who leaves their name and phone number on the answering device. In a confidential notebook, the Contact Person would record information such as the caller's name, phone number and how many members in the family. Then they would make an appointment when the person could pick up the food at LEPC.

Appointments would be scheduled on one of our weekly designated days. The contact person would then call one of the volunteers who would fill the food bags and meet the person to receive the needed food.

We have been told that there may be 1-2 calls a week, some weeks no calls, and once in a while maybe up to 5 calls.

If you would like to volunteer to help, especially for the position of Contact Person, or have any other questions, please contact Carol Griffen.

**Need Help?
For Emergencies
or Personal Matters**

Pastor David Missel

382-3311 Church Office
658-1197 Residence

Pastor David is presently scheduling Fridays as his day off so matters of less urgency could be left on the church office answering device: 382-3311.

Or ask one of the Ruling Elders:

George Briggs 382-3038
Gene Gregg 382-3027
Leo Richardson 382-3153
Susan Jackson 519-7040

Session Meeting Highlights

COMPLETE Minutes are available on Bulletin Board in Fellowship Hall

Regular Session Meeting - 8/27/2017

Treasurer's Report: On target and possibly ahead of the 2017 Budget. 2017 **May:** Balance: \$9985.14; Operations Income \$2736, Operating Expenses: \$5096.09, Mission Income: \$200, Mission Expenditures: \$1290; **June:** Balance: \$9403.57, Operating Income: \$3337.00, Operating Expenses: \$3843.57, Mission Income: \$135, Mission Expenditures: \$210; **July:** Balance: \$9685.33, Operating Income: \$3225.77, Operating Expenses: \$3096.13, Mission Income: \$190, Mission Expenditures: \$37.88.

Pastor's Report: Pastor David's Study Leave: Sept. 4-10 *without a need* for a pulpit fill, and Study Leave from Sept. 18-24, 2017, *with a need* for a pulpit fill for Sept. 24th. *Communications:* Notice received of an upgrade to the RG&E natural gas line that will disrupt some of the church property once it is initiated.

Worship Report: Session approved, what was previously a consensus by email, that missionary John Gay would fill the pulpit on July 23, 2017. Session approved, what was previously a consensus by email, that during worship on Sept. 17, 2017, the Solid Rock Riders (Christian Motorcycle Association) will do a presentation.

Witness Report: Session approved a \$200 donation be sent to Suzanne's Place (hospice) located in Perry, N.Y. to be disbursed from the Missions Fund. Session approved that the church bell be rung at noon on Sept. 17, 2017, to commemorate Constitutional Day. Session approved the date of Oct. 21, 2017, for the 1st Responders Appreciation Breakfast. Session approved that Gene Gregg complete the Time Capsule Project with the location tentatively chosen to be the cellar of LEPC. A Thanksgiving, Dish to Pass Luncheon is scheduled for the usual second Sunday in November with turkey provided by LEPC. *Prayer Ministry:* Session approved that Africa be LEPC's focus for prayers for the persecuted church, yet not neglecting prayers for others worldwide who are persecuted for their faith.

Stewardship Report: The Church Treasurer spoke on the positive financial health of LEPC exceeding expectations of the 2017 budget. Options were discussed concerning the cutbacks incurred in 2017. Session approved a bonus of \$3000 be given to Pastor David from the Operating Fund. Session approved offering to the Musical Director an opportunity to play for 1 additional Sunday a month, in addition to the 1 contractual Sunday.

Christian Ed Report: L. Session approved, what was previously a consensus by email, the start-up of a Nursery - 3rd Grade Sunday School to commence on Sept. 17, 2017.

Property Report: Session approved a contract with Andy Klein Plumbing and Heating Inc. to replace the furnaces for the sanctuary, and the furnace for Fellowship Hall, to include air conditioning for the hall only for a total of \$19,000. (*for details refer to the contract*) (*see minutes of 5/7/2017*). Session approved a contract with New Creation Electric to upgrade the electrical service to the church building for a total of \$5800. (*for details refer to the contract*). Session will wait until the spring of 2018 for any action on painting pillars.

Old Business: The 200th LEPC Anniversary Celebration final cost was \$596.27 with budgeted funds and personal donations totalling \$550 (*see minutes of 11/10/2016 Old Business*).

Nominating: S. Matthews agreed to be a candidate for Financial Secretary for 1 year (2018).

New Business: Session approved that LEPC will now take over responsibilities for the Leicester/Cuylerville Food Pantry that was previously managed by St. Thomas RC of Leicester. Carol Griffen volunteered to oversee the transition, organization, and implementation of this pantry. The pantry food inventory will tentatively be located in the old nursery downstairs at LEPC. L. Richardson volunteered to upgrade the LEPC Wedding Policy to reflect the current EPC Human Sexuality Position Paper before presenting it Session.

Miscellaneous: The next Regular Session Meeting is yet to be scheduled.

Session did not have a regularly scheduled Session Meeting during the month of June and July 2017

LEPC Financial Update for August:

Offering/Income: \$8454.00

Expenses: \$8201.77

Mission Income: \$237

Mission Expenditures: \$222.15

Weekly Calendar

Sundays:

- 9:30 a.m. Prayer and Share
- 10:00 a.m. Bereans
Adult Sunday School
- 10:30 a.m. Worship
Communion: 2nd Sunday
in November only
Dish to Pass Luncheon:
2nd Sunday

Tuesdays:

- 2:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study
Carol Griffen's House.
- 6:30 p.m. Women of
Encouragement at LEPC

Fridays: Pastor's Day Off

Special Events for October

**Kristen Stanton
in Concert at LEPC
October 21 at 7 pm**

**1st Responders Appreciation
Breakfast October 21st**

Upcoming POA Meetings 2017

November 18th at
Trinity School of Ministry
311 Eleventh St., Ambridge, PA

Remember Our Kids

*Please pray for,
and support our
Education's Child
in Sierra Leone*

*Supported through
your Missions
Giving*



Margret Conteh

*Please pray for,
and support our
HopeChild
in Mozambique*



**Germias Elias
Madile**

*Special Offerings
received on the
2nd Sunday
of each month.*

Birthdays

October Birthdays

- 8 Jason Gregg
- 21 Bill Roffe
- 26 Heidi Roffe

November Birthdays

- 3 Thelma Stevens
- 8 Cindy Skeates
- 10 Donna Mankoff
- 20 Leo Richardson
- 22 Bud Hamilton
- 30 Deanna O'Geen

December Birthdays

- 3 Shirley Siniapkin
- 6 Susan Jackson
- 8 Hannah Briggs
- 9 Patricia Gregg
- 11 Kelly Harris
- 22 Kristen Murphy
- 22 Sara (Richardson) Nolan
- 30 Pastor David Missel
- 31 Robert Richardson

People in Prayer

*Remember to keep
your assigned person
in prayer daily.*



Anniversaries

October Anniversaries

- 28 M/M David Farruggia

November Anniversaries

- 1 M/M Leo Richardson
- 21 M/M Charles Harris

December Anniversaries

- 10 M/M James Matthews

Who Are We Missing???

Starting with this issue, the names listed for birthdays and anniversaries are LEPC members (active or inactive lists), their children, frequent worshipers at LEPC, and those that are in one of those categories but are now in nursing homes, assisted living communities, at home shut-ins, or live unreasonable distances from Leicester for them to be in attendance regularly.

If you know of someone that should be included, please pass that information along to Leo Richardson.

2017 Volunteer Worship Schedule - Oct/Nov/Dec

Date	Greeter	Usher(s)	Communion Elders
10/01	P. Gregg	J. Shaughnessy	E. Gregg/P. Gregg
10/08	P. Gregg	J. Shaughnessy	
10/15	G. Gregg	J. Shaughnessy	
10/22	G. Gregg	J. Shaughnessy	
10/29	G. Gregg	J. Shaughnessy	
11/05	S. Jackson	J. Shaughnessy	
11/12	S. Jackson	J. Shaughnessy	C. Griffen/G. Briggs
11/19	S. Jackson	J. Shaughnessy	
11/26	S. Jackson	J. Shaughnessy	
12/03	D. Sliker	J. Shaughnessy	G. Briggs/G. Richardson
12/10	D. Sliker	J. Shaughnessy	
12/17	D. Sliker	J. Shaughnessy	
12/24	D. Sliker		
12/31	D. Sliker	J. Shaughnessy	



by
Eric Metaxas
& G. Shane
Morris

Breakpoint Daily Commentary
September 25, 2017

Sometimes, holding on to faith in God can be hard. But then again, so can holding on to faith in no God.

One of the most persistent challenges of the Christian life is doubt. The most faithful, and spiritually mature believers experience it, especially in the midst of trials, temptations, or hard questions.

Every one of us occasionally wonders whether God is really there, whether Christ really rose from the dead, or whether we really are indwelt by the Holy Spirit. That's natural.

None other than John the Baptist, alone in Herod's prison, sent his disciples to ask Jesus, "Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?" Jesus responded, "the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them."

But Christians aren't the only ones who suffer from doubt. It turns out that unbelievers, atheists, and agnostics all experience nagging uncertainties as well.

A recent poll from Newman University and YouGov found that one in five British atheists and over a third of Canadian atheists agreed with the statement: "Evolutionary processes cannot explain the existence of human consciousness."

Of the non-religious—those who aren't explicitly atheists but don't identify with any faith—34 percent in Britain and 37 percent in Canada agreed that evolution cannot explain the mind.

Twelve percent of British atheists and an astonishing 31 percent of Canadian atheists even agreed with the statement, "Animals evolve over time but evolutionary science cannot explain the origins of human beings."

Remember that atheists traditionally hold a naturalistic worldview. They believe that, as the late Carl Sagan put it, "the cosmos is all that is,

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Invite Someone!

All are welcome to join us at

Leicester Evangelical Presbyterian Church
161 Main St., Leicester, NY

as we seek God together!

Available for worshiper's children

**GRANDMA'S OLD-FASHIONED
ONE ROOM SUNDAY SCHOOL**

Nursery
10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.

Ages 2 - 8
First Half: Worship Service
Second Half:

GRANDMA'S SUNDAY SCHOOL

*Presenting the Good News
of Jesus Christ
with Bible stories, videos, crafts and games*



For More Information:

382-3153, [www.SeekingGodTogether.com](http://www SeekingGodTogether.com)
FB: www.facebook.com/UPCLEicester

Furnaces Are Replaced

Work on replacing the new furnaces is now complete. We are grateful and happy to report that there is now a reliable, steady flow of warmth for the sanctuary and Fellowship Hall.

The total cost was estimated at \$19,000. Special donations for this project would be appreciated to lessen the burden on the church budget.

Checks may be made out to "LEPC" with a memo "Furnace Fund" and place them in the offering during worship.

If you are unable to attend, please mail in donations to:

Leicester Evangelical Presbyterian Church
Box 202, 161 Main Street
Leicester, York 14481

Thank you,
Session

Opposing God's Leadership

TGIF Today God Is First Volume 2 by Os Hillman
September 14, 2017

"The anger of the LORD burned against them, and he left them" (Num 12:9).

Beware of trying to depose a leader that God has raised in your midst. Leaders are placed by God in business, government, churches - almost every place where leaders are required. When God places a person in position of authority, it is a grievous sin to go against that leadership. God Himself opposes those who come against His leadership.

God's leaders are not perfect. They make mistakes. That is why following a leader can require a faith that goes beyond faith in the leader. Our faith lies in the God who elevated the leader to his or her position.

Miriam and Aaron, the older brother and sister of Moses, had a family dispute about Moses' wife, who was an Ethiopian and Cushite. She most likely was a black woman. We do not know the nature of the dispute, but it was a typical family conflict.

However, the family conflict began to impact God's agenda for a nation. They were now meddling in God's business. And He did not like that in the least. God literally brought Aaron and Miriam into the switching house. He judged both Miriam and Aaron for their rebellion against His ordained leader. *"Why then were you not afraid to speak against my servant Moses?"* (Num 12:8).

Miriam was stricken with leprosy and had it not been for Moses' appeal on her behalf, she would have been cast out for good. God gave her a second chance but it required being cast away from the camp for seven days. Miriam and Aaron repented for their rebellion.

If you struggle with a leader that God has over you, pray for that leader. If God wants to remove that leader, He can do it. Think twice about conspiring to remove a leader whom God has not chosen to remove yet.



Saturday Men's Prayer

Remember,
Ephesians 4:2

*"Be completely
humble and
gentle;
be patient,
bearing with
one another in
love."*

MEN:

If you would like to experience a time of fellowship with other men, there is a group that meets in Fellowship Hall on Saturdays from 7:00 - 9:00 a.m. for conversation, study and prayer.

For more information please contact Leo Richardson, Tom Miller, David Thomson, Matt Symonds, or Pastor David Missel.

"Many Atheist Aren't So Sure:" contin'd

all that was, and all that ever will be." In other words, matter and energy are ultimate reality.

These respondents are also living in some of the world's most secular societies. The famed "new atheists," like Richard Dawkins and Christopher Hitchens, have hailed from the U.K., where polls now show a majority of citizens identify as non-religious.

Yet nearly a third of them suffer from a persistent sense that unguided natural processes alone cannot explain the miracle of human beings, who are profoundly different from everything else in creation.

In his book, "The Reason for God," Tim Keller invites skeptics to explore these suspicions. These folks, he writes, should "doubt their doubts," reexamining their objections to Christianity and looking for the hidden beliefs underneath each.

For example, those who reject belief in spirits, angels, and God should ask themselves: If only matter exists, where does morality come from? Or what about our sense of self? If the mind is merely the byproduct of chemical reactions inside our skulls, how can it be trusted to accurately understand the natural world?

These kinds of doubts, argues Keller, can undermine doubt, itself, and lead skeptics to a new open-mindedness about God and the claims of Christianity.

As C. S. Lewis might say, atheists really can't be too careful. He argues in "Mere Christianity" that it's normal for believers to sense that the Christian faith looks "very improbable." But these moods aren't unique to believers. "When I was an atheist," he confesses, "I had moods in which Christianity looked terribly probable."

That's why Lewis defined faith as "the art of holding on to things your reason has once accepted, in spite of your changing moods." It's also why Christians shouldn't be afraid of reason or evidence. We should engage our doubts with confidence that our worldview—unlike the secular one—has the resources to explain both the natural and the supernatural aspects of the human experience.

In both cases, doubt counterintuitively—can lead to faith.



Tuesday Women's Bible Study
meets at Carol Griffen's house at 2 p.m., unless otherwise announced at Sunday worship.

1st Responders Appreciation Breakfast

This breakfast will be held on October 21st, in Fellowship Hall. There will be a need for food items and volunteers to make this a successful outreach to the community. If you are willing to help, please contact Susan Jackson or refer to the sign up sheet on a table in Fellowship Hall.



Thank you!

Final Harvest in Concert at LEPC

As a continuation of our 200th Anniversary Celebration, "Final Harvest" will be in concert at LEPC in November. Details will be forthcoming.



Final Harvest

You will be entertained, encouraged, uplifted and blessed by her concert.

No Ticket Necessary. A love offering will be received.

To preview her music: <https://kristenstantonmusic.com/the-artist>

About the Artist:

Dynamic! Whether it is in her singing or speaking, it is the one word that covers it all.

Kristen sings with both passion and power through an anointing by the Holy Spirit. She believes in sharing her heart and message through each of the songs she sings. No song is unintentional and every song builds upon a greater message. You will be entertained, encouraged, uplifted and blessed at one of her concerts. You will also hear the Gospel. Every time.

"That's what it's all about. It is the only reason I do what I do. You can be entertained at home watching a movie. You can be encouraged by reading a book. But I pray that people will see God and the sacrifice of Jesus Christ in a new light and that they will expe-

rience Him in a new way."

"I was saved when I was 4 years old. I've been in church my whole life. I went to a Christian college. I don't have the experiences of walking away from God and how He brought me back. But I DO have the experience of how God continuously reveals Himself to me... of how He answers prayer. I want people to understand who God is so that they can be more of a reflection of Him. My goal is to help others see God in a way that meets every need in their life."

Following a trio of #1 songs from her debut project, *Destiny by Design*, Kristen is currently in the recording process for her second solo project due out early 2017.



Daily Devotions
from Lutheran Hour Ministries
By Pastor Ken Klaus
Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour
September 21, 2017

Does Jesus Know You?

(Jesus said) "... the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, Lord, open to us.' But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.'" Matthew 25:10b-12

Pastor's Note: This devotion is probably not for you, but it may be for someone you know. If so, won't you make sure they get it? Thanks, Pastor Klaus

Did you pay attention to the reading? Did you hear the last statement? Listen carefully: "He answered, 'Truly I say to you, I do not know you.'" That parable leads me to ask, does Jesus know you? It's an important question, one which I'm sure most, if not all of you, would be able to answer: "Yes, absolutely! The Holy Spirit has introduced us, and Jesus has personally forgiven my sins." Still, most of us can name someone who probably isn't known by the Savior.

Let me explain. The president of the USA is Donald Trump. You probably know a few things about him. For example, you may know the name of his wife, some of his children, what he used to do for a living, and the address of his home when he is in Washington.

Now, let me ask, since you know so much about President Trump, what do you think would happen if you went up to the White House and asked to see him? Maybe, in this day of heightened security, you might get to the front gate. There you'd be confronted by a guard. You tell the guard you'd like to see the president.

How far do you think you're going to get? Do you think the guard will say, "No problem, come on in. The president is always glad to have strangers show up off the street"? That isn't a likely scenario, is it? In all probability, the guard would check his list to see if you were expected or had an appointment. He might ask, "Does the president know you?"

What do you think would happen if you said, "Well no, the president really doesn't know me. Truth is, I never voted for him, and have spent some time criticizing him"? Having heard that, I think the best you could expect out of the guard would be "I'm sorry, sir, the president doesn't allow strangers to walk in unannounced."

But suppose, just suppose the guard asked you, "Look, just how long do you think your visit with the president will take? Ten minutes? Fifteen? A half hour? How long do you think you'll want to be staying?"

To that question you reply, "Well, I actually haven't thought about this as a visit. I really thought I'd come and live here."

Hardly able to contain himself, the guard shoots back: "Let me get this straight. You don't like the president, have no use for him, have no appointment with him, and now you want to come in and freeload off him the rest of your life? Buddy, get out! We don't know you."

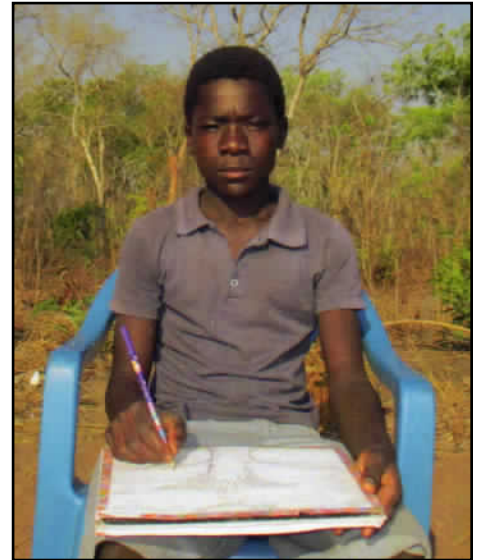
Yes, that's the way it would be if you, uninformed, unannounced, and unexpectedly tried to go and live with the president. And that's the way it will be for those who try to get into heaven without any kind of relationship with the Savior. People cannot expect to spend their lives ignoring the Lord and, at the end, without any change, be invited in to stay with Him.

So, does the Savior know you? There is still time for the Holy Spirit to make an introduction. There is still time for the Lord, who died and rose to rescue you, to extend a personal invitation to join Him in heaven.

HopeChild Annual Progress Report

The Annual Progress Report for our HopeChild, Germias Elias Madile has been received.

As you can see from the photo below, Germias has certainly grown. He is 16 years old and currently in 5th grade, in good health, and has a variety of interests. He likes to study Portuguese with hopes of being a teacher one day.



Germias has also learned to pray. In his hometown of Derre, Through spiritual development activities, the children have learned about Christ's love and how to love others. Two hundred children participated in Bible clubs and summer camps held in partnership with local churches, where they strengthened their relationship with God and built Friendships with other children.

The complete Annual Report is available on the HopeChild bulletin board by the kitchen in Fellowship Hall. Please take a moment and review all that is happening there in regards to healthy nutrition, families, and education.

From the Manager of Derre Area Development Programme, "On behalf of the community, I thank you for sharing this journey with us. *"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms"*. (1 Peter 4:10 NIV)



Solid Rock Riders Visit Leicester EPC

The Solid Rock Riders, a chapter of the Christian Motorcycle Association from Hornell, N.Y., visited LEPC on September 17th.

They gave a video presentation about their mission to bikers, and also provided personal testimonies on how the Lord has made a difference in their lives.

To learn more about the Solid Rock Riders and to support their ministry, please visit:
cmaner5.org/NY/SOLIDROCKRIDERS

SOLID ROCK RIDERS #820 Hornell, New York

The basic purpose of a CMA Chapter is to support the National CMA effort of “sharing and showing the love of Jesus Christ to motorcyclists,” and supporting this ministry through regular financial support to National. In this, there is a three-fold purpose:

- Provide and encourage members to be active in testimony and Christian witnessing to all motorcyclists.
- Provide a Christian fellowship ride group.
- Provide an evangelistic association for motorcycling.

As a member of this ministry each member will agree to live and act under biblical principles of conduct.

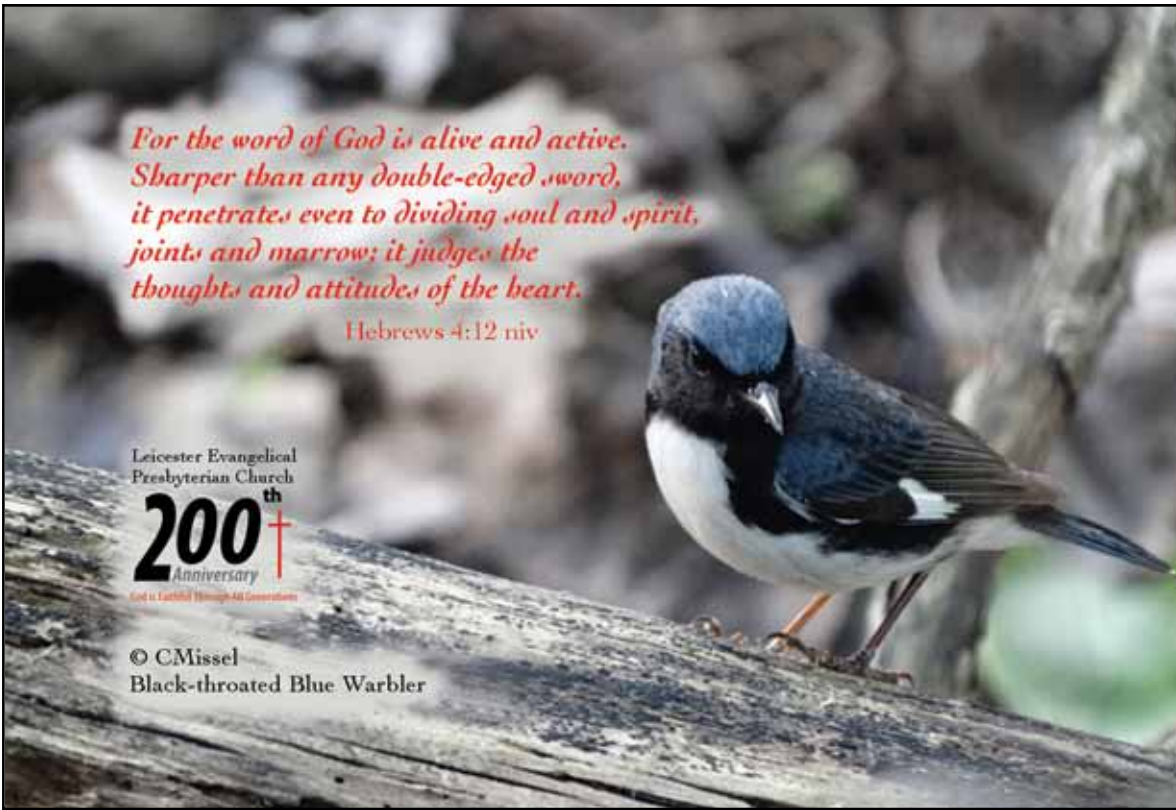
These principles should be effective in your daily life, but must be followed whenever a member is wearing the CMA back patch.

Many scriptures can be presented to support a godly lifestyle, but use the following scripture passages as an overview: Titus 3:1-11, Gal. 5:13, Matt. 18:15-19, 1 Cor. 6, and James 4:1-10.



I say to you that many will come from the east and the west, and will take their places at the feast with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 8:11 NIV



*For the word of God is alive and active.
Sharper than any double-edged sword,
it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit,
joints and marrow; it judges the
thoughts and attitudes of the heart.*

Hebrews 4:12 niv

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