



The Laurel Mountain Ministerial Association invites you to attend

## The National Day of Prayer Service

# Thursday, May 5 7 p.m.

at Camp Christian, located at 472 Killarney Rd. Mill Run, Pa. Please join us for a time of praying for our nation, leaders, churches, military, media, and schools.



The Property Management Commission is seeking a person to serve as the <u>custodian of the Social Room</u>. We estimate that this position would require 3 to 5 hours of work per week and will be paid \$11.07 per hour.

If you are interested in this position, you can pick up a job description and application at the church office. Interested persons can also talk to one of the trustees (Doug Basinger, Doug McMillen, Tom Legas or Mark Salyers) for more information.



### Wednesday, May 11 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

The Indian Head Church of God Community Luncheon Ministry will be offering

#### **FREE HOMEMADE SOUP**

by drive thru only, while supplies last. Soup will be packaged cold in containers and distributed here in the church parking lot. This event is held the second Wednesday of every month. If you would like to help, contact Bonnie Kimmel or Amy Grimm. Everyone is welcome to come and get some soup!



The Women's and Girls Banquet will be held on May 6 at 6:00 PM at the Social Room. This is a covered dish meal with meat, rolls, drink and table service being provided. All ladies and girls are invited. A musical program will be provided by the Buswells with a love offering be taken for them. Please contact Becky Dix (455-2564) if you have any questions concerning this dinner.



Everyone is invited to attend our Saturday Evening Worship Services

7 p.m. each Saturday night, especially if you are unable to come to church on Sunday mornings.



This year we are planning on having our in-person VBS program, "Rocky Railway." We are in need of helpers. Please see Dave Bruner, Pastor Doug, April Linnell or Addie Long if you are interested in helping. VBS Dates are July 10-14.



The 14th District Sunday School Rally will be held on Monday, May 2, 7:00, at Calvary United Methodist Church. Contest winners will be announced.



### CHILD DEDICATION

Congratulations to Colter Reign Stutzman who was dedicated on Sunday, April 3. Colter is the son of Taylor and Kelsey Stutzman.



Dear Church Family,

\*On behalf of Regina Anderson, Cindi Andrus and myself, we would like to thank each of you who donated baked good for the bake sale at the Rabies Clinic. Proceeds from this help to pay for our Acts team trips this coming summer. Thank you again for your support. It is all greatly appreciated.

Spencer Long

\*Thank you for your expressions of sympathy and the flowers, as it was very much appreciated.

The family of Yula Bowser

\*Thank you so much to my church family and friends for all the prayers and thoughtful cards and well wishes.

Thank you, Randy and Denise Pritts

# **Right Now Media** If you would like access, please send your email address to the church office...

ihcog@lhtot.com



#### Praise the Lord! Our van is now fully paid for!!

The church was able to purchase a 2019 Ford Transit T-350 for \$38,000. It is a 15 passenger van with a center aisle access. Our deep gratitude to so many of you for your generous contributions to make this possible! THANK YOU!!!

#### **Drivers Needed**

Church Van Drivers are needed to help drive on Sunday mornings to pick up children for Sunday School. If you would be interested, please contact Dale Bigam.



\*May 1 is Women's Ministry Sunday. Kathy Foor, Director of the Churches of God Women's Ministries, will be our speaker.

\*We will be recognizing our graduates on Sunday, June 5.

\*Church camp: Parents will pay the \$55.00 registration fee and the church and Sunday School will each pay half of the remaining campers fee.

\*The job description for the Associate Pastor's position was approved

\*Anyone interested in helping with VBS is to contact April Linnell or Addie Long. Planning meetings will begin in May.

\*Ethan and Hannah Crider are our Youth Group leaders.

\*There were 111 kids registered for the Easter Egg Hunt and 250 people attended.

The 124<sup>th</sup> Fayette County SS Rally will be held at Calvary Church, on April 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m..

\*Approved a Soup and Sandwich fundraiser on May 15 for our Acts Team members.

\*Running boards were purchased for the van, plus an extra set of keys are being made.

\*Township clean up day will be April 23. We are throwing away the old couches from down in the youth room.



#### In dealing with Covid:

\*Bible and Hymnals have now been placed back into the pews.

- It's up to each individual if you want to wear a mask or not. If you still would like to wear a mask and don't have one, they are available in the foyers.
- \* Hand sanitizer is still available if needed, in the foyers and in the pews.
- \* An offering box is placed in the back of the church, as the ushers will not be passing the plates for the offering.
- There is no Wee Worshipers or Junior Church during the 11:00 worship service until further notice.
- \* All of the Sunday School classes are now back in session.
- \* There are Sunday worship bulletins available each week and you can pick one up from the podium as you enter the Sanctuary.



#### Please note:

The Give Plus app for our online giving has changed its name to **VANCO**. Current users need to know it is no longer through Give Plus app on their phone but through the Vanco Mobile app.

We have three options available for your convenience.

- 1. Text your donation to: 888-788-2914
- 2. Give online via our webpage and follow the link.
- 3. Donate through the Vanco app on your phone.

Thank you to all who are supporting the church through these difficult times with your generous donations.

Donations can also be mailed to the church office at:

> Indian Head Church of God PO Box 488 Indian Head PA 15446



#### TAIL-WAGGING JOY

Last month I shared with you about rejoicing in the Lord and not allowing the "hushers" to silence your making a joyful noise unto the Lord. So, today I would like to ask - What do you think of when you hear the word joy?

Tim Hansel said, "Happiness is a feeling. Joy is an attitude. A posture. A position."

Many Christians seem to be without JOY! Their lack of joy is perhaps more a reflection on their relationship with the Lord and a dependence on circumstances to determine their attitude and response to life. Let me compare and contrast the two for you.

HAPPINESS IS...external; based on chance and circumstance.

JOY IS... internal; based on choice and Christ.

Dwight L. Moody said, "Happiness is caused by things that happen around me, and circumstances will mar it; but joy flows right on through trouble; joy flows on through the dark; joy flows in the night as well as in the day; joy flows all through persecution and opposition. It is an unceasing fountain bubbling up in the heart; a secret spring the world can't see and doesn't know anything about. The Lord gives his people perpetual joy when they walk in obedience to him."

This weekend I had shared that when fear takes over in our lives, joy can jump right out the window. That occurs because we allow the circumstances to take over, to steal our joy. This is what happened to the disciples after Jesus' death. But after the resurrection, the Bible says, "Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!" After he said this, he showed them his hands and side. The disciples were **overjoyed** when they saw the Lord." {John 20:19-20}

Dr. John Maxwell in his devotional study, *One Hour with God*, told the story of the translation of the New Testament from English into the Eskimo language. He wrote:

Problems arose for the translators when they encountered certain words in English for which there are no corresponding words in the Eskimo language. But since there is no word for "joy" in the Eskimo language, the translators had to find another way to express the meaning of the [above] passage. In their research, they discovered that one of the most joyful times for an Eskimo family is when the sled dogs are fed in the evening. The dogs come barking and yelping, running about and wagging their tails furiously, and the children are squealing with delight... It is altogether a "joyous" time. Consequently, the translators used that particular event to help them convey the meaning of the Biblical passage. As a result, when the passage was translated back into English, it read: "When the disciples saw Jesus they wagged their tails."

Now that is a joyful response! Do you "wag your tail" because of what Christ has done for you?

I'm 'wagging my tail' with Joy for the Resurrection. How about you?

Pastor Doug





If you would be interested in following Christ in Baptism that is being planned for later this spring, please contact Pastor Doug.



If you would be interested taking membership with the church, please contact Pastor Doug or one of the Elders...Kevin Miller, Stacy Dix, or Jim Hall.



**FYI**: Our Community Church Yard/Bake Sale and Family Boutique is being planned for Saturday, August 20.

Save your clothes you no longer wish to keep! We will be collecting clothing the week before.



## Soup and Sandwich Luncheon



Sunday, May 15
11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.
In the Social Room

{Dine in or Take out}

**Cost: Donation** 

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We are looking for volunteers to make a stock pot of soup or to bake a cake. Contact Regina Anderson, Cindi Andrus, or Spencer (Addie Long) ASAP if you wish to donate or volunteer your time.



We're back to in-person

# Vacation Bible School

July 10-14, 2022 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Tracking with Jesus