

SABBATH ANNOUNCEMENTS & REMINDERS

United Church of God, *an International Association*

North Canton & Youngstown, OH; Pittsburgh, PA; Wheeling, WV Congregations

SABBATH, MAY 25, 2019

Youngstown – 11 A.m.

Pittsburgh – 2:30 p.m.

North Canton – 2 p.m.

Wheeling – 11 a.m.

Dear brethren,

Good Sabbath evening to all. Am writing this just after we finished tonight's Bible Study webcast: "Bible Biography: Joshua, Part 1." We had 39 web connections during the study. If we average 2 people per connection, that makes a Bible Study attendance of 78 during the live webcast. The bulk of our connections were in Ohio with Pennsylvania running second and a host of Northeast and upper Midwest states represented.

If you missed the study, it will be posted onto our local North Canton website this Sabbath morning. Feel free to share the Bible Study link (in the schedule below) with others who would like to log onto study with all of us. If you don't have internet access, we'll have CD's available from our sound crews tomorrow in North Canton and next Sabbath in the other congregations.

Please keep our ailing brethren in your prayers this Sabbath and during the coming week. Not only does God heal, but when we're ill, we right away feel better just knowing about the prayers of the brethren. "...The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much" (James 5:16).

Keep the true faith—and spread it,

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Randy Stiver, Pastor

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1. Church Circuit Calendar : (please note three Youngstown time changes underlined>)

May 24	Bible Study webcast	7:30 p.m. EST – JOSHUA BIOGRAPHY – Part 1 https://www.ucg.org/congregations/north-canton-oh/webcast
May 25	Sabbath service	Youngstown – 11:00; North Canton – 2:00; Pittsburgh – 2:30; Wheeling – 11:00
June 1	Sabbath service	Wheeling – 10:00; Pittsburgh – 2:30; North Canton – 2:00; Youngstown – 1:00;
June 7	Bible Study	7:30 p.m. EST – Title to be announced https://www.ucg.org/congregations/north-canton-oh/webcast

June 8	Sabbath Service	Youngstown – 11:00; North Canton – 2:00; Wheeling – 11:00; Pittsburgh – 2:30
June 9	Pentecost	North Canton-Youngstown combine with Cleveland at Fairlawn; Pittsburgh-Wheeling combined at the Ramada Inn in Washington
June 15	Sabbath Service	Youngstown – 1 p.m.; North Canton – 2 p.m.; Pittsburgh – 10 a.m.; Wheeling – 2:30 p.m.
June 21	Bible Study webcast	7:30 p.m. EST – Title to be announced https://www.ucg.org/congregations/north-canton-oh/webcast
June 22	Sabbath Service	Youngstown – 11 a.m.; North Canton – 2 p.m.; Wheeling – 11 a.m.; Pittsburgh – 2:30 p.m.
June 29	Sabbath Service	Youngstown – 1 p.m.; North Canton – 2 p.m.; Wheeling – 11 a.m.; Pittsburgh – 2:30 p.m.

LOCAL PRAYER REQUESTS: (*new or updated)

- **Victoria Banit** – (North Canton): Has been dealing with another bout of severe MS symptoms.
- **Dick Walters** – (North Canton): Recuperating at home after his hospital stay, gradually regaining his strength.
- **Elizabeth Dezso** – (North Canton) Elizabeth continues to recuperate at home from double pneumonia and other ailments, but requests your specific prayers for healing.
- **Neal Warner** – (North Canton) Please keep Neal in your prayers for healing regarding the intense pain in his legs. Over a week ago he had a procedure that did help reduce the pain in his ears.
- **Roland Armann** (Wheeling) – At age 89, living in Powhatten Point, OH and recovering from a stroke.
- ***Dale Harman** – (North Canton): Is now at Rockynol, a convalescent center in Akron. He is considerable discomfort and really needs your prayers for God’s healing intervention.
- **Jenny Luchitz** – (North Canton): Requests your prayers for her severe bursitis and for healing of a severe, open sore bruise on her leg.
- **Ian Healy (grandson of Louis & Carol Petit in North Canton)** – In the process of receiving a kidney transplant.
- **Rupp family** – From Jim & Marlene Cowell regarding the house explosion of Gene & Ester Hedgepeth’s home a week ago. (Ester Hedgepeth was a sister the Marlene Cowell.) There will be a memorial service Saturday June first at the Desiderio Funeral Home, 436 S Mountain Blvd, Mountain Top PA 18707 at 2pm. There will be visitation time from noon to 2PM. The memorial is to also honor what would have been Gene and Esther’s 45th wedding anniversary June second. The Hedgepeths spent nearly all of their married life on the property and were very well known by residents of their township. Their son Rod who lived with them lost everything too and is recovering from injuries from the blast. Marlene will be flying back to eastern PA, for the service.
- **Greyson Parkhill** – the 11 year old grandson of Jim Parkhill in New Mexico (who tunes in to all our Bible Study webcasts). Greyson has a congenital and now life-threatening digestive condition. Please add him to your prayer list.
- ***Linda Szalankiewicz** – From husband Ed (Pittsburgh area): Liver cancer condition has progressed significantly. “Her Oncologist was very straight with us – if we can’t stop it with this next round of medicines – we move to pain-management. We are praying for a miracle.”

2. KINGDOM OF GOD SEMINARS

Still in the planning stages - we will have updates as they are available.

3. SPOKESMAN CLUB – Next club meeting on 3rd Sunday of July

If any of you men would like to join the club, please contact your pastor or one of the elders. Public speaking training is especially important our younger men. This is one of the organic processes for passing on the historic approach to God’s word and the true gospel of God’s Church in our age.

4. CHURCH GARAGE SALE – NORTH CANTON

Mark and Amanda Miller will be holding a garage sale in June and would like to extend it into a local church activity. If you would like, please participate with your own items, or you can donate items to raise funds for one of the church's Good Works programs or the Festival Assistance Fund.

Please drop off the items at Mark and Amanda's by June 1st (address below) or if it is feasible, they can stop by and pick them up. Whatever goes unsold will be donated to Goodwill.

Contact information for Mark and Amanda Miller (address in the member listing is out of date): **Phone:** 234-244-7491 **Address:** 4790 Amherst Ave NW, Massillon, OH 44646 **Amanda's email:**amandamiller52216@gmail.com

5. CATERED MEAL FOR PENTECOST – JUNE 9 – NORTH CANTON AND YOUNGSTOWN

As a result of our agreement with the Holiday Inn, we need as many who are able to purchase the provided lunch meal. Cost is \$17.70 for adults and \$12.00 for children (age 3 and up). Menu and sign-up list will be at the front table. If you sign up, please follow through on payment. We need an accurate count by June 2nd. Those who are able to contribute additional funds are very welcome to do so. Checks to be made out to "UCG Canton" and mailed to Debbie Kuhns, PO Box 115, Paris, OH 44669. Thank you for your cooperation and help.

6. LOCAL BIBLE READING PROGRAM: *PENTECOST—ANTICIPATION & AFTERMATH*

The two books of the Bible that provide a logical lead-up to Pentecost are the books of Luke and Acts (technically, The Acts of the Apostles). The project is voluntary, but it will provide points of very interesting and beneficial fellowship discussion on the Sabbath.

Luke, a gentile physician, traveled extensively with the apostle Paul. God used him to record one of the four gospel accounts of Christ's life, ministry and death for our sins. He also inspired Luke to write the Book of Acts. This makes the two books of Scripture a logical study of the life and ministry of our Lord and Savior that led to the beginning of God's Church on Pentecost, followed by the growth of God's Church in the first century. Here is the schedule:

Luke 1 to 8	April 28 to May 4	Acts 1 to 10	May 19 – 25
Luke 9 to 17	May 5 – 11	Acts 11 to 19	May 26 to June 1(reading for the coming week)
Luke 18 to 24	May 12 – 18	Acts 20 to 28	June 2 - 8

SABBATH FOCUS COLUMN

None this week due to Friday night Bible Study webcast and running the Youngstown – North Canton circuit this Sabbath.

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