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### Ambassador Bible College Charity Fundraiser

Hello, Brethren! The current public health crisis prevented the ABC class of 2020 from holding their annual Charity Auction, BUT it did not stop their desire to help a worthy cause.



Ambassador Bible College seeks to raise funds to increase the capacity of the *Agua Viva* school in Angola. The school is operated by church members and benefits the entire community. Please click on this link: <https://lifenets.org/angola-abc> to watch a video produced by the ABC Class of 2020. It will explain the need and you will have the option of making a donation via a "Donate" button on that page.

-- Frank Dunkle, ABC Coordinator

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### Death of Diana Cheesman



Diana Cheesman

Diana Cheesman, wife of elder Les Cheesman of the Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, congregation, died in her sleep in the pre-dawn hours of July 24, 2020, after a long battle with breast cancer. The cancer had spread to her lungs, and had been causing her some difficult breathing problems over several days prior to her death.

Les and Diana have been faithful servants in the Philadelphia and Southern New Jersey area for several decades. Les will need our continued prayers and support going forward, as he has no other family members. Also, the entire Philadelphia congregation could use our prayers, as 2020 has been a difficult year for the congregation, which has now lost four members within the last 6 months.

-- Don McCoy, pastor

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### Friday Night Teen Bible Discussion

This Friday evening is the last in our series of six teen Bible discussions. Specific questions have been posted on the UYC site, so please take a look at them before the study begins. The password remains the same, but if you need it ask your pastor. The Bible Study video and Zoom discussion begin at 8 p.m. Eastern/7 p.m. Central or 7 p.m. Pacific/8 p.m. Mountain (pick your time). Log onto [uyc.ucg.org](http://uyc.ucg.org) at one of these two times this Friday evening, July 31.

-- Teen Camp Directors

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### Boundary Waters Adventure Report



A group of thirteen young adults and five adult staff experienced the Boundary Waters Adventure in Northern Minnesota from July 12-19. This Challenger Program provides young adults an opportunity to practice teamwork, initiative, and spiritual growth in a beautiful, wild setting.



Participants ranged in age from 18 to 30, and came from all over the United States. Along with canoeing approximately fifty miles and camping in the wilderness, each young adult presented a sermonette or "trail talk," and took part in group discussions. Rain and wind presented particular challenges this year, but that made setting up camp in a spectacular setting all the more satisfying.



This camp program was not cancelled because its participants were all adults and because, even without pandemic restrictions, only small groups are permitted in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness. A number of young adults said this was one of the best experiences of their lives. Next year our Challenger camp will be available and plans are underway for another Boundary Waters Adventure in 2022.

-- Frank Dunkle

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## International Mail Service Disruptions

For U.S. congregations and individuals wanting to send cards and letters internationally, it is advisable to refer to the latest information published on the United States Post Office website, as they have suspended acceptance of mail for certain international destinations due to the COVID-19 pandemic:

<https://about.usps.com/newsroom/service-alerts/international/>

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