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# Restoration PRESBYTERIAN

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## Our VISION

To be a church,  
a community and a world  
continually restored  
by the grace of Christ.



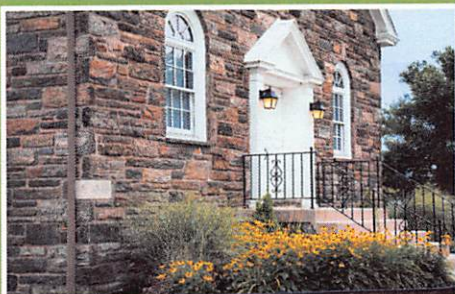
## Our IDENTITY

We are strugglers, sufferers,  
and sinners who share  
in God's restoration  
of all things -  
our life with God, our  
relationships, our community  
and our world -  
through the Gospel.



## Our MISSION

To proclaim the Gospel  
and serve in love  
with the hope that God  
will bring continual  
restoration to our lives,  
relationships, community  
and world for His glory.



## How Can YOU Support the Pastoral Search Committee?

by Angel White

The formed search committee is comprised of the following members Bob Strain, Justin White, Donna and Deonna Screven, Mark Durkovic, and Heather Musgrave. These

brothers and sisters are taking on an enormous responsibility, but it is also a great honor. As we move forward as the body of



# PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE

Christ, we need to

keep some things in mind as we search for a senior pastor: How can we support the pastoral search committee during this season?

**1. Pray the pastor search period will be a time the church learns to seek *God Himself more* than just a new pastor.**

*Lord, teach us to draw closer to Jesus and trust Him as the true head of the Church.*

Jeremiah 29:13: You will seek me and find me, when you seek me with all your heart.

James 4:8: Draw near to God, and he will draw near to you. Cleanse your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded

**2. Pray for a powerful move of congregational cleansing and renewal.**

*Father, please cause this to be a time of deep healing, cleansing and renewal in our church.*

Psalm 66:18: If I had cherished iniquity in my heart, the Lord would not have listened.

Psalm 139:23-24: Search me, O God, and know my heart! Try me

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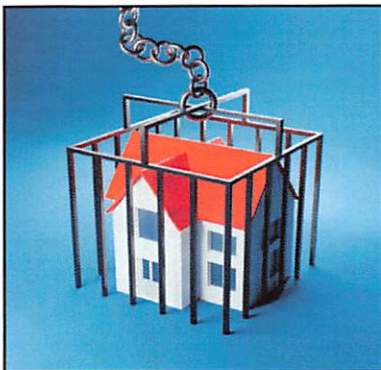
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Save the date!

**Sunday, October 30**  
Casserole Breakfast  
9:00am

**Thursday, November 10**  
Harvest Dinner  
6:00pm



### STUCK IN THE HOUSE

and unable to join us for our Sunday Worship service? It is live-streamed! Please check us out on FaceBook: [www.fb.com/restorationpca](http://www.fb.com/restorationpca)

We would love to have you drop in! **You do NOT have to join FaceBook to stream the service.**

## Pastoral Search Committee

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and know my thoughts! And see if there be any grievous way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting!

### 3. Pray for strong consistency and focus in the present ministry of the church.

*Please grant great power to our interim pastor and our Session. Protect us from any spirit of lukewarmness or losing our first love. Remind us that we serve Jesus, not a pastor.*

Revelation 2:1-4: To the angel of the church in Ephesus write: The words of him who holds the seven stars in his right hand, who walks among the seven golden lampstands. "I know your works, your toil and your patient endurance, and how you cannot bear with those who are evil, but have tested those who call themselves apostles and are not, and found them to be false. I know you are enduring patiently and bearing up for my name's sake, and you have not grown weary. But I have this against you, that you have abandoned the love you had at first."

Revelation 3:15: I know your works: you are neither cold nor hot. Would that you were either cold or hot!



## HOORAY ... Sunday School is Back!!!

Every Sunday morning, 9:15 to 10:00am All classes meet in the class and meeting rooms in the Office hallway (to the right off of the front of the sanctuary as you are facing the pulpit).

Children: ages 3 to 6

Children: ages 7 to 10

Adults: Elijah, (taught by Bob Strain)

Adults: New Membership Class (taught by Pastor Steve)

Set your alarm for just a little earlier! GET BACK INTO THE HABIT of setting aside extra time to build yourself up in God's Word!

# Grab My Hand

by Crystal Phipps

On a warm, sunny, summer day, Brother and Sister are enjoying time in the river with their parents. Younger Brother, still in need of floaties, stays close to Dad, while older Sister stays close to Mom. Sister is learning to be in the water without the help of outside devices, like floaties, so Mom is always within arm's reach of her. As Brother enjoys the safety that comes with the floaties, Sister seems to be struggling, frightened at the new feeling of treading water without the outside help she's grown used to having. Her eyes are laser focused, fixed on Mom, and following Mom's instructions. She is trying to be brave as she experiences vulnerability in the water without the safety of her floaties and comforted by Mom's encouraging words. Mom and Dad know that for their children to fully enjoy the river, these moments of teaching, training and practice are essential. Brother, fully embracing his own sense of safety with Dad, looks over to Sister, and, sensing her fear, in what seems to be a desperate cry, calls out to her "Grab my hand, Sister, grab my hand! Sister!! Sister!! Grab my hand!"



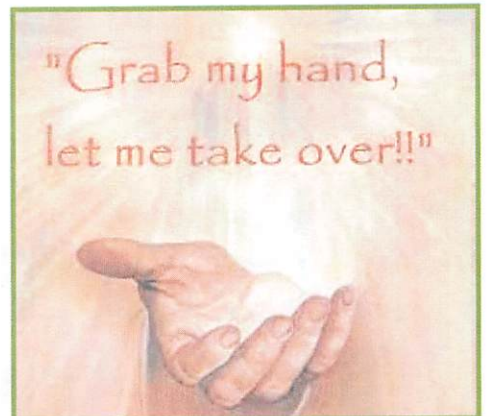
What a sweet gesture, right? A younger brother earnestly concerned for his sister, wanting to help alleviate her struggle and share in the safety he has come to know with his floaties and his Dad. Such a beautiful picture of how we, as brothers and sisters in God's family, see our struggling siblings and want to offer our helping hand. Brother's heart was so kind and generous in that moment.

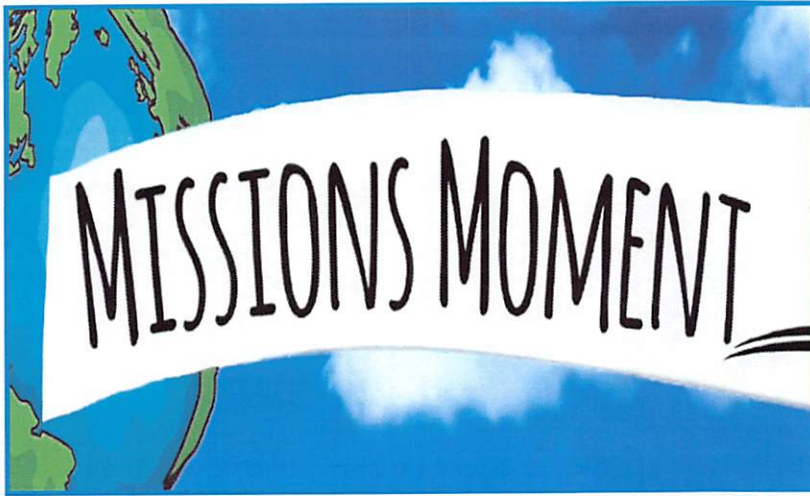


As believers, God teaches us to bear one another's burdens, to come together, work together so we can function as one body, and enjoy one another's company. So often, we want to share our own safety and security with those who we see to be struggling, frightened, and perhaps feeling insecure. After all, isn't that how we bear each other's burdens? [Gal 6:2] Weep with those who weep? [Romans 12:15] Sometimes, yes, of course. But how often do we see the whole picture?

Will Sister truly be helped and in a better place by taking her brother's hand at this moment? Grabbing on to her brother's hand, in this particular situation, would mean that her eyes and attention would be taken off her Mom. Will Sister learn to be confident in her own abilities, strengthen her muscles, feel the encouragement and safety of her mom if she listens to her brother and takes his hand? Is Brother the best person for Sister to lean on right now? Certainly, there are times we need to hold on to each other and help each other. In the context of bearing (or carrying) each other's burdens in Galatians 6, we are to gently restore those who are caught in sin [Gal. 6:1]. We "carry one another's burdens, and in this way...fulfill the law of Christ." (v 2). But God does not tell us that we are to be the ones to rescue one another. Brother thought he could rescue Sister from her struggles. We are called to carry each other's burdens, but are we called to "rescue" each other? Isn't that what Jesus did?

Sometimes, we are indeed, like Brother, our hearts are full of love and kind intentions. We are learning how to navigate the moving waters of life, staying close to our heavenly Father as we learn to trust that He will not let us drown. He is right there with us. Brother's tender heart to share his safety, his trust in his father, and help in whatever way he can is noble. We all need that kind of tenderness toward each other. What we must also keep in mind, however, is that we, like Brother, only see a small part of what is actually going on with Sister. We must learn to recognize when our brother or sister is struggling, fearful, and insecure, that he or she may not need rescuing, but rather encouragement that even though life is hard right now, God is right there, closer than a brother, closer than arm's reach, helping us to grow stronger, more confident and more secure than we've ever been. Jesus is the one who has already rescued us, and he tells us to "come to [him], all you who are weary and burdened, and [HE] will give you rest." [Matt. 11:28]. When we take the time to listen carefully, we might just hear Jesus calling to us, "Grab My hand, Sister! Grab MY hand!"





by Beth McCarrick

The following questions were asked of the 5 missionaries that the church supports:

1. How did you get on your chosen field and how did our church come to support you?
2. How long have you been on the field and what does your current work consist of?
3. What are your plans in the future? When will you retire? Will you retire to the country you are working in, or do you plan to come stateside, or do you not plan to retire?

We got the following responses from four.

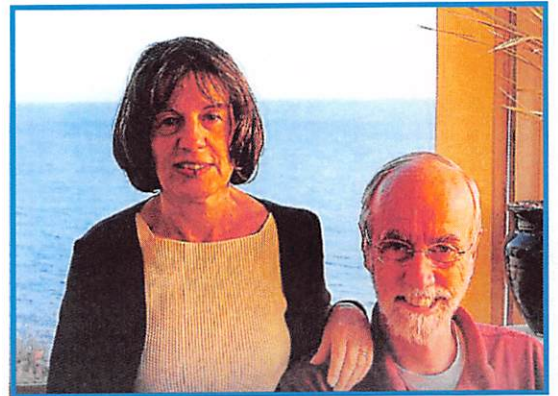
### **Hugh and Martine Wessel**

I have been visiting the Boothwyn church since 1977, it was RPCES at the time. Gareth and Nel Tonnessen were serving then. We bought our wedding bands from her father's jewelry shop in Aigle, Switzerland while at L'Abri. Francis Schaeffer was our pastor.

WPM's policy was to set our schedules. We were invited to Boothwyn in 1979, the church began supporting us. We are humbled and grateful and for such a long partnership. Harold Burkhart was our pastor while at Westminster Seminary. He planned for me to meet with the WPM board as he knew we were intending to return to France after seminary. After this meeting, I was asked to 'open' France as a WPM mission field, with one condition, recruit one other couple, Len and Robin Stewart accepted this call.

We had one exploratory trip to France in 1977 and arrived for full-time ministry in 1980. Currently, I am assigned to work with the French Reformed Evangelical denomination. I serve as pastor-evangelist at large: mentoring, coaching encouraging, counseling French pastors. I also serve the Reformed Evangelical seminary as chaplain and teach a course on adaptive missions and street evangelism. I serve on two boards: Assisting Indigenous Ministries (AIM) that works in S.E. Asia and the seminary board.

We do not have plans to retire, nor do we desire to. Of course, physical and/or mental health could change our plans.



### **Bruce and Pat**

Back when we were first going into missions, we were greatly impacted by the concept of Unreached (or Hidden) People Groups. This was a new emphasis in the early 1980s that helped us to look at missions not geographically (places) but in terms of cultural/linguistic groupings (people groups). With these kinds of new eyes to see where unreached peoples are, opportunities to reach Muslims outside of Islamic countries (which often have great restrictions on Christian outreach imposed) became abundant. There were millions of North African Muslims in Europe, with all the freedom of the West to reach them. My (Bruce's) family always had a connection to France (my mom, grandfather and uncles had all lived for a year in France, and my mom and grandfather were French majors and teachers), so reaching North African Muslims in France was quite an interesting possibility. A summer missions' trip for me to France and Tunisia in 1985 helped confirm this destination. Pat and I met and were married in 1987, she readily embraced this idea.



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# Amy Carmichael

## “Amma”

by Alan McCarrick

“Amma” is a word that is used endearingly in many languages. In Tamil, (India) the word may be used for “Mother” or “Grandmother.” It is very similar to the word used in languages from Hebrew to Late Latin, or German. It is the feminine to the Aramaic “Abba” as in Romans 8:15. It is classed as Proto-Indo-European because it seems to be a very ancient word. In Catholicism it was used to refer to the head of a woman’s convent. Amy Carmichael was lovingly called “Amma” by the girls in the Dohnavur Fellowship girl’s home in Bangalore, India for many, many years.



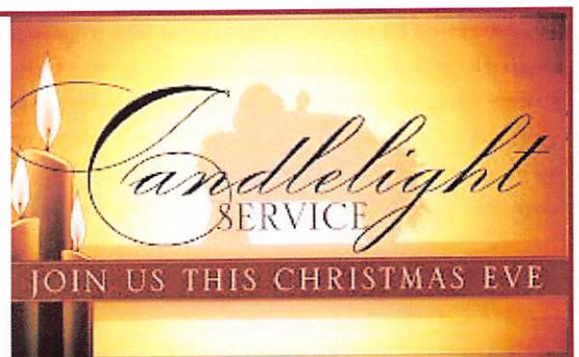
Amy was born in Millisle, Ireland in 1867 to a devout middle-class family. The family later moved to Belfast where her father founded a church. In a few years, she started a Sunday Bible class for the “Shawlies” – young girls who worked in the local mills. She heard Hudson Taylor at the Keswick Convention in 1887 and soon applied to the China Inland Mission. Because of her recurring health issues, the mission declined her application.



She eventually was commissioned by the Church of England’s Zenana Mission and served in Bangalore, southern India. Amy’s heart for oppressed young girls led her to be concerned for the many girls and young women who might be rescued from local customs that amounted to forced prostitution at Hindu temples. Sometimes, families sold younger daughters to local temples to make ends meet. She and other like-minded Christians founded the Dohnavur Fellowship (<https://dohnavurfellowship.org>). Babies born to the rescued girls were also raised in their nursery. In order to respect Indian culture, members of the organization wore Indian dress and gave the rescued children Indian names. She also dyed her skin darker with coffee or tea. Dohnavur Fellowship often faced opposition and threats from the local temple priests as well as the community, but they steadfastly continued. Amy served in southern India for 56 years, never returning to Ireland, and died in 1951 at the age of 83. She asked that no stone be put over her grave at Dohnavur. The children she had cared for put a bird bath over it.

She is also known as a prolific author of narratives of her missionary life and poetry.

*Plan to be with us here at Restoration  
for a Candlelight Christmas Eve Service  
to celebrate the birth of our Savior!  
Saturday, December 24, 2022  
7:00pm*



# Choosing Your Battles - Deuteronomy 2:24 – 3:11

by Pastor Steve Wilson

In our last newsletter we pointed out that when Moses understood that he would be leaving the people he had been shepherding, and passing the mantle of leadership on to Joshua, he spent 34 chapters in the book which became known as Deuteronomy preparing the people for this transition. This article is the second in a series to give you some important things to consider and to pray about as you prepare to meet your next pastor.

I'd like to encourage you to read the context in Deuteronomy 2:24 – 3:11. In this passage, Moses continues his historical survey, pointing out that under his leadership they had actually defeated two Amorite kings and occupied their territory. He also reminds them that God had already defeated giants like those they were about to face.

It is an interesting contrast to compare v. 36 – *“From Aroer on the rim of the Arnon Gorge, and from the town in the gorge, even as far as Gilead, not one town was too strong for us. The Lord our God gave us all of them.”* With 1:28 – *“Where can we go? Our brothers have made us lose heart. They say, ‘The people are stronger and taller than we are; the cities are large, with walls up to the sky. We even saw the Anakites there.’”*



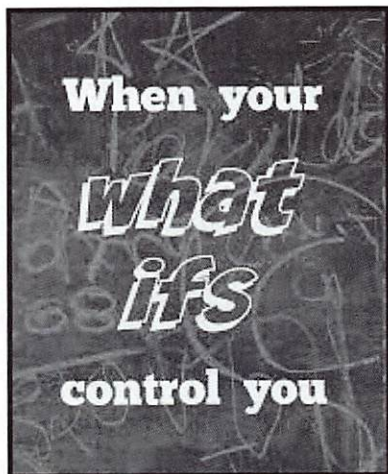
“Moses is teaching that the fears at Kadesh about a tall and strong people with heavily fortified towns are not valid fears. He never downplays the strength of the opposition. Rather the strength of the opposition highlights the power of Yahweh.” Paul Barker

In this chapter, he is reminding the people about the battles God has already won for them and how He kept them from unnecessary battles. BOTH of these points are important.

I once read about a pastor in Mozambique who had his lips cut off when he refused to stop preaching the gospel. I had the thought, “Could I continue to preach if that was a real threat?” God spoke to me in my heart, telling me that He was not giving me the grace to deal with that threat because it was not one I had to deal with. As C.S. Lewis wrote: “One is given strength to bear what happens to one, but not the one hundred and one different things that might happen.” Letters to an American Lady

Someone once said, “Don’t tell me that worry doesn’t do any good. I know better. The things I worry about don’t happen.” How sad! How MUCH of what we invest in anxious thoughts and worry NEVER happen! “There are people who are always anticipating trouble; they manage to enjoy many sorrows that never really happen to them.” Josh Billings

Chuck Swindoll pointed out, “What comes from the Lord because it is impossible for humans to manufacture it? Wisdom. What comes from humans because it is impossible for the Lord to experience it? Worry. And what is it that brings wisdom and dispels worry? Worship.”



**Bottom line:** We should not allow ourselves to dwell on the “what ifs, except in terms of how we might deal with them. When we worry, we are fighting battles which we cannot win... for two reasons: 1. Because they may well never become a reality and 2. Because we are leaving God out of the equation. In other words, we need to be “solution oriented,” NOT “problem oriented.” To put it another way, we need to focus on how to move forward, in faith, rather than dwelling on what we have no power over, or what MIGHT happen!

“In the Commonwealth period, the ambassador from England to the Hague was spending a restless night. The news was so bad that he could not sleep. Finally, his servant dared to ask him some questions: ‘Sir, will God govern the world well when you have left it?’ ‘Undoubtedly.’ ‘Then can’t you trust him to govern it well while you are in it?’

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## Josh Musgrave

by Beth McCarrick

I got to interview Josh Musgrave who normally sits with his parents Heather and Bob each Sunday. Josh is 13 years old. He was born June 27, 2009. Josh attends Talley Middle School. I asked Josh what a typical day was like for him, and he answered, "Walking to school, getting picked on a little, having school, coming home, and playing video games."

Roblox is his favorite video game. I googled Roblox and it appears that one can make it anything they want it to be, and it promotes creativity but comes with warnings to parents.

My next question to Josh was what area of life do you have the most questions about? He responded, "Birth because he doesn't remember much." He said he's been told stories that he did bad things like climb on tables, but he doesn't

remember that. He said he knows a tree crashed on his house but that was something his mom told him about.

I asked him what he hoped to accomplish in life such as i.e.: trip, goal, job. He said he would like to invent the world's first functioning "Iron Man" suit. If you are not familiar with Iron Man Wikipedia states the following, Stark creates a mechanized suit of armor to save his life and escape captivity. Later, Stark develops his suit, adding weapons and other technological devices he designed through his company, Stark Industries. He uses the suit and successive versions to protect the world as Iron Man.

I asked Josh what he would like people to know about him. He says he loves interacting with people and playing games with them.

We then talked about his spiritual life. When I asked what his relationship with God was like he said it was in the middle. I asked him to explain what he meant by that. He stated Satan is the Father of Lies and he used to think that he was Satan's second in command.

Now that he knows God, he is in the middle always fighting against sin but going towards Christ. It goes back and forth depending on what is going on around you. He said it was kind of like icing – I asked him to clarify what he meant. Josh really likes icing and sometimes he can eat too much, and he can't keep away from it and some sins can have the same effect on him.

Josh's favorite Bible story is Moses parting the Red Sea. He says it reminds him that without God everything is impossible. His favorite verse is Ephesians 4:32 (KJV) "And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you."

I concluded my interview with Josh by asking him, "If you could share one thing with the congregation that you want them to know, what would it be?" He replied, "That I need more help with Christ."



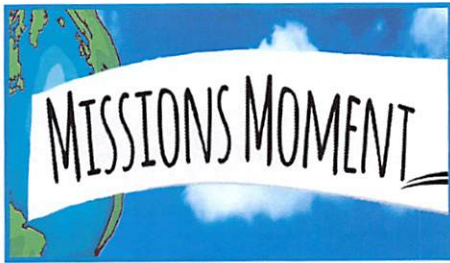
"Thanksgiving is the vibration of the soul's heartstrings under the soft touch of God's benelolence." Anonymous

"Hearty thanks must be given to God such as cometh not from the roof of the mouth but the root of the heart." John Trapp

"Our thanks should be as fervent for mercies received, as our petitions sought." Charles Simmons

"Hem your blessings with praise, lest they unravel." Anonymous

"A drop of praise is an unsuitable acknowledgement for an ocean of mercy." William Secker



## Bruce and Pat

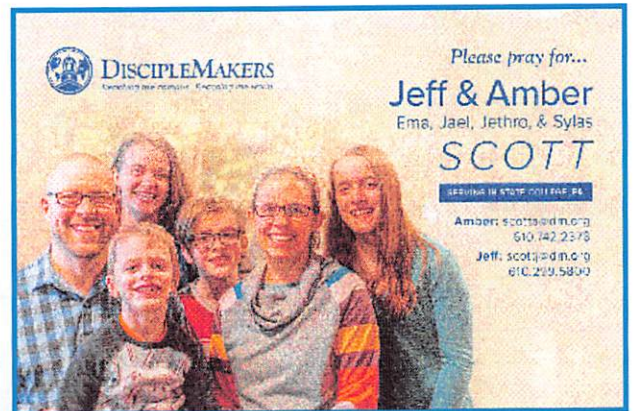
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When we first went to the field in 1990, our main geographic areas for raising support were in a radius from Pittsburgh (where I grew up and became a Christian) and from southeastern PA (where Pat grew up, in Kennett Square). Since we were with MTW, it was natural to contact PCA churches in the area. It was also the case that Dwight Dunn and I were from the same home church near Pittsburgh, The Presbyterian Church of Pitcairn, and were good friends. Thus began a 32-year relationship with your congregation! We currently live in a large immigrant neighborhood in France and almost all our neighbors are Muslims. So, we have daily opportunities to witness in word and deed. Our goal is to see Muslims come to know Christ, to disciple them, and we hope to gather those who believe together and start an Arabic-speaking (or possibly even a Berber-speaking) house church.

We return to the field August 22<sup>nd</sup> (the same place in France) for our 7<sup>th</sup> term, after a year-long Home Ministry Assignment where we visited you all and many others to bring you up to date in person on what the Lord is doing. The plan is for that to be a five-year term. We plan to follow that with another Home Ministry Assignment. At that point, we will be 67 years old. Although currently we have not made any decisions about retirement, that age is considered the retirement age for people born when we were. Maybe it will be then! We do plan to retire in the US.

## Jeff and Amber Scott

Amber and I both had a heart for missions, and we were not sure how God was going to use us to expand his kingdom. We were both active in mission trips and college ministry before meeting. We talked about going full-time into mission work during our dating and engagement. After our wedding in February 2003, we started talking about what kind of mission work we were passionate about. We both felt a passion for college ministry as we talked and prayed. That summer, we looked at several college mission agencies, and God led us to Disciple Makers (DM). We applied and were accepted to DM in November 2003. As a high school teacher, I finished teaching the academic year, and we began working full-time with DM in June 2004 and moved to State College in July 2005.



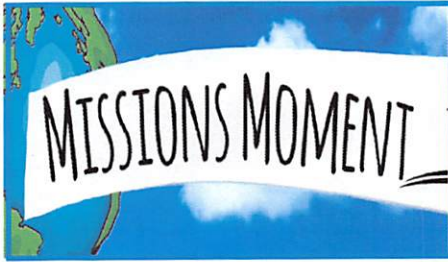
We are blessed that Restoration Church has partnered with DM for many years in our ministry. Restoration church has been an annual partner since 2015!

When we first moved to State College in July 2005, we started as campus staff but soon, DM and I realized that God had gifted me with administrative skills. With our corporate headquarters here in State College, I worked a little in the HQ and ministered to college students on Penn State's Main campus. In 2007, I transitioned full-time into working in the headquarters. I was still ministering to students and attending corporate student events. I continued getting more responsibilities in the Headquarters and served in various roles, eventually becoming the CFO and Operations manager in July 2018. I help the whole ministry and become a ministry multiplier in these two roles. In the HQ, we aim to do as much administrative work as possible, so our campus staff has more time to make disciples.

My current work consists of many things. As CFO, I am responsible for all financial matters. I oversee our annual audit and financial reports, provide financial reports to the Executive managers and Board, help forecast and budget for corporate events, fiscal budgets, investments, and approve Payroll. As Operations Manager, I work with our IT, Event managing, HR, Bookkeeping, and Payroll departments to ensure priorities are set and that behind-the-scenes administrative tasks are running smoothly. Additionally, I help the departments look ahead to see what adjustments to software, policies, or procedures we need to make. Also, all DM missionaries are responsible for fundraising and yearly spiritual growth plans. Additionally, I attend corporate student events either in a support role or as a musician.

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## Jeff and Amber Scott

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My current plans for the future are to continue working where God has me. I want to continue growing spiritually and help DM be wise stewards of God's financial resources. I also would like to help, with my recent MBA degree, DM to improve its managerial practices without sacrificing our core values.

As to when I will retire, I do not know. However, I plan to work in some capacity for as long as possible.

## Philip and Joy Kirkland

I first got connected to Greece through MTW's partnership with several Greek pastors who were planting churches in downtown Athens. Our family was looking for a place to serve in that part of the world, and Athens was a good fit (and my great-grandfather was born in Greece, so we have a special family connection, even if it's quite distant!). I got connected to Restoration through our Presbytery. I am ordained in the Metro-West Presbytery and was an intern at Christ the King and on staff at Tenth Pres in the years leading up to our departure for Greece.

We have been in Greece for 10 years now. My current work is leading a multi-cultural church plant in the center of Athens. I am the lead pastor and we have been working for 5 years on this project. We launched the church in 2020 and I am responsible for preaching regularly and pastoral care. Joy regularly uses her degree in international trauma care to minister in our church family. She is also very involved in hospitality and the music ministry in our church plant. Joy has also served as the head of the psychosocial department of a local NGO serving unaccompanied refugee minor boys for much of our time in Greece.



Lord willing, we have about 25 years before retirement, so it is hard to know those scenarios at this point. For the foreseeable future we plan to continue building up the church plant and investing in new leaders in Greece.



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**Beef with Prunes (continued)** In a saucepan, cook 1 -2 cups of pitted prunes in 1 cup of beef juices or beef broth.

Cook until liquid is thickened. Divide each prune into two and store separately (These components can be kept separate until near serving time)

Heat beef mixture to simmer. If desired, thicken with about 2 tbs of corn starch (mix with a little cool water/broth in separate bowl first), you may need to bring to a boil

Add prunes and thoroughly heat everything.  
Serve with bread to soak up the sauce.

### Tomato and Cucumber Salad

Dice tomatoes and cucumbers. Add chopped onion and chopped flat leaf parsley. Season with salt and pepper. Dress with oil and vinegar to taste.

### Sliced Orange Dessert

Peel and slice oranges. Arrange the nicely on a plate. Sprinkle with cinnamon.

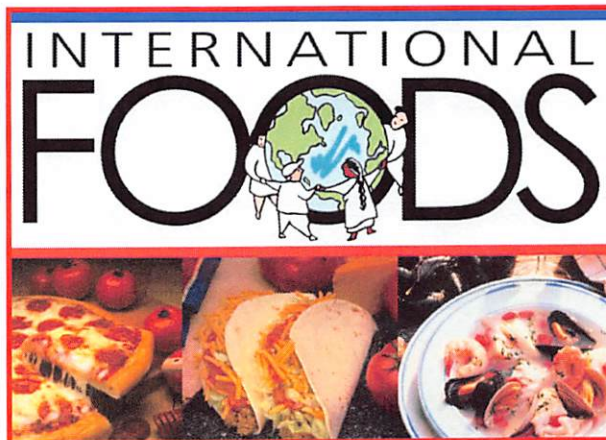
### Chocolate Mousse

10 eggs  
250 grams chocolate chips - dark chocolate NOT semi sweet  
Separate the whites  
Beat till fairly hard (stiff peak)  
Use only 8 egg yolks  
Melt Chocolate chips  
Mix melted chips with egg yolks  
Add gently to egg whites - (fold in)  
Rest 4-8 hours in Fridge

by Alan McCarrick

At the missionary conference we had an international meal with recipes provided by our missionaries. Due to the requests for the recipes, we've included the modified versions we actually made from Bruce and Pat's Moroccan recipes along with Martine's one for the wonderful chocolate mousse. *Please note:* Pictures are of recipes with similar names and/or ingredients, not necessarily what the finished dish should look like!

**Zara's Chicken with Olives and Lemons** – this did not come with the amounts of the spices so I searched for a similar dish on line. "Zara's chicken" lead only to restaurants, but Chicken Tagine was a very close match. Technically, tagines are cooked under a upside down ceramic funnel with a top vent, but a large saucepan will do. I minimized additions to Pat's abbreviated instructions but utilized the method and amounts in "onceuponachef/recipes/Moroccan-chicken-tagine.html". If you go to the web address. you'll see the things that I did not add and the use of flour instead of cornstarch.



Mix spices: 1 tsp cumin, 1 tsp turmeric, 1/2 tsp ground ginger, 1/2 tsp salt, 1/8 tsp pepper, 1/8 tsp cinnamon

Rub most of spice mixture on 8 chicken thighs (we used boneless, skinless)

Heat 2 tbs of vegetable oil in in large wide heavy bottomed pan  
Brown the chicken on both sides and set aside leaving about 2 tbs chicken juices in pan.

After cooled, cut chicken into largish bite-sized pieces  
Slice one large onion in half and then 1/4-inch-thick slices, place in hot pan and cook until soft but not browned

Add the remaining spices and stir for about 30 seconds

Add the chicken pieces, 2 cups of chicken broth, and about 2 tbs each of chopped parsley and cilantro.

Cover and simmer (bring to boil and reduce temp) for 30 minutes or longer (it's flexible)  
(It can be kept for later at this point)

15 minutes before serving, reheat to simmer

Thicken with about 2 tbs of corn starch (mix with a little cool water/broth in separate bowl first), you may need to bring to a boil

Add 1/2 cup of halved GREEN olives and small slices of lemon

Serve with pita or crusty bread to soak up the sauce.

**Beef with prunes** – again no measurements were given so I modified a pressure cooker Beef Tagine recipe from "slimmingeats.com/blog/rich-beef-and-prune-stew-instant-pot-or-slow-cooker"

Brown 2 lbs. of bite size pieces of stewing beef in 2 tbs of vegetable oil.

Remove the beef from the pan and pour the liquid into a bowl.  
Slice two onions in half and then 1/4-inch-thick slices, place in hot pan and cook until soft but not browned

Add 1 tbs turmeric, 1 tbs ground ginger, 1/2 tsp cinnamon, 1/2 tsp cumin and 1/2 tsp black pepper to hot pan and stir for about 30 seconds

Add beef and onion/spice mixture to pressure cooker (or crockpot/slow cooker).

Reserve 1 cup of beef liquid (or 1 cup of beef stock for later)

Pour remaining beef liquid and enough beef stock to cover meet in pressure cooker. Add one tsp sugar and 1 tsp salt.  
Cook at full pressure for 35 minutes.



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# Church Calendar!

(LS: live-streamed)

**Every Sunday:** Sunday School, 9:15am for children & adults  
Worship Service, 10:15am, LS

## OCTOBER

- 4 ... Women's Bible Study, 6:30pm, zoom, Gloria Snyder
- 5 ... Coffee Break, 10:00am, church
- 5 ... Prayer Meeting, 7:00pm, zoom
- 8 ... Men's Breakfast, 9:00-10:45am, church
- 12 ... Coffee Break, 10:00am, church
- 12 ... Leadership Training Class, 5:30pm, church
- 12 ... Prayer Meeting, 7:00pm, church
- 18 ... Women's Bible Study, 6:30pm, zoom, Gloria Snyder
- 19 ... Coffee Break, 10:00am, church
- 19 ... Prayer Meeting, 7:00pm, zoom
- 26 ... Coffee Break, 10:00am, church
- 26 ... Leadership Training Class, 5:30pm, church
- 26 ... Prayer Meeting, 7:00pm, church
- 30 ... Fellowship Casserole Breakfast, 9:00am

## NOVEMBER

- 2 ... Coffee Break, 10:00am, church
- 2 ... Prayer Meeting, 7:00pm, zoom
- 8 ... Women's Bible Study, 6:30pm, zoom, Gloria Snyder
- 9 ... Coffee Break, 10:00am, church
- 9 ... Leadership Training Class, 5:30pm, church
- 9 ... Prayer Meeting, 7:00pm, church
- 10 ... Fellowship Harvest Dinner, 6:00pm
- 12 ... Men's Breakfast, 9:00-10:45am, church
- 12 ... THRU 14th - Jr. & Sr. High Reality Factor Youth Retreat
- 16 ... Coffee Break, 10:00am, church
- 16 ... Prayer Meeting, 7:00pm, zoom
- 22 ... Women's Bible Study, 6:30pm, zoom, Gloria Snyder
- 23 ... Coffee Break, 10:00am, church
- 23 ... Leadership Training Class, 5:30pm, church
- 23 ... JOINT THANKSGIVING SERVICE, 7:30pm
- 24 ... THANKSGIVING
- 30 ... Coffee Break, 10:00am, church
- 30 ... Prayer Meeting, 7:00pm, zoom



### Parents! Please note...

There will be a weekly singing time with all children each week from 10-10:15 in the Older Elementary Sunday School room. They will be learning some Christmas music.



# Community Calendar!

## October 8, 2022

**Bethel Township Preservation Society  
Founders' Day**

11 am to 3pm at 1645 Bethel Road, Garnet Valley. Please see Beth McCarrick for more information.

## October 10, 2022

The next **Wilmington Women's Connection** will take place October 10, 2022 at Iron Hill Brewery located at 620 Justison St. Wilmington, DE 19084 on the Riverfront near the Blue Rocks Stadium. This is our traditional Country Fair and Auction. We will have tons of items to bid on from gift cards to jewelry to services offered. We also have bake and craft tables. Our speaker Pam Tighman from Millerstown, PA will share from her life experiences. If you'd like a reservation or more information see Beth McCarrick.

### Get Active!!

Please see Beth McCarrick if you are interested in bowling :)



**Join us for a joint Thanksgiving Service  
with First Baptist Church of Ogdén**

2446 Mill Rd, Boothwyn, PA 19061

Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:30pm

## Choosing Your Battles

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The ambassador went back to bed and slept quietly and so was prepared for the labors of another day. It really does make all the difference if you believe that the Lord God reigns.” Frank H. Ballard

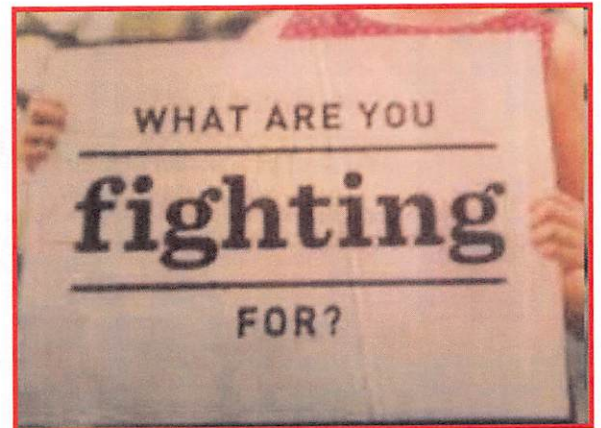
So, what are some battles we do face? There are battles that we must fight and there are battles we do not want to get into. The Scriptures clearly identify three enemies we DO have to face: *“For all that is in the world—the desires of the flesh and the desires of the eyes and the pride of life...”* (1 John 2:16 ESV). We must NOT allow our physical desires, for comfort, pleasure, etc. to rule us. We must NOT allow our desire for STUFF cause us to fear losing it, or to motivate us to neglect more important things. We must NOT allow our desire for others to think well of us to dominate our lives. Sadly, we are often our own worst enemy!

And then there is one battle we often forget that we are in: Satan himself (Ephesians 6:11)

When we forget who our real enemy is, we tend to find enemies within our own camp. We must NOT allow our brothers and sisters to be perceived, or even worse, to be treated as enemies! Even other people, who are unbelievers, are not our REAL enemy!

May it be that the battles we choose to fight are the battles God calls us to fight and equips us to win. We need to remember that God does not call us to fight any battles which we cannot win. He has demonstrated this in Scripture, and—if we can only see it—in each of our lives.

So, are you fighting the battle(s) God wants you to fight or are you fighting Him by trying to fight battles He wants you to let go?



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