

Week of 10/28/2024

Words of Encouragement

"[The] faithfulness of God is of the utmost practical significance to the people of God. It is the ground of their confidence, the foundation of their hope, and the cause of their rejoicing. It saves them from the despair to which their own unfaithfulness might easily lead, gives them courage to carry on in spite of their failures, and fills their hearts with joyful anticipations, even when they are deeply conscious of the fact that they have forfeited all the blessings of God."

-Louis Berkhof

God is true. His Word of Promise is sure. In all His relations with His people God is faithful. He may be safely relied upon. No one ever yet really trusted Him in vain. We find this precious truth expressed almost everywhere in the Scriptures, for His people need to know that faithfulness is an essential part of the Divine character. This is the basis of our confidence in Him. But it is one thing to accept the faithfulness of God as a Divine truth, it is quite another to act upon it. God has given us many "exceeding great and precious promises," but are we really counting on His fulfillment of them? Are we actually expecting Him to do for us all that He has said? Are we resting with implicit assurance on these words, "He is faithful that promised" (Heb 10:23)?

-A.W. Pink

Pray for the Unreached

Maguindanao People in Philippines

Population: 1,412,000 | Primary religion: Islam | Percent Evangelical Christian: 0.01%

Pray for God to encourage, strengthen and protect the small number of Magindanao believers. Ask the Lord to raise up a strong church among the Maguindanao that will be a blessing to their community. Ask the Holy Spirit to prepare the hearts of the Maguindanao people for the gospel. Ask the Holy Spirit to give mission agencies creative ideas with which to reach the Muslim Maguindanao.

Prayer Requests

- Please pray for John Dillon who had a heart attack last week. He was taken to Mission and had a heart cath done, which showed an 80-90% blockage. They put a stink in the left anterior artery and the procedure went well. They are home now and are recovering. Please pray for continued recovery and comfort for them all.
- Please pray for Jeff Mason who has scans on Monday and an appointment to read the results on Wednesday to check the status of his lung cancer. Please pray for comfort and peace during this week.
- Please pray for the Baumans as they return to Southeast Europe and continue gospel ministry there. Please pray for a new handicap accessible building, for their new team members and more to come. Please pray for wisdom and discernment as they expand and grow their ministry. Please pray for them and their family, and their walk with the Lord.
- Please pray for the aftermath of Hurricane Helene and the continued recovery efforts.
- Please pray for Cove Shelter and the upcoming season. Please pray for provision and people to serve.
- UPDATE: Please pray for Brad as he enters the last eight weeks of his internship. Please pray for endurance and that he continues to seek the Spirit's guidance.

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Scripture Reading

Consider reading 1 Peter 4 in preparation for this week's sermon.

Calendar

- Wednesday: 6:00 PM Prayer time for the Shelter at the church
- Sunday: 9:45 AM Prayer Time for the Lost at the church
- Sunday: 10:30 AM Worship Service

** November Fellowship Meal - November 8th at 6:00 PM. Mark your calendars!