

- MOMMIES & MINISTRY
 MEETING FRI., JANUARY 5
 - > At 7:00 PM at the Moores' home
 - > For CBC mothers of young children
 - > Childcare not provided
- CBS PERFORMANCE & AWARDS CEREMONY THU., JANUARY 18
 - > At 9:30 AM in the Auditorium
- Men's Retreat Fri.-Sat., Ianuary 19-20
- Guest Speaker: Dr. Mike Edwards
- At The Promised Land Camp in Conestoga, PA
- > CBC Member Cost: \$50 for men, \$25 for young men under 18
- > Non-Member Cost: \$60 per person

GUEST SPEAKER (ALL DAY) -SUN., JANUARY 21

> Dr. Mike Edwards will preach for our services.



SUNDAYS

Sunday School at 9:45 AM Morning Service at 11:00 AM Evening Service at 6:00 PM

TUESDAYS

*Seminary First Class at 6:15 PM *Seminary Second Class at 7:40 PM

WEDNESDAYS

Prayer Meeting at 7:00 PM King's Kids (age 3 to 6th grade) at 7:00 PM

<u>Thursdays</u>

*Seminary First Class at 6:15 PM *Seminary Second Class at 7:55 PM

SATURDAYS

Soul-Winning & Visitation at 10:00 AM

*The spring semester begins on January 23.

HE CARED FOR NONE OF THOSE THINGS - PART 1

Acts 18:12-22 | Pastor T. H. Moore

In Acts chapter eighteen, we read that the apostle Paul and his missionary team spent a year and a half in the sin-filled city of Corinth preaching the gospel, planting a church, and teaching the Word of God to those new believers. I would imagine that many of those people who had gotten saved, scripturally baptized, and added to the church were once involved in sinful lifestyles and part of the worldliness of Corinth—but now, their lives had been changed by the gospel of Jesus Christ, and they were living lives of holiness and righteousness. What a great blessing that must have been!

Then, however, in verse 12 of Acts 18, a man by the name of Gallio entered into the narrative, and we read that Gallio was the deputy of Achaia. It was under his jurisdiction that the unbelieving Jews at Corinth "... made insurrection with one accord against Paul" In other words, the Jews had become so infuriated, so angry, and so irate that they grabbed the apostle Paul, physically brought him to the judgment seat, and falsely accused him before this deputy. The Greeks also took Sosthenes, the chief ruler of the synagogue, and beat him before the judgment seat. In verse 14, we read that Paul was about to speak for himself, when Gallio would not let him speak, but instead drove him from the judgment seat, and in verse 17, we read of Gallio, "And Gallio cared for none of those things."

I want you to imagine that standing before Gallio was the Spirit-filled, God-called missionary and messenger of God. He was arguably the greatest Christian in the New Testament.

He was about to open his mouth and, no doubt, give the soul-saving message of Jesus Christ— but Gallio did not let him speak. Why? Because he "... cared for none of those things." Secular history records some interesting things about Gallio. His full name was Annaeus Junius Gallio. He had a half-brother who was philosopher named Seneca (who, incidentally, was the tutor of the Roman Emperor Nero). The two brothers were separated when they were very young and were adopted into two different families. They did not see one another for years. When they finally met again, we read that Seneca was greatly impressed by his half-brother Gallio's graciousness demeanor. and

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Yet, as sweet and kind as he may have been, Gallio was making the gravest mistake of his life. He was not concerned about the things of God

If you were to trace the history of Gallio in secular volumes, you would learn some interesting things about him. Although he may have held a high position in government and been a man of power and means, he grew to be a thoroughly disillusioned man. He found that the world could not satisfy him and ended his life by committing suicide. What a sad ending—but there is never a happy ending when someone does not care for the things of God!

Life without the Lord will always end as a life of regrets, because when a person does not care for the things of God, no matter how successful they are in this world, their end will be eternal suffering in a place called Hell. Besides that, their life in this world can and will never be what God intended it to be. Our life, our marriage, and our family will never be what it could be if we are not living our lives for the Lord. The very best thing that a person can do is to get saved at an early age and live their entire life for the Lord Jesus Christ.

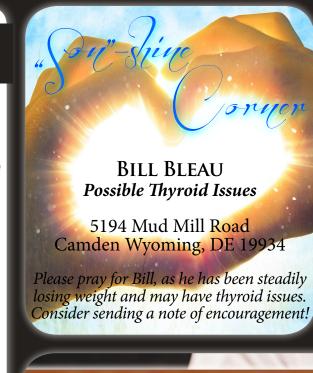
Over the next few weeks, I'd like to consider three reasons that all of us should care for the things of God. The first reason is:

I. Because of the Finish

We read in Hebrews 9:27, "And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment." Every human being on the face of this earth is heading toward the same event—an inescapable meeting with God. Regardless of our background, education, intelligence, talent, position in life, or financial status, we are all going to meet God and give an account. Whether or not we acknowledge that fact or accept that fact, it is going to happen. God's Word declares it! This fact ought to cause us to give serious attention to the things of God. First and foremost, make sure that you are saved! This world vehemently propagates the false notion that people can get by just fine without Jesus Christ and the Word of God—but it is impossible to get to Heaven without Jesus Christ (John 14:6). If you are not saved, then receive Him as your personal Saviour before you leave this earth!

foin us in prayer for...

- EASTON BAPTIST CHURCH
- FIRST STATE BAPTIST CHURCH: negotiations for a possible church property
- FUTURE CHURCH PLANT
- LABORERS FOR THE HARVEST (MATT. 9:38)
- THE PEOPLE OF ISRAEL: especially Janet *Schroer's relatives in the military*
- PROPERTY DEVELOPMENT: financial need to be met; Elisha House remodeling
- BURTON BETTS: chemotherapy; kidney function & continued success of home dialysis
- BILL BLEAU: kidney stone procedure recovery; possible thyroid issues
- NOEL BUCKLEY: rehab from hand surgery
- JOEY COPPAGE: recovery from collapsed lung; migraines & sinus infection
- **ELLIE EVERTON**: pneumonia
- JAMIE EVERTON: kidney surgery recovery
- BILL FARRIS: recovery from a fall
- PASTOR MOORE & NOEL BUCKLEY: upcoming trip to Church Planting Conference in Oklahoma
- **CAROL MOSEMANN**: *twisted bowels (dietary* restrictions, no surgery planned)
- PERKUCHIN FAMILY: upcoming funeral for Amanda's grandmother
- HAROLD REECE: surgery recovery & therapy
- ROBIN SHARP: shoulder repair surgery recovery
- MIKE SHIREY: recovery from multiple strokes
- WALTON FAMILY: bereavement—homegoing of Jack Walton
- TERESA ZIMMERMAN: tolerance & success of alternative cancer treatments; PET scan on February 1



SOUL-WINNING/DISCIPLESHIP

Praise the Lord for some returning bus visitors!

CHURCH SERVICES 8 visitors

2024 MEN'S RETR

AT THE PROMISED LAND CAMP IN CONESTOGA, PENNSYLVANIA



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ANDREW & SHAWN CANAVAN - IRELAND

January 2024

BRAN TRUSTS CHRIST!

In my recent prayer letter, I mentioned a young man I've been able to have Bible studies with; many have been praying for his salvation. On our third Bible study, I sat down with Bran, and continued to reason the gospel with him. He interrupted to tell me, "I trusted Christ as my Saviour this week." He proceeded to explain he had reached rock bottom, and understanding that salvation was God's gift, and the promise of salvation, he prayed to receive Christ. He continued that he has been loving to read the Bible every morning, and we are continuing to study the Bible. Praise the Lord for changing hearts and lives! Please pray for him to grow, to live by faith, and for wisdom for some important decisions that he needs to make.

CHURCH PLANTING

God has blessed abundantly with a few people continuing to attend our Sunday services. God has brought across our path several precious people who were looking for a Bible-preaching church, and have faithfully been attending. Jerry, who I mentioned last time, is faithfully attending. Lars, a Swedish man who professes Christ and is a friend of a friend, visited in November, and has been very faithful. Margaret, a dear Irish lady who is going through some difficult trials, is also faithfully attending. John, a young Irish guy who also has faithfully attended, has a heart for souls and has assisted me weekly in door-to-door work.

ENCOURAGEMENT OF BRETHREN

While we know God is working, there have been a few setbacks also. Some who were attending, when we personally witnessed to them about the need to be saved, were offended at the simple reality of hell. Others have resolved not to come due to disagreement with our simple Bible teaching. Others Email: andrew2ireland@gmail.com

simply have disappeared. If we look inward, we find it easy already to be a little discouraged, but joy returns again and again when we look upward, and remember God said, He will build His church! (Matthew 16:18, Isaiah 59:1) A fellow church planter, Keith Hamilton from Limerick, has been such a blessing in driving the hour each way to join us for our evening services just to encourage and help these first several months. We are thankful to him and the many others God uses to encourage us, and desire to do the same.

CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

Baptist College International, from Romania, assisted us with a Christmas outreach early in December. They sang dozens of Christmas carols while we passed out tracts in the main pedestrian thoroughfare of Galway. Several times, groups of 30 or 40 gathered to hear the hymns sung as hundreds of gospel tracts were passed out. We have continued to distribute Christmas tracts on the streets and door-to-door, and look forward to what the Lord will do.

Cìan and Clare are just doing super. Cìan, now seven months, is brandishing three new "toothers." Clare, now 2½, learned all three verses of "Away in a Manger" and sings them wherever she goes! Shawn and I are doing well and grateful to serve in gospel work. Thank you so much for your faithful prayers and support!

PRAYER REQUESTS

SALVATION: Anusha, Francesco, Danny, Emma, Trevor GROWTH: Bran, Lars, Margaret, John, Jerry, Donna

SPECIAL: wisdom, divine appointments, January outreach, discipleship