

Summary at the "TOP":

Top 5:

[Chipmans Moving](#) ☹ | [BYBC Signup](#) | [Arise 4:14 Dessert???](#) | [Two Baby Showers](#) | [Play Groups!](#)


Calendar Events:



Apr 28	Christmas in April
Apr 29	Visitors Luncheon, 1:00pm @ Perrin's Home Details RSVP
May 1	Arise 4:14 Dessert Gathering, 7pm, Dugan's Home Details RSVP
May 5	Baby Girl Nuhfer Shower, 10am-1pm @ Jenkin's Home Details RSVP
May 6	Baby Boy McClendon Shower, 2pm @ Brandt's Home Details RSVP
May 11-12	Art of Marriage FamilyLife Seminar, @ Patuxent Presbyterian Church Details
May 13	Mother's Day – Baby Bottle Blitz Starts, ending Jun 17, Father's Day Details
May 18	Women's Bunco Night, 7pm @ Leonard's Grant Clubhouse Details
Jun 8	Christian Community Development Speaker, Bob Lupton, 7pm @ Richmond Details
Jun 21-27	Guatemala Mission Trip to "My Special Treasure" Orphanage Details
Jun 25-29	Victory Jam Middle School Camp
June-Sept	Final preparations and moving into the new building (specific dates TBD)
July 7-14	Boy Scout Troop Summer Camp @ Goshen Scout Reservation, Goshen, VA Details
July 16-20	Back Yard Bible Clubs Details Volunteer
July-Aug	Forming and Starting Missional Neighborhood Small Groups Details Interested?
Aug ??	In-Region Ministry Work – Tentative
Sept 3	Annual Cornerstone Pig Roast and Picnic (Monday, Labor Day) @ New Building!

Sign Up For:

Budgeting Class – Teach and/or develop curriculum: Dave Perrin, 301 373-0207 | [Details](#) | [Sign-Up](#)
Ministry Teams – Join now as goals are being developed for the next year | [Details](#) | [Sign-Up](#)
Visitors' Luncheon: Heather Harris, 904 598-4560 | [Details](#) | [RSVP](#)
Baby Girl Nuhfer Shower: Jenn Parkhurst, 304 685-4477 | [Details](#) | [RSVP](#)
Baby Boy McClendon Shower: Jen Neubert, 808 220-2218, RSVP by Apr 27 | [Details](#) | [RSVP](#)
Cornerstone Softball: Shannon Nuhfer at 703-722-6623(h) or 301-904-0963(c). | [Details](#) | [Sign-Up](#)
Soup Kitchen Serving Team: Victor Dela Cuesta, 240-925-9599. | [Details](#) | [Sign-Up](#)



Recurring Activities:

High School Youth Group, Sundays, 6-7:30pm, @ Church Office
Middle School Youth Group, Mondays, 6:30-8pm, @ Church Office
Play Group, Tuesdays, 10am – 11:30am, varying locations | [Details](#)
Boy Scouts, Tuesdays, 7pm, @ Choir Room (A2)

Community Events:

Apr 27-28	Homeschool Christian Academy (HCA) Open House & Fine Arts Festival @ SAYSF
May 13	Baby Bottle Blitz Starts, ending Jun 17, Father's Day Details
May 23	Life Line Medical Screening Preventive Health Clinic @ Cornerstone Church
Apr-May	Care Net Pregnancy Center Peer Counselors Training

"Aslan is on the Move":

Ministry Updates: TMT Looking for Budget Teachers and "Mentors", **Play Group**, BYBC's, Living H2O Guatemala VISION, Summer Ministry Overview, Neighborhood Missional Small Groups

Missionary Updates: **Richard Ramsay**, Tito Padilla

Construction Progress

Announcements

Lost and Found – If you lost something, please claim it before it disappears... forever!

Worship Notes:

Hymn of the Month
Apostles Creed

Sunday Classes (9:35-10:30am):

Grades 1 – 5: "Lord, Teach Us to Pray" @ Church Office.

Inquirers Class: Led by Pastor Baxley @ Church Office in Pastor Nilsson's Office.

Middle School, High School, and Adults: Biblical Apologetics @ Sanctuary

Cornerstone Organization: [Cornerstone Ministry Plan](#) | [Staff & Leaders](#) | [Missionaries](#)

Resources: Prayer Chain | Counseling | Sermon Audio | iTunes | Blogs | Facebook

The Top 5 things to think about this week:

1. **Pastor Chipman & Family are moving:** From the email that Pastor Nilsson sent earlier this week:

Dear Cornerstone Family,

It is with mixed feelings that I'm announcing that the Chipman's will be leaving by the end of June in order to move to an area that has a lower cost of housing and is closer to both of their families. I'm glad for Mike and this new chapter in his life, but will miss him, his friendship, his family, and his ministry here at Cornerstone. Mike announced this transition to the youth groups on this past Sunday night and Monday night.

On Sunday, during Sunday school, I will briefly be addressing this and will be available for questions. I originally had planned to have a forum this Thursday evening, but we were overtaken by events (which was my mistake). However, we do want to answer any questions you have for me, any of the elders, or Mike, so please seek out me or an elder this Sunday or connect with Mike at another time.

Please express your gratitude to the Chipman's for their ministry here over these past four years and be in prayer for them and our youth and families through this transition. Yesterday, Mike sent out an email update to the parents of our youth which is included below.

By His grace, for His glory,
Pastor Walt Nilsson

Original Email from Mike:

Youth Parents,

As many of you likely know by now, the Chipman family will be moving sometime in June. We currently don't have a definite relocation place, but it will likely be in West Tennessee, near Memphis.

Our reasons for leaving are twofold:

1. We would like to purchase a home, and are not able to do so here. Our financial situation is such that we would not likely be in a position to purchase a home in the near future.
2. With #1, we would like to take this opportunity to move closer to our family (SE Missouri and SC KY). We miss being in their lives, and we want them to be a part of our children's lives.

We love Cornerstone and the people here. I have a great relationship with Walt and the Session, and our leaving is for no other reasons than those listed above.

I spoke with the youth on Sunday and Monday night. Doug Leepa was there to explain the path forward for finding the man to take over the position, as well as how the youth can be involved in that process. If you have questions about the process forward, please contact your elder. There will be an opportunity soon for the congregation to interact with this (in the form of a congregational forum likely) so stay tuned for that announcement.

I have thoroughly enjoyed doing ministry alongside you all as you have lead your children. I can count it as pure joy when I look back at my time at Cornerstone, and consider it a great blessing to have been a part of your life for these 4 years. Please feel free to ask me any questions you (or your children) have for us as well.

In Christ,
Mike Chipman

2. **Back Yard Bible Clubs, July 16-20:** Teams are forming – **sign up NOW!** Cornerstone's Back Yard Bible Clubs (BYBC) are back again this summer and will be held the week of July 16-20. Mark your calendars, spread the news and tell your friends! We are in the Recruitment Phase now, forming the teams and hosts that will enable this great ministry to our communities. **Sign up by [clicking here](#) if you are interested in volunteering** - there are many ways you can help! Or talk to Gretchen Thomas. Only a couple people have signed up at this time – please don't delay.

3. **Arise 4:14 Dessert Gathering :** What is Arise 4:14?? Have you ever wondered that? Have you wondered how you could get involved with it? If so, or if you have any other questions about Arise 4:14, please come to the **Dugan's Home on Tuesday, May 1 at 7pm.** Good desserts will be served, along with good information on Arise 4:14 and how you can connect. Please RSVP by contacting Sue Dugan at dugan@md.metrocast.net or 301 373-5566 or [Click here](#).
4. **Baby Showers:** 2 first-time baby showers are happening next weekend for **Rachel Nuhfer (May 5)** and **Kyndall McClendon (May 6).** Come and celebrate the gift of life with these soon-to-be mothers! [Click here](#) for details and RSVP options.
5. **Play Group, Tuesday mornings:** Looking for a way to get to know other families in the church? Do your kids need to burn some energy playing with other kids? Then you should come to Play Group on Tuesday mornings. Right now, meeting time is Tuesday, 10-11:30am. As the weather gets hotter, the time will move up to 9:30-11am. Bringing a bag lunch or snack is always a good idea. Most of the parks have Restroom facilities or equivalent (Green, plastic, smells funny). [Click here](#) to view the full, detailed schedule.

Sign-Up for:



- **Visitors' Luncheon:** If you're new to Cornerstone, this lunch is for you! Please bring your family, and don't worry about anything else. We want to get to know you and share life and a meal with you. **Apr 29, 1:00pm @ Perrin's Home.** [Click here](#) to RSVP!
- **Arise 4:14 Dessert Gathering :** What is Arise 4:14?? Have you ever wondered that? Have you wondered how you could get involved with it? If so, or if you have any other questions about Arise 4:14, please come to the **Dugan's Home on Tuesday, May 1 at 7pm.** Good desserts will be served, along with good information on Arise 4:14 and how you can connect. Please RSVP by contacting Sue Dugan at dugan@md.metrocast.net or 301 373-5566 or [Click here](#).
- **Baby Girl Nuhfer Shower:** We will be having a first-time baby shower for Rachel Nuhfer on **May 5th at 10am at Gwen Jenkin's home.** Please join us in celebrating the joy of new life with Rachel! Shannon and Rachel are registered at Amazon.com. For more details, contact Jennifer Parkhurst at Jennpen1@gmail.com or 304-685-4477. [Click here](#) to RSVP!
- **Baby Boy McClendon Shower:** You are invited to a first-time Baby Shower for Kyndall McClendon, Sunday, May 6 at 2pm at the Brandt's House: 20138 Poplar Hill Creek Lane, Leonardtown, MD. This is being hosted by Lisa Brandt and Jen Nuebert. (If interested in contributing to a group gift, contact Jen - 808 220-2218.) [Click here](#) to RSVP by Apr 27.
- **Cornerstone Softball** – Softball season is around the corner again. Last year, Cornerstone fielded two teams – an A-league (competitive) and a B-league (semi-competitive) team. This year, we will field two teams if there are enough players, and players will be placed according to their experience/skill level. Practices will begin soon, with games beginning in May. The A-team will be managed by Shannon Nuhfer. If you have questions or if you are interested in playing or coaching, contact Shannon at 703-722-6623(h) or 301-904-0963(c). [Register](#)
- **Soup Kitchen Serving Team:** Last year over 16,700 meals were served at St. Mary's Caring Soup Kitchen, a 20% increase over previous years, and it is expected to be a greater number this year. Therefore, **we are creating a more robust structure for our volunteer force.** Multiple teams of at least 4 people need to be established, preferably 6 people each. Each team would consist of (1) team leader, (1) cook, and (2-4) helpers. These teams would serve on a rotating basis, but would commit to serving one meal at least (3) times during the year. [Click here to join the Soup Kitchen Team online](#) or contact Victor Dela Cuesta, 240-925-9599.



Community Events:

- **HCA Open House & Fine Arts Festival:** The Homeschool Christian Academy invites you to its Open House and Fine Arts Festival at SAYSF Bible Church on Rue Purchase Road in Lexington Park. On Friday, April 27th at 5:30pm there will be a Music and Band performance, plus the Drama 1 Class will perform Ukrainiacs! Topsy-Turvy Tales from the Ukraine. On Saturday, April 28 the Drama 2 class will perform a comedy called Fear Factory at both 2pm and 7pm. The Open House that evening will again start at 5:30pm with Music and Band performances. Admission is free and all performances are family friendly.



- **Art of Marriage FamilyLife Seminar, May 11-12 @ Patuxent Presbyterian Church:** This seminar is offered by the FamilyLife and is a video experience designed for church and community settings. The Art of Marriage Event consists of six video sessions held on a Friday night and Saturday. These videos combine dramatic stories, real-life testimonies, expert interviews, humorous vignettes and other teaching methods to lay out God's design for marriage in a fresh, engaging way. More details will come in the future, but [click here](#) for an overview of the Video Seminar on the FamilyLife website.
- **Baby Bottle Blitz:** Help us Change Lives and Save Babies! The Care Net Pregnancy Center of Southern Maryland is having a Baby Bottle Blitz to raise funds for the Center's ministry to women and babies. Bottles will be available to families on May 13 and May 20, to take home and use as a bank during the month. They should be returned to the church on Father's Day, June 17. If you have any questions, you can call the Center at 301-737-4604. Thank you for your support!
- **Life Line Medical Screening Preventive Health Clinic, May 23 @ Cornerstone Church:** Cornerstone will be hosting a medical clinic for the congregation and for anyone in the community. Our main hope is that this will be a blessing to the community. More details will be available later.
 - Website: <http://www.lifelinescreening.com/>
 - Short video: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=b8igGrkVcBc>
- **Male and Female Peer Counselors Needed at the Care Net Pregnancy Center:** We will hold training for Female Peer Counselors on **April 24, 26, May 1, 3, 8, and 10th**. We are offering morning classes at 9:30-12:30 at the Calvert Center and evening classes at 5:30-8:30 at the Lexington Park Center. The whole training takes approximately 18 hours and is split up into 6 three-hour sessions. Training for Male Peer Counselors will be **April 27** from 6 pm-9 pm and April 28 from 9 am-4 pm. For more information and to sign up, please call any of our three locations 301-475-5333, 301-737-4604 or 410 326-6866.
- **Christian Community Development Speaker, Bob Lupton, Friday, Jun 8, 7pm @ Richmond:** Bob Lupton has invested almost 40 years of his life in inner-city Atlanta. In response to a call that he first felt while serving in Vietnam, he left a budding business career to work with delinquent urban youth. Bob and his family sold their suburban home and moved into the inner-city where they have lived and served as neighbors among those in need. His life's work has been the rebuilding of urban neighborhoods where families can flourish and children can grow into healthy adults.
 - Location: Northminster Church - Contemporary Worship Center
 - Ticket: \$10 which can be purchased at: <http://www.ccda.org/gather/event/37> Your confirmation is your ticket.
 - Website Announcement: <http://intothenighborhood.com/2012/04/24/bob-lupton-speaks-insights-into-serving-the-city/>



“Aslan is on the move”:

This section describes how God is working in and through Cornerstone. Aslan is the Jesus figure in C.S. Lewis' classic books, The Chronicles of Narnia. When Aslan would start working to transform and redeem things in Narnia, the citizens of Narnia would whisper with reverence and joyful expectation, “Aslan is on the move...” Let's whisper this, too.

MINISTRY UPDATES:



- **TMT Amp-ing Up / Needs Mentors:** The Transformational Ministry Team (TMT) had a meeting this week with St. Mary's County Department of Social Services (Intake Services). A partnership is being formed that will enable TMT members to interact more deeply with the needy in our community, helping them to develop their life skills, rather than just jump from one crises to another (Budgeting skills, Parenting skills, etc.). Talk to Tim Singley or Dave Perrin to become part of this growing team, especially if you want to be a mentor.
- **TMT needs Teachers for Personal Budgeting Classes:** Our Transformational Ministry Team (TMT) is partnering with the Department of Social Services (DSS) to provide Financial Literacy classes, starting with classes on making and keeping a Personal Budget. These classes will help those from lower resourced neighborhoods and rough backgrounds to take critical steps towards stability in life. We need help developing a curriculum, then teaching the classes. You can sign up for one or the other or both. Interested? Please [click here](#) so we can discuss this with you further.
- **It's a good time to join a Ministry Team:**
 - Cornerstone's "Ministry Year" is similar to a company's "Fiscal Year" – the 12 months that define the start and end of a budget. Budgets may not sound like a lot of fun, but they are necessary for planning purposes, and Cornerstone endeavors to make the most of all of the resources that God gives to us.
 - Cornerstone's Ministry Year starts in July and ends in June. This aligns nicely with the school year, and when most ministries start and end their projects, small groups, etc.
 - We are now in preparation for starting the new Ministry Year, and the staff and ministry team leaders will be working together to define goals for next year, and the associated budgets.
 - I write all this so that you know what the leadership at Cornerstone is working on right now, but more importantly, so that **if you are interested in joining a [ministry team](#), now is a good time. You will be able to help define the goals for this next year, and capture the vision of Cornerstone!** [Click here](#) if you want to join or are interested:
- **Play Group, Tuesday mornings:** Looking for a way to get to know other families in the church? Do your kids need to burn some energy playing with other kids? Then you should come to Play Group on Tuesday mornings. Right now, meeting time is Tuesday, 10-11:30am. As the weather gets hotter, the time will move up to 9:30-11am. Bringing a bag lunch or snack is always a good idea. Most of the parks have Restroom facilities or equivalent (Green, plastic, smells funny). If you would like to receive emails concerning playgroup or want to be removed from the email list please contact chipmanfamilycircus@gmail.com
 - The parks with no facilities are indicated below. In the event of Rain or Severe Heat, the Play group may be cancelled.
 - May 1 - Miedzinski Park
 - Route 5 to Leonard Hall Drive, Leonardtown
 - May 8 - Elm's Beach Park
 - Rt. 235 to Bay Forest Road, to Back Door Road, Lexington Park
 - May15 - Anne Marie Sculpture garden
 - 13480 Dowell Road, Dowell, Maryland 20629; (410) 326 - 4640
 - Site Admission: Adults (12 & up): \$3.00; Senior Citizen (65 & older) and Children ages (5-11): \$2.00; Children (4 & under) and Annmarie Members: Free
 - If you want to bring a scooter or bile for your kid to ride the trail you can.





- May 22 - Miedzinski Park
 - Route 5 to Leonard Hall Drive, Leonardtown
- May 29 - John G. Lancaster Park
 - Willows Road, Lexington Park
- June 5 - Cecil Park
 - Rt. 249 to St. George's Church Rd., Valley Lee
- * June 11 Monday - Spray ground at Nicolet Park
 - Lexington Park
- June 19 - St. Clement's Shores Park
 - 22300 Meadow Lane, Leonardtown, MD 20650
 - No restrooms
- June 26 - Cecil Park
 - Rt. 249 to St. George's Church Rd., Valley Lee
- July 3 - Chancellor's Run Regional Park
 - Rt. 235 to Chancellors Run Rd., Great Mills
- * Monday July 9 - Spray ground at Nicolet Park
- July 17 - Dorsey Park
 - Rt. 245, Hollywood
- July 24 - Elm's Beach Park
 - Rt. 235 to Bay Forest Road, to Back Door Road, Lexington Park
- July 31 - Miedzinski Park
 - Route 5 to Leonard Hall Drive, Leonardtown
- August 7 - TBD
- * Monday August 13 - Spray ground at Nicolet Park
- August 21 - John G. Lancaster Park
 - Willows Road, Lexington Park
- August 28 - St. Clement's Shores Park
 - 22300 Meadow Lane, Leonardtown, MD 20650
 - No Restrooms
- September 4 - Cecil Park
 - Rt. 249 to St. George's Church Rd., Valley Lee
- September 11 - Chancellor's Run Regional Park
 - Rt. 235 to Chancellors Run Rd., Great Mills
- September 18 - Dorsey Park
 - Rt. 245, Hollywood
- September 25 - Elm's Beach Park
 - Rt. 235 to Bay Forest Road, to Back Door Road, Lexington Park
- **Living H2O Guatemala Vision Update – “Focusing Cornerstone’s Ministry in Guatemala”:**
 - As we continue to develop our relationships in Guatemala through Children’s HopeChest, the Living H2O team has prayerfully considered, what is the best way to “Help without Hurting?” After further assessing our vision and goals for this aspect of the H2O ministry, a mission and vision trip, and session insight and guidance, **we have refined our orphan ministry in Guatemala to My Special Treasure (MST) only**, rather than supporting two orphanages.
 - In discerning how to best help without hurting both the children and leadership in MST and Nuevo Reto (NR), and our own church members, **it was determined that dividing**





our efforts, commitments and focus between two orphanages would more likely hurt than help both homes, and possibly hurt us. Thus, we will now focus solely on the spiritual, physical, relational, and financial needs of MST (Caesar and Carol, and the 11 girls currently there). We know this is hard for those sponsoring children in NR, but we will phase out this relationship over several months. There were many factors which directed this decision, but **the primary factor was a vision and optimism for a relationship with MST.** Our hope is that this relationship will glorify our Lord and bring great joy and hope to a home filled with lovely young ladies needing the love of Christ.

- **The needs at MST are great. Our goal is to increase our level of financial and relational support by adding additional families to the sponsorship program, support capital, educational and vocational programs, and meet more medical and dental needs of the girls. Thank you for your continued support as we grow this orphan care ministry.**

Please contact H2O with questions.

- **Summer Ministry Opportunities** – God is working to provide many interlocking ministry opportunities that propel us toward our [Vision](#). There are a few opportunities for ministry this summer that we want you to know about now, so you can plan ahead and coordinate your schedules. They start in Guatemala, and end up with a pig in our back yard. Some of the details are still being ironed out, but we want you to be able to start thinking about them.
 - **Jun 21-27: Guatemala Mission Trip** to “My Special Treasure” Orphanage
 - **June-Sept** (Tentative Dates): Final preparations and moving into the **new building**.
 - **July 16-20: Back Yard Bible Clubs** – start thinking about [hosting or participating](#) in your neighborhood! These could be the start of a Neighborhood Bible Study and/or Small Group.
 - **July-Aug: Forming and Starting Missional Neighborhood Small Groups** – These will be small groups focusing on redeeming the neighborhood where YOU live. Start praying now. These could flow from relationships formed during BYBC’s. [Click here](#) if interested in participating.
 - **Aug ??:** (Tentative) **Inner City Ministry Work** – There might be an opportunity to work with an inner city church or ministry in Baltimore and/or DC. Pray that this will develop into concrete relationships.
 - **Sept 3:** Annual **Cornerstone Pig Roast and Picnic** (Monday, Labor Day)

MISSIONARY UPDATES:

- **Richard Ramsay**

Dear friends,

We recently returned from Spain, cooperating with the MTW missionary team there. Among other things, Angelica and I spoke at the national pastors retreat of the Spanish Reformed Anglican Church, with about 30 present. We also enjoyed time with the missionaries, including a weekend retreat, and learned more about their ministry. They are working hard to reach people for Christ, but they need lots of prayer support and encouragement, since Spanish society is very secular, and sentiments toward organized churches are often negative. Only a special work of the Holy Spirit can break through these barriers.





We left discipleship books with some pastors, including one who wanted to take some back to Equatorial Guinea in Africa, where Spanish is the first official language. (I love this kind of surprise!) Please pray that these materials will bear spiritual fruit and that we can continue to help them with training resources.

Richard and Angelica

- **Tito Padilla, El Paso/Ciudad Juarez, MX:**

Dear Friend in Christ,

Proverbs 16: 1 says, "**The plans of the heart belong to man, but the answer of the tongue is from the Lord.**" You have been praying for us at Las Tierras Church that God would guide and direct us in the nomination of potential elders and deacons. We did indeed have men nominated to be potential office bearers, but we didn't have a sufficient number of men who are clearly called by the Lord through his people- at least not now. So though we had planned to move ahead with becoming a particular church by early summer, God's answer to us seems to be, wait...it is still not time yet.

Will you please continue to pray that God would raise up the men to shepherd his church here at Las Tierras. Pray for me as I seek to provide further training and come alongside some of the men who want to serve, but are reluctant and fearful.

1. Land Purchase

- We still have not closed on the deal to purchase a 5 acre lot of undeveloped land which could be the home for a future building for Las Tierras. Our feasibility study revealed that we may have to dedicate a portion of the land to the City of El Paso for a right of way. In light of this the seller is considering our request to lower the price. Will you please pray that the seller would re-negotiate the sale price so that it would be just and equitable? Continue to ask the Lord to grant us wisdom and discernment in these negotiations.
- Pray particularly for our real estate agent, Steve, to act with wisdom. He has done an excellent job in representing us, something for which we are thankful to the Lord!

○ 2. Easter Service

- Our worship service this past Lord's Day was well attended with a good number of visitors! The week before we distributed about 2,000 fliers/invitation in the community. Ask our Lord to cause the Gospel to bear saving fruit in their lives.
- **Pray for Hugo who visited with us.** He seems to be interested in spiritual matters, but hardly ever attends church. He usually works on Sunday at a local restaurant. Providentially, the restaurant at which he works, closed down for Easter Sunday...a first in over 25 years of business! Obviously God wanted him to hear his word this past Sunday. Pray for the Lord to open his heart to the gospel of Jesus so that he might know eternal life in Christ!

○ 3. Financial Need

- Please pray that God would graciously provide the additional monthly support we need- **about \$1,450**. Although we finished well at the end of 2011, the last few months have been more challenging. We are thankful to the Lord because



you have been faithful in praying and generous in your giving for many years. Join us as we ask the Lord to provide according to the riches of his grace.

- If you would like to give additional gifts or know of someone that might be interested in partnering us in this ministry, please direct any gift to Mission to the World and send to:
 - Mission to the World, Box 116284, Atlanta, GA 30368-6284
 - Please note Account #: 16000 on the memo line.



We are so privileged to be serving the Lord here on the border...and that honored that you would partner with us. Thanks!

Grateful in Christ, Manuel "Tito"

CONSTRUCTION PROGRESS:

- The exterior and interior of the Multi-Purpose Room is now insulated, sealed, and painted – it looks beautiful. Drywall has been put up in all the attic spaces – some of which are closed off for fire codes. The sprinkler system has been installed and tested. Electricians are very busy getting everything wired so that drywall can be put up in the classrooms. Most computer network cabling has been pulled... and there is a lot of it!
- June or July are the projected finish dates – not too far away. If you have ideas of how to use the new building to impact our community and build up our church community, please let me know. Some projects are starting to form, and planning needs to start yesterday, so don't wait.

Announcements:

- **Lost and Found:** There are several items in Lost and Found. Have you lost a nice black women's raincoat, size Petite 12? How about a purple and black and white jacket? Or are your children missing any hooded sweatshirts? Perhaps a bag or two of infant clothes? And then, of course, there are umbrellas in Lost and Found. If you are missing any of these items or more, you have a very brief time to claim them before they are given away. Call Flora Woodward or Beth Baxley to claim lost items.
- **Women's Bunco Night:** Enjoy a fun game night **Friday, May 18th, 7 pm, at Leonard's Grant** clubhouse / recreation center (23600 North Montague Drive, Leonardtown, MD). Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Contact Elizabeth Buckingham (904-248-0440) or Jessica Landis (240-538-3904) if you have any questions.
- **Boy Scout Troop Summer Camp, Jul 7- 14, Goshen Scout Reservation, Goshen, VA:** Please let Frank Heinsohn or Aaron Rouland know if you are interested.



Worship notes:

Hymn of the Month: "Let Us Sing and Love and Wonder"

A hymn, which expresses glory and dominion to Him who loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, is "Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder." The text was written by John Newton (1725-1807). In 1779 Newton, along with poet William Cowper, compiled three books of the Olney Hymns, but Newton had published other hymns previously, such as this one which first appeared in his 1774 work *Twenty Six Letters on Religious Subjects*, by Omicron. The modern text has been altered. The tune (All Saints Old) most commonly used with "Let Us Love and Sing and Wonder" is by an anonymous composer and is taken from the Darmstadt Gesangbuch of 1698. The song gives several reasons why we should praise the one who washed us from our sins with His blood. (Excerpts taken from: <http://homeschoolblogger.com/hymnstudies/782328/>)



Apostles' Creed, Date: 4th Century

Of Christendom's many creeds, the best known and most used are the Apostles' Creed and the Nicene Creed. Both creeds state what Christians believe to be true without explaining how they are true.

Though the apostles did not write it, the Apostles' Creed developed as a way for the early church to hand on the basic structure of biblical faith. Roman Christians used a question-and-answer form of the creed to prepare converts who wanted to be baptized and join the church.

Some words and phrases in the Apostles Creed may cause confusion to us today. The word "catholic" here denotes a universal church, or one common Church that unites all believers. Also, to say that Christ "descended into hell" doesn't speak of an actual trip to hell, but speaks of His experience on the cross and being separated from the Father. As we encourage one another with these truths, we join with Christians around the globe and throughout the ages.

Sunday Classes (9:35-10:30am):

Grades 1 – 5: "Lord, Teach Us to Pray" @ Church Office.

Inquirers Class: Led by Pastor Baxley @ Church Office in Pastor Nilsson's Office.

Explores who we are as a church, what we believe, and why we do what we do. Visitors may join in any week.

Middle School, High School, and Adults: Biblical Apologetics @ Sanctuary

Pastor Chipman is teaching a class on basic biblical apologetics, which is the study of defending one's faith. The class will largely be in a discussion format, starting by building up a basic biblical foundation, then teaching a few approaches to defending it. Pastor Chipman will primarily be teaching from the book, "Every Thought Captive," by Richard Pratt.



MINISTRY PLAN FOR CORNERSTONE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Purpose and Vision

At Cornerstone, our purpose is to glorify and enjoy God by growing a loving body of faithful disciples that is reaching Southern Maryland and the world for Christ.


Mission

We accomplish our vision by:

- Worshipping the triune God
- Growing a loving body
- Multiplying mature and equipped disciples
- Reaching Southern Maryland and world for Jesus Christ
- Leading others in Christ's kingdom

Core Values

As a church of Jesus Christ, we are a:

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- **Gospel-centered.** The gospel, as revealed in God's Word, is the center of who we are and all that we do. It is the truth that through faith in Jesus Christ alone, all of our guilt, shame and unrighteousness is removed and replaced with all of Jesus' beauty and righteousness. Growth in the Christian life occurs the same way that it began: through believing the gospel.
 - **Prayer-inspired.** Prayer is essential to the life of a Christian and to the life of a church. Through prayer we commune with God, express our need and dependence upon, align ourselves with God's work, and become empowered by God's Spirit.
 - **Kingdom-driven.** God's kingdom has entered history in the person of Jesus Christ to renew the whole world and reconcile all things to himself. The church is God's principle instrument of making the fullness of his coming kingdom a present reality.
 - **Incarnate.** God incarnated himself in the person of Jesus so that the world could be reconciled to God and one another. As a church we model the incarnation in manifesting the love and truth of Jesus Christ to Southern Maryland and wherever we serve.
 - **Authentic community.** This is a community where Jesus Christ is experienced in his presence and power, where lives are transformed by the gospel through mutual ministry. In gospel-centered community, people come to know and experience his presence in a way that cannot happen individually. This is a community where it is safe to be broken without fear of condemnation, where there is gospel inspired transparency and accountability, and where there is a fertile context for the Holy Spirit to transform lives.

Our Denomination

Cornerstone is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America, an evangelical and Reformed denomination committed to the Lordship of Christ and the proclamation of the Gospel to the ends of the earth.

Our Firm Foundation

Our beliefs are founded on the authoritative Word of God and are expressed in the Westminster Confession of Faith and Catechisms. These ancient truths, articulated in the 16th century Reformation, continue to transform lives today.



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OUR OFFICE STAFF

- Senior Pastor Walter Nilsson
- Pastor Emeritus Terry Baxley
- Pastor for Youth and Family Mike Chipman
- Director of Ministry Development Dave Perrin
- Biblical Counselor Tom Thompson
- Treasurer Paul Mitchel
- Accountant Joan Heinsohn
- Secretary Vicky Travis



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OUR SESSION

- Walter Nilsson, Session Moderator
- Pat Shields, Clerk of Session
- Rich Buckingham
- Carl Fahrner
- Doug Leepa
- Chad Reed
- Chris White

OUR DEACONS

- Scott Hoffman, Chairman
- Dave Eby
- Jonathan Griffith
- Tim Singley

SMALL GROUPS, WINTER-SPRING 2012

- Walt Nilsson, Church, **Sonship**. Sun., 6-8pm
- Terry Baxley, where TBD, Wed. 6-7:30 pm, **Reformed Faith Study**
- Terry Baxley, Wildewood/various homes, Sun. eve's., **Book of Daniel**
- Chad Reed, Lex. Pk./St. James, Fri. 7-8:30 pm, "**Broken Down House**: Living Productively in a World Gone Bad" (Paul Tripp)
- Sandy Black/Frank Heinsohn, Park Hall (Letcher's), Fri. 7pm, **Pastoral Letters of Paul**
- Bill Smith, Lex. Pk./Esperanza (Smith's), Sun. 6-7:30 pm, Food/Fellow-ship/Bible Study/Outreach
- Gerry Murphy, Hollywood (Prucha's), Wed. 7-8:30 pm., **Before Abraham (John MacArthur)**
- Steve Brandt/Adam Scott, Hollywood, Tues. eve's., OCF, **1 Peter/2 Peter**
- Greg Landis, Great Mills (Landis'), Wed. 6:30-8 pm, **Portrait of a Struggle** (by Paul Tripp).
- Don Hill, St. George Island, Thurs. 6:30 pm, Discussion-oriented Bible Study geared to those with Roman Catholic backgrounds
- Mike Chipman, Church, Monthly, Sun. before Youth Group, **Youth Ministry Team**--how to better minister to our youth



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MINISTRIES

Reaching Southern Maryland through Deeds:

Transformational Ministries Team (TMT) Tim Singley 301 863 4504

English as a Second Language (ESL)	Sarah Black	240 237 8400
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WARM	Tony Bowie	301 848 1088
Living Hope 2 Orphans (H2O)	Steve Brandt	301 475 8420
Foster Care/Adoptive Support	Dave Perrin	301 373 0207
HOPE of Southern MD	Dave Eby	301 994 9660
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Prayer Chain	Sue Singley	301 863 4504

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Nursery Coordinator	Emily Chipman	240 237 8097

Master Plan / Building Committee

	Scott Hoffman	301 862 1603
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Roberta Brown

Asia Church Planters (Information removed for their protection – pray more for them!)



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Resources:

Prayer Chain:

Send prayer requests to prayer@cornerstonepca.org

Biblical Counseling:

Tom & Mary Thompson Email or (443) 994-2778

Sermon Audio Files:

<http://www.cornerstonepca.org/resources/index.html>

iTunes link podcast:

itpc://sermon.net/cornerstonepcasomd/rss/

Website:

<http://www.cornerstonepca.org/>

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