

Laurel Church of Christ

Family Focus

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MY NEVER AGAIN RESOLUTIONS

By Gerald Cowan

I will never again say I can't do a thing God requires if I have not honestly tried to do it. More than that, if I have not tried more than once. "I can do all things through Christ which strengthens me" (Phil. 4:13, 19).

I will never again complain of weakness, for the Lord is the strength of my life (Psa. 27:1; Dan. 11:32; Eph. 6:10-17).

I will never again complain of lack or deficiency. My God shall supply my needs according to His riches in glory by Jesus Christ (Phil. 4:19). Whatever my true needs are, they will be supplied (Mt. 6:33-34), not necessarily my need for food, water, clothing, shelter, or even for life in the body, but the needs of my soul (Phil. 4:11-12).

I will never again be afraid. God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and love and a sound mind ((II Tim. 1:7). What shall I fear of what man may do to me? (Heb. 13:5-6).

I will never again say I do not know or cannot know who my enemy is. Satan would blind me to the truth. Knowing God and His truth will make me free from Satan and his errors and the world that submits to his rule (Jn. 8:31-32).

I will never again allow Satan to control my life, for greater is He who is in us than he who is against us (I Jn. 4:4) and God always causes us to triumph in Christ Jesus (II Cor. 2:14).

I will never again yield to frustration and worry, or to isolation and despair. Jesus is our hope (I Tim. 1:1). He is a true friend who sticks closer than a brother (Prov. 18:24; Jn. 15:13). I will learn to cast all my cares on Him who cares for me (I Pet. 5:7).

**Walk in the light as He is in the light...
and the blood of Jesus His Son
cleanses us from all sin. I Jn 1:7**

Pray for the sick:

CONTINUING CONCERNS: Terry Hastings, Myra's sister, Connie; Norma Hudson, Ruth Banks, Michelle Tucker, Charles Fooks, Goldie Weldon, Pat Tucker, Donna Sponseller; Jenny Womersley
On-going personal Bible studies
World turmoil; people of Russia, Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, Cameroon
"Celebrate Recovery"
AIM missionaries, Carolina Aguilar, Miguel Javier Dale and Maddy
Latin American Missions
Our Country and world leaders
Thea's brother, Leland Vickers-loss of eyesight due to macular degeneration
Eleanor; another broken bone discovered in her back; now at home recuperating
Cheyenne Mathis; headaches caused by a cyst
Colleen's sister, Cindy; breathing difficulty
Wildfire disaster in California
Rhonda Cipolla recovering from surgery
Pat Tucker; bronchitis
Condolences to Danny, Tammy and Bonnie in the passing of Wayne Travis, their mother Marie Travis' husband.

Opportunities for study and worship

Sunday: (In person and virtually at:
www.laurelcoc.org)

Bible Classes	9:00 a.m.
Worship	10:00 a.m.

Tuesday:

Women's Zoom Study	7:00 p.m.
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Wednesday

Men's prayer (Shawn's)	7:15 a.m.
Bible Study at building	6:30 p.m.

Friday ladies' study at Cathy's	10:30 a.m.
1st Sat. men's breakfast	8:30

We invite you to attend any of our service times, and we look forward to welcoming you, and pray that you might find a home here with us in Laurel and with God in heaven as His child.

If you need Media help — connections, addresses, or general questions contact: Don Trader or Julio Brennick

CELEBRATE RECOVERY each Monday evening from 6-8 in the FLC.

WOMEN'S STUDIES— Ladies' Fri. Bible study at Cathy's with coffee at 10:30 and study at 11:00 and Ladies' Tuesday Zoom at 7:00.

KID'S GAME NIGHT will be Feb. 11th at 5:30.

TITUS 2 DISCIPLESHIP for adult women, third Thursdays, Feb. 20th from 6-8. See Maria, Taylor or Courtney if you have questions.

FIRST PRINCIPLES CLASS will begin January 19th in the FLC downstairs classroom and will be taught by Danny Snyder.

GOSPEL MEETING with Carey Terry will be January 26-29 each evening at 6:30.

WALL CALENDAR for 2025 is up in the office if you would like to add any activities.

SAVE THE DATE LADIES-Mar. 29 Women to Women workshop, 10-12 in the FLC.

MEN TO SERVE:

Welcome/Scripture; 1/19-Chad; 1/26-David Prayer; 1/19-Lanny; 1/26-Bobby Table; 1/19-Dave; 1/26-Dale Song Leader; 1/19-Troy; 1/26-Christian Announcements/Closing prayer; Jan.-Danny

WHO WE ARE

The body of Christ in Laurel, Delaware is a family of believers knit together in love (Colossians 2:2), striving to serve God in spirit and in truth (John 4:24) and carrying the gospel to the lost (Matthew 28:18). We are an autonomous body with Christ only as our head, and elders shepherding the flock of God (Acts 20:28).

We have been entrusted with the gospel (I Thessalonians 2:4) and so it is that we speak. The congregation seeks to uphold the doctrine and practice of the first century church using the only true standard, the Bible, as our guide (2 Peter 1:3). It is our prayer that all would come to a knowledge of the truth and partake in that divine fellowship in the body of Christ, being immersed for the remission of sins, and beginning life anew with Christ as Lord (Acts 2:38, Romans 6:1). Our plea is that we might be one in Christ, and serve the Lord faithfully unto death to receive our crown (Revelation 2:10).