

THE BULLETIN

TECHNO-GEEK MINISTRY

This year the church in Manchester will be launching into delivering our worship services and some adult Bible classes to the internet. We have the technology; we just need hands to serve.

What specifically is the plan? We'd like to provide a video of our first worship services every Sunday morning, and an audio of our adult Wednesday night Bible study, too. It would require that a person be willing to be at the early services consistently, be willing to always stay for Bible classes (time when the computer would be rendering the video), and a little time after the Bible classes to format and upload the video to the internet. We'll also need someone (perhaps the same person) to record the Wednesday night Bible class; it likewise needs to be someone willing to attend consistently and do a little upload work at the end of services. Park will provide all the training necessary – or find someone more knowledgeable to provide it.

So, what do you say? Are you ready to do your part in scattering the seed to the wide world (as in WWW, ha!)?

""Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."" Matthew 28:19, 20, NAS95.



This Sunday morning our sermon study will be out of John 18. In John 17:1 Jesus says, " Father, the hour has come; glorify Your Son, that the Son may glorify You," John 17:1, NAS95. In chapter 18 the most momentous events of the seen and unseen universes begins to unfold: the most important accomplishment of a life of important accomplishments, the mortal wound given to death itself, and the start of the seed of woman crushing the head of the serpent (Genesis 3:15). Come with your Bible in hand and your heart open to the message of



John's account of the arrest and early trial of Jesus Christ, the Son of God.

Sunday evening we'll be discussing Isaiah in a Bible class format after our brief devotional and communion (for those unable to attend the assembly in the morning) service. Come enjoy a discussion of some of the greatest passages in the Hebrew Bible, found right in the book of Isaiah!

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If you have any concerns that the elders should be aware of, or need to speak to with them, please contact Lee or Larry this month.

Our Worship Services

Sunday AM: 8:30 & 11:00

Bible Class: 10:00

Sunday PM: 6:00

Small Groups:

West Side Small Group: 6:15PM at Doug Paul's

Merrimack Small Group: 6:00PM at Stuart Peacock's

Nashua Small Group: 6:00PM at Paul Mosier's

Wednesday PM Devotional/Bible Classes: 7:00

News Items? Please submit before 11AM each Tuesday.

Our Family

“So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God’s household,”
Ephesians 2: 19, NAS95.

Coming up in January..

New adult Bible classes Park will begin a new class tonight entitled “Parables of Jesus”. Mark Evans will begin teaching a class this Sunday entitled “Money and Finances for Christians”. The class will be looking at scriptures, making practical application (yes, there will be homework), and offering support for any changes you may need to make in your finances.

Small group The singing small group will be meeting Saturday, January 17th at the building. Dinner will begin at 6:00 followed by singing at 7:00. See Mark or Glenna Evans for further information.

What else?

Thanksgiving Judy Rivera received her pathology report and she is cancer free. She will not need any radiation or

chemotherapy. Praise God!!

New Members Please add the following to your directory:
Jim & Elizabeth Cryan, 112 Mammoth Rd, Pelham, NH 03076, 603-508-6005
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Gloria Ramirez, 200 Market St., Unit 3108, Lowell, MA 01852, 978-551-2217

Shut-ins There is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board for those who would like to take the Lord's supper to the shut-ins.

Encouragement needed Our sister Doreen is still in the Elliot Hospital in room 675 and could really use a call ,card or visit. Please take a minute to encourage her.

This and that...

Teen parent meeting There will be a meeting during Bible class next Wednesday to work on the teen event calendar. We will be in the double classroom after the devotional.

Looking ahead We will be hosting a Life Line Screening here on February 21st. They use ultrasound technology to view plaque buildup in your arteries and it takes 60-90 minutes to complete. More details are posted on a flyer on the bulletin board in the foyer.

Gander Brook The scheduling of the canoe trip has been changed to reduce the camping time lost from senior weeks by those on the trip. It will now be from the Tuesday through Saturday of 4th week. See the bulletin board for more details.

Wednesday Night Dinner

pancakes
scrambled eggs
sausage & bacon

Worship Leaders	
Sunday, January 11, 8:30AM	ScriptureGary D.
SongsBrandon H.	Lord’s SupperPete S.
PrayersMark C. & Larry G.	CoordinatorGerry M.
ScriptureMark E.	Sunday, January 11, 6:00PM
Lord’s SupperTom B.	Songs.....Mark E.
CoordinatorKen B.	Wednesday, January 14, 7:00PM
Sunday, January 11, 11:00AM	Songs.....Doug P.
SongsPaul M.	
PrayersEarl M. & Barry F.	

Prayer Concerns

Health: Doreen Lee, Pat Arel, Bill Waisnor, Rosemary Landry, Clyde Daggett, Dawn & Cassidy Law, Deniza Chase’s niece, Marge Simon, Penny Ranger, Manley Jones, Michael Anderson's brother, Diane Bridgewater

Leadership: Ministers, Elders, Deacons

Evangelism: Bible studies in progress, our website, MNFM

Return to the Lord: Brethren who have forsaken the assembly

Everlasting or Neverlasting

There are two great categories in this world — the everlasting things and the “neverlasting” things.

This second category is a made-up word; I’m not aware that it is in any dictionary, but I think it does provide us an important category and description of things that the ordinary guy on the street sort of needs. Yes, there are words like “temporal”, “mortal” and “corruptible”, but they aren’t really words that you’re likely to use on a daily basis — and be understood by others. But this isn’t an English lesson, this is a spiritual encouragement.

As we start off on a new year, I’d like to suggest that of all the resolutions that we might make and keep this year, getting our priorities in order might be the most life changing and critical one of all. And I’d like to suggest the use of the two categories everlasting and neverlasting as a guide for prioritization. I’d like to suggest that the reason that we often times don’t grow spiritually as we’d like, don’t change as we know we should, don’t accomplish the most important things with our lives is because we tend to place the emphasis of our lives on the neverlasting things rather than the everlasting things.

Neverlasting things are those things which don’t last, they never will. Our physical lives will never last. Our houses, no matter how well built will never last. All the things that we purchase and take such good care of will never last. They are creations and objects

of this temporary world, destined to become moth food or otherwise rust — ashes to ashes and dust to dust; that’s the destiny of all things in this world.

Conversely, there are the things that are everlasting — things that are seldom touchable, but lasting and eternal. They are not mortal, temporary, or liable to corruption. Our souls are everlasting. Spiritual truth is everlasting. Heaven is everlasting. The Gospel is everlasting. God’s Kingdom is everlasting.

Sadly, our human nature tends to lean toward emphasis on the neverlasting, the temporary, things that are of this world. And, of course, in truth, we must not completely neglect the neverlasting things. We continue to need food, clothing, and shelter and must spend some of our time and energies in procuring or maintaining them. Our bodies, though destined to return to the dust, must be fed, maintained, etc. Our families, our relationships, our tools all need our attentions. But the question is whether the neverlasting things have become the most important things in our lives to the exclusion of the everlasting. We choose the better over the best. The neverlasting things will never last and all our good efforts put into them will be poured into things that will pass away with time. The efforts put into the everlasting, however, will never pass away.

This is the struggle and balancing act of the story of Mary and Martha in the Gospel of Luke.

"Now as they were traveling along, He entered a village; and a woman named Martha welcomed Him into her home. She had a sister called Mary, who was seated at the Lord’s feet, listening to His word. But Martha was distracted with all her preparations; and she came up to Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to do all the serving alone? Then tell her to help me." But the Lord answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and bothered about so many things; but only one thing is necessary, for Mary has chosen the good part, which shall not be taken away from her."" Luke 10:38-42, NAS95.

Martha was quite concerned with the neverlasting preparations of the dinner. Mary was engrossed in the everlasting teachings the Master was sharing. Martha complained to the Lord, who explained to Martha about choosing the best over the better, the everlasting over the neverlasting.

Make every effort this new year to choose the best over the better, the everlasting over the neverlasting.

Our Congregational Calendar						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4	5 Happy Birthday: Cleon Hoggard	6	7 Bible class 7PM	8 Happy Anniversary: Walter & Marcia Franklin	9	10
11	12 Happy Birthday: Barbara Steffensen & Penny Ranger	13 Happy Birthday: Priscilla Jones	14 Bible class 7PM	15	16	17 Singing small group 6pm
<p style="text-align: center;">Teen News</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There will be a parent planning meeting for the teen calendar next Wednesday. Please give your parents any ideas you would like to see on the calendar. 			<p style="text-align: center;">Young Adults</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Come join us for Bible class on Sunday morning! 			

Our Statistics	
Sunday Morning Worship (combined)	207
Contribution	\$3,629.16

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