



Missions Conference

By Mr. Alexander S. Brown, Minister

On November 11-13 we will enjoy our 16th Annual Missions Conference, and it is set to be a wonderful time of fellowship with some of our missionaries and feasting from the Word of God as we sit under the teaching of Dr. Herb Ward, from Covenant College.

God has given Golden Isles Presbyterian Church wonderful opportunities to partner with people who are taking the Gospel to the

farthest reaches of the world. In many ways we “hit above our weight” when it comes to the support of World Missions, both in terms of supporting Missions with our money and with our prayers. There are 16 Mission works who look to GIPC for support and partnership as they take the wonderful news of Christ crucified to a sin-bound world, and during our Missions Conference we get to celebrate them and be reminded of the importance of the work they are undertaking.

Our theme this year is “Send Out Thy Light and Thy Truth,” from Psalm 43:3. We chose this as our theme because this, in many ways, teaches us how to pray for our missionaries. Psalm 43 is primarily a psalm of Lament and an appeal for God to vindicate the righteous psalmist in the face of crushing opposition. In that sense, this is an unusual Psalm to pick for a Mission Conference! However, the core of the Psalm – the thing on which the Psalmist is pinning his hopes – is really the core of our prayers for our Missions.

While we give thanks to God for the stories of hundreds and thousands being converted through the work of Missions, we know that for many missionaries the day-in and day-out story of their work is far less glamorous. The work of Missions can, like any ministry, be a hard and discouraging work, and it is not unusual for missionaries to find themselves feeling very much like the Psalmist when they look at their work, and the fruit that it has borne.

As our missionaries battle to take the Gospel to peoples and cultures blinded by sin it is only natural that at times they cry out with the Psalmist that God would vindicate them and break hearts and show that the Gospel is not foolishness, and not blasphemy, and not a slavery, but is truly the most wonderful news in the world.

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This Psalm teaches us how to pray for our missionaries.

November Calendar

Sunday

- Sunday School • 9:30 AM
“The Gospel of Grace: Paul’s letter to the Galatians”
- Morning Worship • 10:30 AM
“Mark: A Confrontation with Christ”
- Evening Worship • 6:00 PM
“Jeremiah: Judgment and Restoration”
(Nursery, Children’s Church available)

Wednesday

- Midweek Prayer Meeting • 6:30 PM

- Tue 11/1 “Beyond the Pages”
Book Club for Women
(6:00 PM, Taylor home)
- Sat 11/5 Men’s Monthly Breakfast
and Bible Study
(8:00 AM, Brown home)
- Sun 11/6 Communion, AM Worship
- Tue 11/8, 15, 29 Ladies Bible Study
(6:30 PM, see pg. 2)
- Missions Emphasis Weekend:**
- Fri 11/11 “International Dinner”
(6:30 PM, GIPC)
- Sat 11/12 “Getting to Know You”
(9:30 AM - 12:30 PM, GIPC)
- Sun 11/13 “Faith Promise Sunday”
- Sun 11/20 Guest Minister, Rev. Buck Rogers (RUF, Mercer)
- Wed 11/23 (No Midweek Prayer Mtg.)
- Thu 11/24 *Thanksgiving Day*
- Sun 11/27 Guest Minister, CH. Col. Stephen Leonard (Ret.)

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But Psalm 43 is also important as we pray for the people to whom they minister. The Bible is very clear about the hardness of men's hearts, and the deafness of men's ears to the Word of God. Those of us who have been at the Evening Services recently have seen vividly in Jeremiah just how stubborn and hard the sinful heart can be, and how resistant that heart can be even to the offer of grace. We have seen in our study in Jeremiah that no matter how the Gospel is presented, whether it be with stern warnings or winsome appeals, whether it be bold proclamation or whether it be illustration and explanation, the sinful heart is always resistant to it.

As we pray for our Missionaries we do not primarily pray for their welfare, or for their finances, or for their comfort (although these are all good things to pray for!); rather, we pray that the Lord would be at work in those to whom they minister and that He would do what only He can do – that He would send out His light and His truth into a sin-darkened and sin-corrupted world. That He would break hearts, and turn ungodly people into those who join with the people of God, resting and rejoicing in God and His salvation.

As we look forward to the Missions Conference, let us use this time to re-ignite our passion for missions, and re-energize our prayers for missions. May we be diligent in praying that across the globe God would be sending out His Light and His Truth. ♦

Women in the Church (WIC): Fall Bible Study*

The Fall Bible Study for women meets each Tuesday evening except the first. The current study is based on Tim Keller's book, *Counterfeit Gods*. Study questions are available on the Resources page of the GIPC website: www.gipc-pca.org

*Please note the following Bible Study locations for November:

- Nov. 8 - Sara Brown's home.
- Nov. 15 - Dr. Diane Bowen's office
- Nov. 22 - No Bible Study (Thanksgiving week)
- Nov. 29 - Sara Brown's home

"Beyond the Pages" Book Group for Women

By Sue Taylor, Book Group Chair

I look forward to the meeting on Tuesday evening, November 1st, at 6 p.m. at my home (contact church office for address).

This month we will be discussing the three books on Alzheimer's, originally planned for October.

I have a special interest in Alzheimer's since my mother had Alzheimer's, beginning in her middle seventies, which is my present age. People with a family history wonder if they will also have Alzheimer's. In the three books we have read, all of the people affected by Alzheimer's were in their fifties.

I hope for good participation in the book group this year. On Tuesday evening we will be choosing books for the remainder of the year, January through May.

World Missions

"Missionary Supply"

When a missionary serves on the field, they are 100% dependent on others to supply their needs. Their "work" is to do the will of God and trust Him to supply their needs. They function by Faith.

As members of the Body of Christ, we have two roles in being part of God's supply: *To Pray and To Give*. We, too, function by Faith.

Every prayer we offer up to God on behalf of a missionary opens the supply line of God's provision. What a privilege God has given us as we privately and publically pray for our missionaries.

May we form the habit of picking up missionary prayer letters located in the Church foyer and then praying – thus being a faithful missionary supplier. Also, you may join every Wednesday evening with others as we corporately pray for missionaries.

As we give money to missions by our Faith Promise gifts, we fulfill our second role as a mission supplier. By so doing we enter into God's will and follow the biblical pattern of giving unto God.

As we fulfill our two responsibilities: *To Pray and To Give*, we become true missionary suppliers.

November 11-13, 2011

Missions Emphasis at GIPC

Please see the Mission Emphasis Brochure (available at the church) for details regarding this year's Conference Schedule, Guest Speakers, and the Faith Promise method of giving.

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(I Peter 2:2)*

Family Worship

Old Testament Reading

| Date | Book | Chapter | ✓ |
|------|---------------------|---------|--------------------------|
| 1 | <i>II Kings</i> | 14 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 | | 15 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 11 | | 24 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 12 | | 25 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 13 | <i>I Chronicles</i> | 1,2 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 14 | | 3,4 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 15 | | 5,6 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 16 | | 7,8 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 28 | | 24,25 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 29 | | 26,27 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 30 | | 28 | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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| 1 | <i>II Timothy</i> | 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 | <i>Titus</i> | 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 | | 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 | | 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5 | <i>Philemon</i> | 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6 | <i>Hebrews</i> | 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 19 | <i>James</i> | 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 23 | | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 24 | <i>I Peter</i> | 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 25 | | 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 26 | | 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 27 | | 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 28 | | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 29 | <i>II Peter</i> | 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 30 | | 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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Private

Old Testament Reading

| Date | Book | Chapter | ✓ |
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| 1 | <i>Hosea</i> | 7 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 9 | <i>Joel</i> | 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 21 | <i>Obadiah</i> | 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 30 | | 5 | <input type="checkbox"/> |

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Psalms & New Testament

| Date | Book | Chapter | ✓ |
|------|---------------|---------|--------------------------|
| 1 | <i>Psalms</i> | 120-122 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2 | | 123-125 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3 | | 126-128 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4 | | 129-131 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 5 | | 132-134 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 6 | | 135,136 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 7 | | 137,138 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 8 | | 139 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 9 | | 140,141 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 10 | | 142 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 11 | | 143 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 13 | | 145 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 14 | | 146,147 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 15 | | 148-150 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 16 | <i>Luke</i> | 1:1-38 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 17 | | 1:39-80 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 18 | | 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
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| 30 | | 14 | <input type="checkbox"/> |

**Week beginning
OCTOBER 30**

Psalm 23:3,4

He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for His name's sake. Even though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for You are with me; Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

**Week beginning
NOVEMBER 6**

Psalm 23:5,6

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever.

**Week beginning
NOVEMBER 13**

Proverbs 19:11, 20

Good sense makes one slow to anger, and it is his glory to overlook an offense. . . Listen to advice and accept instruction, that you may gain wisdom in the future.

**Week beginning
NOVEMBER 20**

Romans 8:28

And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to His purpose.

**Week beginning
NOVEMBER 27**

Romans 8:32

He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things?