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THE SPIRITUAL FRUIT OF PATIENCE

The list known as “Fruit of the Spirit” includes patience (*Gal. 5:22-23*), but that does not mean the Holy Spirit wills it into the believer’s life. Instead, He acts as our ever-dependable teacher and the one who enables our growth. Spiritual fruit is something that matures over time as we obey the heavenly Father and surrender to His will.

Patience with both God and our fellow man is an outgrowth of deepening faith. The Holy Spirit urges believers to take note of the Lord’s handiwork on the journey through life. Our confidence in Him is nurtured by answered prayer, the rich blessings that arise unexpectedly from difficult circumstances, and every trace of good that God salvages from a bad situation. As our trust in His goodness and sovereignty grows, we find ourselves more willing to wait for God’s solutions and outcomes.

In fact, I believe that recognizing God’s sovereignty is key to developing patience. A significant part of surrendering to His absolute control is waiting upon Him to do what He will. It is wisdom to realize that our lives unfold according to His master plan—exasperated toe tapping doesn’t make Him speed up one bit. God expects His children to step into His timeline and practice patience no matter what pace He sets.

Patience doesn’t come naturally. That’s why we have the Holy Spirit. He strengthens our resolve to endure without complaint when progress seems sluggish. After all, God is slow only from a human standpoint. From a divine, eternal perspective, He’s always working at the perfect speed.

A Special Council meeting will be held on Sunday, May 6, to discuss and vote on the remodeling of our Sanctuary and Chapel. An evening meal will be served at 5:00 p.m. with the Church Council meeting beginning at 6:00 p.m. We hope you will join us!

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Church Office Hours
Mon-Fri 9AM-1PM
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MINISTRY INFORMATION

IF YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY PLEASE CONTACT

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CONNECT WITH ANY DEACON OR THE NAMES LISTED ABOVE AS NOTED:

Membership (*Deacons*)

Baptism and Baby Dedications (*Deacons*)

Anointing Service and Prayer Group (*Deacons*)

Personal Counseling (*Deacons and Pastor
Randall Anderson*)

Visitation (*Deacons and Pastor
Randall Anderson*)

Individual and Family Worship Guidance
(*Deacons*)

Benevolence Fund (*Deacons*)

Marriage (*Deacons and Pastor
Randall Anderson*)

Funerals (*Deacons and Pastor
Randall Anderson*)

Licensure/Ordination (*Deacons*)

CURRENT DEACONS TELEPHONE NUMBERS:

Sally and Chris Appleby 717-263-7778

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Chad and Tricia Murray (717) 597-5096

Cindy Pryor (717) 349-0087

Karen Statler (717) 369-3831

CURRENT MINISTRIES WE HAVE:

Head Start

Wednesday Night Bible Study

Prayer Ministries

Season To Serve (Older Adults)

Sunday School

Youth Ministry (6th-12th grades)

WWJD (K-5th grades) Worship With
Junior Disciples

Fifth Sunday Fellowship Breakfast

UPWARD Basketball

Women's Bible Studies

Men Bibles Studies

Family Fun Nights

Church Office Hours are Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Church Office Telephone number 717-504-8789

Church Office Email: brethrenfel@hotmail.com



Join Pastor Randall as he teaches a new Bible Study Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. called: The Hand Off; Hand Your Kids Over to God

FaithFoodFunFellowship

Teen Nights 4 May

Wednesdays 6:30-7:30 p.m.

May 9–Bowling (at Nellie Fox Bowling Alley) Meet at the church or bowling alley.

May 16–Meet our New Intern, Jacob Kegg.

May 23–Teen Nite with Jacob

May 30–Teen Nite with Jacob



No cost for youth to participate!

**Save the date: VBS is back! –
July 9-13, 2018; 9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**



We are inviting all children (ages 4 years old through 5th grade) to soar with us at “*Hero Central-Vacation Bible School.*” This Superhero adventure experience includes music that will energize your ears, interactive Bible fun, super science, cool crafts, delicious snacks, great games and a hands-on mission hero work. We will discover our Strength in God. The fun starts here at Brethren Fellowship. Registrations will be coming soon! More information will also follow for the need of adult/

youth volunteers in the next couple of weeks. If you have a heart for children – we have a place for you in VBS.

Children’s Church (WWJD) is now being held every week in the Gym, during the Worship Service, for Kindergarten through 5th grade, all children are invited to participate.

PMI’s “Walk for Life” will be held on **May 24 and June 2.** Brenda Hockenberry is requesting sponsors to sign-up and support her Walk for Life. Her sign-up sheets are on the Church bulletin board. If you are interested in walking check out their website at pregnancyministries.org. or call 717-267-3738.

As we move forward, we are looking to hire a **Full Time Children’s Ministry Director.** Our candidates will have a back ground in working with children, having a degree is preferred. If you wish to apply for the position or know of someone who would be qualified for the position, please email resumes to brethrenfel@gmail.com or send their resumes to the church.

Wednesday Nights Bible Study, at 6:30 p.m. Pastor Randall will lead the Bible study series, called “Growing Faith on the Farm!” We will take time to discuss when Pastor Randall lived on a farm and what he learned.

FBC Wellsboro is leading 2 Mission Trips with Samaritan’s Purse and has opened it up to people from other churches, and anybody interested in a summer work trips this summer, working with hurricane-caused housing problems? They are scheduled to serve in Baton Rouge, Louisiana July 1-6th. The second trip is to Pearland, Texas, August 19-24th. If interested please contact Kathy or Ron Burge.

COMING TO BRETHERN FELLOWSHIP

We will be creating a new Church Directory. Chuck Armstrong will be taking photos for our new directory and hopes to be able to schedule photo times in May. We will let you know when everything is happening so you can have your picture in the directory, (if you would like.)

Total offering to date: \$94,896.52

Total Special Offerings to date: \$ 1121.00

*“Steady plodding brings prosperity;
hasty speculation brings poverty. Proverbs 21:5*

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

THANK YOU

The Outreach Committee would like to thank all who gave to the Pregnancy Ministry by filling up a baby bottle. Total giving was \$568.33.

Praise the Lord!! We would like to thank our church family and friends for the cards, phone calls and support during our difficult time. We would like to thank everyone also for all the Birthday cards and wishes for Menno's 90th Birthday celebration.—Menno Landis and family.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Saundra Angle
Brooklyn Angle
Ruth Clugston
Doris DeMuth
Jan Diaz
Julia Diller
Alyssa Dunn
Jessica Dunn
Brody Eiker



Karen Frey
Mary Jo Hall
Mildred Hornbaker
Heather Lee
Peggy Leedy
Andy Kramer
Tina Pittman
Linda Pletcher
Randy Plyler

Sharon Schaeffer
Beulah Secrest
Troy Shover
Steve Vanpelt
Tony Verno
Alma Wenger
Donald Wenger

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Leon and Judy Beirbower
Steve and Linda Brunner
John and Ruth Clugston

Andy and Courtney Kramer
Tom and Jonora Hovetter
Lynn and Lynn Rotz

Gary and Pam Seibert
Duane and Janice Statler
Frank and Camille West

CHANGES TO YOUR INFORMATION

If your address, telephone number, cell phone number or email has changed please let the church office know so we can keep in touch with you. You can email Mona at brethrenfel@hotmail.com or place a note in the church mailbox. If you haven't received a birthday card or anniversary card, please let us know the correct dates for our records, so you too can receive cards.

UPCOMING CALENDAR SPECIAL EVENTS

May 6 Church Council Meeting; Meal at 5:00 p.m.; Meeting at 6:00 p.m.
May 13 Mothers Day
May 20 Husbands' Fellowship Evening 5:00 p.m. (Place not set yet.)
May 28 Memorial Day-Church Office will be closed

**A Special Church Council Meeting will be held on
May 20 after the Worship Service.**

MAY 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 9:00a-Gifts Discernment 12:30 HOG Yoga 6-8p-Spanish Church 6:30p-Discipleship	2 6:30 Youth Group 6:30p-Adult Bible Study	3 All day gym reserved 6:30p Youth Small Group 6-8p-Spanish Church	4 8:30a-430p Gym reserved	5 6-8:00p-Spanish Church
6 9:00a-Sunday School 10:00a-Worship Service Pastor Randy preaching 5:00p- Dinner before meeting 6:00p-Council Meeting	7 6:30p-Property Team 6:30p-Worship and Music Team	8 12:30 HOG Yoga 6-8p-Spanish Church 6:30p-Outreach	9 6:30 Youth Group 6:30p-Adult Bible Study	10 6:30p Youth Small Group 6-8p-Spanish Church	11	12 6-8:00p-Spanish Church
13 9:00a-Sunday School 10:00a-Worship Service Pastor Randy preaching	14	15 12:30p-HOG Yoga 6-8p-Spanish Church 6:30-Finance 6:30-Deacons Newsletter Articles Due	16 6:30 Youth Group 6:30p-Adult Bible Study	17 6:30p Youth Small Group 6-8p-Spanish Church	18	19 6-8:00p-Spanish Church
20 9:00a-Sunday School 10:00a-Worship Service Council Meeting after Worship Pastor Randall preaching Husbands' Fellowship Evening 3-8p-Gym Reserved	21	22 12:30 HOG Yoga 6-8p-Spanish Church	23 6:30 Youth Group 6:30p-Adult Bible Study	24 6:30p Youth Small Group 6-8p-Spanish Church	25	26 1-6p-Gym reserved 6-8:00p-Spanish Church
27 9:00a-Sunday School 10:00a-Worship Service Pastor Randall preaching 10:00a-Worship Service	28 Church Office Closed for Memorial Day Holiday	29 6:30p-Chairs of Leadership meeting	30 6:30 Youth Group 6:30p-Adult Bible Study	31 12-5p-Gym, Kitchen, Chapel reserved		

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HOG Yoga is held in the Chapel

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