

# Wildwood Church of Christ

114 Cleveland Ave. Wildwood, FL. 34785

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Sunday: Bible Class – 9:30a.m. Worship – 10:30a.m. Wednesday Bible Class – 6:30p.m.

TLC(Tuesday Ladies Care) – Every Tuesday 9:30a.m. in Fellowship Hall

**2023 Theme: Be What Matters!**

**Theme for October: "Be Enriching!" - Hebrews 4:12**

**October 15, 2023**

Song #428 His Yoke Is Easy

Song #379 I Walk With The King

Prayer – Bob Grove

Pass Communion

Song #318 I Love The Lord

Lord's Supper – Louis Rushmore

Jimmy Glenn Jim Routzahn

Ron Rollins

Song #552 I Know Whom I Have Believed

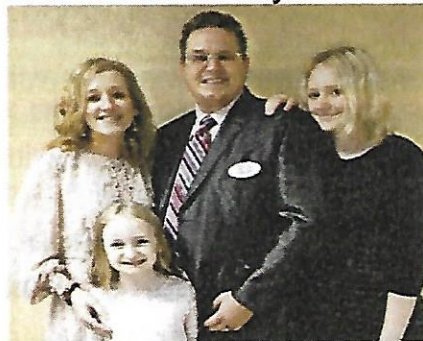
Sermon

Song #885 Only A Step

Song #512 God Will Take Care Of You

Prayer – Joe Marshall

Our guest speaker to is David Paher, one of the missionaries that the Wildwood congregation helps to support. David and Philena grew up in the church of Christ. David's grandfather was a bi-vocational preacher and an elder. Philena's father has been in full-time preaching ministry for nearly 40 years; her grandfather, 24 years at the Goudy Church in Ohio. David and Philena married in March 1999 and graduated in 2000 from the East Tennessee School of Preaching and Mission, now called Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies. From 2001 to 2013, they ministered among churches in Virginia, Alabama, and Michigan. They are raising two daughters in this life, and they have two children in Paradise. David has a heart for missions, and his family is very supportive of his commitment to Guyana.



*Having hearts made for ministry, David & Philena love to serve God and help others. Their daughters are energetic and anticipate joining dad in Guyana.*

"I am a preacher, teacher and soul-winner to the indigenous Amerindian people in Guyana, South America. Much like the Apostle Paul tutored Timothy, longtime missionary, Jerry O. Davidson, mentored me in this work from 2014 to his retirement in 2018. We continue where he left off with a very focused plan."





## PRAYER LIST

- ~ **Dale Jones's** health has greatly declined and was taken to the hospital this past week. They have now called in hospice and he will be taken to the hospice facility as soon as a bed is ready.
- ~ **Eddie Duncan** had the surgery for the cochlear implant last week. He is home and recovering and they are looking forward to hopefully coming back down to Wildwood in December.
- ~ **Wayne Freeman** is recovering well after his fall, resulting in the crack in his pelvic/hip area. The doctor said it would take 1 to 3 months to heal. Thankfully he did not need surgery.
- ~ **Don & Joyce Albert** are back down here in Wildwood, along with their daughter Tina. Joyce has been sick with the flu and other respiratory illnesses.
- ~ **Bryan Noland** is scheduled to have more surgery on his jaw on November 6<sup>th</sup>. They have to remove the bone they have already grafted in and try to graft some more.
- ~ Be in prayer as we begin our search for an **Associate/Family Minister**. We have a young man, Jonah Dawes, coming to try out on November 5<sup>th</sup>.
- ~ There is a note from the Fred Casteel family and one from Reida Glenn on the bulletin board in the foyer.

**Remember:** Larry & Janet Hyder, Basile Summers, Cut Barco, Pat Ponsford, Edra Nell Courtney, Myrna Human, Charles & Mary Jane Wright, Howard Alls, Alice Wayne, Eddie Duncan, Patricia Webber, Jamie McCartney, Ken & Sherry Scott, Wayne & Joyce Freeman, Sam Costa, Steve Hutspiller, family of Ricky Baker, family of Tara Strickland, John & Loraine da Silva, Keith Jones, Lottie Colton, Ron & Carol Rollins, Shirley Threet, John & Leigh Workman, Jeanette Harris, Joyce Prather, Taylor Williams & family, Millie Tudor, Tina Lipps, & her mom Sharon, Jim & Sue Allison, Teresa Broyles, Bill Cefaloni, Glenda Mount, Tim Sigler, Kathy Cefaloni, Peggy Baird, Kacey Terry, Amanda (Joan Strickland's granddaughter), Cody Grissom, Sister Dorothy Colton, Al Alvarez, Kellie Ward, Bryan Noland, Guy Grove, Mollie Holley

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ~ **Tommy & Kay Marshall** placed membership with us last week. We are so glad to have them as part of our Wildwood church family. Everyone make sure to meet them and make them feel welcome. Their directory page with their information is on the table in the foyer.
- ~ **Our next congregational pot-luck fellowship meal** will be the **first** Sunday in November the 5<sup>th</sup>. This will be a good time to get to know the Jonah Dawes, who is interested in the ministry position, and his wife.
- ~ **Thanksgiving Fellowship Meal:** As we did last year, we will be having a Thanksgiving meal in the fellowship hall on Thursday, November 23 (Thanksgiving Day). This is for **anyone** who would like to come and be part of this fellowship, especially those who will not be with family that day. There is a sign-up list in the foyer and soon there will be a sign-up list for food to help with.
- ~ **Saturday, October 28<sup>th</sup>**, 4:00-6:00 pm is our **Trunk or Treat**.

**PANTRY Items Needed – Canned Fruit Applesauce Toilet Paper**

\*\*\*We need **names and addresses of families** that could use a **Thanksgiving Box**. If you know of a family, please give the information to David or Sarah Myers.

**October Birthdays:** Myrna Human-4, Andy McKay-4, Millie Tudor-6, Jim Routzahn-11, Cheryl Botts-12, Waylon Hileman-13, Cut Barco-13, Sam Blankenship-14, Gavin Pope-16, Jack Kyle-16, Melissa Young-28, Erica Watts-29, Candee Terry-31

**October Anniversaries:** Gabe & Kristen Williams-6, Don & Millie Tudor-11, Wayne & Joyce Freeman-11, Kevin & Jennifer Freeman-13, Ernie & Mary Wise-16

**Nursery Class:** Oct 15-Kelley Whited Oct 22-Lana Vernon Oct 29-Destiny Green

**Greeters:** Oct 15-Myrna Human & Judy Kyle Oct 22-Joan Strickland & Reese Meskil Oct 29-Jim & Linda Routzahn

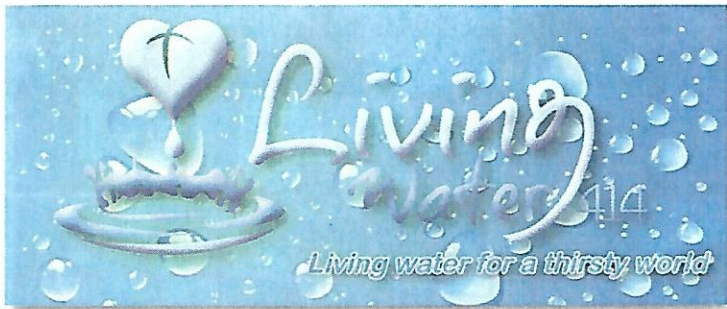
**Communion Preparation:** October-Peggy Murphy & Reida Glenn November-Mary Costa December-June Crenshaw

**Security:** Oct.15 & 18 – Howard Alls Oct 22 & 25 – Joe Marshall Oct 29 – Howard Alls

**Lock-Up:** October - Fred French







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### Current Highlights

- ☞ Lethem visit highlights
  - ☞ Many home visits and studies
  - ☞ 300 lbs of items donated
- ☞ Reporting Major Accomplishments
  - ☞ Blueberry Hill, Cotton Tree, Culvert City & Meer-zorg (Wakenaam) congregations
- ☞ Church van needed
  - ☞ \$2,000 raised
  - ☞ \$8,000 needed
- ☞ Next trip is planned for October

### Previous Highlights

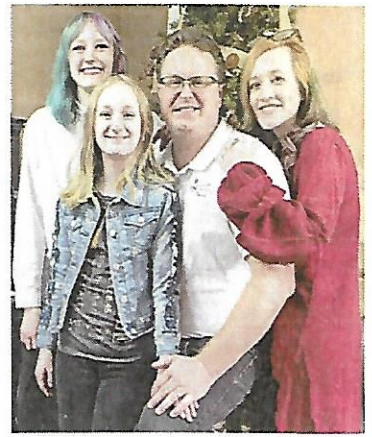
- ☞ Diligent Preachers & Involved Members
- ☞ Ministry flourishes despite pandemic effects
- ☞ Update on Philena's health

Those who drink the water that I give will never be thirsty again.

(John 4:14)



Dear Readers: Early Christians witnessed biblical miracles—like “spiritual steriods.” Oh, to have some of that! But we sing “Teach Me Lord to Wait” and “In His Time” for we believe in God’s providence (Romans 8:28). From this perspective, it is awesome to watch ministry unfold and take shape according to His plan. And having the return of good health is wonderful and is a true gift from our Maker.



### Visit to Lethem, Guyana

After fifteen months of internet ministry, I returned to Lethem, Guyana to lay my eyes on the work again. With Philena and Felicity by my side, we visited the homes of many Christians. They were so glad to see us again and all of us were encouraged. This was Felicity’s first time to visit.



*The Christians in Lethem received us with gladness of hearts.*

During the weekend, we conducted special lessons on Saturday and Sunday and also presented the church with nearly 300 lbs of supplies brought along with our luggage, items donated by many of you.



*We brought close to 300 lbs of Bible class materials, worship supplies and clothing for the local Christians to distribute.*





The Blueberry Hill church continues to flourish with its ministries. Their preacher, Sheldon Jones, visited churches during five weeks in June-July. I continue to teach "Christian Growth" on Wednesday nights via the internet.

### Major Accomplishments

The **Culvert City Church of Christ** (pictured on page 1) is now legally autonomous and desires to become self-sustaining. Members recognize the need for leadership, and it is the prayer of the Richmond eldership for the Culvert City to appoint its first elders soon. This goal is on the heart of every missionary, and we pray for this.

The **Blueberry Hill Church of Christ** (pictured above) has thriving church ministries—evangelism, youth and others. There are many studies as well as new prospects. The Wednesday class has several non-Christians in attendance.

The **Cotton Tree Church of Christ** (pictured opposite column) has held and/or participated in several week-long crusades with great attendance.

The **Meer-zorg Church of Christ** (pictured below) loves getting together, and enjoys a healthy and happy fellowship. Moreover, this small island church is growing. They evangelize their community, couples have been baptized and members are being retained.

In addition to this, the church is breaking ground on their new building in August, a long awaited answer to prayer.



The Wakenaam saints love to worship God and have fellowship.



Dharmendra Ramgobin preaches and ministers with the Cotton Tree church. Recent revivals have been well-attended.

### A Church Van Needed

The Culvert City church, prior to the pandemic, was able to utilize a privately owned van to pick up members from this extensive, rural area, even secondary students from their local dorms. Unfortunately, the van broke beyond repair. With aging members, transportation is all the more important for this church's ministries. We are, therefore, accepting funds to assist in securing a van, and we believe it will greatly enhance Culvert City's outreach abilities for the members in the community and the outlying villages. We have found such a van and need \$8,000 more. Will you be able to assist?



A much needed van would greatly serve the transportation needs of the Culvert City church in the Lethem hub.

Philena is doing well, considering that her epilepsy affects memory, language and executive function on a daily basis. We manage; have up-coming tests. Prayers are appreciated!

~David and Philena

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