


VICTORY BAPTIST CHURCH

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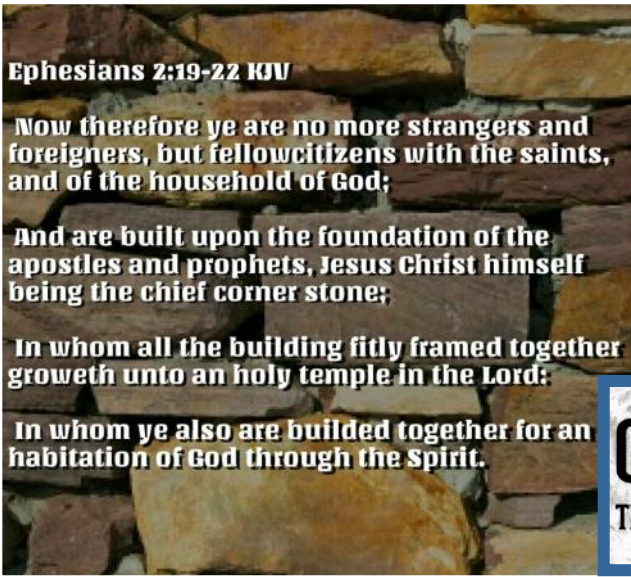


Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ.

1 Peter 2:5

 Daily Bible Inspirations

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL OF OUR MISSIONARIES & MINISTRY HELPS
The Bateman's, Argentina & The Deatrick's, Solomon Islands



Ephesians 2:19-22 KJV

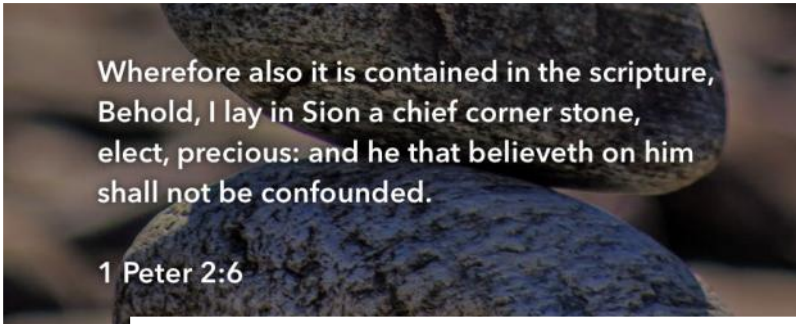
Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;

And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;

In whom all the building fitly framed together groweth unto an holy temple in the Lord:

In whom ye also are built together for an habitation of God through the Spirit.

CHRIST
THE CORNERSTONE



Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, elect, precious: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

1 Peter 2:6

UNTO YOU THEREFORE WHICH BELIEVE HE IS PRECIOUS: BUT UNTO THEM WHICH BE DISOBEDIENT, THE STONE WHICH THE BUILDERS DISALLOWED, THE SAME IS MADE THE HEAD OF THE CORNER, -1 PETER 2:7 KJV



Sunday School @ 10:00 AM
Sunday Worship @ 11:00 AM
Sunday Evening Worship @ 6:00 PM

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PHYSICAL NEEDS/CANCER

Bates, Jensen (Toddler with Leukemia.)
Baxter, Georgia (friend of Chambers)
Buchanan, Gary (Prostate Cancer)
Cook, Donna (D. Nation's cousin-Bone Cancer.)
Cratty, Dale (Ms. Nora's friend-Uterine Cancer.)
Deitz, Beverly (Friend of June Fox-Cancer)
Driggers, Bill (Prostate Cancer-Radiation)
Duvall, Larry (Debbie L. Brother-Melanoma cancer. His brain tumor is also growing again.)
Egan, Evalee (Steven's 1st cousin-Stage 4 Cancer)
Fitzgerald, Michelle (Mike F. sister-Breast Cancer.)
French, Jan (Friend of Carol E. -Lung Cancer & caregiver, Marcie)
Godfrey, Paul (P. Mills brother-in-law-Stage 4 Bone Cancer)
Henry, Larry (Prostate Cancer)
Holland, Glenda (Friend of Steve & Harriett Angel-Leukemia)
Houck, Amy (G. Bowles' Niece-Breast Cancer-50 years old)
Howard, Pam (Friend of A. Jones-Lung Cancer.)
Jones, Brian (Chemo treatment for Brain Tumor is affecting his liver)
Jones, Jeffrey (Brian's brother -Surgery & Chemo.)
Loftis, Katie (Skin cancer-lymph nodes.)
Mabrey, Robin (D. Lambert's friend)
Magers, Harland (Friend of Jane Weaver-Brain cancer 46 yrs old)
McCoy, Wanda (D. Lambert's friend)
Pollard, Wanda (D. Green's friend-Bone Cancer.)
Pritchett, Marie (Cousin of the LaVigne family-Aggressive form of cancer.)
Ray, Mike (L. Henry's Brother-in-law-Brain aneurysm & Cancer.)
Teem, Katherine (Shaye & Cheryl's Aunt 89 yrs old-Leukemia)
Riva (H. Parris' 1st cousin-Cancer.)
Juanita (Friend of L. George.- Pancreatic Cancer)
Megan (Daughter of Pastor Marty & Pam Masitto)

SERVICEMEN Prayer List

PFC Gavin Robinson-Army, Germany (Bowles' grandson)
Cameron Barzotti, US Navy (Bowles' grandson)
Schweinsaupt, Jonathan (Deployed for 6 months.)
McGaha, Jay (Pastor's nephew- Marines)

PRAYER LIST OF MISSIONARIES

McKinney, Ron & Kay (Physical needs)
The Vance Family (Physical needs)
Hawke, Robert & Jean (Physical needs)
Poe, Debbie (Squamous Cell Carcinoma in her mouth.)
Dehart, Dawn (Detached Retina- Recovering from surgery.)
Dayanand, Sharon-Passing of her husband, Sam.

PRAYER LIST OF PREACHERS

Bagwell, Benny & Beth
Winch, Don (Back Pain and declining health.)
Marty & Pam Masitto -God's leading.
Moore, Mike (Healing from a broken vertebrae after a fall.)

PHYSICAL NEEDS/OTHER

Allen, Dakota (Ms. Evie's relative-Colon issues.)
Anders, Wayne (Friend of Howard P./Heart issues.)
Arceneau, Willow (Carol E. granddaughter-Encephalitis)
Barnes, Mary (Carol E. sister-Salvation)
Bennett, Kay (Friend of The Parris' -Health issues.)
Blankenship, Janie (Health Issues/Memorial Mission.)
Chambers, Shannon (Ron C. DILaw-Physical needs.)
Chambers, Reggie & Edith (Ron Chamber's uncle & aunt-Physical needs)
Clark, Melena & Edward-Mother & Son (Salvation and freed from drug usage.)
Clayton, Jerry & Marian (Physical needs.)
Connerly, Sue & Leroy (Sue has Lewy Body dementia and her husband, as he cares for her.)
Cottongim, Phyllis (Physical needs and Norm caring for her.)
Cunningham, Willa Mae (R. Parris' sister -Physical needs.)
Douglas, Loretta (Longtime friend of Arlene D.-Possible Leg amputation.)
Gennett, Julie (Friend of G. Bowles-Health issues.)
Green, Bud (Macrodeg. Eye disease and salvation.)
Greene, Grayson (G. Greene's Granddaughter-Health Issues)
Hatcher, Mike (The Einstein's Son is hospitalized in FL with heart issues. He had two stints.)
Henry, Jimmy (General health after a liver transplant.)
Hohenstein, Gisela (Friend of Jane W.-Severe health issues.)
Hunter, Kent & Elaine (Friends of H. Parris-Health issues.)
Johnson, Teresa (VCS Lunchroom Lady-Health issues)
Jones, Lynne (Friend of Carol E.-health problems and selling her cabin. Also, Carrie Keith-Heart problems.)
McMahan, Mag (Please pray for her and her caregivers.)
Mills, Barbara (Friend of M. Fitzgerald-Dementia and her daughter has she cares for her.)
Montgomery Family (Friends of the Hughes'-Physical, emotional & spiritual needs.)
MuKherjee, Sam & Nikki (Carol E. granddaughter and husband. Salvation.)
Pate, Ronda (Carol Einstein's Daughter-Liver complications)
Pinsonbarger, Jo (Friend of J. Weaver-Heart Trouble)
Rivera, Rafael (Bitterness toward God & father's salvation)
Schweinsaupt, Samuel, Laura, Gavin & Lincoln (Please pray that the court will do the right thing for Lincoln.)
Smith, Wayne (Salvation)
Spink, Linda (Carol E. 1st Cousin-Bacteremia-Serious condition in the hospital in CA. Her daughter, Tracy is caring for her.)
Stin, Jenifer (Jewish lady who needs salvation)
Ward, Paul (Valerie Dillard's father- Stage 5 Kidney Disease.)
Willis, Amy (Mother of VCS students. Has had 2 miscarries and is now pregnant again. Prayers for a safe pregnancy & delivery.)
Wood, Shaye (Knee problem and pain.)
The Gray Family (Special request)
Mickey & Elaine (Lord we lift them up to you!)
Stephens, Kevin (VCS Car accident- HE GOT TO GO HOME! Still needs prayer for complete healing.)
Noah & Samantha's newborn baby.
Debbie Coffey's Mother (Physical needs.)
Darren & Maureen (Darren got to go home this week.)
Lawson, Sandra (Friend of E. Johnson-Back Surgery)
Chandler, Sheila (Friend of E. Johnson-Dialysis.)
Allison, Noelene (Friend of E. Johnson-Stomach Surgery.)
Pilkerton, Charlie (Friend of A. Jones-ICU in Asheville.)
Lance, Tom (Tracy McGaha's Father-Pneumonia- Hosp in Asheville.)
Patrick, Forrest (Ms. Tonya's Grandfather-Septic- Hosp in Asheville.)

"PRAY FOR OUR YOUTH"

"PRAY FOR OUR PASTOR AND HIS FAMILY"

"PRAY FOR OUR NATION"



Mark Your Calendar

Saturday, Oct. 11th @ 11:00 AM
Ladies Meeting @ VCS Cafeteria
“Blessings”

Please sign up @ the Welcome Center

Saturday, Oct. 11th @ 6:30 PM
SMCPA—Widow’s Outing
“God’s Promised Seed, The Christ”
(See Doreen for details.)

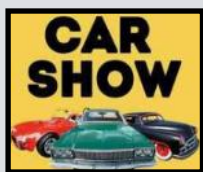


Sunday, October 12th
FRIEND DAY @ VBC

Sunday, Oct. 19th PM Service
Missionary Jeff Reason

Saturday, Oct. 25th
VCS Fall Festival & Fundraiser

Sunday, Oct. 26th after AM service
VBC Youth Field Trip to Darnell Farms
(Please sign up @ the Welcome Center)



Saturday, Nov. 1st @ 10:00
AM
Car Show in the VBC
Parking Lot

Sunday, Nov. 2nd AM service
“Old Fashioned Sunday”
(Covered Dish Luncheon in the Gym)

Faith Promise 2025-2026

\$105,000.00 Budget

October Monthly Faith Promise

Offerings: \$2,590.00

Missions: The Investment you can
Bank on for Eternity!

Monthly Payout: \$8,621.00

Thank you for giving to Missions!

The vote to help Arnold Woodard
with the \$5,000.00 donation was
unanimously approved! Thank you.

PRAY FOR VCS

10/09 @ 4:00 PM VCS GYM

Home Game-Volleyball



Lady Cardinals vs
Abundant Life

Senior Night!

Come out and support the Ladies!



If you would be interested
in attending the Oct. 11th
game @ 2:30 PM, please let
the office know.

We have 5 free tickets.

1st Come-1st Serve!

I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord.
Psalm 122:1



Victory Baptist Church: The month of August we celebrated El Día Del Niño, which is Children's Day. It is like Father's or Mother's day except for the kids. This is the third year that the churches have put on an event for this holiday. At Victory we had 45 children to show up with their parents. From this event a lady named Deborah and her two young daughters began to attend. She brought her 16 year old son Brandon to the next service and after I preached that night he raised his hand for salvation. We were able to speak to him after the service and he has begun to attend the youth meeting, and faithfully attending church services with his mom and sisters. He is a drug addict, but he wants to be set free. Please pray for this family.

Faith Baptist Church: Likewise Faith Baptist held their event and we 31 children to attend. It has also born fruit, a lady named Cecelia has begun to attend faithfully all church services. She is confused about salvation, so please pray for us as we help her understand that salvation is by grace and not by works. Cecilia walks over a mile to come to our church, and has a 21 year old son who is battling drugs.

September: This month my family and I will be traveling the first weekend of the month top reach in Redeemer Baptist Church for our friends Derlis and Belen in La Plata. They began this work almost two years ago and are doing a fantastic job. Also this month we will be having our fourth annually Men's Retreat. Missionary to Ecuador Pablo de Godos will be speaking at this event.

Prayer Points:

- Pray for church growth.
- Pray for a young man at Faith Baptist Church named Gian Carlo. He just turned 19 and is interested in serving Christ.
- Pray for the upcoming Men's Retreat

"You have been speaking about William Carey. When I am gone, say nothing about William Carey; speak only about William Carey's Savior." — *William Carey Missionary to India*



Please remember that our mission's mailing address has changed. Send all communications and support to:

Vision Baptist Missions
P.O. Box 647
Dawsonville, GA 30534



El Día Del Niño in Faith Baptist



El Día Del Niño in Victory



Pray for Gian Carlo as he wants to serve in the ministry

Thank you for your support!

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the Deatrick Family

MICHAEL - NORA - CORBAN - KEZIA - ELLIE - LILIAS - SIMEON

August 2025

Land



"This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes" (Psalm 118:23). How do you even put into words an answer to seven years of prayers? We are humbled, and our hearts are filled with praise to our great God. Towards the beginning of this term, we thought our goal of purchasing land would have to wait one more term. But God. A few weeks ago, Michael and Pastor Joseph signed the vendor's and buyer's agreement, and we received the title on August 4th. Over 5,000 square meters of land here in Honiara is now in the name of Pacific Light Baptist Church. Really, it belongs to God, and we are so excited to see how He will use this property for His glory.

We were thrilled to host our first supporting pastor here on the field at the end of July. What a blessing Pastor Reimers was to our family and our church. While he was here, we had a special prayer of dedication on the new church property. I wish each one of you could have been here for that. The people of Pacific Light Baptist Church are just in awe of God's provision through so many of you. Thank you to each one who gave. Individual thank-you notes will be sent out soon.

Ministry



The ministry continues on with outreach and discipleship. We are busy preparing members to become disciplers themselves, which is exciting. We had three baptisms last month as well. We have been praying for one woman for over a year, and she received Christ as her Savior and wanted to get baptized before traveling to another province for her husband's teaching job. Please pray for this dear couple as they lack discipleship and fellowship. We rejoice with the angels over each sinner who repents! Michael has begun a course on godly living with the men, and Nora is doing one with the women. Nora has also started teaching piano lessons to some of the girls in the church who asked. We are grateful to Cornerstone Baptist Church in Greenville, SC, for providing piano lesson books.

Last Saturday was a special day, as several of our church members gathered at the property with machetes (here they are called bush knives) to work on clearing the land. Much of the land was filled with gardens belonging to our new neighbors, so Pastor Joseph and Michael brought each family a big bag of rice as a gesture of love and understanding for their lost labors. The land needs to be cleared of all gardens and brush before we can have a company come for UXO clearance. They have to inspect the land for unexploded ordinances (bombs) left over from World War II before we can begin development. There is much to do! Thank you for your prayers for safety and wisdom in each step ahead.



Family



Through some friends here, the Lord provided a wonderful rental home on the other side of town, much closer to the new property. This will make the commute and long days at the property so much easier! Due to construction, the traffic from the other side of town was horrible. While newly remodeled duplexes like this are going for three times as much, they are generously allowing us to pay the same price we were renting our previous home for. On top of that, it has solar! Not only does that mean huge savings on electricity, which is the most expensive in the world, but it also means consistent power when frequent power outages have been common. The solar also means a/c! We have either had no a/c or very limited a/c in all of our other homes here. Lord willing, we will be staying here until we can get a house built on the church property.

Pray with us...

In our next update letter, we will share more about our goals moving forward. For now, would you join us in praying for these ministry needs here in Honiara, Solomon Islands? We are in desperate need of fellow laborers. There is so much to be done, the fields are white, and time is short. The focus of each of the ministry opportunities below is The Great Commission. Some areas would be short-term commitments to train Islanders to take over, and others would be long-term commitments.

- English and Literacy Training Center
- Bible college and ministry training center
- Christian school administrator and teachers
- Addiction and prison ministry
- Aviation ministry with a seaplane rating
- Evangelism and Discipleship trips to outer provinces
- Public school outreach and Bible classes
- Domestic abuse, abandonment, and orphan ministry

We praise the Lord for the good health He has given our family over the past several months. The beginning of this year was filled with a lot of viruses and different illnesses. Once we got settled into this new home, Nora and the three oldest children will start back to homeschooling. It is hard to believe how fast these little ones grow! Simeon now has four teeth and is scooting all over the floor, while Kezia has her first loose tooth, which she is quite excited about. We are so thankful for the great privilege and responsibility it is to train each of our children in the nurture and admonition of the Lord.

Thank you so much for your faithful prayers, love, and support for our family and for the ministry here!

All for Him,
Michael, Nora, Corban, Kezia,
Ellie, Lilias, Simeon Deatrick

Solomon Islands

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From the Heart of a Pastor –

“Beyond Betrayal”



Could there be any struggle more difficult with which to deal than that of being betrayed by someone that you love and with whom you have shared your heart? From family members to friends, from companions to co-workers, there is perhaps no greater emotional pain that one individual can inflict upon another than to wound someone in such a manner. History is filled with tragic tales of those who endured these types of profound hurt. Some of the greatest prose ever put on paper have chronicled the stories of those who have been stabbed, not in the back, but through the heart by those in whom they had invested themselves. Far more than the time or money that had been given was the way one person had poured emotionally into the life of another, only to be wounded deeply in the end.

For those that are not only history enthusiasts, but also fans of literature, Shakespeare tells of Julius Caesar and the conspiracy surrounding his death. After having united the forces of Rome and having extended the Empire and its influence in the world, Caesar found that the greatest threats to Pax Romana were not external, they were internal. But a plot is now hatched to ensure that Caesar does not declare himself king, but that power remains in the hands of the senate. When the time came for the murderous mob to assassinate Caesar, it was agreed that each would share in his death. And yet, as Brutus thrusts the dagger, Caesar declares, “Thou also, Brutus!” It was as if he could believe that the others had hated him and hurt him in such a manner, but for Brutus, the honorable man that he was, to do so was unimaginable.

Shakespeare says, “This was the most unkindest cut of all.” This was the betrayal of a friend by a friend. Interesting, isn’t it that certain names are now forever associated with betrayal or treachery? Alongside Brutus, the same could be said of Robert the Bruce, who betrayed William Wallace, Benedict Arnold, and, of course, Judas. Years ago, a pastor friend of mine remarked, “Every Pastor will, at some point in their life, have a Judas experience.” I did not know what he meant at the time, but in the decades that have passed since he made that statement, I have learned exactly what he meant. It could also be accurately stated that it is doubtful that anyone will be used greatly until they have been wounded deeply. Our response to that injury will affect the course of our lives.

What is it about betrayal that is truly so different than other pains? Could it be that those hurts that were experienced externally heal better and quicker because they are more easily seen by others and require more immediate attention, while those that are hidden quietly destroy us from the inside out? We don’t want to admit that we have been betrayed, and we certainly don’t want to acknowledge the degree of damage that has been done for fear of being seen as weak. But the greatest One that ever lived suffered the pain of betrayal and still loved the one that betrayed Him with a kiss.

As difficult as it is to acknowledge, God knows that we need the rough places in our lives. We need the valleys and the rocky slopes of the mountainside. It has been said, “It is in the valley that you grow.” Furthermore, we need to understand that if the sun always shined the flowers wouldn’t bloom. These are not just empty platitudes. They are words of wisdom and direction. Only when we stand on the mountain can we appreciate what it took to get there.

I remember the days and especially the nights after Tonya began having seizures when she was pregnant with Jonathan. I found myself asking a lot of questions in my own heart and mind. I even threw a few sizeable pity parties for myself; asking the very thing I just mentioned - “Why me?” As if that just because I was a pastor, my family, and I were somehow immune to this sort of thing. There were many nights when I laid awake talking to God, sometimes complaining to Him more than talking, about what was going on with us. I guess I thought He did not know. One of my problems is that I was talking when I should have been listening. I should have listened enough to see that we are all susceptible to these types of issues.

It will help us all to understand that the Child of God is never exempt from times of trouble, but we can expect support and strength, comfort and compassion, peace and protection, during the trouble from the One who is above the trouble.

Instead of looking within, which brings depression; looking around which brings discouragement; or looking down which brings defeat; we must choose to look up, which will bring to us, and to others, Delight. Instead of living “under the circumstances” look to the One that is above the circumstances. Feeling the presence of God, and resting in the promises and provisions of God, has transformed many fearful souls into faithful servants in the army of the Lord.