

READINESS

So when the LORD saw that he turned aside to look, God called to him from the midst of the bush and said, "Moses, Moses!" And he said, "Here I am." Exodus 3:4

What if God called your name?

Be careful not to be so busy telling God where you want to go and what you want to do that you don't hear Him calling you. God does not need a résumé from you. You may have talent, skills and experience that make you fit for the work you have in mind. You may have no doubts about your ability in certain areas.

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On the other hand you may be totally unprepared or not inclined for some work, having none of the skills, talents, and experience to equip you for the job.

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To be baptized into Christ is to give your life to God. As a result of hearing the message of the gospel, your heart is convicted and you know that God is calling your name. All of a sudden everything is very clear...the fog has gone...burned away by the presence of God. Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus we would say...

... "Did not our heart burn within us while He talked with us on the road, and while He opened the Scriptures to us?" Luke 24:32

Now we know that He loves us, and that He wants us to be with Him, and it does not matter if He asks us to do something big or something small. He simply wants to know if I am a ready soul. That bush that burned yet was not burned up...guess what? It still has not burned up. God is still calling His people so He can use them as instruments of salvation in this lost world. He does it by calling us first to Him, and a ready person does not have to get ready.

Are you ready?



That meets at 215 South Thomas Ave, Sayre, PA 18840
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June 4, 2017

WELCOME!

Sunday

Bible Class- 9:30 a.m.

Worship- 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class- 10:00 a.m.

Thursday

Home Bible study-7:00pm

**ALL THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST
GREET YOU.
ROMANS 16:16**

Today's Sermon: *Called to Holiness – part 1*

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Scripture: 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1

ANNOUNCEMENTS / UPCOMING EVENTS...

- **Next potluck: June 18. Summer theme.**
- **Ladies Class: has been suspended for the summer. We will resume after Labor Day in September. Watch this space!**
- **Midweek Bible study Thursday nights at 7pm.**



- ✓ There will be a summer outreach campaign in Tunkhannock involving visiting workers, beginning in June. Dave and Lynne Laton and Jimmy Davis have arrived there on Thursday in order to help with partitions in the new worship premises.
- ✓ Darlene and Jackie will be leaving tomorrow, June 5th for Locust Grove, OK to be with Vicki as she recovers from breast cancer surgery. They will return on the 14th.
- ✓ Arthur and Sandy have booked a flight to Alaska on June 26th, returning July 10th. They will be visiting their son, Robin, his wife, Katie and their 7 children in Soldotna. Nate's dad will be preaching here on July 9th, but at this point we do not have a preacher for July 2nd.
- ✓ Arthur is working on a canoe/kayak trip down the Susquehanna River from Owego to Sayre to take place sometime this summer. We may try a few shorter excursions first to "test the waters". ;-) This is for all who are interested.
- ✓ Arthur is currently involved with two church groups in Guyana, South America. He teaches weekly lessons to each group via Skype.
- ✓ Sandy has been reaching out to several young Christian mothers in China (Inner Mongolia and Shaanxi Provinces) via WeChat, a Chinese equivalent of Skype or FaceTime, which are both prohibited there. These ladies ask questions about how to raise their children to be Christians.

PRAYERS...

- Please pray for the situation in England where terrorist attacks are happening in Manchester and London. Pray for comfort for the families and friends of the victims and peace for all those traumatized by these events.
- Pray for all of our family members and loved ones who are yet lost or have strayed far away to come (back) to Christ.
- Pray for Lori Kashorek as she continues to recover from successful removal of a brain tumor at the same time as she is managing her lung cancer. She is feeling weaker this week.
- Doug Elsbree had a scope to look at his esophagus and a colonoscopy at the VA in Wilkes-Barre on Tuesday. He seems to have an ulcer and Barrett's esophagus, but the colon is clear.
- Vicki Joice, Darlene's sister, has been told she will need to have chemo plus Herceptin infusions, and radiation therapy. She will be having a port inserted soon for the IV treatments.
- Pray for Emily Barry as she prepares for surgery on her thyroid sometime in July.
- Please remember Kiley and Thomas Dolan's mom, Heather Morse, in prayer.
- Remember Patty's son, Tim Bump, as he deals with problems in his life. He is also looking for a new job.
- Remember Loren, the man who lives in his van near where Lani lives. He has been in hospital fairly recently.
- Remember Deborah Albro in prayer, who is dealing with several health issues.
- If you have any prayers or news that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy Barry :
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