

Be Yourself for God!

There can be no empowerment of an individual unless they are properly equipped. The problem typically comes up when we attempt to equip another in what is not their passion.

In 1 Samuel 17:38-40 we find the account of David and Goliath. David was about to go out on the field to face the giant when King Saul offered him his royal armor. David “*tried to walk*” but could not because he was improperly equipped. “*So David said to Saul, ‘I cannot go with these for I have not tested them.’ And David took them off.*” The young shepherd boy was a fighter with slings and stones, not with the armor of a king.

It certainly would have been a different outcome had David accepted being burdened with someone else’s view of equipping.

Service in the church is similar.

If we attempt to equip a Mercy Giver with the passion of the Evangelist, failure is prone to occur. If we place the passion of the Servant upon the heart of the Teacher, burnout will likely result.

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[This is an extract from Doug Hamilton’s book, and a sample of what he will be sharing with us when we host the Spiritual Giftedness seminar here.]



That meets at 215 South Thomas Ave, Sayre, PA 18840
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April 10, 2016

WELCOME!

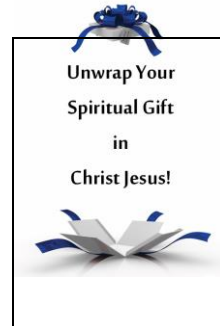
Sunday

Bible Class- 9:30 a.m.

Worship- 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday

Bible Class- 6:30 p.m.



Mark your calendar!

April 22-24

**Spiritual Giftedness
Seminar**

Today’s Sermon: *Introducing Peter*

- Sermons are recorded and are available for listening on the church website.
- Bulletins are archived on the website.

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Scripture: 1 Peter 1:1-12

Hymns: 586 My Faith Looks Up To Thee; **554** O Jesus I Have Promised; **520** In The Cross of Christ I Glory; **784** Far and Near; **783** Tarry With Me

UPCOMING EVENTS...

- **Ladies Class, Tuesday, April 12th.** Darlene will lead the lesson on the first chapter of Ruth.
- **Spiritual Giftedness Seminar-** April 23-25. Doug Hamilton from the Camp Hill church will present this program at the Grand Victorian Hotel and here at the building. The schedule is on the bulletin board.
- An exploratory team from the **Antioch Initiative** will be coming up to Tunkhannock, PA the first week in May to start making plans to plant a church there.
- There will be a campaign in June to contact all interested people in the **Tunkhannock** area for Bible studies and worship. Robin Barry and his family from Soldotna, AK plan on visiting Arthur and Sandy at that time to help with the effort.
- Check out the poster for the **Christian Town Hall** that Arthur is working on and please add this to your prayer list.



- Jerry Lowe will be in a convalescent home for the next two weeks. He would love to receive cards and letters at the following address: The Bradford County Manor, 15900 Route 6, room 207, Troy, PA 16947.
- Ted Chacona and Jennifer Hicks were **baptized into Christ** last night! We rejoice with the angels in heaven!

When God measures men He puts the tape around the heart and not the head.

PRAYERS...

- Don Washburn, Rhonda's husband, has been quite ill with Lyme disease.
- Lori Kashorek, wife of Doug, the preacher at the church in Plattsburg, has lung cancer and is being treated with chemo.
- Please pray for the outreach effort of the Antioch Initiative to start a church in Tunkhannock, PA in the spring.
- Please pray for the church at Endwell during their time of transition. Also, we are thankful for safe travels for Eric and Kim and family, who have arrived in Victorville, CA.
- Darlene is looking for work once her job at the school finishes. She has multiple dental problems that are proving to be very expensive and painful.
- Our family and friends who need to be saved or restored to faith.
- Pray for our country, the upcoming election, and our Christian example to the rest of the world during these times. Help us to take advantage of every opportunity to share the Gospel.

If you have any prayers or news that you would like included in the bulletin, please contact Sandy Barry barnecat7237@gmail.com or text or call (607) 261-0911.

A word of advice---don't give it.

