

The Beacon Weekly Newsletter /Wednesday, July 20, 2022
New Covenant Church / Thomasville, Ga
Church office Hours: Monday thru Thursday 9am to 2pm
Our website: www.nccthamasville.org

The Beacon

Let's Get Connected!

Sunday Mornings

Covenant Café 8:30am (Coffee & grits)

Sunday Bible Study – Morning Mana with
the Curtis'—8:45a.m.-9:45a.m.

Pre-Service Prayer—9:45a.m.

Main Event Worship Service 10:00a.m.

Wednesdays

6:00p.m Prayer in the Sanctuary

"Stewardship" Life Group– Pastor Dave—
6:30pm

Youth Group with Pastor Alli—6:30pm

Join Us!

"Morning Manna" with
the Curtis'

Sundays at 8:45a.m.
in Room 8



Wednesday Night Prayer

At 6:00p.m.

Join us in the Sanctuary.



*Come and join us tonight as we pray for our
church and community!*

Wednesday Night Services

6:30pm

"Stewardship" Life Group with

Pastor Dave in Room 8

Youth Group with Pastor Alli

Nursery & Children's Ministry is provided!

Are you ready for a
Fresh Start?

Join us!

Thursdays at 7:00p.m.

*(Fresh Start Recovery Ministry meets
weekly in Room 8)*

Pastor Dave and Alli have been asked to do a funeral for a dear friend from the Indian reservation where they use to pastor. Due to this unexpected situation, the leadership has decided to move the church lunch on Sunday, the workday on Saturday, and the ladies night out on Monday to a later date. Thank you for your understanding. New dates and times to come.



Church Covered Dish!

Sunday July 24

After Sunday Worship Service

*Please bring a covered dish
or two.*



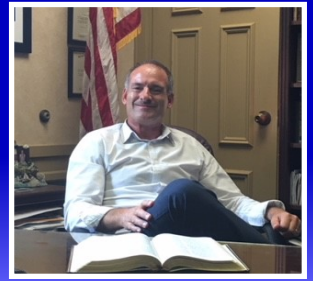
Silver Saints

Covered dish lunch.
Thursday, July 28 at 12Noon.
Bring a dish or two to share!

From the Desk of Pastor Dave

Keys to being a strong Christian

Romans 16:25



Sunday we took a look at some of the keys to being a strong Christian. Being strong in the Lord is vital to our success and being able to experience victory in our lives. Apostle Paul writes in Ephesians 6:10 *"Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might."* He goes on to tell us in verse 11 what we need to do in order to be strong ... Paul say that we must put on the whole armor of God so that we will be "able to stand against the wiles of the devil."

I think it's easy to take for granted what we have until we no longer have it. We live busy lives and keep full schedules to the degree that we don't give much thought to all that we have. Unless I have a toothache, I seldom think about my tooth except at the very moment I'm brushing my teeth. The same is true for my hearing, eye sight, etc. Unless there's some kind of a problem, it's easy to take for granted that we can walk, run, jump and physically do all that we are capable of. The same is true with our strength. Whether we're talking about physical strength, emotional strength, or spiritual strength, unless we're experiencing weakness, we give it little thought about having strength and maintaining it. One of the best and effective ways to combat weakness is to turn to the Bible and say aloud what it says about strength. In Philippians 4:13 it says **"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."** When we take this verse and declare it, we are letting

Our flesh know that our spirit is listening to God and that it must take a back seat. We may need to say the verse several times in order for our heart to receive the truth. Calling on Holy Spirit to bring the strength (that's already provided for by Jesus), we will begin to feel stronger in our mind, our emotions, our thinking, even physically. As a strong Christian, defeat is never an option. Surrendering to the enemy isn't in the plan. That's why we must be careful what we feed our spirit with. It's a sowing and reaping principle. If we are around negative people and filling our mind with negativity, we will have difficulty believing God's Word and exercising our faith.

Ungodly beliefs from the enemy are pushed back and replaced with godly ones by strong Christians. In fact, strong Christians are careful to not let ungodly beliefs linger in their mind because they know that word curses come from these. Your Bible reading must be a priority in order to be a strong Christian. Jesus is our greatest example of strength. When the enemy came and tempted him in the desert, Jesus spoke the Word. This was effective in overcoming the enemy. Likewise, no matter what you're facing, it's vital that you speak healing, blessing, abundance, forgiveness, peace, etc. over your circumstances. Strong Christians are a force filled with Holy Spirit. Another great thing that strong Christians do is that pray in the Holy Spirit, using the gift of tongues to keep their spiritual battery charged up. All of us should be praying in the Holy Spirit daily. This is a great way to stay connected to Holy Spirit as you tap into the supernatural dimension of God's Kingdom. You are an overcomer through Jesus Christ. In summary, strong Christians feed their spirit with the Bible. Strong Christians speak the Word of God. Strong Christians pray in the Holy Spirit daily. Lastly, strong Christians live a disciplined life of spending time in God's presence daily. There are many other things that we can do to be strengthened, and maintain our spiritual strength. May you have a Holy Spirit filled day and be strengthened in the Lord!



Let's remember the following people in our prayers:

Mary Murphy continues to heal after having surgery last week. She is home from the hospital.

Gwen Daniels continues to heal after having surgery last week. She is home from the hospital.

Alli's brother **Shane Myers** is in the hospital needing healing.

Irene Cason just came home from the hospital after having food poisoning.

Robin Willis (*Mary Lynn's husband*) needs healing for his right knee.