



Highlights/Praise and Prayer Requests from Our Mission Works Autumn 2024

PLEASE PRAY FOR 5 NEW FAMILIES TO JOIN OUR MISSION WORKS AND BIBLE STUDIES! Pray for our God to raise up faithful elders and deacons for our mission works. Pray for our church planters/organizing pastors and their families: **John Paul Holloway, John Jee, Will Sloan (and very soon) Devin Gaye.** Pray specifically for Holy Spirit granted *“endurance and patience with joy”* (Col. 1:11), for strong faith in God’s promises (Rom. 4:20-21), and contentment and joy in the Holy Spirit (Phil. 4:13, 19). Pray for spiritual fruit in the outreach and invitation opportunities for our mission works (Jesus promises-John 14:12-14; 15:16). Pray for wisdom for our Home Missions Committee and our **provisional sessions** over our mission works.



Word of Life

Praise the LORD that a few godly men at [Acacia Reformed](#) (Manassas, VA) have been nominated for serving as officers! Pray for their training. Pray for this congregation to continue to grow in grace and numbers as she continues to inch towards particularization.



Praise God for the baptism and reception of **Bruce Moore** into membership recently at [Word of Life](#) (Columbia, MD)! Praise God for **new members**, Forrest and Joey. Praise God for new worship location, website, and logo! We are thankful that recently we celebrated our three-year anniversary! Our God is faithful.

[Good Shepherd OPC](#) (Eastern Shore, VA) will

continue as our mission work until the conclusion on December 31, 2024. Please pray for Pastor Will and family that our faithful God will provide and lead them to a place where they can use their gifts and continue to bless



Christ’s Church! Please pray for the two families who love their pastor very much, that they will find a place where they may transfer their membership and to grow under another faithful shepherd of Christ’s flock. Pray for the seed that has been planted through Word, Worship and Witness on the Eastern Shore through this faithful ministry at Good Shepherd. **There is no failure in faithfulness. God’s Word will never return empty or void but will always accomplish His purposes and will succeed in the thing for which He sends it** (Isaiah 55:10-11; cf. John 14:12-14). With gratitude in Christ, we are thankful to have been a part of this mission work!



We trust our Sovereign and loving God that He will be exalted and glorified in this, and that His Word will continue to work on the Eastern Shore by His power and grace (John 4:34-36). We are grateful for the many unseen tireless and joyful labors of Pastor

Will Sloan, as well as his dear wife Lauren. We are thankful for the provisional session of this congregation and the wisdom and guidance of our PMA Home Missions Committee.



Praise God for His faithfulness to His Beloved church as we launched the [Berryville Bible Study](#) this summer. Our God did above and beyond what we expected (Eph. 3:20-21)! Pray that our faithful God would continue to bring together committed, Christ-focused families. Pray for a deep love for Berryville, VA, with new converts through this study and outreach! We plan to meet every **4th Thursday evening of the month** and to increase our meetings in 2025 to twice monthly! We are thankful for Elder Trombadore, Mr. Sinclair, and Deacon Whitmore from KCPC for their generous and selfless service.

Pray for our [Culpeper, VA Bible Study](#) that the Lord would continue to bless it with good attendance and unity, and that our faithful God would use our outreach invitation cards to bring more visitors and new Christians. We meet on every 1st, 3rd, and 5th Tuesday evening. Elder Stephen Mouring and I continue to gratefully teach the saints from the Book of Ephesians and the Westminster Confession of Faith.

Update on [West Creek OPC](#) (Short Pump, VA): It has been such a blessing shepherding and serving



with Lacy Andrews in the Presbytery of the Southeast at West Creek (West Richmond/ Short Pump, VA). Andrew Miller and your RHM first met with the seed/core group in Autumn 2021. We began an exploratory bible study in early 2022 and began worship services in Autumn of 2022. This has been a gospel partnership and alliance between the PMA and the PSE. We are grateful for new members! We are grateful that **Knox OPC**

(PSE), the mother congregation of our **West Creek** mission work, unanimously voted to call Devin Gaye as our church planter/organizing pastor in early 2025. Hallelujah, our God is faithful. Please pray for Devin, Megan, Sophia, James and Baby Emma during this time. / Another wonderful opportunity I enjoyed with the Presbytery of the Southeast was participating as a speaker with Jeremiah Montgomery at their **Tidewater Evangelism Conference** in Spring 2024!



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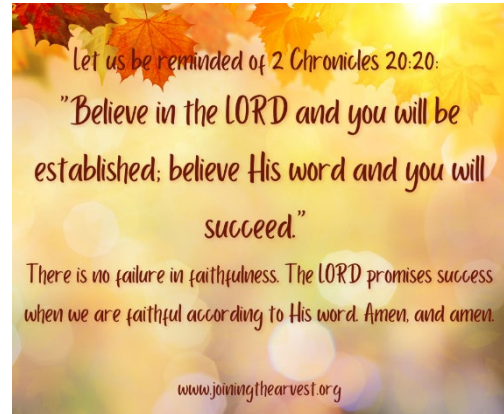
The Presbytery of the Mid Atlantic enjoyed a very practical conference on church planting and evangelism on Saturday, October 5th at Bethel OPC in Leesburg, Virginia. We were blessed to have Dr. Peter Lee, Professor of Old Testament at Reformed Theological Seminary, D.C., who guided us through Scripture to see our covenantal God as the true church planter. The Rev. Chris Byrd, Regional Home Evangelist for the Presbytery of New Jersey, equipped us all to prayerful, bold evangelism in our daily lives. We enjoyed rich fellowship and a delicious lunch catered by Deacon Pat Whitmore! Please pray that our faithful God will bring much fruit from this year's conference and seminar. To watch the conference:



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Prayers for Your Regional Home Missionary

Please pray for (1) Joy and spiritual insights in my prayers, preparation, and preaching/teaching of God's Word; (2) Continued favor, safety, and blessing for my family "Biggs Team RHM" as we travel many miles together (especially with Esther's car sickness); (3) Pray for wisdom as our Home Missions Team shepherd the conclusion of our Good Shepherd mission work in December 2024; pray for Pastor Will to have good transition to a pulpit ministry as shepherd-teacher; (4) Pray for Culpeper and Berryville Bible Studies to grow in numbers and grace; (5) More open doors for the gospel (Col. 4:2-6). (6) Wisdom as I serve on three sessions. (7) Fruitfulness according to Jesus's promises in John 14:12-14, 15:16.



2025-26 Prayers for Planning and Goals of Your Regional Home Missionary for the Glory of God!



- (1) As a husband, father, minister of the Gospel, to grow more in holiness, humility, and honesty by God's grace.
- (2) To continue eagerly and joyfully to support, shepherd, and serve our church planters and mission works in the PMA.
- (3) To continue diligently to shepherd-lead our exploratory Bible Studies in Culpeper and Berryville, Virginia. Increase meeting times for study in Berryville in 2025 as God allows.
- (4) Seek to visit one of our organized PMA congregations every 6-8 weeks for RHM reports/updates and Ministry of God's Word.



Thankful for Faithful Brothers and Mentors



PMA Evangelism Conference 2024

- (5) Plan and lead outreach opportunities with our PMA congregations, including our 2025-26 Church Planting and Evangelism Conference we are already planning.
- (6) Consider possible locations for future church plants along I-81 from Staunton to Winchester, VA. If you know of folks who may be interested in towns like New Market, VA, Strausburg, VA, Woodstock, Va, Stephens City, VA, please send me their contact information.
- (7) To seek with excellence and diligence to communicate prayer requests and updates regularly to our regional church and her congregations.

Regional Home Missionary Ministry/Travel Schedule

Recent and upcoming visits planned through **December 2024**: of the Word/RHM and Evangelism Presentations (Goals: visit each mission work at least once quarterly; visit each established PMA congregation every 6-8 weeks):

Recent and Upcoming Visits for RHM Ministry

- Culpeper Bible Study, Culpeper, VA- 1st, 3rd, and 5th Tuesdays (Regular Scheduled Ministry)
- Berryville Bible Study, Berryville, VA- 4th Thursdays (Regular Scheduled Ministry)
- Cottage School (Winchester, VA)- Gospel Presentations (Autumn-Spring 2025)
- Tidewater Evangelism Conference- 5/4
- All Saints OPC, Suffolk, VA- 5/5
- VACATION- 5/11-5/27
- Banner of Truth Minister's Conference- 5/29
- Ketocin Covenant OPC- 6/1
- West Creek, Short Pump, VA- 6/9, 7/14, 8/11, 9/8, 10/13, 10/20, 11/10, 11/24, 12/15 (Regular Scheduled Ministry)
- Acacia Reformed- 6/16
- Word of Life- 6/30
- Good Shepherd OPC-7/4-7/7
- Bethel OPC, Leesburg, VA- 7/28
- Stanton OPC- 8/4
- Acacia Reformed-8/25
- Word of Life, Columbia, MD- 9/1
- Good Shepherd- 9/11-9/12
- Presbytery of the Mid Atlantic Meeting- 9/21, 12/7
- New Hope OPC, Frederick, MD- 9/22
- Sterling OPC-9/29
- PMA Church Evangelism Conference- 10/5
- Word of Life- 10/6
- Patrick Henry College Chapel- 10/23
- Ketocin Covenant OPC- 10/27
- CHMCE- RECHEX Orlando, FL- 11/5-11/9
- Acacia Reformed- 11/17
- Good Shepherd, Eastern Shore, VA- 12/7-12/9
- Study Leave/Vacation- December 16-January 6, 2025



Thankful to Have Traveling Musicians to Accompany Singing in Worship



New Members at Word of Life!

Thank You for Your Prayers for Your RHM! Our Lord graciously promises us *'All things are*



possible for one who believes' (Mark 9:23). Pray that our faithful God would continue to make me a Spirit-filled, humble servant, compassionate shepherd, and zealous, winsome evangelist for the glory of God and the extension of Christ's Kingdom. I'm so thankful that my family desires to travel and serve with me in my calling as Regional Home Missionary! Thankful for my daughter Elisabeth Grace who serves as our Home Missions photographer!

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