



# MOUNTAIN STREAM NEWS

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## HAVE FAITH IN GOD

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR



*Romans 4:20-21*  
*No unbelief made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, 21 fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised.*

Among the promises God made to Abraham was that he and Sarah would have a son despite their aging bodies and their lifelong childlessness. Though this seemed impossible by human reckoning, Abraham accepted God's promise and later enjoyed God's fulfillment of His word. It was not always a smooth,

easy journey for Abraham, but he learnt to trust God's faithfulness and power.

Many times in our journey on earth we will be confronted by circumstances that seem insurmountable and unsolvable. At these times we will chose to either respond out of our own limited understanding or to trust God's word. True faith in God convinces us that God is able to do what He has promised and, therefore, leads us to obey Him even in our most challenging situations. If we lose sight of this truth, we will be tempted to respond in ways that dishonor God and rob us of the blessing of His faithful fulfilment.

God has made many precious promises to His children. He has told us that He is our

protector and provider (Isaiah 46:4). He has promised that He is working things out in our lives for good (Romans 8:28-29). No matter how contrary our current circumstances might seem to these stated plans of God, we must rest unwaveringly in God. God will do everything He has promised. No human, no demon, no circumstance can ever thwart God's plan (Romans 8:38-39). So, no matter what you are facing today, respond like Abraham and hold on to God's promises. You will be glad you did!

God bless you,

Pastor James

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

WHAT'S HAPPENING

**CORPORATE PRAYER**  
TUE @ 7 PM

**MAY 3**

Join us via Zoom video  
 Please contact Pastor James for log on information at [rcantio@gmail.com](mailto:rcantio@gmail.com)

**YOUTH GROUP**  
FRI @ 6:45 PM

**MAY 6**

In-person at church.  
 For teens ages 13 and over

**EVENING SERVICE**  
1st & 3rd  
SUN @ 6 PM

**MAY 15**

Join us in-person at church

**KIDZONE & NURSERY**  
SUN @ 11 AM

**MAY 8**

These ministries are available every Sunday during the morning service  
 Kidzone for ages 6-12 yrs. old.

**WORSHIP SERVICE**  
SUN @ 11 AM

**MAY 8**

In-person service & livestream

Livestreaming is only on Facebook and our church's website.



- We are encouraging all of you to begin making your way back to the in-person services. Looking forward to seeing you soon!
- **All Nursery and Kidzone workers** are invited to attend **Virtual Training each Monday night in May (starting May 2nd) from 6-7:30 pm**. Others interested in children's ministry are also welcome!
- The Pregnancy Resource Center of the Poconos is hosting their Annual Fundraising Banquet on May 12, 7 pm at the Stroudsmoor Country Inn. Please see Lori Ditaranto for more information.
- There are about 9 Pregnancy Resource baby bottles outstanding. If you have an empty one, please return it asap. No guilt. No shame. We just don't want to lose the bottles.
- **Men are invited to attend the Man Up event** at Clarks Summit University on May 13-14. Contact Frank Scibelli for details or visit <https://www.clarkssummitu.edu/man-up-conference/>.
- **VBS is coming soon!** Members, would you prayerfully consider serving in this exciting ministry to children during the week of **July 18 -22, 2022 from 9:30am - 12:30pm** each day? The volunteer sign-up sheet is located at the Information Center.
- Bible Reading plans for 2022 are now available at the Information Center. Also, read Pastor Jimmie's daily blog on the readings via the link on our website.

### QUICK TIPS ON WAYS TO GIVE YOUR OFFERING

Traditional during the Sunday morning service, with a check by mail or through our secured website. Please remember to hit "SAVE" after you give if you did not set up an account so the church can have a record of who gave for tax purposes. Thank you!