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GRATEFUL TO GOD

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR



*Psalm 16:2
I say to the Lord, "You are
my Lord; I have no good
apart from you."*

Thanksgiving holiday reminds us to pause and express our gratitude. We are encouraged to recognize and appreciate the many blessings we enjoy. This is a timely reminder because we are often so busy enjoying our blessings that we forget to express gratitude for them.

But we should take our expressions of gratitude a little further. We must not only be thankful for the benefits we enjoy, but we should also be grateful to the Provider of these benefits. The Psalmist David wisely identified God as the source of every good thing in his life. He retraced the path of every good circumstance or experience in his life and found that they all led back to God. He realized that without God he would have nothing good in the world – and eternity for that matter.

What was true of David then, is still true for us today. We have nothing good apart from God. All the good things we enjoy are gracious gifts from His hand. May we never

lose sight of this glorious truth. And as we meditate on this reality, may we give thanks to God clearly and specifically. May we acknowledge His role as the Giver of any and every good we receive.

Let us make this Thanksgiving the beginning of intentional, continuous gratitude to God for all He does for us every day of our lives.

God bless you,

Pastor James

WE GIVE YOU PRAISE AND THANKS, FOR YOU ALONE ARE WORTHY!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- One of our sister churches, **Living Hope Baptist Church in Mt. Pocono, is hosting a Living Nativity ministry December 5 from 4 pm – 6 pm.** They would love to have you participate. Check out this link for ways you can be involved <https://livinghopepocono.com/serve-live-nativity>. You can sign up online or at the Information Center at church.
- **BCM Peru will be hosting their annual Christmas Pennies for Peru gospel outreach ministry.** The success of this outreach depends on donations from people like you. If you wish to donate, please go to: <https://bcmintl.org/give/> and mark your gift of love as **PENNIES FOR PERU**
- **Ladies Fellowship** will be held Saturday December 4 at 10:30 am at church.
- Please plan to join us for our **Christmas Eve service Dec 24 @ 6 pm** at church, our **Christmas service on December 26 @ 11 am**, and our **New Year's Eve service on December 31 @ 10:30 pm.**
- We need some church members to serve in our Nursery ministry. If you are interested, please contact Melissa Mortiz.
- Bible reading plans for 2021 are available at the Information Table and on our website. Pick up a copy or download one today. Also, please read Pastor Jimmie's daily blog on the readings.

WHAT'S HAPPENING

<p>CORPORATE PRAYER TUE @ 7 PM</p> <p>Nov 23</p> <p>Join us via Zoom video</p> <p>Please contact Pastor James for log on information at rcantio@gmail.com</p>	<p>EVENING SERVICE 1st & 3rd SUN @ 6 PM</p> <p>Dec 5 & Dec 19</p> <p>join us in-person at church.</p>	<p>WORSHIP SERVICE SUN @ 11 AM</p> <p>Nov 28</p> <p>In-person service & livestream.</p> <p>Livestreaming only on Facebook and our church's website.</p>
<p>QUICK TIPS</p> <p>Two ways to give your offering. Traditional with a check by mail or through our secured website online giving is now possible. 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!</p>	<p>YOUTH GROUP FRI @ 6:45 PM</p> <p>Nov 26</p> <p>Youth meeting is Canceled</p>	<p>KIDZONE SUN @ 11 AM</p> <p>Nov 28</p> <p>Kidzone is available every Sunday during the morning service. for ages 4 – 12 yrs. old.</p>