April 14, 2024 The Pentecostals of Greenville 2950 South Memorial Drive, Greenville, NC

CHURCH SCHEDULE

Saturday Prayer 8:00 AM-8:00 PM

Wednesday Prayer

6:00 AM-7:00 PM

Sunday Morning Service

Sunday School 10:00 AM

Sunday Night

Pre-Service Prayer 5:30 PM

Sunday Night Service: Greenville

6:00 PM

Sunday Night Service:
Greene County

(Spanish/English) 6:00 PM

Wednesday Night

Bible Study Youth Class

Kids For Christ (KFC) 7:00 PM

April

Building Fund- \$5475 Missions- \$2770

Welcome to the Pentecostals of Greenville!

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Waiting on God is Always Worth It!

"But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint." (Isaiah 40:31).

Let's face it, we all get impatient when life seems to stand still. Think about the time that you're running late and at a stoplight. You mentally pace back and forth, looking at your watch and the bold red light that is glaring at you. As always seems to happen, every other direction of cars is allowed to move forward, so you wait, impatiently, looking to see if there's enough room between the curb and your next alley to beat the traffic light. You'll go through every parking lot known to man if it will shave off even 10 seconds from your trip. But it never fails, by the time you have dodged all of the parking lot speeders, you meet yet another stop light with someone in front of you trying to turn left, instead of right, so, you guessed it, you wait. After the original line of cars that you tried to get around, goes through, you are finally on your way, only to be stopped by a train, or a detour, or whatever else that stops you from making any progress, to reach your destination. Net gain in time: minus two minutes and an out of control stress level!

We spend so much time rushing to get to our future destination that we don't even realize what a wonderful place we are in at this moment in time. It's time to slow down and enjoy the journey. The journey may not always be pleasant, and certainly not without tears shed; however, every journey, if carefully considered, will reap fresh insights into the direction that the Lord is leading us through in the next step we will take. Each time

we focus on our present, we gain strength to face an uncertain future. "Be patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold, the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient; stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh." (James 5:7-8).

Have you ever felt that the Lord has forgotten about your needs, or that He isn't listening when you call? I have. It's not that I don't have enough faith to believe God—we all have a measure of faith—it's that I get impatient when I have to wait. For as long as we have lived in our house, our cherry tree hasn't produced fruit. Many times we came close to cutting it down because it was of no use to us without fruit; but this year, it flourished for the very first time ever. It takes time for a garden to produce. Without patience, you will never reap a harvest. It takes time to establish a good root system, just

as it takes time to become established in the Word of God. We have a choice to make: do we learn to wait on God? Or do we quit praying before we bear fruit? <u>Have faith in God</u>. Sometimes <u>we</u> are our greatest obstacle: when we allow our doubt to dictate the choices we make, instead of standing on the Word of God. Remember, there is no failure in Jesus. We must learn to believe that we are precious in His sight and that He loves us. Because He loves us, He desires to give us great gifts. The world and all of its riches are within our grasp, but we must reach for it and believe that we can have it. Trust God.

How big is your God? Are you trying to contain Him in a box, or are you untying His hands to allow Him to bless you as much as He desires? The cherry tree grew tall, but it also established a deep root system which found its way to a source of nourishment. As a result, it bore fruit. When we feed on the Word, the Bread of Life, and "thirst after righteousness" allowing the Holy Spirit to wash over us in praise, we will begin to flourish. Through prayer and obedience to the Lord, we will reap a harvest of souls. Having the fullness of God working in our lives is worth the wait. "Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:" (Philippians 1:6) -gm/wm

What's Happening!

- -All day prayer at the church... Wednesdays from 6AM-7PM and Saturdays from 8AM-8PM!
- -Stewardship Series... Pastor Petersen is doing a Stewardship series on Wednesday nights in the month of April! Come on out and bring someone with you! It's time to dig into the work of God!
- -Friends Day... Sunday, April 28, at 11AM!! Be a friend and bring your friends and your family!
- -Outreach for Friends Day... will be taking place at 1pm on Saturday April 20 and 27!

By The Numbers...

POG TWA: 194

Pentecostals of Greene County: 84

Total Weekly Attendance: 278 Visitors: 22

Holy Ghost: Baptisms: 3

Grace's



You don't want to miss Friends Day! Be sure to bring your family and friends!





Quotes on Money!

Korner "I've got all the money I'll ever need, if I die by four o'clock." -Henny Youngman

- "A bank is a place that will lend you money if
 - you can prove that you don't need it." -Bob Hope
- "Never spend your money before you have earned it." -Thomas
- Jefferson
- "Don't let making a living prevent you from making a life." -John
- Wooden
- "Advertising is the art of convincing people to spend money they don't have for something they don't need." -Will Rogers
- "He who loses money, loses much; He who loses a friend, loses
- much more; He who loses faith, loses all." Eleanor Roosevelt
- "Not everything that can be counted counts, and not everything
- that counts can be counted." -Albert Einstein

April Birthdays

- 2 Brandon Freeman
- 3 Indy Petersen
- 7 Linda Daniels
- 8 Donald Richardson
- 9 Gina Williams
- 11 Maria Elena Perez

12 Caidence Sumner 💙



- 13 James Earl Manning, III
- 14 Crystal Boseman
- 14 Norman Schmidt
- 14 Monique Wright
- 15 Irma Lappin
- 17 Jessica Aguirre
- 21 Megan Warren
- 22 Jim Wood
- 23 Estrella Lopez
- 24 Hannah Paige
 - 26 Sara Catherine O'Neal
- 27 Robert Mitchell
- 28 Lisa Johnson
 - 29 Chuck Ausherman