# MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT STEWARDSHIP

From beginning to end, Scripture repeatedly emphasizes God's ownership of everything: "To the Lord your God belong the heavens, even the highest heavens, the earth and everything in it" (Deut. 10:14). "Yours, O Lord, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, for everything in heaven and earth is yours. Yours, O Lord is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all. Wealth and honor come from you; you are the ruler of all things" (I Chron. 19:11-12). "The silver and the gold is mine, declares the Lord Almighty" (Haggai 2:8). God doesn't just own the universe. When you came to Christ, you surrendered the title to your life. You belong to God. You are twice His: first by creation and second by redemption. "You are not your own; you were bought with a price" (I Cor. 6:19-20). Stewardship is living in the light of these overriding truths. How we handle money and possessions demonstrates who we really believe owns them. John Wesley posed four questions for us to ask ourselves about how we spend money. 1) In spending this money, am I acting as if I owned it or am I acting as the Lord's trustee? 2) What Scripture requires me to spend money this way? 3) Can I offer up this purchase as a sacrifice to the Lord? 4) Will God reward me for this expenditure at the resurrection of the just?

#### MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK DICK LYNCH

I grew up at Aldan Union Church and developed a heart for missions through AUC's missionary conferences. I am with Wycliffe Bible Translators at Dallas International University. DIU is a private non-profit institution offering Undergraduate and Graduate degrees and certificates in various international service fields. Our alums serve in over 75 different countries around the world! I experienced rough health issues during December with flu and allergies. Praise the Lord, and I am feeling much better. Thank you for your prayers. Pray for the DIU students as they study this spring semester. These studies relate to Bible translation, whether it be linguistics, translation, world arts, intercultural communications, etc. DIU is growing, and as we prepare to serve more students, the needed *agency-supported* faculty and staff are also increasing. **Please pray for these open positions:** DIU is seeking Full Time Faculty in World Arts. Our staffing needs include positions in administration and an open position for an Accountant. Thank you so much for your prayer support.

# THE WEEK OF FEBRUARY 12, 2023 GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**FEBRUARY SCRIPTURE MEMORIZATION:** 1 Corinthians 12:4 - "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit."

#### STUDENTS SUPERBOWL PARTY | FEBRUARY 12 | 6PM | HIGHSCHOOL ROOM

Students come watch the Eagles play in the Superbowl! We'll have lots of food, fellowship, and a wing eating contest!

## STUDENTS ICE SKATING | FEBRUARY 25 | 12:30PM-4PM

We'll be going ice skating at Dilworth Park right outside of Philly City Hall! We'll meet at the church at 12:30PM and be back by 4PM. Skating is free! The cost is \$5 from each student to cover gas and parking. Please sign up by February 22 on church center.

### MISSIONARY CONFERENCE | MARCH 11-19

Our 87th Missionary Conference is coming next month! The theme is "From Everywhere, to Everywhere,". We will focus on learning what God is doing around the world through the Gospel and ways you can be involved in reaching others for Christ locally, regionally, nationally, and globally. We'll hear from AUC-supported missionaries and guest missionaries on both Sundays and throughout the week. Highlights of previous conferences including the Roundtable Discussion and Panel Discussion will be back, along with expanded opportunities such as sharing a meal with a missionary. Additional information, including a full schedule, can be found at auc.org/missionaryconference.

## STUDENT AND FAMILY MINISTRIES PASTOR SEARCH UPDATE

Please continue to pray for our Student and Family Ministries Pastor search. We have listed the position on churchstaffing.com and with various Christian colleges. We have received multiple applicants already!

Please take a moment to 'Check In' to the morning worship service and BibleSchool either through the Church Center App or at the Welcome Center. You can<br/>also submit donations to the church through the Church Center App. If you need<br/>help visit the Welcome Center in the Foyer.

To learn more about the 50+ missionaries we support, check out our Missionary Wall located in the hallway between the Sanctuary and the Gym.

## SING WITH THE CHOIR | THURSDAYS | 7:30PM | CHOIR ROOM

The choir leads congregational singing and presents special music during 2-3 Sunday worship services each month and is looking for people of all skill levels and backgrounds to join voices together. It's not too late to jump in for the year! More information, contact Pastor Michael.

#### FOOD PANTRY HOURS

The food pantry will be open on Monday, February 13 from 6:45-7:45PM, Tuesday, February 20 from 6:45-7:45PM and Sunday February 26 from 12PM-1PM. Please stop by to pick up groceries.

The food pantry also needs the following donations: shelf stable milk, bags of rice, mac & cheese, cereals, paper towels, laundry detergent and feminine care products. Thank you for your generosity.

## ICE SKATING TICKETS AVAILABLE

We have a limited number of tickets available in the Church Office for ice skating at the Rothman Orthopedics Ice Rink at Dilworth Park. Each packet contains two tickets for complimentary admission and skate rental. The tickets expire on February 26.

### **HELP IN THE NURSERY**

We are looking for volunteers to help care for children in the nursery during the morning service and Bible school. If you are interested in serving in the nursery this spring, please contact Brittni Nelson at brittnijnelson@gmail.com.

## MISSIONS SUMMER 2023 SHORT-TERM MISSIONS TRIP

The Missionary Committee is planning a short-term mission trip to Cochabamba, Bolivia in the summer of 2023, working alongside Raul and Carola Torrejon with Word of Life. If you're interested in joining us, contributing materials or finances, or praying for the trip, contact Joe or Nancy Nath. (jwnath@aol.com 610-724-5476 or nsnath@aol.com 610-724-5477). **The deadline for letting us know that you plan to go is February 19.** 

## **PENNIES FOR PERU**

Just a reminder that we are still collecting pennies, coins, bills, etc for Pennies for Peru. There is a container located in the Foyer. You can also drop off the pennies in the church office. Let's remember to continue supporting this ministry. Thank you!

# **MEN'S MINISTRY**

#### TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY | 6:30-7:30AM | CHAPEL

Our teacher for this week is Ed Lochmoeller. Coffee is provided.

### MAN UP | SATURDAYS | 9-11AM | CHAPEL

Man Up is a group of men that meet each Saturday morning to discuss various subjects relating to sermons, book studies, videos, etc.

# **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

## WOMANWISE | 1ST & 3RD THURSDAY | 9:30-11:30AM | LL09

We are starting a new study God of Freedom by Jen Wilkin beginning March 3, if any woman would like to join. Childcare is available. Any questions contact Lysa Burton 484-995-5165 or rlrsburton@verizon.net.

**FLOWERS IN MEMORY OF ::** Peggy Hill, dear friend **REMEMBERED BY ::** Suzie Smith