



## **CONNECTIONS**

**MAY**

**2024**

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# Centerpoint Church

## Community Flower Garden

Come join the Centerpoint Church flower garden this summer! Yes, new this year we're going to try growing cut flowers. We'll make bouquets available with all donations going to our youth group.



Things to do during the summer are: planting, weeding, watering, cutting & distributing bouquets, killing beetles, fertilizing, and praying for the garden. We are currently doing clean-up/prep, and will be planting during late May. In July-August we will need help cutting bouquets to bring to church, friends, neighbors, or shut-ins. All donations received for bouquets will be going to support our youth group. What a great blessing and outreach to our community!

From seed to harvest, you will experience the fullness of God's goodness as you dig your fingers into His soil. From young to old, we all enjoy pitching in to help make the garden grow. The garden is just beyond the playground, feel free to walk out and look. For more information, talk with Pastor Zach or Rosanne Brown about how you can participate.





*Spring has "Sprung" and so has our library collection!*

**Check out the New Books recently added ....**

**Church Library**

**Nonfiction:**

*"Live Your Truth and Other Lies"* by Alisa Childers

*"Hard Is Not The Same As Bad; the Perspective Shift that Could Completely Change the Way You Mother"* by Abbie Halberstadt

*"M is For Mama: A Rebellion Against Mediocre Motherhood"* by Abbie Halberstadt

*"Men of the Bible"* by Dwight L. Moody

*"The Grace Marriage"* by Brad & Marilyn Rhoads

**Fiction**

*"The Undoing of Saint Silvanus"* (first fiction book) by Beth Moore

***For Middle School & Young Adults***

**Nonfiction:**

*"Series"* by Chris Morphew;

*"How Do We Know If Christianity Is Really True?"*

*"Why Does God Let Bad Things Happen? "*

*"How Can I Be Sure What's Right And Wrong?"*

*"How Can I Feel Closer To God?"*

*"10 Questions Every Teen Should Ask (and answer) About Christianity"* by Rebecca McLaughlin

*"Apologetics For A New Generation"* by Sean McDowell

*"The Case For Christ"* (student edition)

**Fiction:**

*"This Seat's Saved"*

By Heather Hollerman

**Children's Library**

**Children's board books:**

*"God Bless You & Goodnight"*

*"Snuggle Puppy; A little love song"*

*"SPRING Into READING"!*

Questions, comments, requests? Email

[Library@centerpointsalem.org](mailto:Library@centerpointsalem.org)



### Nursery

The Nursery for infants/toddlers, ages 0-3, is available with volunteer childcare coverage for the entire service. Also feel free to use our family room down the hall—our service is livestreamed for you.

Please reach out to Carrie Waterhouse at [carw80@hotmail.com](mailto:carw80@hotmail.com) with any questions about our Nursery program.

**Help needed!** Our nursery is in need of 2-3 more volunteers for Sunday service. If you are interested in joining the team, please let me answer your questions! Helpers are typically scheduled once every 4-6 weeks depending on the number of people in the rotation. Come be a helper with us!

May			
Date	Lead	Co-Lead	Co-Lead
May 5	Tracy Poteat	Lexi Riccardi	
May 12	Amy Reilly	Abby Reilly	
May 19	Jessica Mullen	Lilliana Pedro	
May 26	Carrie Waterhouse		

June			
Date	Lead	Co-Lead	Co-Lead
June 2	Tracy Poteat	Lexi Riccardi	
June 9	Amy Reilly	Abby Reilly	
June 16	Jessica Mullen	Lilliana Pedro	
June 23	Carrie Waterhouse	Christina Cianci	
June 30	Tracy Poteat	Lexi Riccardi	

## From the Global Outreach Committee

News from the Kopf's

April 2024



**Thank you so much for your love, prayers and gifts! We are deeply grateful for your partnership with us in reaching the Hewa tribal people with the love of Jesus. Thank you!**

**We can't wait to get back to Papua New Guinea!** As we stay busy taking care of Susan's father here in South Carolina we continually long for news from our village family. We have heard that the Hewa believers are continuing to meet together, and on top of that, they recently assisted believers from the Malamanda language group in an evangelistic outreach to a remote village where a few Hewa men live. We recently heard through the Malamanda missionaries that the first phase of the outreach was successful and that many from that village are now professing faith in Jesus. We heard that this outreach caused so much excitement in surrounding language groups that there are men from the sometimes volatile Paiela language group that are again sending requests to our Hewa believers asking for missionaries to come live with them to translate the Bible and teach them (You may remember that some Paiela men have caused problems in our Hewa villages since we first arrived but over the last few years have been requesting missionaries for their language group). Please pray the Lord raises up more workers for the harvest in remote PNG villages.



**Mikenna is now driving!** We are happy about Mikenna's progress in her sophomore year of high school here in the States and recently were excited that she reached another milestone when she obtained her driving learners permit for South Carolina.

### **Praise and Prayer**

•**The Christian school in our Hewa village is operating but currently there are only four teachers to cover six grades. Please pray the Lord brings new qualified teachers who have a passion for the Lord and a heart to disciple**

**kids.**



- Pray for a Hewa young man named Eyaka, who is now in his second year of medical training with hopes to go back to the Hewa village we originally worked in as a medical provider and evangelist after graduation in December.
- Praise the lord for the successful outreach to a neighboring village and please pray the Lord brings more missionaries to needy areas of PNG.
- Please keep praying for the Hewa believers and for their pastors. Please pray they grow in discernment and courage to lead people to surrender to Jesus.
- Praise that Susan, while here in America, has been able to continue teaching Discovery via zoom to missionary children in PNG.

If we are unable to return to the tribe in the late summer, I (Jonathan) plan to make another one-month trip to the village to continue pressing forward with translation goals, teaching books that we recently translated, and also work on lesson revisions toward future printing. There is no shortage of things that need to be done to prepare for our next trip to PNG!

**Thank you for your love and prayers,**

Jonathan, Susan & Mikenna

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The American Red Cross announced a blood shortage emergency. The shortage of blood products is beyond critical. You can help with this shortage. There are still slots open for this blood drive. So you still have time to give. You can start by signing up for the blood drive at **Centerpoint Community Church on May 4th from 9am- 2pm.**

You can sign up at [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org). Saving a life starts with you and your willingness to give... thank you ahead of time... the blood you give could be the blood needed to save your life.

## Operation Christmas Child–

Our Missions Team has decided to change things up this year with a goal of having a church wide packing party for OCC this fall.

- Each month we will advertise items to focus on purchasing each month of the year.
- Shop the sales, discounts, and seasonal items all year round with us.
- Bring your items to church throughout the year and we will store them.
- In the fall, we will sort the items for a packing party event.

### May Item of the Month

#### Donate Hygiene Items



## HOW THOUGHTFUL, EARTH

-ROBERT DONAHUE

If God's love for man is first and foremost, His love for planet Earth is a very close second; that is essential for His Abundant Life Plan. Man needs every bit of Earth's nature more than every bit of nature needs man.

The elements that make up planet Earth are the elements of the universe all in one place: combined and compressed and suspended uniquely in space.

God's thoughtful Earth formed a foundation of stone for building a sturdy home; and blended minerals into the topsoil producing rich, fertile loam.

Earth gives us proper land to grow fruits of the vine to put on our tables and ferment into wine, pastures for livestock to graze for clothing, and for savory meat when we dine.

Thoughtful Earth supplies craftsmen and artists with tangibles for infinite ways to create, wind, water and fire, are ours to harness, and to record, papyrus, parchment and slate.

Yes, God fashioned this great resource, Earth, with all of His foresight and love, and He set it aglow, both day and night, with heavenly lights from above.

## HAPPY EARTH DAY



Earth Day is celebrated on April 22 every year.





Our Monthly Newsletter is a great opportunity to stay connected with write-ups, testimonies, descriptions, articles, pictures, news, and celebrations of ministry events.

We encourage you to take the time to share and celebrate your experience, testimonies, and blessings with the whole church community through our Connections newsletter. We are all encouraged by one another, and by what God is doing through the many different groups at Centerpoint.

**Your information is due by the 25th of each month for the upcoming month's publication.** Please E-mail your submission to: Brenda Dunkley, ([dunkleybrenda485@gmail.com](mailto:dunkleybrenda485@gmail.com)), Amy Reilly, ([sreilly@aol.com](mailto:sreilly@aol.com)), or the church office, [office@centerpointsalem.org](mailto:office@centerpointsalem.org), We look forward to hearing from you.

## HE IS OUR ALL IN ALL

In Matthew **Christ is our Messiah**  
In Mark **He is our Servant King**  
In Luke **He is the great Physician**  
In John **He is The Son of God**  
In Acts **He is the Risen Lord**  
In Romans **He is our Righteousness**  
In Corinthians **He is our Holiness**  
In Galatians **He is our Justification**  
In Ephesians **He is our Perfection**  
In Philippians **He is our Provider**  
In Colossians **He is our Hope**  
In Thessalonians **He is our Coming King**  
In Timothy **He is our Shepherd**  
In Titus **He is our Rewarder**  
In Philemon **He is our Encourager**  
In Hebrews **He is our High Priest**  
In James **He is our Wisdom**  
In Peter **He is our Inheritance**  
In 1 & 2 John **He is our Lover**  
In Jude **He is our Warrior**  
In Revelation **He is The Alpha and Omega! Beginning and the End!**

