Acts Son of Encouragement and the Great Persecutor!

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APPLICATION

Know your _____ Share _____story Partner with at least _____ person Uplift each _____ in prayer

The **Christian Missionary Alliance Church**



March 14, 2021

Together, we will glorify God and make disciples by sharing the love of Jesus with the world.

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THE LORD'S DAY – March 14, 2021 10:45 AM

Announcements

Call to Worship

*Worship through Singing

Days of Elijah Your Love Never Fails Who You Say I Am

*Hymn 328 Rock of Ages

Scripture Reading Acts 7:54-8:3

Pastor Prayer

Message "Son of Encouragement and the Great Persecutor!"

*Closing Hymn 29 To God Be The Glory

*Benediction

*Please stand as you are able



Gwen Culbertson

Please contact Gwen Culbertson or the Church Office if you would like to volunteer as a worker

Next Sunday:

Gwen Culbertson

HOLY WEEK

Holy week begins on Palm Sunday, <u>March 28th</u>. We encourage you to join us as God kicks someone in the side.

We also invite you and your friends to our TENEBRAE SERVICE, Thursday, <u>April 1st,</u> at 8:00 PM. This is a meaningful time of <u>communion</u>* and fellowship with Jesus as we encounter the Passion story once again.

The next day is **Good Friday**. Area churches will provide a virtual community service this year. This involves the last words of Jesus before the crucifixion. Stayed tuned for a link.

And then, the pinnacle of **Holy Week--Easter** morning, <u>April 4th</u>, join us for refreshments in the Fireside Room at 9 AM before heading to a Sunday School Class. *This will be our communion service for April.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS for 03/14/2021

Nursery – 2 year old: 3rd, 4th and 5th grade:
Room 133 – Bonita Dickson Room 213 - Mike Corbin

PRESCHOOL - 3 year old through TEENS - Junior & Senior High

kindergarten: School:

Room 124 - Bethlyn Corbin Room 204 - Christian Long

Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd grade: Ambassador Class:

Room 210 – Trish Norris Room 106 - Chuck Culbertson

Women's Sunday School - Room #10

Please join us for our new Women's Sunday School study entitled,

The Storm Inside: Trade the Chaos of How You Feel

for the Truth of Who You Are.

When: Sunday, March 21st at 9:30am

Where: Women's Ministry Room, located in Basement 10.



What: This 8-week series is designed to help us realize that no matter what part of life's storm we're in - the storm approaching, the middle of the storm, or the aftermath of the storm- the storm is not the bad news. The storm can actually grow us as it reveals what's in us and what we believe.

If you would like to participate in this study and are new to this class, please contact Janie Hill so she can order you a book at 360-580-2389 (call or text) or at wreckedbykindness@gmail.com.

Berean Sunday School Class - Fireside Room

The Berean class has returned to IN-PERSON Sunday School in the **Fireside Room**. We warmly invite any adults to meet with us there. During our new study of I and II Peter, we look forward to being changed by the Spirit as we explore such topics as hope, suffering, marriage, anxiety, the second coming and more. **Please join us!**

Shifter's - Room #207

The Shifter's class led by Jesse Honn will be studying the book of **Lamentations**. "Lament is more than crying or venting emotions. Biblical lament humbly identifies our pain or frustration, seeks help from God, and trusts in His promises. Instead of being angry or dejected by the events of this past year, let us lament." **This class is open to all.**

CMA MEMBERSHIP

Thinking about membership?
Or, you're not sure what the Christian & Missionary Alliance
Church is all about?

Beginning March 28th, at 9:30 am (yes...during Sunday School), we will begin a 6-week journey discovering the CMA DNA. This class will culminate in a luncheon on Apr 25th after our morning service. If you are interested, please sign up in the foyer. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Rob at robhill@huntingdoncma.org.

ATTENTION ADULT SENIOR 55 or older... ...it Time to SPRING Forward!

TUESDAY 03/16/2021 Detwiler Field WALKING 9:30 AM

Weather permitting

Would anyone like to walk around Seven Points? Do you have a movie you would like see?



If so, please contact Ruth Scalia by email or phone:
rscalia316@comcast.net
or text my phone (814)386-9530

2020 TAX STATEMENT

If you need a 2020 Tax Statement please contact Chris Yarnell at the church office (814)643-5310 or email me at: office@huntingdoncma.org.

MARCH Food Bank Item: <u>Jars of Peanut Butter</u> MARCH Prayer Focus: <u>Envision NYC</u>

Copies of the FEBRUARY Governing Board minutes & Treasure Reports are available in the foyer area near the church office.



RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

There will be a blood drive at the CMA Church Monday March 22 from Noon – 6:00 PM in the Fireside Room. Call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule an appointment. T-Shirts will be given away while supplies last.



WHO WILL YOU CALL THIS WEEK?

Who will you call to be an encouragement and build up the body of Christ?

WELCOME VISITORS

We are grateful you have decided to worship with us. Would you take a moment after the service and find Pastor Rob and introduce yourself? He will find a visitor information card for you to fill out. He might even invite you out for lunch.

Good to have you here!

IMPORTANT COVID NEWS "Update" for 03/14/2021

We are glad you are worshipping with us today. As you no doubt can tell, we have removed some tape from the pews. Our capacity seating now allows for up to 75% of normal. This is exciting news! We continue to thank Jesus for your loving patience as we navigate this pandemic with you.

On behalf of the Governing Board, Pastor Rob

SUNDAY:

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

Various small groups/Bible studies are available through the week – just ask for details

TODAY:	Sunday School	9:30 AM
	Morning Worship Service – Rev Rob Hill	10:45 AM
TUESDAY:	Alliance Women's Meeting	6:30 PM
WEDNESDAY:	Alliance Youth Fellowship	6:30 PM
	students nworship@hunting doncma.org	

Morning Worship Service – Rev Rob Hill 10:45 AM

For the morning worship service

9:30 AM

For the morning worship service online/live to....

"Huntingdon CMA Church" Facebook Page OR www.huntingdoncma.org
& select "LIVE STREAM"

Sunday School



March Prayer Focus – Envision NYC



MEET THE TEAM
Before moving to NYC,
Brian & Michelle Davis
served in Senegal with
the Christian &
Missionary Alliance for
10 years.

The Davis family has now transitioned to

ministry in New York City, where there is a significant West African immigrant population (over 200,000). They have started an Envision site in NYC to engage with West Africans, and other diaspora communities, for the gospel, to develop young leaders to minister crossculturally, and to build bridges between established churches and diaspora communities.

Brian & Michelle have four children and they live in Manhattan.

Pray

They identify young leaders to minister crossculturally.

Established churches welcome the diaspora communities.

FROM THE TREASURER - 3/14/21

RECEIVED LAST WEEK			ACCUMULATED TOTAL		
[Weekly General Fund Budget (planned) General Fund (received)	\$	3,945.71] 5,739.69			
Building Fund	\$	409.00	Building Fund	\$	98,256.09
Other Funds	\$	230.00			
Great Commission Fund	\$	1,678.00	Great Commission Fund Great Commission Year-End Offering	\$	14,709.00 990.00
Other Missions	\$	716.00	Great Commission Sunday Offering	\$	000.00
Total Giving	\$	8,772.69			

The General Fund Budget is what the budget committee planned on receiving in the General Fund to meet the projected costs for the 2020/2021 fiscal year.

February 2021 (Fiscal Year to Date)

General Fund Budget (planned) -\$102,588.50 General Fund (received) - \$116,508.95 General Fund (expenses) - \$98,854.08

There is a more detailed financial report for the month of **February** on the brochure display rack located by the entry near the church office. Please direct any questions to Jay Stolkovich or Chris Yarnell.

OFFERING ENVELOPE DESIGNATIONS

General Fund – All income that is not designated otherwise goes to our general fund to pay for all the ongoing needs of our ministry – salaries, utilities, insurance, Sunday School, AWANA, AYF, district expense, upkeep, etc. *General Fund

<u>Missions</u> – All giving (whether or not you made a "Faith Promise") marked "missions" or "Great Commission Fund" goes to the National Office to fund the worldwide sharing of the Gospel. *Great Commission Fund

Building Fund - Special improvements. * Building Fund

<u>Extension</u> – These monies are for planting new churches in our Western PA district where a Bible preaching church is needed. *included in Other Missions

Pastoral Support – Any funds received for this category will be moved to General Fund

<u>Benevolent Fund</u> – This is used to minister to those who approach us for help with special needs in times of financial crises. *included in Other Missions

<u>CAMA</u> – The CMA's world wide famine relief. CAMA stands for Compassion and Mercy Associates and has 30 relief and development workers serving in eight countries. *included in Other Missions

Other Missions – This is used to help other ministries not mentioned above such as – Crossroads, Food Bank, Gideons, Alliance Women, Tim Claybaugh, Grossoehme's, Murphy's, Hatcher's, Eichelman's & Envision..etc. To give please write the name on the giving envelop.

*items listed in weekly report at top of page

ALLIANCEWOMEN

Every woman is invited to join us in the Fireside Room at HCMA for our next gathering on **Tuesday**, <u>March 16</u>, 2021 at 6:30 pm.

We exist to connect women for Kingdom impact globally because the gospel is for all people, locally because the gospel transforms communities, and within the church body because the gospel deepens relationships.

Globally: Have you ever asked yourself, "Who is A.B. Simpson?" Come and find out how his calling led him to impact the world for Jesus!

Locally: To show our support for a local ministry, *Tiny Table of Kindness*, we will assemble Easter pails/baskets with the items donated from the community and church body. (See the bulletin insert for the list of items. You can bring them to the church during the week or to our meeting).

Church Body: Bring your *One Message* book and be ready to discuss the questions from Week 7. Here we will discuss how the obedience of Philip created a supernatural collide with an Ethiopian eunuch leading to his salvation.

For questions, please contact Janie Hill at 360-580-2389 or wreckedbykindness@gmail.com

11th STREET PARKING LOT NEWS

From the Governing Board

Many of you may not know, we have a parking lot on the corner of 11th and Mifflin. Due to the fact that it is not used by members/attenders of HCMA, it is a liability not an asset to the church. Therefore, the governing board has opted to sell that parking lot. We will keep you posted as this unfolds.

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME!

This Sunday March 14th remember to set your clocks ahead 1 hour. Spring forward!!



TIME TO UPDATE



UPDATED CHILDREN PICTURES are NEEDED

We would like to make sure everyone that attends our church is in our database and directory. Please fill out the form below your name(s), address, phone # and email. You may also call the office @ 643-5310 or email the office with your information: office@huntingdoncma.org

PLEASE SEND/ADD A FAMILY PICTURE TOO!

CONTACT INFORMATION SIGN UP FORM

NAME(S)	
CHILDREN LIVING AT HOME	
ADDRESS	
PHONE HOME #PHONE CELL #	
EMAIL ADDRESS	
OTHER INFO (birthdays/anniversary etc)	

Note: You do not need to be a member to be added.

(Completed inserts can be placed in the offering plate or given to one of the ushers)

Thank you. Chris Yarnell

RENEWED HOPE

You might have seen Tiny Tables of Kindness popping up all over town. A vision Brittany Vaughan had to partner with Jesus in providing for the needs of Huntingdon residents has now grown to provide Easter baskets for children, adults, and pets. In addition, food baskets will be available.

(If you haven't heard about this ministry, find one of our Alliance Women leaders so we can share with you all that God is doing!)

Alliance Women would like to invite the church to partner with this local ministry by donating items to these baskets. We will assemble the baskets at our March 16th meeting. We believe, together, we can share the love of Jesus and impact the community one basket at a time.

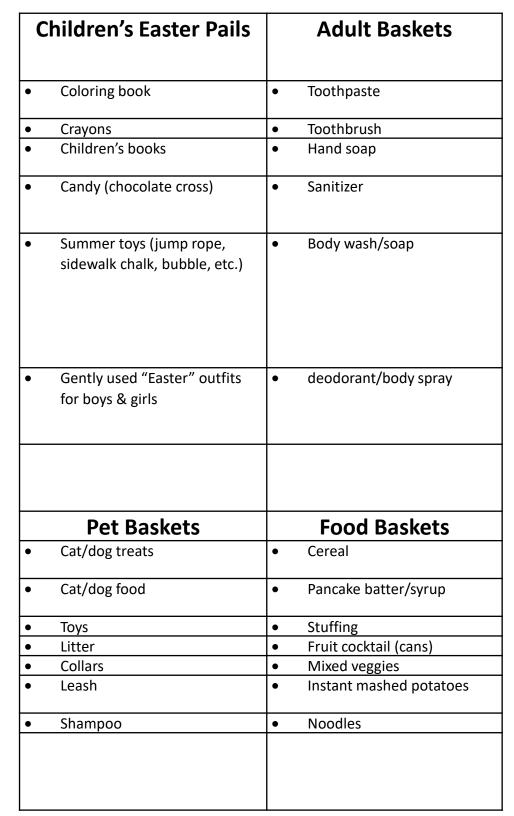
Please see the list below and donate what you can. You can either bring your donation to the church through March 16 or bring them with you to our Alliance Women meeting at 6:30 pm on Tuesday, March 16.

Tiny Tables of Kindness are at the following locations in Huntingdon:

- 318 Mifflin Street
- 1420 Mifflin Street
- 628 7th Street
- 307 6th Street

Brittany's vision is to see tiny tables of kindness pop up all around town. If you would like to learn more, contact **Brittany Vaughan at 717-437-1264.**

* See attached list of items needed



MATTERS

Answers to your questions...

I'm a single parent raising a teenager. I worry about mentoring my child all by myself. Do you have any encouragement for me?

ANSWER:

As a single mom, I've found God to be full of grace and sufficient for what I need.

That doesn't come easily, however. It takes conscious effort to reach for Him and to believe He can answer those needs in my daily reality.

One day I was at the end of my rope. I'd done all I could to discipline my teenager, and it didn't seem to be working. Having just moved to a new city, I had no close friends locally to draw upon.

Finally, I dropped to

my knees. I reminded God that I had no husband with whom to discuss this problem. Would He please be that husband and coparent? Would He please help me work through this situation?

I went to bed with no answer. In the morning, though, it was clear to me what steps I needed to take. I proceeded through those steps.

In return, my daughter gave me tears, anger and blame for everything wrong in her life. Yet I felt God telling me to hang in there. I did, and it proved to be precisely the right thing

That was a turning point for me. I began to go to God with many issues that some would think only a

husband or a father could deal with.

God continued to fill those gaps, provide the answers and be there for me. Yet He never provided those things unless I went to Him for them.

There have still been many tears, many days of excruciating loneliness and the profound need for a human partner to share the load of life. But God is always there through those

(This is a real-life story from Lissa Johnson, adapted from Parents' Guide to the Spiritual Mentoring of Teens, Joe White and Jim Weidmann, general editors.)



FILL IT TO THE BRIM

Is your marriage "filled to the Brim"? It can be ... if you've got the faith to keep doing what's right.

Iesus' first miracle occurred after a wedding party ran out of wine. He told the servants to fill six stone jars with water—each one holding 20 to 30 gallons.

What's remarkable is the faith of the servants. Remember, this was first-century Palestine. There was no plumbing or garden hose. Their task would have required repeated trips to a well. Back and forth, pitcher after pitcher, likely in the heat of the day. At any point, they could have looked at the water in the jars and decided, "This isn't working." They could have given up and only filled the jars part way. Instead, they kept doing what they knew was right until the jars were filled to the brim. And because they did, everyone at the wedding party witnessed a miracle unfold right before their eyes.

That's the secret to a strong marriage: Keep doing what's right, even if it's taking longer than you'd like to achieve the results you want. You'll get there, but not if you stop halfway or do only enough to hold your relationship together.

Day after day, pitcher after pitcher, keep filling your relationship with love, intimacy and connection . . . until it's filled to the brim.

TOUGH QUESTIONS FROM KIDS

Jesus is always with us even though we don't see Him. Jesus wants us to learn to trust Him, to believe and know that He is there. It's natural to feel afraid sometimes. God wants our fears to remind us to trust Him. Being afraid should be a signal to trust God and do what He wants us to do.

For more information on any of the topics in this bulletin, go to FocusOnTheFamily.com or call 800-A-FAMILY (232-6459). To reach Customer Service regarding your subscription, please call 1-800-692-9912. To check out more ministry resources, please visit us at www.tyndaleperiodicals.com.



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Tough Questions from Kids

Why do I feel afraid if Jesus is with me?



FIND STRENGTH IN YOUR DIFFERENCES

Recently my husband, Jon, and I were outside with our little son, drawing with sidewalk chalk. I was drawing lots of colorful pictures with my artsy flair. As I was finishing the layers of shading in my sunset, it



occurred to me that I had never actually seen my husband draw anything. I looked over to observe his creations . . . he was writing math equations. Math. Using the same color over and over.

I then realized just how different we are, because it would never in a million years occur to me to draw math equations with sidewalk chalk for fun on a sunny day.

These differences sometimes make us laugh. But other times they've made us snap at each other. He wishes I would slow down and do things right—be a little more analytical. I wish he would speed up and finish so we can move on to the next thing—see the big picture.

Isn't it funny how opposites attract? But then after marriage, those differences can quickly shift from adorable to slightly aggravating. Suddenly you find yourself trying to make your spouse become more like you. You wish they'd do things the way you do, at your pace, with your perspective.

But God said marriage is about two people joining together to become something new, not two people coming together to make each person like the other. We shouldn't try to erase or silence our spouse's unique perspective, because God created it. A diverse approach to doing things is important to your marriage, otherwise the synergy-and the beauty-wouldn't exist. Your individual differences should make your marriage stronger.



-Ashley Durand



ENCOURAGEMENT FOR SINGLE PARENTS

As a single parent, you may sometimes feel like you're facing overwhelming odds. But have faith; your kids can succeed and flourish. Your belief in God gives you certain advantages that can help you out-perform the metrics.

Spirituality and family life are deeply intertwined, and studies have shown that transcendent religious beliefs are key to health and other positive outcomes. The positive effects of your faith can ripple down to impact your children.

In spite of your struggles as a single parent, your faith walk can be a strong counteracting force to potentially negative outcomes. Your faith affects how your kids see the world. Your spiritual commitment also helps your children develop a sense of purpose and calling.

And perhaps most importantly, your spirituality—lived out in front of your children—can help your family stand strong in times of crisis and give you the resources to bounce back after periods of hardship.

Whether you came to single parenthood by divorce, separation or the death of a spouse, your children can thrive. And even if your child is currently exhibiting problems, he or she can eventually flourish.

There is hope, and every reason to believe that your child's chance of success can be just as great as that of his or her peers in two-parent homes.

-Starla Quinn, Ph.D.

INVITE GOD INTO YOUR MESS

This is for all of you mommas and dads who are just hanging on by a string. Every parent who feels like you goofed up one too many times. For everyone who knows that your backstory isn't a story you'd want as front-page news: You are not alone.

When we give up the facade and the filters and the perfectly scripted posts, we welcome back intimacy with our mate, with our family, with ourselves and with our Maker. God sees the mess and moves into it with us. He isn't afraid, so we shouldn't be either.

Amid my mess, I asked God to take it all: the good, the bad and the ugly. The tears and the triumphs. My parenting victories and parenting defeats. When I laid it all down, God gave me the courage to be real. He taught me that sharing the real me is the only way that I can ever be truly known. And that being known is the heart dream of every kid, every parent and every minister. Being known beats being an expert every time!

—Jacqui Jackson