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SUPPLEMENT

"Worship the Lord in the splendor of His holiness." Psalm 96:9

OFFERING

Thank you for Electronic Funds Transfer offerings and individual offerings totaling:

Leadership Support	\$3371
Missions	\$1500
Brotherhood Fund	\$1100
Church Facilities	\$ 150

Today's offering: Church Facilities

Next Sunday, February 20 offering:

Leadership Support

The Everence Sharing Fund provided \$3000.00 in matching funds to support special needs brought to our church this past year of 2021. We are again eligible for matching funds for 2022.

Thank you for your participation with Everence! Feel free to contact me if you have any questions about Everence programs.

Pat Mast, Everence Advocate for Groffdale

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Bela Tennis Speller: Sunday, February 13

Happy 83rd Birthday to Lois Buchen:

Sunday, February 13

Dale Weaver: Monday, February 14

Brenda Weaver: Wednesday, February 16

Jeff Martin: Wednesday, February 16

Marie Hoover: Wednesday, February 16

Sharon Nolt: Wednesday, February 16



thank you

Thank you so much for all your generous support of our soup fundraiser for our mission trip to Costa Rica this summer!

Tanner and Janessa Eshleman

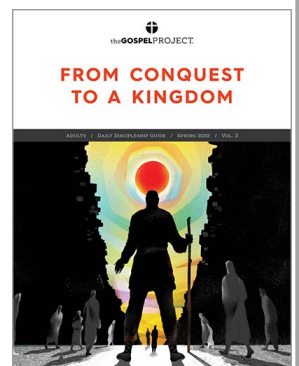
UPCOMING SPRING SUNDAY SCHOOL

New adult Sunday School books have arrived! Feel free to pick up a copy on the back table.

The 13-session study is titled *From Conquest to a Kingdom*. This spring, we will see that God providentially guides and cares for His people.

Israel's victory over Jericho and other cities proved that God can and will perform miracles. And when the Israelites kept sinning and responding to God with disobedience, God showed that He takes sin seriously but also offers redemptive grace.

Through this chapter of the Bible's story, we will be reminded of the One in whom all our hope lies: Jesus Christ.



Midwinter's Tea Exchange

Thanks to everyone who was a part of the Tea Exchange! Participants will find an assortment of teas in their church mailbox.



There were two boxes of tea that did not have a name on them, however. If you donated tea, but didn't receive anything in your box, please contact Jess Kiefer at churchoffice@groffdale.com. Thanks!

Congregational Meeting and Potluck Lunch

— SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20 —

Immediately following the worship service, we will gather in the All-Purpose Room to share a meal. Please bring a large dish of food to share.

The Congregational Meeting will follow.

In preparation, you will find the Annual Report in your church mailbox this Sunday.

Updates on team meetings:

Administrative Team met on Wednesday, February 9. Among the things discussed:

- The all-purpose room roof leaks when it rains heavily: the property team is investigating.
- New flooring is being explored for missionary house.
- The team also discussed the possibility of planting more trees around the church property.

For more details, see the minutes that will be available soon at church or by email.

Worship Team met on Tuesday, February 8. Highlights include planning for Lent, Maundy Thursday and Easter. A children's band is being planned for Easter.

Minutes are available on the back table at church or can be emailed to you upon request.

*Praise God,
From Whom
All Blessings
Flow*

Invitation to prayerfully nominate people to serve as elders

Leadership Team is inviting our congregation to focused prayer during the month of February as we call several new elders. (Elders serve on the Leadership Team.) We invite you to prayerfully nominate people that you feel could serve well as an elder, sharing in the spiritual leadership of the congregation.

Nomination forms will be available at church this Sunday, and may be returned to Richard Buckwalter's church mailbox or via email at rlbuck@frontiernet.net. Nomination forms need to be submitted by Sunday, February 20.

The current members of Leadership team are:

Lead pastor Tom Eshleman

Pastoral Team Member Krista Snader

Elder of Administration Levi Hoover

Elder of Worship Keith Stoltzfus

We are grateful that each of these members will continue on the team. We also recognize there are gifts and abilities not yet represented on our team. We encourage you to keep that in mind as you prayerfully consider people that God may be calling to strengthen our Groffdale leadership.

Leadership Team is thankful that Lloyd Weaver, Ruthie Umble, Richard Buckwalter and Mag Nolt have agreed to join them as a Discernment Team in the calling of elders.

Day of Prayer and Fasting: Friday, February 18

Leadership Team invites you to join us in a second Day of Prayer and Fasting on Friday, February 18 as we call several new elders to join Leadership Team.

There is a clear model for this in scripture: *“Paul and Barnabas appointed elders for them in each church and, with prayer and fasting, committed them to the Lord, in whom they had put their trust.” Acts 14:23*