

#### **Tastor Nominating Committee** Congregational Report #3

We are making great progress! As you may recall, the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) was elected by the congregation in December 2021 and began work soon after the start of the new year. We have held 18 meetings thus far, trying our best to hold them weekly. Like all of you, we members of the PNC are excited about the prospect of calling a new pastor and look forward to momentous day when we can introduce our new pastor to you. Until then, we will be keeping you informed of our progress. This is our third such report to the congregation.

We are working from an aggressive notional schedule of activities, broken down into seven distinct phases. We are now into the fifth phase (shown in bold below), prioritizing and assessing candidates. The seven phases are:

- 1. Getting organized (assign roles, becoming a Team)
- 2. Telling our story (detailing what CCPC and who we are looking for)
- 3. Fishing for candidate (posting our job announcement and awaiting applications)
- 4. Interviewing candidates (prioritizing and assessing candidates)
- 5. Selecting candidates of choice (down-selecting, making offer, negotiate terms of call)
- 6. Introduction of pastor to church (to Session, to congregation, sign the Call)
- 7. Helping new pastor get started

Yes, we still have a goal to secure a new pastor before the start of the new school year. But this is all subject to discerning "the" candidate. As it stands now, we received 60 applications through the end of May. While the PNC cannot divulge details of the 60 that we were working

from, we can say that they are male and female, young and not so young, and some even from abroad. We narrowed that list down to eight and by the time you read this will have conducted a first interview with each of those. We are very excited about how well these eight candidates fit what we are looking for, and intend to conduct follow-on interviews in early July.

Serving you, we remain your dedicated search committee: Gladys Tataw-Ayuketah; Brian Cable; Sara Huey; Skip Oates; Kevin Maxwell; Jane Mellow; Mark Pfarrer; Emelie Rubin.

### A Celebration of Life for Joseph Alderman

A memorial service for Joseph Alderman, Karen Todd's father, will be on July 16 at 11AM at the chapel at the Village at Orchard Ridge, 500 Clocktower Ridge Dr., Winchester, VA 22603.

### Interim Tastor

We are blessed to be able to welcome an interim pastor who will be starting with us on August 1<sup>st</sup>. Pastor Caroline Wilson has been an interim pastor for 30 years and is currently at First Presbyterian Church of Arlington. Caroline's husband, Scott Wilson, is also an interim pastor. The Wilsons are joined at home by their three cats and one-half great-Pyrenees puppy, Bree. Caroline and Scott also have a daughter, Anna, who lives in Florida. Please feel free to contact Pastor Caroline by phone or text (better than email) once she starts to extend her a warm welcome.

# Baked Goods & Lemonade Stand



Children & Youth will be hosting a baked goods and lemonade stand to raise funds for future activities. Date: Sunday, July 24, 2022Time: 11-11:45 Free homemade baked goods & lemonade donations welcome.

# Glasswork Auction

Fundraising Auction is ongoing for Sharon Mabe's glasswork art, contact Mary Brock to put in your bid in; all proceeds go to the Sue Cobb Memorial Scholarship Fund.



# <u> Handbells! Handbells! Handbells!</u>

#### Our handbell choirs have come roaring back this spring!

Clinquant, our adult handbell choir, had a very successful season and is looking forward to reconvening



in September after taking a break for the summer. We also are excited to have two more membersjoining us in the fall! A number of new pieces have been ordered and we look forward to sharing them with you in the near future! After a two-year hiatus, our Children's handbell choir began rehearsing again in April. We rang the Sunday after Easter and will perform again on

Sunday, June 26th before taking a break for the summer. At present, we have nine ringers and are looking for a few more members to join us in the fall. If you know a child who might be interested, please speak with Rick.

## Tagging Horseshoe Crabs

Dick Arnold will be in Ocean City from July 10-15, tagging horseshoe crabs. If anyone is interested in watching or helping, please call Dick for more information at 301-908-6088.



## A Letter & Drawing from Our Sponsor Child

17/01/2022

Morym Nahomy

To my dear sponsor

Hello, how are you?

I hope you are fine with to your family. I hope you had a good time on Christmas and that this year is a prosper year to you and your family.

I want to thank you for the support you have given me so far. I feel very grateful first with God because He sent you to sponsor me. I want to tell you a little of my life: my name is Morym Nahomy, last year I was in 9<sup>th</sup> grade this year I am going to 10<sup>th</sup> grade; I thank God for giving me wisdom because I got an average of 98.5%. I want to promise you that I will improve even more my grades and will be better in my classes every day to achieve my dreams, one of them is to be an architect.

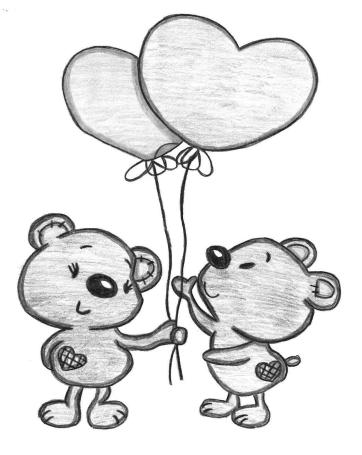
I want to talk to you about my family: I live with my mom and my brother. My mom's name is Elsa Marina, she is a single mother, she and my dad separated long time ago and he doesn't help me. My brother's name is Owen Said, he is 6 years old, he is so cute, brunette, slim and black eyes. He passed first grade, he is going to 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and I thank God because he is very smart too, he got an average of 100%. I admire him and best wish is to achieve my dreams and be a professional so I can help my mom and my brother to achieve his dreams, he wants to be a doctor, since he was young-

er he asked to my mom the doctors' tools and he says that he is going to heal our hearts and all our illness. He plays with me he is so cute and tender, my greatest dream is to help him to achieve his dreams. I wish he gets a help like this that you are giving me.

I also want to tell you about the pandemic in our country Honduras. Thank God my family didn't get that virus, we are careful, my mom and I already get the 2 vaccines and the reinforcement vaccine; my brother is missing the vaccine because the vaccines to his age aren't in our country yet.

I would like to know about you, how was the pandemic time? Did you and your family get that virus? I would like to know where do you work and what do you do on your free time? My mom and I would like to know you in person to show you how thankful we are for your support.

I say goodbye with a strong hug in the distance and hoping that God bless you always.



Morym Nahomy.

## A Letter & Drawing from Our Sponsor Child

09/01/2022

Keyla Merary Garcia Fúnez 12 years old

Nueva Esperanza, Cortes

I thank God and you for the support you have given me so far and I hope in God you will continue supporting me because without you I couldn't study because my parents are low income.

I live with my parents and siblings. I study at the Minerva Mixed Rural School. I was in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, I am going to 4<sup>th</sup> grade this year. My mom is Orfilia Santos Funez Hernandez and she is housewife, my dad is Luciano Garcia and he is farmer.

What I like about my village is the soccer field, the school and play with my friends I like the humility and unity of my family. What I like about my school is that we can learn more, I like the recess time and play with my classmates.

I have friends, their names are: Fernanda, Angille and Fernando. I go to the church its name is Open Hands, I like the attention and discipline of my church.

I like pets, I have one dog its name is Osito, what I like about my pet is that he is obedient. My birthday is on November 19, I would like to celebrate it with all my family, I have never celebrated my birthday.

I felt very supported by you during the pandemic. I spent vacations with my family. I celebrated Christmas with my

friends and family. What I like of Christmas is to spend time with my family and worship God to thank for new year full of love, peace and prosperity.

My goal this year to keep fighting day by day. I hope to be someone important in this life someday to help to my parents. I thank God that guides you and my parents. Thank you very much for everything. God bless you today, tomorrow and always. I hope you had a happy new year.

Thank God for being with every sponsor and beneficiaries.



### **Christian Community Presbyterian Church**



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CCPC, the first Protestant church in Levitt Bowie, was born from a passion for Christian mission in the local community, and this focus continues.

> Our Mission: To worship God, to grow in faith and community, and to place our gifts in the service of Jesus Christ.

#### Please remember CCPC in your will.



#### **Belair Cooperative Nursery School**

The school is a non-profit, non-sectarian, and non-partisan organization. It's located in the CE Building of Christian Community Presbyterian Church. Call 301-464-5782 or Email info@belaircoop.org

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**Imagine - Yoga & Wellness Center** 



Located in the CE building, offers yoga and a variety of wellness programs to CCPC members and the community. For more information, visit www.ImagineThePlace.com, call 443-510-6308, or e-mail info@ImagineThePlace.com. Scholarships available.