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Honduras Mission 2023 & 2024

Come after service on **October 1st at 11:00am** in the sanctuary to hear from the PoP members who attended the 2023 Honduras Mission Trip and learn about the projects and outreach which took place in June. See pictures of all the places where God's hands and feet were at work. This will also be an opportunity for those potentially interested in the June 2024 mission trip to ask questions and learn about how you can be part of the next mission! Questions can be directed to [Ric Kienzle](#).

Church Directory Update

It's time to update the church directory! Many members have had demographic information change, (and we all see those small children in the family photos have grown up). Please email your contact updates (email/mailling address, phone number, etc.) to the church office OR update the paper copy on the wall in the narthex. If an update to your family photo is needed, please feel free to take a current photo of you/your family and email it to the [church office](#) to be included in the directory. The due date for updated information is Sunday, October 8. Thank you for helping to keep contact information up to date!



Blessing of Animals



Our Annual Blessing of Animals will take place at our **5 pm Saturday service on October 14!** Come and bring your pets!

Food, Fun and Fellowship!

Come to our Fall Festival on **Saturday, October 14 from 8 am - 2 pm**. We'll have food, activities, and displays for the congregation and the whole community! Attend and participate in a variety of ways. Questions? Contact [Pamela Cook](#)!



PB & J Collection



Please join the Sunday School for the annual collection of PB & J! We'll collect those back-to-school staples through October for the clients of Gaithersburg Help. Look for the collection bin in the narthex.



October Project

Lutheran World Relief (LWR) works around the globe, promoting sustainable development and meeting critical needs in time of disaster and strife.

One way that we can help is to assemble **PERSONAL CARE KITS**. These kits help individuals who are coping with poverty, disaster, conflict, and more maintain good hygiene and provide dignity and hope in the direst situations around the world. In October, Social Justice Ministry will collect towels, combs, nail clippers, toothbrushes, and bars of soap to put together in kits. Look for specific details in the weekly bulletin.



Holiday Giving Program



The season of giving is rapidly approaching. Prince of Peace will once again be participating in the City of Gaithersburg Holiday Giving Program by providing Thanksgiving dinner for six families.

We will receive the information on our families in November. There will be many ways to be a part of the program so please watch the weekly emails for updates. Questions - email [Cherie](#).



From Pastor Steve...

Pastor Steve Buechler
(pastor@poplutheran.org;
301-869-3666)

There always seems to be a great debate about when summer ends and fall begins. Meteorological, or calendar fall begins on September 1. But most of us don't really think of it being fall until after Labor Day. But this year, like many years, the days after Labor Day were hotter than most days of summer. And so, it's tempting to go with September 22, the astronomical beginning of fall, as the real day when fall begins.

But by October, the debate is over! We're really in fall. And indeed, by the meteorological reckoning, the fall is 1/3 over. But now it's getting cooler. The leaves are falling. And it really does seem like we've transitioned to fall.

Lots of transitions are like that. What day did the actual change begin? When did things go from being the way they were to the way they are? And when did we really notice it?

As we get into the fall season again, it occurs to me that we've now really begun to live into a new "season" after Covid. Some things we stopped doing. Some things are new. Some things, we've adapted. And some things have begun again, but perhaps differently. This is true for our personal lives as well as our life together at Prince of Peace. And now, it really feels like we're living in a new season.

And yet, the thing about seasons is that they never stay the same. As soon as we get used to the idea that it's really fall now, it will soon get dark and cold enough to begin to feel like winter. And then we'll be getting ready for spring. Seasons keep moving, and calling us to recognize what's happening, to adapt to what is, and yet at the same time to look to where we're going.

This is what God always calls us to do, in whatever "season" we seem to be going through. In each "season" the Holy Spirit leads us to new opportunities; strengthens us to face new challenges; and points us to look beyond right now, because this "season" - whatever season we're in - will change yet again.

As we move through this season - and the next - may you feel the Spirit moving in your life! Be open to the new opportunities; rise to the next challenges; and never stop looking forward for the next things that God is doing in our lives.

Yours in Christ,

October Highlights

Every Sunday

10:00 am Worship live and streamed on our Facebook Page
11:00 am Sunday School

Every Monday

6:30 pm Grace Notes Rehearsal

Every Tuesday

10:00 am Quilters
12:30 pm Women's Bible Study

Second Saturday Service - in order to provide an additional opportunity for worship apart from Sunday morning, we will hold a 5 pm Saturday service on the 2nd Saturday of each month. Our next service will be on Saturday, October 14. This is our Blessing of the Pets service and will have the same sermon and readings as the Sunday service but will not be livestreamed.

COMING UP...

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<https://poplutheran.org/church-calendars/>

COUNCIL CORNER

October 2023

News and Views from the PoP Church Council

NEWS

Here are the updates from the September Church Council meeting.

Finances: Giving continues to be good, although we are still a little bit behind expenses. (Council notes).

Solar panel project: Permitting on going.

Feast Fund: Meetings and discussions are in progress.

God's Work/Our Hand's: very successful cleanup day at the church.

Sunday School: Rally Sunday was a lot of fun, complete with a cook out and a lot of interest in an Adult Sunday School Class.

VIEWS

We are planning our Fall Festival for October 14. There will be a number of activities including an Artisan Fair. This is a first attempt at an event to get people to spend some time at the church and get to know us better. There will be food to purchase and a number of craft/artisan booths with items for sale.

Thank you again for your continued support with both time and talents.

Respectfully,
Jon Conary

Council met on September 10. You can read notes from that meeting (including the Pastor's and Treasurer's report) [by clicking here.](#)

SPECIAL PRAYERS

. . . My need was met because someone came and communicated . . . in words I could not express. .

Pastor John B. McGarvey



PoP Members

Alice & James Baur, William Bolek, Elizabeth Langum Chung, Brittany (DeGeorge) Daniel, Laura Hampe Garofalo, Carmen Hooks-Hill, Roy Johnson, Mike & Remi Langum, Anne Lomperis, Kaitlyn

McGurgan & her family, Kathy Mellott, John Miltizer, Dick Moore, Heather Robinson, David & Martha Rogers, Sherry Schiebel, Denny Tritinger, Cynthia Watter, Laura Wilson, John Zobel

Sympathy

Family of Cathy Bellenger

(friend of Cherie DeGeorge)

Family of Melissa DeMasters

(neighbor of Gordon Gipe)

Family of Jean Galecke

(relative of Sherry Schiebel and Susan Grassman)

Family of Maggie Kelly (sister of Emma Yanevskyy)

Family of Jeff Martin

(friend of Cherie and Mike DeGeorge)

Family of Jane Shrimp (aunt of Pr. Wendy Deeben)

Family of Earle B. Wood, Jr. (friend of Laura Hurst)

Ongoing

The people of Ukraine

For Racial justice and equality

All those struggling with Covid-19 and their
Caregivers

All those impacted by weather

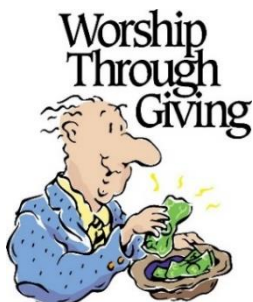
The complete Prayer List is available in the Weekly Email sent on Thursdays.

OTHER EVENTS

Haven Universe "Saturday Night Alive!"

Non-profit, Haven Universe has been partnering with Prince of Peace for several years and invites you to volunteer at HU "Saturday Night Alive" this fall. These events are hosted for individuals with special needs and their families and friends, many of whom are adults that attend with their caregivers. "Saturday Night Alive" event assistance is welcome on the following dates from 4:00-7:00pm at Lakelands Park Middle School (1200 Main St, Gaithersburg): **October 7, November 18, December 16.** Positions for volunteers include front desk check-in, gym setup/takedown, AV tech setup/takedown, craft table, merchandise sales, or just mingling with participants. This is a chance to see God's work through our hands. (High school students can also earn SSL hours by volunteering.) Contact [Ric](#) or [Sherry](#) Kienzle for questions. We hope you can join us to be a witness of Christ to others!

STEWARDSHIP



Church Giving Envelopes

Boxes are still available on the table in the Narthex at church if you want to pick them up. Simply write the Box # on the paper with your Name so we can add you to the Donations spreadsheet.

Contact [Helen Griffith](#) if you would like to continue getting Giving Envelopes for next year or have any questions.

Online Giving

It's easy and will make your life easier. Just go to the church [webpage](#) (poplutheran.org) and click the green Donate Online button. Giving online can help all of us easily provide consistent support for the church. Signup today! Online giving is a win for the church and for the congregation. Please contact Chris Michel (michel_christian@yahoo.com) or Kwame Mensah (mensahkn@gmail.com) with any questions.

Electronic Giving

To donate right now or become an E-Giver, go to poplutheran.org or scan this QR code with your smart phone or tablet. Thanks for supporting the ministries of Prince of Peace!



YOUTH MINISTRY

Sunday School

We have classes for youth from preschool through high school ages - join us at our new time of 11 - 11:50 a.m. Everyone is welcome any week they can attend!

Preschool through Elementary School

We use Group's *Simply Loved* curriculum, which has popular elements of VBS, such as Bible buddies, videos, games, and experiments. This fall, a new weekly Bible story supports a Bible truth about God's love and trustworthiness. Each week, we meet for Opening in the Fellowship Hall, where we enjoy a breakfast or snack, devotion, and introduction to the day's lesson. Next, we head to our Preschool and Elementary classrooms.

Our workshop leaders are Lisa Conary, Janet Levine, Jamie Pflasterer, and Anne Witten. Our Elementary shepherd is Trish Taylor. Debbie Chan and Cherie DeGeorge are our PreK-K shepherds. We want your students to feel comfortable, so remember that parents are always welcome in class.

Middle School

Middle School class uses the Sparkhouse Re:form curriculum, which brings Bible stories alive using animated short videos that combine fun and theology to get young people thinking. Once a month, we join the High School class to work on SSL-eligible service projects during class. Lauren Gibson leads our Middle School class.

High School

We decided together on our first topic to explore this fall, but the information was unavailable at publication. We team up with Middle School to work together monthly on SSL-eligible service projects during the Sunday School hour. So, if you are in 9th through 12th grade, please come by and check us out. Jon Conary leads our High School class.

Please contact [Janet Levine](#) or your learner's Sunday School leaders with any questions or concerns.

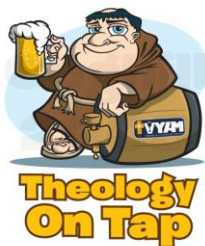
ADULT EDUCATION

Adult Bible Study Restarting - Sundays at 11am

Adult Bible Study will be starting up again soon, to be held at 11am after Sunday church services in the sanctuary. A discussion-based curriculum, led by rotating facilitators, will alternate with occasional speakers and presentations, such as the upcoming Honduras Misson Team presentation on 10/1. (Mark your calendars!) We'll plan to use a curriculum like SparkHouse's Animate: Bible which kicks off each module with a video introduction and provides easy-to-use discussion prompts for the module facilitator. Since each module is independent, it's possible to drop into the Bible study any week that you are able. A SignUp Genius will be sent out soon for Sundays needing discussion facilitators. A Google group has been set up for those interested in participating in the study sessions and receiving more information. To join the group, just send an email [here](#).

Theology on Tap

Join us for our next Theology on Tap session to talk about issues of faith. Pastor Steve leads one of these events each month. Check Weekly Email and the online worship notice for the next date and join us!



PoP Women's Bible Study



The Women's Bible Study meets every Tuesday from 12:30-2pm. We are currently discussing *Exodus*. Questions? Contact Pastor Wendy Deeben.

NOTE: The Tuesday Bible study crab feast at Pastor Wendy's home is on Tuesday, October 3 from 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. If you need directions to Pastor Wendy's home or have any questions, please call or text 443-624-6005.

MUSIC

Grace Notes

Is this the year to dust off your trumpet, trombone, saxophone, drums, guitar or other musical instrument and start playing again? Have you always wanted to sing or play with "the Band"? Grace Notes is looking for musicians and singers. We rehearse on Monday nights from 6:30 to 8:00pm and are working toward the goal of playing once a month during our worship service.



Time commitment is rehearsal 3-4 times a month and playing at one Sunday service a month. Contact Jon Conary for more information.

SOCIAL MINISTRIES

Gaithersburg HELP



A special thanks for many things that POP has done lately: co-sponsoring the Interfaith 5K which donates to Gaithersburg HELP, for Stella Meyer's summer efforts for a food drive, and for the traditional fall Sunday School PB&J drive. All are so appreciated.

Always needed are diapers sizes 4 and 5, non-perishables like tuna, cereal, 1 lb bags of rice,

nutritious soups for cool autumn days, etc. And daytime volunteers to drive clients or work on the phones scheduling rides and food pickups. If you have some flexible time, please consider joining the volunteer team.

For questions or information, please contact Hope Walker (hope.walker@GaithersburgHELP.org)

Quilters



Would you like to change the world for someone? Can you tie a knot or tear/cut a piece of cloth? Then join the Quilter's group, Tuesday mornings from 10:00 am till noon at the church or work from home. We also can use donations of cloth (cotton preferred). **We are changing the world one quilt at a time!**

Contact Lisa Conary for more information.

Fabric Donations Needed



Do you have some fabric in your home that you are not going to use? The PoP Quilters are in need of fabric and sheets for quilts. We use sheets for the backing and other pieces of cloth for squares. Cotton is best but blends work as well. Please leave any fabric donations in the church office or music room.

If you have questions, please contact Lisa Conary.

Social Justice Ministry News

Alzheimer's Awareness Walk

Join the Village At Rockville (aka the National Lutheran Home) on **Sunday, October 7th**, for their first annual Alzheimer's Awareness Walk. Did you know that there are more than 6 million Americans living with Alzheimer's today, and that Alzheimer's kills more people than breast cancer and prostate cancer combined? The walk raises critical funds that allow the Alzheimer's Association to provide 24/7 care and support and advance research toward methods of prevention, treatment and, ultimately, a cure.

Join residents of the Village (check-in starts at 10 am) at the Health Center, located at 9701 Veirs

Drive in Rockville to walk around the beautiful campus and raise awareness about Alzheimer's. While there is no fee to register, all participants are encouraged to raise funds to support the [Alzheimer's Association](#).

For more information or to RSVP/register, call the Village at 301-354-8486 or visit [this website](#).



Faithful Green Leaders Training

Interfaith Partners for the Chesapeake will be offering free Faithful Green Leaders Training on Zoom in October, held on three consecutive Thursday evenings.

This special 3-part training is geared to give participants the tools and support to grow and strengthen a thriving congregational Green Team! The training will feature inspiring guest speakers and IPC staff and will teach you how to protect local watersheds and how to inspire others to do the same. Additionally, congregational Green Teams will be supported by IPC regional staff to help you learn more about the actions and impact you can have working with your congregation and surrounding communities. We have 2 people from Prince of Peace signed up - will you be the third to join us?

Visit their [website](#) for more details and to register for the training. Training sessions will run from 7:00-8:30 pm on Thursday 10/12, 10/19, and 10/26. Contact [Tonya Meyer](#) or [Jamie Pflasterer](#) with questions.

Suicide Prevention Walk

Come walk with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention in Baltimore on October 28, 2023. Starting at 8:30 am, a short two-mile walk

is held in West Shore Park on 410 Light St., Baltimore MD 21202. Participants and supporters will take part in a walk out of darkness to support crucial efforts to mitigate the despair that leads to suicide. Register and Donate here, [American Foundation for Suicide Prevention \(AFSP\)](#)

Lions Club Glasses Collection



Please remember we are collecting eyeglasses, including readers and prescription sunglasses, for the Lions Club International. They also are requesting hearing aids. The collection box is in the Narthex. Questions - email [Cherie](#) .

Plastic Bag Donation Drive

Crochet4Change is a student-led organization that collects used plastic bags, repurposes them into plastic yarn, and crochets durable waterproof sleeping mats for the unhoused community. If you would like to donate any plastic bags to be reused, there is a green cardboard donation bin in the narthex for you to drop them off. Your donations are greatly appreciated and are an immense help in bringing such projects to fruition! (Learn more at: [crochet4change.godaddysites.com](#))

October Membership Drive for The Village at Rockville Auxiliary

It's time to renew your membership with the Village Auxiliary and, if you've never been a member before, please consider joining! The Village at Rockville is an energetic and progressive continuing care National Lutheran retirement community. The Auxiliary was set up to help seniors who have been good financial stewards but have exhausted their resources and now receive benevolent funds so they can continue receiving the care they need. The Auxiliary helps fund "extras" that contribute so much to the dignity and quality of life, such as bus services to local appointments, hair salon services, hearing aids, and more. Your \$25 membership contribution helps make these extras possible. Envelopes for your membership contribution will be available in the narthex in October, along with more information about the Auxiliary or contact Jim & Dinah Pflasterer at jim.pflasterer@gmail.com or 301-300-5406.

The Village at Rockville is a great place to volunteer!

It is conveniently located near Darnestown Rd and Glen Mill Rd. There are opportunities for people of all ages and backgrounds to volunteer such as reading to or visiting residents, wheelchair escorts, administrative duties, leading activities, and sharing your talents. There is also a Student Volunteer Program where students can earn SSL hours. For volunteer info, check out their [website](#) or contact the volunteer coordinator at 301-424-9560 x18462.

Maui Disaster Response

Lutheran Disaster Response is asking for your assistance in helping with immediate needs and long term recovery for Maui wildfire survivors. Hurricane force winds drove the wildfire up to one mile a minute, faster than emergency workers were able to respond, engulfing towns and homes in its way. Destruction and losses may approach six billion dollars. Can you donate to the recovery process for what is now the deadliest fire in the US within a century? LDR needs our help. Donate [here](#). Questions? Contact [Susan Weiner](#).

Morocco Earthquake Response

A devastating 6.8 earthquake has struck Morocco near Marakesh. Whole villages in the Atlas Mountains (the epicenter) may be wiped out. One day after the earthquake, officials counted over 2000 dead. That number has been climbing. If you can help, please donate to [Lutheran World Relief](#). LWR stands ready to assist around the world, bringing help where it's needed the most.

Hurricane Idalia Response

Hurricane Idalia, the first recorded hurricane to make landfall this year, slammed into Florida, Georgia, and the Carolinas, affecting four states. Lutheran Disaster Response stands ready to help, working with people on the ground for as long as needed to help heal and repair the damage to individuals, their homes, and infrastructure. Help provide crucial support by donating [here](#).

FELLOWSHIP

Women's Book Group

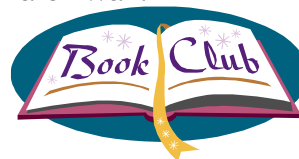
The Women's Book Group will be discussing *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah on **October 12 at 7:30 pm**. Jennifer Maloney will be hosting.

From GoodReads: Texas, 1934. Millions are out of work and a drought has broken the Great Plains. Farmers are fighting to keep their land and their livelihoods as the crops are failing, the water is drying up, and dust threatens to bury them all. One of the darkest periods of the Great Depression, the Dust Bowl era, has arrived with a vengeance.

Future Book Selections and Hosts

November 9 *The Magnificent Lives of Marjorie Post*
by Allison Pataki
host Judy Bruening

December 14 *Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret*
by Judy Blume
host Sharon Wahl



RECENT EVENTS

Camp Mar-Lu-Ridge's Capital Campaign, *With Open Arms*

Executive Camp Director Lefler came to speak with us in August about the campaign and needs at the camp. To ensure needs are met, the camp is running a capital campaign to raise funds for improvements that will **increase accessibility and hospitality** for years to come. More information can be found in the September 2023 issue of Glad Tidings.



Interfaith 5K



Steppingstones Shelter Meal

Thanks so much to all of you for your contributions to this effort. I think it was a great success. We made 6 pans of spaghetti and meatballs, 2 large salad trays, 4 loaves of garlic bread, and Hope's beautiful cookies. The Shelter was very appreciative of everything when I delivered the meal. It was definitely a team effort, and I really appreciated help from the Sunday School. You all make Prince of Peace a very special place!



"God's Work. Our Hands."

Cleaning, weeding, mulching, and eating.



Rally Sunday, September 17, included a wonderful group of people, balloons, music by Grace Notes, a sound board amplifier that chose that next moment to quit, Jamie, who jumped in with a different lesson, games, the start of an adult Sunday school class (Yeah!) and a cookout!



The quilts delivered to Lutheran World Relief's warehouse were made in our Fellowship Hall each Tuesday, 10:00 am - noon. Parts of their construction, like cutting the squares, washing and ironing the cloth, even laying out a top is often done in someone's home. You can be a part of this! Join us! No experience required. Please contact [Lisa Conary](#) if you have any questions.



Ladies' Dinner pictures and comments:
 Lovely dinner, ladies! ❤️
 It was so nice seeing everyone!
 Wonderful evening - thanks to Cherie and Wendy for organizing!
 Thank-you Cherie and Wendy!
 You did it again! I think everyone really enjoys these dinners. You two are best!



The Middle School and High school groups will continue to have a monthly Sunday Service opportunity during the Sunday school hour, from 11am til noon. The first one, for September, was on September 24. We made blankets for Kits to Heart. They will be included in cancer care kits that are distributed to patients nationwide.



THANK YOU!

--The summer collection of food items for Gaithersburg Help which began during VBS and ended Labor Day weekend was very successful. In total we were able to raise and donate over 432 pounds of PB&J, canned goods, cereal, tuna, and macaroni & cheese. Thank you to each and everyone of you for your continued support of this important cause. Every single item raised was able to go to a family in need and make their days that much easier.

--Joan Kowalik & Jennifer Maloney would like to thank all members of the congregation who came out to cleanse, refresh, and restore our place of worship before, during, and after the "God's work. Our hands." service afternoon last Sunday. It was a wonderful afternoon of service and community. MCPS students collecting SSL hours can email [Tonya Meyer](#) to claim their hours.

POP OFFICE

Office Hours

Our office is now being staffed by Martha Rogers on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays, from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm.** However, it is always possible to:

- Call or email the office (or the Pastor directly) - we will be monitoring email and voicemail daily, so it's always possible to contact us;
- Drop off food for Gaithersburg HELP at the church - the bins continue to be located outside each door under the covered walkways.
- Send offering checks to the church (although [we're encouraging online donations](#) if you can do that.)

Recycling Toner/Ink Cartridges



Please continue saving used ink & toner cartridges for PoP. We still recycle them for store credit on office supplies. You can leave them in the box in the Narthex or in the labeled bin on the "Give & Take" table outside the back door.



Kitchen Care

Now that we are doing more in the building, help us keep the kitchen tidy and organized! Kitchen rules are posted in the kitchen, usually on the refrigerator, so that we can keep it clean and tidy and make it easier for everyone to use.



ELCA DISASTER RESPONSE

Lutheran Disaster Response brings God's hope, healing and renewal to people whose lives have been disrupted by disasters in the United States and around the world. With wildfires, hurricanes, flooding, and earthquakes, there are many immediate needs here and around the world. Most current for many of us is the continuation of the Covid-19 pandemic, Afghan and Ukrainian refugees, and the war in Ukraine. Visit the [ELCA Disaster Response webpage](https://elca.org/disaster) (<https://elca.org/disaster>) to donate or learn more about how you can help.

THINK ABOUT IT

Your righteousness is like the mighty mountains;
your judgments are like the great deep;
you save humans and animals alike, O LORD.
(Psalms 36:6, NRSV)

"I would rather sit on a pumpkin, and have it all to myself, than be crowded on a velvet cushion."
- Henry David Thoreau

"Autumn is a second spring when every leaf is a flower."
- Albert Camus.

"This is October for me. Withdrawing into my own world, blocking out everything except the beauty of the season, my reflections, and my relationship with God, I find that this is enough to sustain me through the long cold winter, and beyond..."
Peggy Toney Horton,
Somewhere in Heaven My Mother Is Smiling

Food for Thought

"Love one another," (even those who are hard to love.) (John 15:12)

October is Clergy Appreciation Month Things Pastors Can and Cannot Do

Pastors can:

- Preach the Gospel to encourage the work of the Holy Spirit in people's lives.
- Lead with love and encouragement no matter how many people follow.
- Thank those who give time, money, energy, and other resources.
- Understand that God is still working in them.
- Take care of their own health [body, mind, heart, and spirit] while caring for others.
- Set a good example of faithful living even if very few are paying attention.

Pastors cannot:

- Make anyone follow Jesus or grow in faith. That is the work of the Holy Spirit.
- Make people come to worship, serve, or give financially. People set their own priorities.
- Choose how someone is going to treat another person. Each person is responsible for their own behaviors.
- Magically revive the life of the church on their own. This is only possible when the whole church works together to do it.
- Decide how and when God is going to act in the world and in the life of the church. That is up to God.
- Defeat the powers of sin, death, and evil that are still at work in the world. Jesus already did that.

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