The New Sunday Schedule Starts May 5
8:30 – 9:25 am – Breaking of Bread
9:30 – 10:30 am – Sunday School
10:45 – 12:30 pm – Morning Worship
12:30 pm ~ Morning Worship
10:30 am ~ Sunday School
9:25 am ~ Breaking of Bread
7:00 am ~ Sunrise Service
6:30 am ~ Bible Study
7:30 am ~ Cafe GCA
6:00 pm ~ Children’s Ministry
9:00 pm ~ International Prayer Night
2:30 pm ~ Lunch & Fellowship
11:45 am ~ Church Fellowship Meal & Kids Play Center
11:15 am ~ Choir Practice
7:30 pm ~ Choir Rehearsal
12:15 pm ~ Church Fellowship Meal & Kids Play Center
9:00 am ~ Bible Study
11:00 am ~ Morning Message, Digital Workshop & Evening Message

GCA Youth Programs
Day Time Ages/Grades
Youth Bible Study Tue. 6:45p - 8:30p Ages 12 - 17
Choir Thu. 7:30p - 9:30p Ages 16 and Up
Sunday School Sun. 11:15a-12:15p All ages
Children’s Church Sun. 10:00a - 11:00a Grades 1st – 4th
GCA Dodge Ball Sat. 3:00p - 4:00p Girls ages 6 - 10
Basketball Program Sat. 11:45a - 2:00p Boys ages 12 - 14
GCA Soccer Club Sat. 1:30p - 2:30p Ages 4 - 5
Family Fun Night 2nd Fri. 7:00p - 9:00p All ages

An Interview with Amy Dowling
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I loved to tell stories, as long as there was someone to listen, and in a large family there was. Mom would ask me where I got these ideas. “They just came,” I replied. We were never allowed to fight. I always loved learning. I loved my parents. I always wanted to be there for them. I wanted to die before my mother did, because I couldn’t bear thinking about being without her.

Q7: Is there anything special about being 90? Someone told me you said, “I’ve never been 90 before.”
A: Yes, it’s exciting. I praise the Lord. As I look back on my trials, they were there to make me stronger. God is real. No one can tell me that God does not exist. I learned in elementary school:

“If the task is once begun
Never leave it till it’s done.
Be the laborer great or small,
Do it well, or not at all.”

Q8: Do you have a favorite verse?
A: Phil. 4:6, 7 “Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” (Amy has much joy in her heart!)

Q9. Should we have an octogenarian club? Or is being a Golden Eagle sufficient?
A: Golden Eagle (By the way there are at least 5 at GCA that qualify as octogenarians.)

Q10: Have you ever thought about writing your life’s story?
A: Not really, maybe the last 10 years.

MISSIONS CONFERENCE
Germantown Christian Assembly
April 26-28, 2013
Theme: Let’s Finish The Task!
Guest Speaker: Dr. Stan Farmer, His Mansion

ACTIVITIES
Friday Night – Missions Around the World
Saturday – Workshops & Message: Continental Breakfast & Boxed Lunch
Sunday – Morning Message, Digital Workshop & Evening Message

Answer to cartoon on page 2:
6. Nothing’s wrong—it’s just a boy picking an apple from an apple tree.
Cartoon created by Diamond Stewart

AN INTERVIEW WITH
Amy Dowling
Amy Dowling, a GCA member for at least 25 years, recently celebrated her 90th birthday. As the third of 13 children, here is what she shares in an interview:

Q1: This is a broad one—i guess everyone asks—How’d you do it?
What’s your secret?
A: I am very conscious about maintaining a healthy lifestyle. I heard that people who are challenged by weight are less likely to live as long. We should stay away from things that are not good for us.

Trip to Jamaica Organized
Wali Ahmad, BCM missionary, organized a short-term, mission’s team to go to Jamaica to help BCM missionary, Dr. Monica Burgher. By the time you read this article, the team will be long back. This is how the mission looked before leaving for Jamaica:

Q: How many are going?
A: Fifteen volunteers are going including two from GCA; Robinson Angoy, leader and Francis Jones, working on construction.

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The Purpose of this Newsletter

This Ministry Newsletter is intended to support the vision of the church—to be Christ-centered, empowered by the Holy Spirit, to build lives that glorify and worship God by emphasizing the Word, Evangelism, Discipleship and Caring for the whole man. We hope this Newsletter will help bring the church closer together in helping to understand and encourage each other in ministry.

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GCA’s 40th Anniversary & Graduation Celebration

The Anniversary Banquet is Saturday, June 29th
12 noon to 4 p.m.
at the North Hills Country Club
located at 99 Station Ave. in North Hills.
Our theme is "40 Years: Still Faithful, Still Trusting."

Keynote speaker will be Dr. Richard Allen Farmer.
Tickets are $35 per person;
$15 per child under age 11.
Please plan to attend.

GCA Welcomes New Members Baptized
Sunday, December 30, 2012

Wilson Roberts
Miguel Brown
Michelle Hall
Vincent Murray
Shari DaCosta

An Interview with Amy Dowling

Q2: What was your life’s profession?
A: First, I worked for the Federal Government in the navy yard, as a Riveter and Clerk for WWII. I needed the money but I also needed a creative occupation to motivate me. Later I went back to school full-time to become a teacher.

Third grade was my favorite. I would tell stories for behavior, or before recess. Once, I told the story about the Magic Carrot Plant, and that story lasted for 6 months. The stories were centered around rags to riches, or riches to rags themes, depending on my student group.

Getting into the minds of kids is terrific. They were taught to design books, using the stories they created.

Q3: How and when did you get saved?
A: I got saved as a teenager, maybe 16. My mother was spiritual and had prayer with us. We attended a Baptist Church in Twin Oaks, PA, where I first went forward with a group, and later was baptized. It's taken a life time, of course, to know Him personally. We attended a Baptist Church in Twin Oaks, PA, where I first went forward with a group, and later was baptized. It's taken a life time, of course, to know Him personally.

Q4: How is the Lord using you presently?
A: Praying. At my last job other teachers would come and ask me to pray with them. I'm always praying for somebody. Recently my grandmother, who is studying to become a doctor, couldn't move on to the next step unless he passed the test on this particular book. "Auntie, please pray!" Of course I did. Afterwards he reported that he didn't just pass, he excelled! There is always something new in my life. These days I write poetry.

Q5: Is there a "life style" that contributes to longevity?
A: Yes. Never carry a grudge; have a forgiving heart; hold nothing against anybody; be quick to forgive, otherwise it's just extra baggage.

Q6: Do your teen years seem far away?
A: Yes. We went to BYPU (Baptist Young Peoples Union) at the church. There wasn't much to do as a teenager. We did not have TV to entertain each other. Everything was family-oriented.

Trip to Jamaica Organized

Q: Why are you going?
A: To visit BCM missionary, Dr. Monica Burgher.

Q: When are you leaving?
A: March 22-30.

Q: What are your plans for this mission?
A: Under the medical guidance of optometrist, Dr.Donna Elcock, one half of our team ministered to the believers of the Assemblies, the schools, and then to theDominican Republic, Guyana and Zambia through our team. The other teams that Wali has going out to Antigua, Belize, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Guyana and Zambia through August.

Note: Trust you have been praying for the team, and Dr. Monica Burgher. Remember the other teams that Wali has going out to Antigua, Belize, Cuba, Dominican Republic, Guyana and Zambia through August.

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1 Corinthians 15:58