



# THE ANTIOCHAN

Church Extension Ministries of the Bible Fellowship Church

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## Recalculating

-a devotional by Ray Bertolet, Assistant Church Planter

Whenever I am heading out to a new location for a meeting I want to make sure I have my GPS programmed. GPS can be extremely helpful to assure that I arrive at my final destination. However, sometime in the middle of the trip it is frustrating. GPS doesn't like when you take detours or stop for gas or food. This causes the voice to immediately shout corrective directions to get you back on track. It wants to get you to your destination.

In our Christian life we, too, can sometime get off course.

In Colossians 3:1-4, Paul gives us the three S's to keep us on track with the Lord:

***If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.***

As a child of God we are to **seek** the things that are above. Our eyes and heart need to be focused on Christ.

Then we are required to **set** our minds on the things above. To have that

steadfast attention that keeps us from losing sight of those things with eternal value.

When we keep seeking and have set our minds on God we can then **(S)elebrate** (I know-- it really is celebrate). We will be rejoicing in the end.

Just like following the GPS commands, when we keep seeking and stay set on the things above, we can know that we will arrive at the final destination of our life.

So today, take some time to seek, set your mind and celebrate that Christ will come again.

*by Ray Bertolet*  
Assistant Church Planter



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## Contribute to the Kingdom through Hands-On Work

What do you do when you know guests are coming to visit for the first time? Well, we are usually quick to spruce up around the house. After all, we want them to have a good first impression.

We know guests are coming to our church plants and we want to get prepared.

Each summer [Cape Community Church in Cape May Courthouse, NJ](#) has been filling their chapel with worshipers. There won't be room this year unless they can transition their worship service from the chapel to the family center. But they want to make some major improvements to the family center ceiling, air conditioning, and plumbing.

That's where you come in! You can come as an individual or as a church group to be part of a work group team.

**You can help take this:**



And turn it into this:



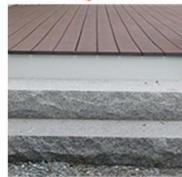
Also, [Living Bible Fellowship Church in Adams County](#) needs to repair some of the porches on their property. Your work team could help them make these repairs.

You can help them turn this into this:



Or This

To this



We are also always looking for plumbers, HVAC repairmen, and electricians who can help with small repairs as well.



If you can help with these projects planned for Cape May, Adams County, and also more projects in Chestertown, contact Ray Bertolet [raybertolet@verizon.net](mailto:raybertolet@verizon.net).

DYK?

# More than half of U.S. churchgoers have not heard of the Great Commission.

from [Barna Research](#)

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## Please Praise and Pray for the Following...

1. Pray that the Lord would provide people for the work projects in Cape May Courthouse, Adams County, and Chestertown.
  2. Pray for the Lord to provide a church planter for Woolwich Township, NJ!
  3. Pray for Mark Morrison restarting the Living Rock Church in Elverson! If you worship in a BFC close to Elverson, would you consider attending [Elverson](#) once a month or once every six weeks to encourage the congregation there? *(If you worship at Reading, Sinking Spring, Graterford, Royersford, Spring City, Boyertown, Lancaster, or Paradise, Elverson is less than an hour away!)*
  4. Pray for the Lord to bless our efforts to plant in Topton, PA! Pray for the Lord to guide us!
  5. Pray for Plants looking for better meeting places: Naples, Lower Providence, Forks, Milford, Upper Macungie, and South Allentown.
  6. Pray for your planters in need of financial support: Elliot Ramos, Juan Carlos Morales, Phil Ruiz, Joshua Dupiche, Jason Filbert, Brad Boyer, John Hanner, Mark Morrison, Mentor-Dick Taylor, and Diego Rodriguez!
  7. Pray for the health needs of the Church Extension team.
    - Pray for Barry Parsons's wife, Sharon, with knee problems.
    - Pray for Carlos Rodriguez's sister, Lulu, recuperating from cancer surgery.
    - Pray for CE Board member Al Roberts going through cancer treatments.
    - Pray for Jason Filbert's parents both having physical needs.
    - Pray for healing in Scott Wright's foot.
    - Pray for Laurie Kuhns our Administrative Assistant with health needs.
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# Upcoming Speaking Opportunities

## PRAY FOR DIRECTOR GUNDRUM'S UPCOMING SPEAKING ASSIGNMENTS

- May 12 – Townsend, DE – AM Service
- May 19 – Chestertown, MD – AM Service
- June 2 – Chestertown, MD – Ref Ordination
- June 9 – Harleysville, PA BFC – Missions Day
- June 23 – Kutztown, PA BFC – AM Service

Spring and Summer 2019 dates are available for Director Gundrum and Staff to share at your church

*If you would like to have Director David Gundrum or Assistants Ray Bertolet and Elliot Ramos come and share the vision and mission of Church Extension Ministries, please call 610-769-4337 or email [office@churchplanting.org](mailto:office@churchplanting.org).*

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