

SUNDAY, November 12, 2017

9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

MONDAY, November 13, 2017

7:00 pm Church Council Meeting

TUESDAY, November 14, 2017

12:00 Noon Super Seniors @ I-Hop

WEDNESDAY, November 15, 2017

6:30 pm Women's Bible Study
6:30 pm After the Sermon
7:30 pm Choir Practice

SATURDAY, November 18, 2017

9:00 am Chair Prayer

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS THIS WEEK:

Mon., Nov. 13	Tues., Nov. 14	Wed., Nov. 15	Thurs., Nov. 16
9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm	9:30 am – 1 pm

How Do I Join Upper Seneca Baptist Church

- **By Salvation** ~ By professing faith in Jesus Christ and following Him in believer's baptism.
- **By Transfer of Letter** ~ By transferring your membership from another Baptist Church.
- **By Statement of Faith** ~ By statement of **faith in Jesus Christ.**

If you have not been baptized by immersion since your conversion, you will need to follow the Lord in believer's baptism.

When Do I Join?

At the close of every worship service as we sing the "Invitation Hymn", the pastor stands facing the congregation. Walk to him and tell him you want to join the church or make some other decision.

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**God
Catches
Tears**

Psalm 34:15-18; Psalm 56:8-9

**To Re-Present Jesus Christ
In Our Community
And Beyond**

“God Catches Tears”

By Pastor Dennis Felder

November 12, 2017

Scripture: Psalm 34:15-18; Psalm 56:8-9 (NIV)

The reality of tears:

I. They express our _____.

Psalm 56:8 – *Record my misery; list my tears on your scroll—are they not in your record?*

God knows to the exact number of how many tears you have cried.

Psalm 56:9 – *Then my enemies will turn back when I call for help. By this I will know that God is for me.*

When the enemy attacks you, stand with great confidence knowing that the enemy will not prevail.

Galatians 6:7 – *Do not be deceived: God cannot be mocked. A man reaps what he sows.*

2 Corinthians 5:8 – *We are confident, I say, and would prefer to be away from the body and at home with the Lord.*

God’s enemies will never win.

God is on the side of the righteous.

II. They get the _____ of God.

Psalm 34:15 – *The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, and his ears are attentive to their cry;*

There are benefits that come with living a righteous life.

Psalm 34:15a – *The eyes of the LORD are on the righteous, ...*

James 4:7 – *If anyone, then, knows the good they ought to do and doesn’t do it, it is sin for them.*

When you are living a righteous life, you are visible to God.

The main benefit of living a righteous life is living in the awesome presence of God.

Your tears do not go unnoticed by God.

Psalm 34:15b – *... and his ears are attentive to their cry;*

Every tear that falls from your eyes or heart, God catches them.

III. They get God to _____.

When God sees our tears, it is a sign that God will respond accordingly.

Psalm 34:16 – *but the face of the LORD is against those who do evil, to blot out their name from the earth.*

If you are going to engage in evil deeds, then you better hope you are not remembered at all.

Psalm 34:17 – *The righteous cry out, and the LORD hears them; he delivers them from all their troubles.*

Crying is a form of prayer.

Not only does God hear us; He cares for us.

Psalm 34:18 – *The LORD is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit.*

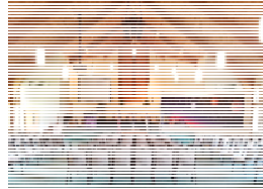
Super Seniors



The Super Seniors will begin their monthly luncheons on Tuesday, **November 14**, 12 noon at the “I-Hop” in **Mt. Airy, MD**. For more information, contact the church office.

Chair Prayer

Prayer has been one of the main focal points that the church has emphasized in 2017. At the Damascus Community Fair, we made available a *Prayer Wall* for fair goers to write a prayer request or praise on the wall. It was touching to see the responses of all the written messages that were placed on the *Prayer Wall*. To keep this spirit of prayer alive in our church, I want to invite you to participate in the *Chair Prayer*. The *Chair Prayer* is a unique opportunity to participate in praying for all who will ever enter into our sanctuary. On Saturday, November 18, 2017, the church will be open from 9am to 4pm so that you can participate in this unique prayer ministry.



This is how the *Chair Prayer* ministry will work. You will sign-up for a designated time slot(s) to be at the church on **November 18**. The church will be opened from 9am to 4pm and you can schedule yourself to be there in increments of 30 minutes. You can select more than just one 30-minute segment. During your assigned time, you enter into the church’s sanctuary and pray over every chair. I will encourage you to sit in each chair and pray for that person that will be sitting in that particular seat. You will not know who the next person will be coming to sit in that chair, but God certainly does.

Once you have completed your time slot(s), the next person will enter and repeat the same process. Each prayer warrior will pray how God leads them. Also, if you would like, you can read Scripture and sit in each chair. Please don’t forget the choir loft.

There will be a sign-up sheet in the lobby. So, please take time to participate in the *Chair Prayer* and be prayed up before you arrive.

Thanksgiving Eve Service



One thing that I enjoy about Thanksgiving is getting together with friends and family, sharing our blessings, and eating good food. Well, USBC’s *Thanksgiving Eve Service* this year will not only fulfill these three Thanksgiving traditions, it will exceed them.

On Wednesday, **November 23**, 2017, from 7 pm-8 pm, our USBC family will be creating new memories to share with others. For our *Thanksgiving Eve Service*, we will gather in the church’s Fellowship Hall. During this hour of reflection and celebration, we will create yummy desserts to share with one another, share Thanksgiving memories, sing festive music, and express our thankfulness for one another and for our Lord and Savior.

The church will be providing all food/dessert supplies for each person to create a crafty dessert. All the recipes will be simple to make. Once completed, we will share the sweet treats with one another. As we make our tasty treats, everyone will have the opportunity to share stories involving Thanksgiving memories. We will sing songs and read Scriptures that will help to develop and maintain a heart of Thanksgiving during this special season. The only thing that you will need to bring is yourself. Everyone one is invited!

Treasures From Heaven

In November, USBC will be launching a new informative witnessing tool to reach our community for Christ. This new tool is entitled, *Treasure From Heaven*.



We will be placing informational cards, Scripture cards, and a dollar bill into a clear zip lock bag. These bags will be strategically placed around our community for people to find. We will encourage everyone to take a handful of these witnessing tools and help spread the good news of Jesus Christ in an easy and simplistic way.

As we get closer to the launch date of the *Treasure From Heaven*, I will be providing more information and directions in how this new witnessing tool will be an exciting way to share one’s faith.

More details to come. So, be ready to play your part in reaching people for Christ.