

September 23, 2018

IN THE Spotlight



Sister Sandra Amevor, the daughter of Bro. Francis and Sis. Diana-Gyasi Amevor, was baptized into Christ on Sunday, September 16th, by Bro. Dessain Terry (Minister).

• **CALLING ALL DC YOUTH PARENTS**

We are still in need of a Parent team to host the October Devotion. It will be held at the building immediately following evening worship. The date has now changed to October 21st. Please contact Sis. Shawn Bell if you are able to help.

• **Sunday School Teacher Roster:**

Toddler Class	Kathy McMillon and Doris Bodger
Pre-School	Ann Jarrell and Diane Johnson
Early Elementary	Corrine Nowak
Upper Elementary	Wiggins Family
Middle School	Valen Wade & Angela Shaw
High School	Tom Brown
Adult Class (main Auditorium).....	Paul Correia
Adult Class II	John Snoderly

• **Dale City Ladies Day Retreat:**

“ Sisters are Different Flowers from the same Garden.”
Thursday, October 11 - Sunday, October 14, 2018
Best Western Plus Intercourse, PA.17534 (717-768-3636)
POC: *Sis. Lori Stevenson* or *Sis. Roslyn Correia*.

• **Silver Spring Church of Christ:**

Ladies Inspirational Day
“Sowing Seeds In Difficult Times” (1 Corinthians 3:6)
Saturday, October 20, 2018 , 9:00 am to 1:00 pm
100 East Franklin Avenue, Silver Springs, MD 20901

• **Mount Vernon Church of Christ Annual Ladies Day;**

“Strengthen Your Sister” Luke 22:31-32
October 27, 2018
8607 Jeff Todd Way, Alexandria, VA. 22309



From the Shepherd's Desk

Brothers and Sisters,

In this day and age of fast changing technology, we lose the perspective of God's power. This short message let's us know that without God, nothing is possible to include technology.

The Virtual God.

By: Mike Mazzalongo

Time magazine once published a section devoted to the newest computer products. As I leafed through the latest gadgets and gizmos, I realized that the world and its technology was getting just beyond my grasp.

It seemed that all of the decade's advances that I so brashly accepted at one time when I was younger were getting harder and harder to keep up with. This discomfort led me to think about the effect that all of this new technology would have on my faith and I took courage in the following ideas:

1. God is the Source of Knowledge - Genesis 1:1 *"In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth"*

The one who created all things knows the potential of all things. We should see knowledge and the technology that comes from it as a blessing from God, a further insight into the wonder, complexity, and development of His initial design.

2. Proper Use is the Key - Genesis 2:16-17 *"16 The Lord God commanded the man, saying, 'From any tree of the garden you may eat freely; 17 but from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil you shall not [a]eat, for in the day that you eat from it you will surely die.'"*

The key in managing new discoveries is to find the usage that is in harmony with the rest of creation and God's will. With every advancement there is always the possibility of abuse but this has always been the challenge and responsibility for beings who have been given free will.

3. Jesus Adapts - Colossians 3:16 *"Let the word of [a]Christ richly dwell within you, [b]with all wisdom teaching and admonishing [c]one another with psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing [d]with thankfulness in your hearts to God."*

Technology becomes outdated, but Jesus Christ remains. He has outlasted every bold "new world" for the simple reason that He is the Lord of creation (Col. 1:16). This means that Jesus is the Lord of the internet and any other frontier that God will allow man to reach.

I'm still working on my ability to use today's technology. However, my simple faith in Jesus Christ will lead me beyond the "virtual" reality of this world to the "final" reality of heaven that will never change, and where keeping up will no longer be a problem.