



Heavenly Whispers

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**Our God is
good all the
time!!**

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New Beginnings Covenant Brethren Church (NBCBC)

Where everyone is welcome and Jesus is Lord!!

New Beginnings Covenant Brethren Church Mission & Vision Statement: (Matthew 28:19) Making, growing, equipping and sending disciples of Jesus Christ to proclaim the kingdom of God.

Mark 16:16 (NIV)

Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved, but whoever does not believe will be condemned.



See Page 5 collage of baptisms

Pastor Karen had the honor of baptizing 5 more into the faith on August 1st at Doub's Meadow Park. Congratulations to Vernon Troxell, Stacy Shafer, Micah Knight, Leroy Adams and his sister Loretta Adams for making this confession of faith. A wonderful picnic and time of fellowship followed with many in attendance enjoying good food and fellowship.

Acts 22:16 (NIV) And now what are you waiting for? Get up, be baptized and wash your sins away, calling on his name.'

LAY LEADERSHIP HAPPENINGS

Karen's Korner, by Pastor Karen: 1 John 4:4 Greater is He that is in us than he who is in the world! The people of New Beginnings never cease to amaze me...the love, the compassion, the prayers that come out of this special group of people is unbelievable! I know that our Lord is preparing us for the next step of our journey...He is teaching us how to be true disciples for His kingdom! The last three months have been a whirlwind and as we prepare for the next three my prayer is for strength, endurance, patience and a trust in our Lord like never before! I know the enemy of our souls prowls around like a roaring lion just waiting on someone he can devour with his lies and deceitfulness...but we have a Shepherd that will defend us, protect us and strengthen us! So, I look forward to the next adventure He puts before us and I pray, we are ready when He calls! And if I know anything about the people of NBCBC I know without a shadow of a doubt that we will be ready!! How exciting to serve alongside so many of God's people, His beloved, those who have been called and know it!! Thank you, dear church, for answering the call of Christ on your lives and thank you for the privilege of running this race together!! In Christ's Amazing Love! I pray strength, wisdom and discernment for all of us on the journey ahead!!

Leadership Team report by Cathy Hessong team chair: The Leadership Team has had a few changes this past quarter. Jerry Fogle resigned as L.T. Chair because of health reasons with Linda, as Co-Chair I have been temporarily acting as Chair since Jerry's departure. Also with heavy hearts we lost our dear Peggy who served on the Leadership Team. We are praying for the Lord to fill these positions. The team is currently looking into purchasing a laptop computer for New Beginnings to be able to have all their important documents located all together in one place. We are currently working on getting ready for our Fall Congregation Meeting which is scheduled on Sunday, November 1st directly after church. It is a privilege and honor to serve the Lord and His Church, if you have any concerns or questions please reach out to Ronda, Carissa, or myself.

Board of Trustees by Eddie Moser: The search continues with the focus on being in God's Will and waiting on Him since New Beginnings is His church. We continue doing our part and reviewing listings presented but there just hasn't been anything that satisfies our needs. The team is working on a "draft" list of requirements for a property and facility and meetings will be scheduled soon to review with leadership.

Music & Worship Team by Carissa: The music and worship team met September 15th, 2026 to discuss items pertaining to the worship service (i.e. order of service, additional songs, updates to bulletin). The next meeting is scheduled for October 26th, 2026 at 10 am at the church. As music and worship leader, I appreciate the positive feedback and song suggestions that I have received since taking over the position in March 2026 and I would like to thank those who have stepped up to share their love for the Lord through special music. I am especially grateful for Joyce and Paulella's faithfulness in sharing their musical talents and their support with song selections.

Financial Management Team by Kevin Delauter & Ruthie White: The Finance Team has been working on gathering information for the 2027 budget. We appreciate everyone's input and efforts in getting the information to us. The Finance Team has completed the budget and have presented to the Leadership Team, with their approval. The 2027 budget will be presented at the congregational business meeting in November.

1 Peter 4:10 (NIV) Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms.

LAY LEADERSHIP HAPPENINGS (Cont'd)

Outreach by Terri & Stacy: Throughout the year we provide all occasion greeting cards for the convenience of our congregation. We take care of the postage and make sure the cards are distributed and/or mailed accordingly. We participated in Care Net's annual "Change for Life" Baby Bottle Campaign. We plan to help a family(s) in need with a Thanksgiving meal, as well providing a family(s) who are less fortunate with Christmas gifts. We also plan to purchase gas/grocery gift cards for those who have fallen on hard times. Please be praying for the Outreach Team for God's wisdom and direction in ways they can be disciples for Him.

Christian Education by Pastor Karen on Behalf of the Team; Christian Ed has been very busy in these last three months!! We had a very successful Bible School with animals, ice cream, and snow cones! Some of the children are still singing the songs we learned! Our Kids Club started again September 1 and we had nine children!! We are so grateful for all the help with teaching, food, music and crafts!! We had our quarterly Children's Sunday with all the children helping in one way or another during our worship service!! We are so blessed to have teachers each Sunday for Sunday school, and we have added a new teacher to our adult class! As the Christian Ed team, we want to thank this generous church for supporting all our ministries, the Daughters of the King, the Good News Club, the Kids Club and our Sunday School classes! We are looking forward to the next few months as we teach and watch our children grow in the Lord!!

Fellowship Team by Judy Abel: Our team provided a nice meal for family and guests for Larry Grossnickle's celebration of life; the team provided chicken and hotdogs. Our congregation helped us with deserts and sundry other dishes for our baptism and picnic August 1st. Don't forget to mark your calendars for our annual Christmas Fellowship Meal at Western Sizzlin' Steak House located at 17567 York Rd, Hagerstown, MD. scheduled for December 5 at Noon.

How Important is Fellowship of Believers? By Ed Moser:

I guess the first order of business would be to define fellowship so read on to see what Webster says... According to Webster, "fellowship" refers to a friendly relationship among people or a group of individuals sharing a common purpose or interest. It encompasses both the sense of companionship and the organizational aspect of being part of a collective group. With this said, I for one believe that New Beginnings would be graded A+ in fellowship; there is such great fellowship in our church body. The next logical question might be "but why is fellowship important in our church?" Looking into scripture to help answer this question brings us to Acts 2:42 The early church devoted themselves to teaching, fellowship, breaking of bread and prayer, emphasizing communal worship and support. And in 1John 1:7 it says "Walking in the light leads to fellowship with one another, highlighting the purifying power of shared faith in Jesus Christ." We are called as Christians to encourage one another and to foster a sense of belonging and mutual support. Fellowship strengthens our faith in God and in one another. Our unity in church activities reflects our unity with Christ. How important is fellowship you ask? It is absolutely critical to our Christian health and to our mission of making disciples of the least, the last and the lost. When we fellowship with Jesus we learn what God's desire for our lives is, who He is, and that He is with us ALWAYS, no matter the circumstances. We learn from His word (our tool box) right from wrong, the importance of Jesus in our lives and how we can be His hands and feet on this earth. He strengthens our faith and our belief that "we can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" (Phil 4:13). Our fellowship and love for one another and Jesus will be evident to the world as we go about our daily lives presenting Jesus to all who do not know Him. Just maybe our conduct will lead others to get out of bad relationships and fellowships and seek fellowship with those who will be a positive influence in their lives. So church, I encourage you to continue to build relationships, bonds, and love thru your fellowship one with another as Christ would have us do for it is for the good of the body, His church, New Beginnings, as well as all we meet.

Galatians 5:13 (NIV) You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh ; rather, serve one another humbly in love.



New Beginnings continues to grow in membership. Pastor Karen and the congregation welcomed with open arms and warm hearts Vernon and Gwen Troxell on August 2nd. After attending New Beginnings for quite some time they both felt they wanted to be active and supportive members of the fellowship. Praise God and may He bless the church and these loved ones for their commitment to His work.

NBCBC Membership status currently:

- Added 8 new Members in 2026
- Lost 1 member in 2026 to death
- Have lost 4 members and 2 regular attendees prior to 2026 to death
- Currently have 9 members who are inactive including 2 who have joined another denomination.

Current total membership status is 67.

2 Corinthians 9:8 (NIV) And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

Daughters of the King Outreach activity.

Daughters of the King Outreach by Ann Marie: Daughters of The King met on September 10. Pastor Karen ministered to the mothers. Patsy McGaha presented the lesson on Creation along with the help of Debra Crowder. Joyce Darnier is our photographer as well as leading music. We are BLESSED with a ministry that God is Continually growing.



More VBS Pictures

Pastor Karen baptizing Vernon, Stacy, Micah, Leroy and Loretta August 1, 2026



Remember the Date

New Beginnings Covenant Brethren Church – Calendar

6/30/2026

Standing Meetings

Financial Management Team Meeting	1 st Tuesday	6:30 pm	Each Month	Kevin Delauter, FMT Chair
Deacon's Meeting	3 rd Sunday	6:00 pm	Each Month	Pastor and Deacons
Leadership Team Meeting	2 nd Tuesday	6:30 pm	Each Month	Jerry Fogle LT Chair
Christian Education Meeting	3 rd Wednesday	11:30am	Each Month	Pastor Karen & Team Chair
Good News Club	Mondays	3:30pm	Each Week	Pastor Karen & Team
Daughters of the King	2 nd Thursday	6:00pm	Each Month	Pastor Karen & Team
Worship Team Meeting	Thursdays	12:30pm	Twice Monthly	Bernie Trego, Chair
Kids Club @ NBCBC	1 st Tuesday	6:00pm	Once Monthly	Pastor Karen & Team

Classes	Location	Date/Day	Time	Event Organizer
Ladies' Bible Study	Lutheran Church	Wednesdays	9 - 10:30 am	Cathy Hessong
Young Adult Bible Study	SDA	Alt Thursdays	6:30 - 8:00 pm	Kenton, Joseph & Ingrid
Come Alive Prayer	Ann Marie's	Friday	9 - 10 am	Pastor Karen

2026 Events Schedule

Communion (4 times per year)	1/18/2026		During service	Deacon's and Pastor
Communion (4 times per year)	3/1/2026		During service	Deacon's and Pastor
Communion (4 times per year)	7/26/2026		During service	Deacon's and Pastor
Communion (4 times per year)	10/4/2026		During service	Deacon's and Pastor
Maundy Thursday/Love Feast	4/2/2026	6:00pm	SDA Church	Deacons & Pastor
Easter Sunday	4/5/2026	9:30	SDA Church	Pastor Karen
Congregational Business Mtg	5/3/2026	11:15	Church Business	LT & Moderator
New Members Sunday	5/31/2026		During service	Pastor Karen
VBS	6/22—6/25/2026	9-11:30am	Mon thru Thurs	Amanda Farmer
CBC Conference & Worship Meeting	7/16—7/18/2026		Johnstown, PA	CBC Executive Bd
Baptism Service & Picnic	8/1/2026	4:00	Doub's Meadow Pk	Pastor Karen
Regional Conference	10/10/2026	9—2:30pm	Brandts CBC	Eddie & Darlene
Congregational Business Mtg	11/1/2026	11:15	Church Business	LT & Moderator
Church Christmas Dinner	12/5/2026	1-3pm	TBD	Fellowship

Bold Denotes Completed **Denotes Standing Meetings** **Activity missed for cause**

We are on: Facebook, YouTube, & email: look for us as New Beginnings Church
Our website: www.nb-cbc.org

Acts 2:42 (NIV) They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer.



New Beginnings Covenant Brethren Church Historical Timeline

9/5/2026

<u>Event ↓</u>	<u>Date ↓</u>	<u>Headcount</u>
Split From Harmony	10/27/2019	12
1 Prospect Never Became a Member	10/27/2019	11
Formed Church	10/27/2019	11
Met At Thurmont CoB	~7/2/2019	24
Met on Dale's Hill	6/5/2020	39
Met at Amvets	9/1/2020	40
Decided to Join CBC	11/20/2020	40
Incorporated as CBC	1/21/2021	40
Became a CBC Congregation	1/21/2021	40
Pastor Ordained and CBC Accepted	1/21/2021	40
NBCBC Constitution Approved	5/2/2021	40
1 New Member Joined NBCBC	5/2/2021	41
8 New Members Joined NBCBC	5/9/2021	49
2 Members Withdrew from NBCBC	8/1/2021	47
1 Member Lost	10/10/2021	46
1 New Member Joined NBCBC	10/17/2021	47
5 New Members Joined NBCBC	5/29/2022	52
2 New Members Joined NBCBC	12/10/2022	54
Began Worshipping at SDA	6/18/2023	54
2 Members Withdrew from NBCBC	12/31/2023	52
3 New Members Joined NBCBC	12/31/2023	55
3 New Members Joined NBCBC	7/7/2024	58
1 Member Lost	9/4/2024	57
5 New Members Joined NBCBC	7/6/2025	62
1 Member Lost	11/11/2025	61
1 Member Lost	12/13/2025	60
6 Members Joined NBCBC	5/31/2026	66
2 Members Joined NBCBC	8/2/2026	68
1 Member Lost	8/29/2026	67

Matthew 16:18 (NIV) And I tell you that you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not overcome it.

