

Seeking God • Serving Others

BRADDOCK Baptist Church



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Every Week:

Sundays

TBD.....Church Breakfast
9:45 a.m.....Sunday School
11:00 a.m.....Worship Service
On Youtube: "Braddock Baptist Church"

Mondays

6:30 p.m Skype.....Young Adults
Small Group
<https://join.skype.com/FWtc20LplqC4>

Wednesdays

6:30 p.m Skype.....Prayer Meeting
<https://join.skype.com/r07C9euD5UWY>
6:30 p.m.....Youth Group

MDO Preschool

Monday-Friday Opens 8:00a.m.

LIFE AT BRADDOCK

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The BRIDGE

Building Responsible Individuals Demonstrating Godliness to Everyone

Pastor Corder Note

You all are great, each time I call you or email to check on you, you encourage me! We all are embracing that we have one hope, Ephesians 4: As a prisoner for the Lord, then, I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received. ² Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. ³ Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace. ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to one hope when you were called; ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism; ⁶ one God and Father of all, who is over all and through all and in all.

The word makes it clear; it is Christ in you the hope of Glory. Any and all hope we have is Christ in us. Christ is in his glory, it is we who wait to come into glory, not our own for that would not be heaven, but to come into his glory with Him!

I pray this short note finds each of you healthy, but more importantly, it finds us all in Christ. Long term eternal life, heaven and joint heirs. But short term" Christ in your morning: joy comes in the morning, in your praise, God inhabits the praises of his people. In your search; for he promises that those who seek him will find him when the search for Him with all their hearts.

See Jesus is the answer to all our need, he takes care of our "todays" one after another and for our "always" because He alone can bring us into the only eternity we want any part of. I have read plan "B", it is torturous and longer than one can imagine.

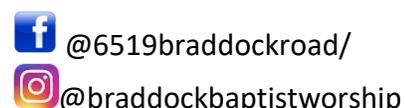
I will end with this, I am encouraged by many of you telling me about your devotions. Some of you are having family devotions for the first time in your marriages, others are returning to long past dropped from your otherwise busy schedules. And your prayers are deepening as they show greater concerning for other than for one self and finally the express a greater concern for Gods will then your happiness.

Praise the Lord, not for, but in and through this long hold we find ourselves in! God works all things out to the good of those who love him and are called according to HIS purpose.

I pray you are all joining us in our new study in the wonderful Book of Hebrews.

Love you, **Pastor Timothy**

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Sunday School Update

Hello, and welcome to Sunday school for May 2021. Last year I said Wow! a lot has happened in just a month's time." Due to a plague of a virus our lives and Sunday school and Worship became different at that time. We have been through a lot in the past year, we changed our focus due to all the direction and changing information and we still are to a large extent. We had much to do to continue teaching Bible study and Worship. Sunday school and Worship were continued on YouTube on the internet, and of course they still are available online. But now with the continuing of the virus becoming more and more under control we are able to have Sunday school and Worship in person following safety guidelines, and online also. Our grateful thanks to all who worked and are still working to make teaching God's Word and Worship possible.

Again, as I said last May, "Let's take a moment or maybe much longer and Ponder as we look back, and look forward, focusing on our Lord Jesus and his suffering and death on the cross, and then on His Glorious Resurrection and return to be with His Heavenly Father. He is Risen Indeed! And He has left us with a look to our future when we will also rise to join Him in our Heavenly Home Forever."

Enjoy the remainder of our Spring quarter of Sunday school studying the book of Luke and look forward to the Summer quarter beginning in June. A study based on the books of Job and Ecclesiastes.

Remember, "Fear not I am with you; Be not dismayed, for I am your God. I Will strengthen you, Yes I will uphold you with My righteous right hand." Isaiah 41:10. Praise God!

Wishing you a Happy Mother's Day and wonderful safe Memorial Day Holiday.

**Gary Moore, Sunday School Director
Chairman of the Board**

02 Emily Corder

06 Victor Salomon

08 Carol Finley

10 Jonathan Gesin

11 Pastor Timothy

20 Billy Pham

31 Gerald Koehnlein



Deacons Corner

In May, we honor moms & celebrate Mother's Day. A special Happy Mother's Day to all of our BBC moms on May 9th!

As a Christian mom, "I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in truth" (3 John 1:4). The Christian mother is also challenged to be kind but still uphold Biblical expectations and know when to be the salt and light (Matthew 5:13-14).

Jesus remembered his mother as he was dying on the cross. In John 19:26-27, "Dear woman here is your son and to the Disciple (John) here is your mother." John took her into his home and took responsibility for her because Jesus' earthly brothers did not believe in Him (John 7:5). The apostle Paul describes his ministry at the church in Thessalonica as to be "gentle among you like a mother caring for her children" (1 Thessalonians 2:7).

There are many examples of Christian mothers in scriptures. Hannah prayed for Samuel (1 Samuel 1:11) & God honored her prayer (1 Samuel 1:20), and she dedicated Samuel back to God (1 Samuel 1:28).

King Solomon listed many virtuous qualities of Christian moms in the book of Proverbs. In Proverbs 1:8b & Proverbs 6:20b he emphasizes the importance of the teacher role of moms, "Do not forsake your mother's teachings." In Proverbs 31, verse 28 he states, "Her children will arise & call her blessed, her husband also, and he praises her, and verse 31, "Honor her for all that her hands have done, and let her works bring her praise at the city gate."

In mid-April, the Deacons organized and held an International Student Luncheon hosted by Pastor Kaleli in their yard for over 40 people including 15 students from 6 countries (Columbia, Dominican Republic, Ghana, India, Ivory Coast, & South Africa).

Elaine Comer & the Deacon Team

Here to Serve

PS If your contact information, has not been updated...i.e. address, email or phone number.... please be sure to let Jonathan know. If any of your contact information has changed in the last couple of years, it will be more difficult to stay in touch if your deacon has outdated information.

Serving families:

Sunny Masih & Wesley Brown	→	Letters A through G
Manjaka A. & Tsiky R.	→	Letters H through P
Harry & Carol Finley	→	Letters Q through Z
Elaine Comer	→	Pastors & Deacons

Note from the Associate Pastor

Beloved Jesus Church at Braddock,

As we enter the fifth month of the year, we continue thanking God for His continued love, grace and mercy upon us as individuals, as families, as a church and as a nation. We praise God who in His grace continues to protect us from the ongoing pandemic. We continue praying for God’s protection and healing for any who have tested positive or contacted COVID-19. We are grateful for millions in our country who have been vaccinated against the virus. Please let us continue taking heed to the CDC precautions as we seek vaccination for those who have not yet gotten it. Also, we should continue upholding in prayer all who are hurting in the world, especially our Indian brothers and sisters as fellow members of the human family whose country is currently undergoing the worst Covid-19 infection since the pandemic began.

In our bridge article last month, we focused on the happenings of the Easter month. We reminded ourselves what Jesus Christ did for us at the cross as we looked at a brief chronology of the week’s events, which Christianity has traditionally called “The Holy Week.” It has been referred by some New Testament scholars as The Most Important Week of the Most Important Person Who Ever Lived.

<https://www.thegospelcoalition.org/blogs/justin-taylor/holy-week>. May God in His grace and mercy, enable us never to forget Jesus’s love as he demonstrated it by dying for us on the cross. What a Love ! Also let us continue praying for all our different church ministries ...Sunday school children, Mother’s Day Out Preschool, the youth, young adults, worship team, Sunday School Bible Studies, Discipleship classes, International students, our soccer team, the deacons, the church board and the pastoral team. May we make it our primary objective to grow in the knowledge of Jesus Christ our Savior and our LORD.

This month is special for our BBC Discipleship ministry. Why? We shall be holding a graduation service/ceremony for those who have completed books 1-4 of our discipleship ministry. Our Senior Pastor Dr. Corder has agreed that on Sunday May 30th 2021 we shall award sixty certificates to the 28 graduates who have completed their studies. Please read their names below and congratulate them.

BBC DISCIPLESHIP CLASS GRADUATES 2021: The 2:7 Series Navigators International

RECIPIENTS OF BOOK ONE CERTIFICATE (Growing Strong in God’s Family)...Certificate + Green Cord

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| 1.Pastor Jonathan Gesin | 9.Charlene Bowser | 17.Dr.Timothy Corder |
| 2.Sajid Masih (Sunny) | 10.Wesley Brown | 18.Mitch Bennett |
| 3.Manjaka Andriamasinoro | 11.Dr. Jeddy Kaleli | 19.Elaine Comer |
| 4.Mandresy Andriamasinoro | 12.Harry Finley | 20.Tsiky Imanoela |
| 5.Carolina Crepaldi Hito | 13.Carol Finley | 21.Manoa Jemima |
| 6.Hieu Pham (Billy) | 14.Becky Corder | 22.Volana Farantsa Andriamasinoro |
| 7.Daniel Lee | 15.Ellen Pearson | |
| 8.Mercy Mildred Adhaya | 16.Immaculate Bampadde | |

RECIPIENTS OF BOOK TWO CERTIFICATE. (Deepening Your Roots in God's Family)...Certificate + Blue Cord

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| 1.Pastor Jonathan Gesin | 9.Charlene Bowser | 17.Dr.Timothy Corder |
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RECEIPIENTS OF BOOK THREE CERTIFICATE. (Bearing Fruit in God's Family)...Certificate + Yellow Cord)

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| 1.Pastor Jonathan Gesin | 8.Mercy Mildred Adhaya |
| 2.Sajid Masih (Sunny) | 9.Charlene Bowser |
| 3.Manjaka Andriamasinoro | 10.Wesley Brown |
| 4.Mandresy Andriamasinoro | 11.Dr. Jeddy Kaleli |
| 5.Carolina Crepaldi Hito | 12.Harry Finley |
| 6.Hieu Pham (Billy) | 13.Carol Finley |
| 7.Daniel Lee | 14.Becky Corder |

RECIPIENTS OF BOOK FOUR CERTIFICATE (Experiencing God: Knowing and Doing the Will of God)...Certificate + Gold Cord

- 1.Sajid Masih (Sunny)
- 2.Manjaka Andriamasinoro
- 3.Carolina Crepaldi Hito
- 4.Charlene Bowser
- 5.Wesley Brown
- 6.Dr. Jeddy Kaleli

The whole BBC is grateful to God for the incredible determination we have seen in all the graduates. May the LORD's gracious presence be upon them all the days of their lives as they seek to love God with all their hearts and their fellow humans as themselves. May all of us as a church be devoted channels of God's love.

Sincerely in Christ,

Pastor Jones Kaleli, Associate Pastor

Kingdom Work Youth Ministry

Happy May Beloved,

Last month was an amazing Month. Amidst everything going on (still), God has shown Himself worthy of praise and adoration. He continues to prove Himself as God. He is sovereign over all, let us not forget that. God is doing big things in the Youth Ministry here at Braddock. We have added a couple youth to our Sunday School which is awesome! Continue to pray that God brings families to our church. We have been in the new sanctuary now. It is absolutely beautiful and I encourage everyone who can come out to Worship with us. I am sending weekly parent emails to our youth families to encourage continuous challenges to our children throughout the week. If you know a family that is looking to get plugged into a church and a youth group, send them my way! Our youth event this month was Paintball. We had 4 new players, and by the end, they absolutely loved it. God is working in ALL areas of our lives, and it is so encouraging to see our beautiful youth grow in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Lastly, I want to say Happy Mothers Day to my mom, mom-in-law, and of course, my beautiful wife who is becoming such an amazing mother to our son Gabriel. This month, and every month, lets make the mothers in our lives feel so special!

With love from the Gesin family,

Jonathan Gesin, Youth Director

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Health & Wellness Tidbit

Did you know...

A saltwater sinus flush is a safe and simple remedy for nasal congestion and sinus irritation that just about anyone can do at home. Time to beat the pollen!

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Stewardship

Capital Campaign Summary	
Received thru 4/15	\$1,868,610.69
Approximate amt of contributions or borrowing needed to complete the project	\$321,921.15



Giving

You can continue to give by sending your checks, payable to Braddock Baptist Church, to our address, 6519 Braddock Road, Alexandria, VA 22312. You can also give online through our website! Scroll down and hit the “donate now” button on the bottom right in the home page. We also have an offering plate in the back of the “Upper Room” Sanctuary for those joining us in person! Thank you for your continued giving and Obedience to Christ.

