

BNF People to Pray For This Week

August 25: Maria Garcia

August 26: Evan & Lori Hoover

August 27: Linda Slabaugh

August 28: Liz Brewer

August 29: Caleb Hoover

August 30: Terry Frick

Last Sunday, August 17

Offering: \$753

Attendance: 12

Next Sunday, August 31

Meditation: Kevin Yoder

Outward Looking: Acts 11:19-30

Church Calendar This Week

Friday: AA Meeting, 7pm

Announcements

Kevin and Sharon are in Pennsylvania this weekend for a reunion with Sharon's family.

Save the Date: The Fall Retreat is October 17-19 at Camp Friedenswald. There is a retreat planning meeting on August 31 at 4:30pm; bring your ideas for activities and/or theme for the weekend.

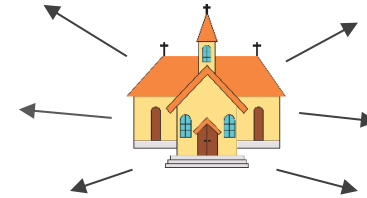
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Belmont Neighborhood Fellowship

August 24, 2025

2025 Focus: "Witnessing to the Ends of the Earth"

Outward Looking: Acts



Welcome and Opening Prayer: Linda

Songs of Worship: Linda

Offering

Nazareth Village & Food on the Fourth

Scripture Reading: Acts 10:23-48 Terry

Meditation: "Outward Looking: Peter and Cornelius" Luke

Dialogue and Discussion: Luke

Song of Response: Linda

Blessings and Prayer Requests: Sylvia

Announcements

Sending Song: Linda

Fellowship with Food and Conversation

Acts 10:23-48 (NIV)

²³ Then Peter invited the men into the house to be his guests.

Peter at Cornelius's House

The next day Peter started out with them, and some of the believers from Joppa went along. ²⁴ The following day he arrived in Caesarea. Cornelius was expecting them and had called together his relatives and close friends. ²⁵ As Peter entered the house, Cornelius met him and fell at his feet in reverence. ²⁶ But Peter made him get up. "Stand up," he said, "I am only a man myself."

²⁷ While talking with him, Peter went inside and found a large gathering of people. ²⁸ He said to them: "You are well aware that it is against our law for a Jew to associate with or visit a Gentile. But God has shown me that I should not call anyone impure or unclean. ²⁹ So when I was sent for, I came without raising any objection. May I ask why you sent for me?"

³⁰ Cornelius answered: "Three days ago I was in my house praying at this hour, at three in the afternoon. Suddenly a man in shining clothes stood before me ³¹ and said, 'Cornelius, God has heard your prayer and remembered your gifts to the poor. ³² Send to Joppa for Simon who is called Peter. He is a guest in the home of Simon the tanner, who lives by the sea.' ³³ So I sent for you immediately, and it was good of you to come. Now we are all here in the presence of God to listen to everything the Lord has commanded you to tell us."

³⁴ Then Peter began to speak: "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism ³⁵ but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right. ³⁶ You know the message God sent to the people of Israel, announcing the good news of peace through Jesus Christ, who is Lord of all. ³⁷ You know what has happened throughout the province of Judea, beginning in Galilee after the baptism that John preached— ³⁸ how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and power, and

how he went around doing good and healing all who were under the power of the devil, because God was with him.

³⁹ "We are witnesses of everything he did in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They killed him by hanging him on a cross, ⁴⁰ but God raised him from the dead on the third day and caused him to be seen. ⁴¹ He was not seen by all the people, but by witnesses whom God had already chosen—by us who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. ⁴² He commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one whom God appointed as judge of the living and the dead. ⁴³ All the prophets testify about him that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name."

⁴⁴ While Peter was still speaking these words, the Holy Spirit came on all who heard the message. ⁴⁵ The circumcised believers who had come with Peter were astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit had been poured out even on Gentiles. ⁴⁶ For they heard them speaking in tongues and praising God.

Then Peter said, ⁴⁷ "Surely no one can stand in the way of their being baptized with water. They have received the Holy Spirit just as we have." ⁴⁸ So he ordered that they be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ. Then they asked Peter to stay with them for a few days.