

StayCONNECTED



September 2022 Edition

Pastor's Corner

As we move into the fall, I am so excited about Matt Genese's willingness to voluntarily step into a leadership role in our young adult ministry and provide guidance to our growing group. Matt grew up in Worcester, Massachusetts, and has been attending Valley Chapel for over five years. He currently teaches Speech, English Literature, and Genesis at Whitinsville Christian School. Matt has a variety of ministry experience, including three years of church planting in Romania, as well as ten years of serving as a lead pastor. Having a Master of Biblical Studies degree from Gordon Conwell, Matt is well equipped to facilitate the young adult Bible study on Sunday morning. Though Matt has a wealth of information to share with our young adults, what has impressed me the most is his willingness to listen. In our current day, there's no shortage of voices. Whether it's on social media, television, or in conversation, it's easy to find

someone who wants to tell you their opinion. What is far rarer in today's world is finding someone who is genuinely willing to take the time to listen. Isn't this one of the most loving things we can do for one another? In John 13:34-35, Jesus states: "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another." If you are a young adult, you are sincerely invited to be a part of this growing community.



Matt Genese

Now enough of me talking on behalf of Matt; here is his vision for the young adult ministry: "My ultimate hope and vision for the group is to multiply through compassionate outreach to all of the young people in the area. Several of the group regulars have already expressed their desire to see the relationships in the group to deepen. This family

atmosphere will be a great light to those that visit. Anyone that attends who does not have a solid foundation of faith will be invited to take part in personal Bible study meetings with myself and another group member. In doing this, we will be following Christ's model of, 'teaching them to obey everything.' I want our young people to learn how to open the Scriptures with their friends, not only to lead them to Christ but to help believers establish a firm foundation of faith".

Help us get the word out! If you know a young adult, tell them about our group. We meet on Sunday mornings in Room 220 with coffee/conversation at 9 am, followed by the Bible study beginning at 9:30 am. Don't know anyone? No worries! Many of our young adults sit together during the 10:30 am worship service. Hope to see you soon!

Pastor Matt

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Israel Pilgrimage

with Pastor Bob & Sharon

May 18-28, 2023



Informational meeting Sunday, Sept. 11

12 noon

Conference Room 121

Anyone interested in this trip to Israel is encouraged to attend this meeting.

If you gave your name to Sharon and she has your name on the list of travelers, please plan to attend. There is a max of 35 people for this trip.

Low Impact Interval Training Exercise Class

It is time to start taking care of our temples that God has given us. 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 says "Do you not know that your bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; you were bought at a price.

Therefore honor God with your bodies." We can do this by joining the new class starting this fall. It is a Low Impact Interval Training (LIIT) exercise class geared for adults and seniors. Meeting times will be Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7pm on Zoom and Saturday mornings at 7:30 am at the church.

For more information please join Spud and Dee Durran on Sept. 25 after church in room 121.

CHILDREN'S BIBLE QUIZZING

Grades 2-5
9:30am Sundays
Begins 9/11

Register with Erin
erinevalleychapel.us

STEPHEN MINISTRY : CARE FOR HURTING PEOPLE

Stephen Minister training is a Christ-centered experience that equips participants with essential caring and relating skills. Trainees learn how to listen to, care for, and walk with those going through difficult times in life. I am pleased to announce we have 25 ladies and gentlemen that are to begin training on September 11th; this training will go through December 18th. I ask you to pray for those who are answering this call the Lord has placed on their lives.

Since Stephen Ministries began, it is estimated that Stephen Ministers from various churches and even in other countries have cared for over one-and-a-half million people in one-to-one caring relationships—and they have touched countless more lives with compassionate understanding and encouragement.

In mid-January Lord willing...Valley Chapel's Stephen Ministry program will be open to the congregation.



Reminder: Parent meeting of middle school and high school students in the Café after the service on Sept. 11. Contact Pastor Matt for more information.



October 1
Nednaz Vision Day with Fresh Expressions

October 14
Concert Mike Donehey
(Lead singer for Tenth Ave North)

October 15
Lions Classic Car Show @ Valley Chapel
10am - 2pm

October 16
Visitors Luncheon

October 22
Prayer Conference in Rockville, CT

David Novorrriny from Gideons International, who was here on June 12, will be here again on September 18 to meet with anyone interested in becoming a Gideon. The meeting will take place in room 225 after the service.

Fall 2022 Thrive Classes

Sunday Mornings at 9:30 AM beginning September 11

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Faith Connections with Paul Trout and Randy Fields in Room 225

This quarter we will look at how God led the people from Slavery toward the promised land (Exodus) and specific leaders in Israel from the time of Joshua's death until the time of the monarchy (Judges)

Apologetics with Jason Jolin in Room 121

Jason Jolin will be giving practical ways to defend your faith and answer question about what you believe.

Celebrate Recovery with Amy Levins in the Break Room (next to East Side coat room)

Celebrate Recovery is a Christ-Centered 12 step program to help anyone who has hurts, hang-ups and habits.

Prayer with Suzie McCabe and Lynne Fortin in the Prayer room

Join us for a time of united prayer. Come and see what God will do when His people pray with one heart and mind!

Café Connections – Coffee and Fellowship upstairs in the Café

Please join us for coffee and fellowship in the Café

Young Adults with Matt Genese in Room 220



Meet at 9:00 for coffee/conversation
9:30 bible study begins.

Virtual Class 8:00 – 9:15 AM

Lead Like it Matters to God with Ron Cook via Zoom. Email Ron if you would like to join this class at ron@rcookcoaching.com

This class will last 22 weeks and will show how the values Christian leaders embrace are more important than the success they achieve. In this Thrive class, Ron Cook will guide us as we explore seventeen values that will transform our leadership, whether you are leading in a workplace, ministry, community, or home.

Why should you come to a Thrive class on Sunday morning? To grow in relationship with Jesus. We don't just want to survive, we want to thrive!!!

Dr Harold and Dalia Arnold
Event Hosts

The Eusebeia Weekend Experience for Christian couples

Thursday, October 13 - Sunday, October 16
BWI Airport Marriott, 1743 W Nursery Rd, Linthicum Heights, MD 21090

DESIRE

The Eusebeia LIVE Weekend Experience is not a marriage conference. Eusebeia is a REVIVAL for Christian couples who want real and lasting change not just short-lived promises.

With our 2022 theme of Desire, Christian couples will experience more than 3 days of spiritual immersion focused on bringing Scripture to life among a community of Christian couples who cheer each other for God's best. Some safety precautions and social distancing as necessary to promote a Covid-19-free experience.



Expected Outcomes for Your Marriage:

- Deepen your individual and marital walk with Christ
- Clarify God's purpose for your marriage
- Build an inseparable and more intimate Christ-centered bond between spouses
- Discover how to communicate with purpose and with less frustration
- Grow together with like-minded couples in a safe, caring, and supportive environment
- Join a unique renewal of the vows ceremony
- Encourage those husbands who join the Commitment Pledge

A special rate room block has been set up for Eusebeia attendees. Rooms are \$149 with these added benefits:

- 5 meals (3 breakfasts, 2 lunches) included
- Free Parking
- 24-hr fitness center

Early-bird registration ends on May 31. Register before June 1 today to save \$50 off regular registration.
NOTE: Conference registration does not include lodging.
For more information and to register go to: www.prayformarriage.com

HOPE YOU CAN JOIN ME AT EUSEBEIA LIVE

What are the ingredients to a spiritually healthy marriage?

Talk to Amy & Ken Gaudet to find out more.

1. Learn to never fight again
2. Invite abundance to your door
3. Model Christ in marriage



Oct. 13-16, 2022, BWI Airport Marriott
Register @ prayformarriage.com

SUNDAY
CLASSES FOR ALL: 9:30 AM
SERVICE TIME: 10:30 AM
ONLINE SERVICE
VALLEYCHAPEL.US
Watch LIVE during our service time.

GIVING

We appreciate your giving. Did you know that you can also give online? Go to our website and click on the giving tab on our homepage. You can also use our APP and the giving tab on the our APP.
or stop by and drop your offering in the offering box in the sanctuary, lobby, outside at our west entrance.

SOCIAL MEDIA

 [Facebook.com/VCUxbridge](https://www.facebook.com/VCUxbridge)
 [Instagram.com/VCUxbridge](https://www.instagram.com/VCUxbridge)

NEED TO CATCH UP?

Watch all messages on our website at any time. All messages are archived for viewing.

If you would like something in the October edition of "Stay Connected" Please send your information to Alice by Sept. 16
alice@valleychapel.us

To receive the weekly VC Messenger email and prayer requests, give your email to Alice at alice@valleychapel.us and let her know you want to be added to the email list.



September Prayer Weekend

I have no greater joy than to hear that my children are walking in the truth" (3 John 1:4).

Please sign up to pray during September's prayer weekend from September 30th-October 1st where our theme will be praying for our children and youth in today's culture - protection, for biblical sexuality and gender identity, strong faith and revival.

The prayer and worship meeting will be Thursday September 29th from 6-7pm in the Café.

Prayer Weekend Sept 30 - Oct 1
Praying for our children and youth

Join us in the Café
Thursday, September 29
6-7 pm



WE ARE STILL IN NEED OF CLASSROOM ASSISTANTS
ValleyKids still needs assistants in the toddler, preschool and K-2 room at 10:30. Email kerri@valleychapel.us