

# August 2023

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| Call to Worship | Elton Hodge  |
| Songs           | Nick Godano  |
| Communion       | Larry Lewis  |
| Sermon          | Jim Hopper   |
| Closing         | Lacy Boggess |



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| <u>Minister</u> | <u>Coordinators</u><br>Dan Garrick<br><i>Finance</i> |
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|                 | Don Garrick<br><i>Fellowship</i>                     |
|                 | Elton Hodge<br>Benevolence                           |
|                 | Jim Hopper<br><i>Worship</i>                         |
|                 | Ellen Bourne<br>Communications                       |

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## A Soft Answer

A soft answer turns away wrath, But a harsh word stirs up anger. (Proverbs 15:1)



In the preceding passage, the wise man gives some great relationship advice. We've all found ourselves in confrontations at some point in our lives. While some folks revel in a good fight, most of us would rather avoid those uncomfortable situations all together.

The bible is not short on advice and warnings about controlling our anger and resisting the temptation to fly off of the handle when things frustrate us. Uncontrolled anger and confrontation always lead to hurt feelings and

alienation in our relationships. However, the mature Christian has developed a sure-fire way to handle anger through prayer and self-control. I suppose one of the hardest things we have to do is keep our cool while someone is letting us have it "with both barrels". But that's exactly what this proverb is telling us to do. Remember the old cartoons, where the characters avoided getting blown up by a bomb by licking their fingers and pinching off the fuse? You and I can "diffuse" difficult situations by following these simple suggestions (all of which are encouraged in the Scriptures).

First, be kind and patient, even if the other person is being unreasonable. Don't fight back, because nothing can take the momentum out of a fight better than an unwilling sparring partner. And finally, never go to bed angry, even if the other person is unwilling to make up. Be sure that you are at peace with yourself and God, then pray about your relationship with the person with whom you've had a disagreement.

"Be angry, and do not sin do not let the sun go down on your wrath" (Ephesians 4:26)

Jay Launius

## **Prayer Request**

- Karen Stanzione's son-in-law, Kelly Correia's husband Jose. Jose went to the doctors on Thurs., Aug. 10th and was informed that his cirrhosis is progressing they had to put him on the medication that he

  10th and was informed that his cirrhosis is progressing they had to put him on the medication that he was on after he had his transplant but it affected his kidneys. Please pray for the slowing down of the cirrhosis and there to be no complications. Jose can't have another transplant for another two years

  \*\*Zoom Meeting\*\* Virtual
- Joe Lewis' uncle was recently diagnosed with cancer. Pray for his healing and comfort.
- Former member Karen Quigley had a cardiac catheterization procedure. Karen is slowly improving. Pray for her recovery
- Continue prayers for Randy Walker's sister Becky who had a laparoscopy on Mon., Jun. 26th her pancreatic cancer is now in a metastatic condition as several cancerous nodules have been found. This rules out now any surgery to remove the original cancer in the pancreas. This news was not well received, so we would greatly appreciate your prayers for her courage, strength, and comfort as she travels this valley. The doctors still have some weapons in the arsenal to try and manage it as a chronic condition. So far the cancer are on the surface and not in any vital organs
- Continue prayers for Doug Vile who has been diagnosed with Amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) and his wife Jere who is always by his side and a constant support
- Pray for DcOC minister search
- Pray for safe travels for our congregation members
- Pray for our visitors
- The work in Mozambique and Zambia
- Pray for our missionaries and families
- Pray for our deacons, teachers, leaders, and each other

## Praise and Thanksgiving

- Gilbert Gonzales' dear friend Valerie was admitted to Danbury Hospital on Mon., Jul 17th. Valerie was discharged from the hospital on Sun., Jul 23rd and was in rehab at Glen Hill. \*Great News\* Valerie was discharged from Glen Hill on Tues., Aug 8th
- \*\*Great News\*\* Praise for action plans set in place for Bridget Lewis' father Jim's heart condition. Praise for Joe Lewis' grandfather Bob Rainey who is healing daily. Praise for Bridget's new antibiotics for her gastro issues. Pray for continued patience and healing.
- Former member David Rude's sister Chris has been diagnosed with colon cancer. She had surgery on Thurs. Aug 3rd and \*Great News\* no cancer was found anywhere else

## Services & Meetings: Week of August 13, 2023

Sunday AM Worship 9:30 am

## Wednesday - Pray & Bible Study

7:00 pm—8:00 pm

If you are interesting in attending email: infoldanburycoc.org@gmail.com

#### **Event Calendar**

Aug 17th

Bowling Fellowship 12:15 pm—2:00 pm Strikers—840 Federal Rd—Brookfield, CT Contact: Michael P.

#### **Bible Classes**

11:00 am —Sunday Classes for ALL AGES

#### **Adult Upstairs Class**

"Be transformed by the renewing of your mind"- Jim Hopper

### **Ongoing Meeting (church building)**

⇒ Mad Hatters Barber Shop Tues. 7:00 pm Rehearsals

⇒ Narcotics Anonymous Thurs. 6:30 pm—9:30 pm

7:00 pm-9:00 pm ⇒ Al-Anon Thurs.





## Wednesday—Pray and Bible Study \*\*Virtual\*\*

\*\*Zoom Meeting\*\* 7:00 pm—8:00 pm

If you are interested in attending the virtual bible study, please email us at info1danburycoc.org@gmail.com

It's a chance for us to connect, come together digitally to share, laugh and see each other as we unlock the bible togeth-



## Weekly Fellowship

#### Thursday—Bowling fellowship

12:15 pm-2:00 pm **Strikers** 840 Federal Rd., Brookfield

