

The Purpose Driven Life

Today I am stepping across the line. I'm tired of waffling, and I'm finished with wavering. I've made my choice, the verdict is in, and my decision is irrevocable. I'm going God's way. There's no turning back now.

I will live the rest of my life serving God's purposes with God's people on God's planet for God's glory. I will use my life to celebrate His presence, cultivate His character, participate in His family, demonstrate His Love, and communicate His Word.

Since my past has been forgiven and I have a purpose for living and a home awaiting in Heaven, I refuse to waste any more time or energy on shallow living, petty thinking, trivial talking, thoughtless doing, useless regretting, hurtful resenting, or faithless worrying. Instead, I will magnify God, grow to maturity, serve in ministry, and fulfill my mission in the membership of His family.

Because this life is preparation for the next, I will value worship over wealth; *we* over *me*; character over comfort; service over status; and people over possessions, position, and pleasures. I know what matters most, and I'll give it all I've got. I'll do the best I can with what I have for Jesus Christ today.

I won't be captivated by culture, manipulated by critics, motivated by praise, frustrated by problems, debilitated by temptation, or intimidated by the devil. I'll keep running my race with my eyes on the goal—not the sidelines or those running by me. When times get tough and I get tired, I won't back up, back off, back down, back out, or backslide. I'll just keep moving forward by God's grace. I'm Spirit-led, purpose-driven, and mission-focused, so I cannot be bought. I will not be compromised, and I shall not quit until I finish the race.

I'm a trophy of God's amazing grace, so I will be gracious to everyone, grateful for every day, and generous with everything God entrusts to me.

To my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, I say, "However, whenever, wherever, and whatever you ask me to do, my answer in advance is *yes!* Wherever You lead and whatever the cost, I'm ready. Anytime. Anywhere. Any way. Whatever it takes, Lord. Whatever it takes! I want to be used by You in such a way that on that final day I'll hear You say, "Well done, thou good and faithful one. Come on in, and let the eternal party begin!"

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F E L L O W S H I P

SEPTEMBER 4, 2011

TODAY'S SERMON: HEAVENLY MINDED

SCRIPTURE: MATTHEW 5:43-48 (NIV)

SPEAKER: PASTOR JAMES GOODMAN



WE WELCOME YOU TODAY! If you are visiting with us for the first or second time, please take a moment to complete the *sign-in & visitor registration form*. Drop it off at our welcome center, and pick up a special gift as our way of saying 'thanks for visiting.' We hope to see you again!

The 9th & Main Café is open from 7:45-8:00 a.m. and following the morning services. Coffee is complimentary.

REAL PEOPLE, REAL CONNECTIONS, AND A REAL JESUS!
Living Life Together in Quakertown!



Messages are available to download!
Go to mstarqtown.org and click on *media*.



Today's Schedule of Events

MORNING SERVICES

8:00 a.m., 9:30 a.m., and 11:30 a.m.

The 9th & Main Café: Open from 7:45 to 8:00 a.m. and following the morning services. Coffee is complimentary.

BE KIDS CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Nursery: The birth to 3-year nursery is open during all services.

Older Children: Church for children ages 3 to Kindergarten and first to fifth grade is available during the 9:30 and 11:30 services (out in the modular).

Amanda Detweiler
Director of Children's Ministries
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R.E.A.L. STUDENT MINISTRIES

Student Ministries: 6:00–8:30 p.m.

James Goodman
Student Ministries Pastor
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UPCOMING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept 9–10: Guys' Weekend
Sept 11: Simulcast Service
Sept 11: Get your family photo taken here!
Sept 18: Be Kids and REAL Youth transitions
Sept 24: Youth Free Fall
Sept 25: Baby Dedication
Oct 1: Morning Star Training School
Oct 14–15: Women's In-House Retreat

GUYS' WEEKEND

September 9 and 10

The Guys' Weekend will begin on Friday, September 9 at 7:00 p.m. This year's theme is The Power of Relationships. Pat Summers from "Think Missions" will be joining us and providing the message on Friday evening. Saturday morning will begin at 8:00 a.m. We'll serve a simple breakfast including sandwiches, fruit, pastries, juice, and coffee. Plan to invite a friend for the Saturday breakfast. The cost for the weekend is \$15. The cost for Saturday morning only is \$10. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

M-STAR PICTURE DIRECTORY PHOTOS

September 11, 18, 25 (all services)

We will be updating our church directory, and we want you included! Please have yourself and your family prepared on Sunday, September 11, 18, or 25 to have your picture taken. There will be a tent set up outside where you can walk right up and have your pic taken at any time from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

SIMULCAST SERVICE

Sunday, September 11 at 7 p.m.

A Wake-Up Call for God's People simulcast with Anne Graham Lotz and Joel Rosenberg is to be presented here at Morning Star.

BABY AND CHILD DEDICATION

September 25

Sign up online!

CLASSROOM TRANSITIONS

September 18

First graders move up to Be Kids. Sixth graders move up to REAL Youth.

FREE FALL

September 24 from 12–5 p.m.

This junior and senior high event will take place at the Main St. Skate Park and will include free food, loud music, prizes, a testimony, basketball challenge, Crossfit Apex challenge, and BMX and skate competitions.

Please help by donating bottles of water or sports drinks. They can be brought to James' office before September 24.

MORNING STAR TRAINING SCHOOL

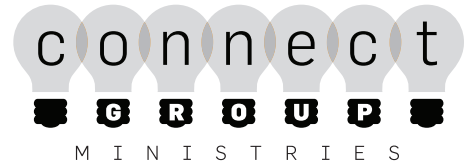
October 1 from 9 a.m. to noon

We offer Training School to get you up to speed on what Morning Star Fellowship is all about. Class 101: Membership is where you will learn about who we are, where we've been, and where we are going in the future. This class is available to those who desire to become members or just want to know more about Morning Star. Class 201: Maturity; 301: Spiritual Gifts; and Class 401: Mission will also be held. Childcare is available. You can sign up today online at mstarqtown.org/membership.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY

Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m.

Have you ever felt that your life would be better if you didn't drink or use drugs? If so, come join us on Wednesday nights and feel God's healing power through the Celebrate Recovery ministry.



MONDAY

6:30 pm: Prayer Ministry

6:30 pm: Men's Softball (9th grade center)

TUESDAY

7:00 pm: Connect Group Leader Meeting

WEDNESDAY

7:00 pm: Celebrate Recovery

THURSDAY

10:00 am: Morning Star Moms

10:00 am: Men's Bible study (sanctuary)

SATURDAY

7:30 am: Men's Bible studies

CONNECT GROUP INFO

For more information about Connect Groups, look us up online at mstarqtown.org/connect_groups

CHRISTIAN COUNSELING SERVICES

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ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES



September's menu is available. Orders due: Sept. 18 Pick-up: Sept. 23

→ BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS

If you have an announcement for the bulletin, e-mail it to Tony Serge at tony@mstarqtown.org by Wednesday at 4:30. We cannot guarantee the item will be inserted past this time.