



Weekly Connection Newsletter

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Office hours: Tues-Thurs 9am-1pm

Prayer Gatherings

Each Wednesday in person at the church office and on zoom @ 1:00 pm. Zoom meeting ID: 461 338 2306
Password: 6b0j8y. The zoom link is -
<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4613382306?pwd=NU5Ra25uWmJ4bDJ0bFpXYmEzRUZ4QT09>

Iglesia Cristiana Pastor: Rony Guerra
Contact: iglesiacristianasouderton@gmail.com

This Sunday

*Sunday School @ 9:30am
Worship @ 10:30am*

Iglesia Cristiana Worship @ 1:00pm

Join the livestream for either Worship service at their scheduled time:

www.soudertonbic.org/stream

www.youtube.com/@soudertonbic

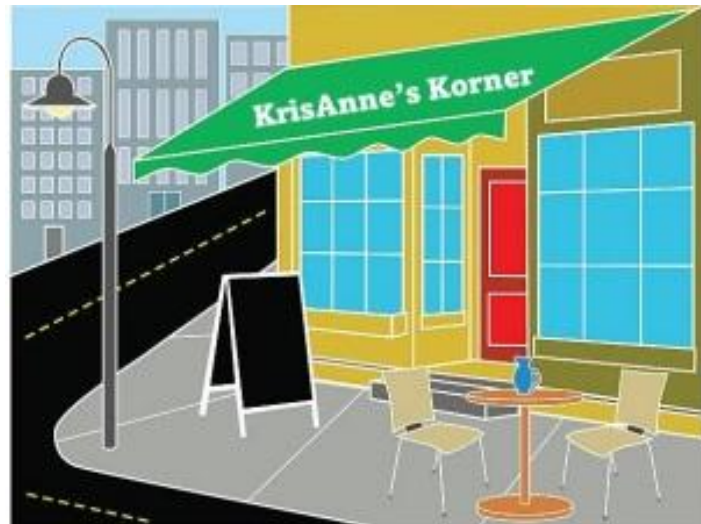
Thank you for your faithful giving! at the offering box, by mail, or at our website.

Pastor KrisAnne's Korner

I can hardly believe we are just about halfway through December and quickly approaching the end of 2025. I don't want to turn this article into a full retrospective; there will be plenty of time for that as the weeks go on. But as I personally reflect on 2025, one of the most impactful events in my life this year was definitely visiting Zimbabwe. Not only were my eyes opened to more of the beauty and diversity of God's vast creation, but my understanding of God's Kingdom was radically expanded.

It's one thing to know something in your mind. I can explain to someone why I believe in the global church, that we are all one body no matter what nation we are from or what particular Christian denomination we are part of. I can quote chapter and verse from scripture to back that up! It is a whole other thing to experience that truth with all of my five senses. In Zimbabwe, I heard a different language and different music; I tasted and smelled different foods and saw different expressions of prayer and worship - but I could feel in my spirit that we all knew and loved the same Jesus.

The ministry happening at the mission stations we visited in Zimbabwe (and others we did not have time to visit!) is so important and powerful. The health clinic at Wanezi serves 8,000 people. Eight thousand. From preventative measures to assisting with more serious conditions, they care for a community spanning many, many miles of countryside. The people leading, serving and working there do incredible work with limited resources. Sometimes water is scarce and buildings are in disrepair, yet they continue to serve. Often they do not have the equipment they need, yet they continue the work. They do this with deep faith, patience, perseverance, creativity and joy. The leaders we met are extraordinarily faithful and wise.



I want to thank you for coming alongside our Zimbabwean brothers and sisters at Wanezi through our Christmas project this year. We are more than halfway to our \$5,000 goal, which will purchase 20 mattresses and sheets for the labor and delivery department. Your generosity is beautiful! Wanezi station also has a primary and secondary school, and it's a joy to see the school supplies and soccer equipment pile up, for the shipping barrels. Our assistance may seem like a small thing in the face of the large challenges in Zimbabwe. That's ok. It's an expression of solidarity, unity and love... hopefully the first of many, that connects us across an ocean through our one Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

3rd Sunday of Advent

Prayer Requests:

Send any prayer requests to:
Pastor KrisAnne at 215-254-8348 or
KrisAnne.Swartley@soudertonbic.org,
or your deacon.

SNAP Benefits??

Did you know?

Bucks County: Approximately 47,000 residents rely on SNAP.

Montgomery County: Around 68,000 residents rely on SNAP.

How you can help bridge the GAP:

Purchase a gift card at Aldi, Landis, Giant

Drop it off at:

Bridge of HOPE BuxMont,

105 W Chestnut St, Souderton, PA

Keystone Opportunity Center:

104 N. Main St. Souderton, PA or make checks payable to: *Keystone Opportunity Center with Food Bank* in memo line.

Penridge F.I.S.H.: 800 W. Chestnut St. Perkasie, PA.

Christmas donations for Wanezi BIC Mission

Help us raise money and fill 3 shipping drums for the Wanezi Mission in Zimbabwe! We want to raise \$5,000 for 20 mattresses and sheets for the labor and delivery department *and we are half-way there!* Also, we're collecting the following donations: soccer equipment (cleats sizes 2-6, soccer balls sizes 4 & 5, baby supplies, and school supplies to ship to Zimbabwe. See the complete list of items located at the table at the top of the stairs. *Monetary donations can be made through the Church website online giving. Choose "Wanezi Christmas" from the drop-down menu.*

RamPacks Updates

THANK YOU to the many volunteers who pack and deliver food every week!

We are still SEARCHING for a BUILDING where we can consolidate our three locations into ONE central LOCATION! Please reach out if you have **any** ideas.

Craft Fair @ Good Shepherd Episcopal Church in Hilltown **this weekend** Dec 12th (2pm-8pm), and Dec 13th (8am-2pm). Volunteers needed for the RamPacks table there. Sign up at the link below:

<https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/8050B48A8AA2FA57-60879056-good>

THIS Sunday

Sunday School @ 9:30am

Worship @ 10:30am

Sunday School classes for ALL ages

Nursery available downstairs

Elementary School (K-Grade 5)

Middle School (Grades 6-9) taught by Mike Folkerts

Adult Classes:

1) A Study on the Prophets taught by Dan Z.

2) Hebrews study in the Youth Room

Announcements



Holiday Food Bags Donations needed

Please consider donating a complete Holiday Food Bag or a \$25 gift card to GIANT, ALDI, or WALMART to help provide a turkey for each family.

Questions? Contact Kyle Foster at kfoster@keystoneopp.org for more information.

Additionally, with the current states of the State and Federal budgets, food insecurity is set to increase exponentially throughout the region. Please consider giving a donation: <https://keystoneopportunity.org/want/>



ESL needs Safety Volunteers to serve in the parking lot before & after class.

Can't help Monday nights??

Volunteers are needed to organize donations of clothing, toys and food items anytime during the week. Contact Mike Folkerts or Laurel Alleger if you have flexible time and can help.

Calendar:

- *Remember to return your Nomination forms by **THIS Sunday, December 14th**!* Forms are available at the table in the back of the Sanctuary.
- **Mon: ESL Christmas Program & Potluck @ 6:30-8:30pm**
- **Tue: Iglesia Cristiana Worship @ 6:30pm, Church Board Mtg @ 7pm**

Upcoming Events:

- **Dec 22:** NO ESL classes
- **Dec 24:** Christmas Eve Service @ 6:30pm
- **Dec 28:** Combined Meal & Worship with ICS. 11:30am meal, 1:00pm service. No Sunday School.
- **Dec 29:** NO ESL classes
- **Jan 11:** Missions Guest Speaker: Jonathan Lloyd