



Reach the Lost, Restore the Backslider and Revitalize the Faithful Through Prayer



# Stronghold Weekly Update

December 5, 2023

If you have not received the following inserts in the mail or via email, please call the church at (215) 877-1530

## Included in this Week's Update – See attached:

- ⇒ Sick & Shut-in Update
- ⇒ Advent Devotional - Week Two
- ⇒ Special Service Times Information
- ⇒ Christmas Play Flyer

Praise the Lord! There are no Home Going Announcements for this week!

Reminder, if you have experienced a death in your immediate family, you are sick or hospitalized, please contact the church office so we can minister to you.



**December 10, 2023 | 8:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m.**

Mask wearing is optional in any of the church buildings. If you are sick, **Please Stay Home**. We will still live stream our **8:30 a.m. Worship Service** as we worship and celebrate our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Please Join us! We can be viewed on the following platforms – Just search for Christian Stronghold Church:



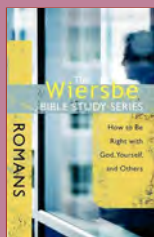
Church's website:  
[www.christianstronghold.com](http://www.christianstronghold.com)

Series: The Parables of Jesus

Sermon Title: "The Wrong Place To Be Right"

Scripture Reading: Luke 18:9-14 NASB

## JOIN US FOR THE PASTOR'S WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY!



**Adult Bible Study - Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m. - In-Person & Livestream**

BOOK: **The Book of Romans**: "How to Be Right With God, Yourself, and Others"

**December 6<sup>th</sup>** | Deacon Robert Roane - Trial Sermon | 6:30 p.m.

**December 13<sup>th</sup>** | Lesson 12 - We Just Disagree | Romans 14:1-16:27

**Young Adult Bible Study - Ages 18-35 Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m. In-Person & On Zoom**

Zoom link: <https://tinyurl.com/mutjazu8> | Meeting ID: 814 1484 4134 | Passcode: 983260

**Book:** Spirit Controlled Temperaments by Tim Lahaye

**Location:** **Young Adult House** (Name Pending)

**Follow us on Instagram - @csc.youngadults for more information.**

**Youth Bible Study - Ages 12-17 Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m. In-Person & On Zoom**

Zoom Link: <https://bit.ly/2XUmiej> | Meeting ID: 860 7477 2326 | Passcode: 957790

**Location:** **Youth Worship Center**

**Children's Bible Study - Ages 4-11 Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m. In-Person**

The Nursery is available for Children up to age 3 | **Wednesdays @ 6:30 p.m.**

**Got a question or a prayer request?**

Email your question or prayer request to [CSC\\_BIBLEStudy@christianstronghold.com](mailto:CSC_BIBLEStudy@christianstronghold.com)


**Books for the Adults Bible Study Class** are available on a **first-come, first-served basis**. Come to the church office Sunday, after Worship Service, or Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. (enter through the small parking lot). **Cost: \$13.00**





# UPCOMING EVENTS

- December 8<sup>th</sup>** - Founding First Lady, Patricia Richardson’s Birthday  
**December 9<sup>th</sup>** - Adullam Cave Gathering | 8:30 a.m. \*Breakfast at 7:30 a.m.  
- Official Board Meeting *\*In-Person*  
- Youth Ministry Formal: A Night of Elegance 7:00 p.m.  
**December 17<sup>th</sup>** - Christmas Play | 5:00 p.m.  
**December 22<sup>nd</sup>** - Church Building Closed  
**December 25<sup>th</sup>** - Christmas Day - Church Building Closed




## SUNDAY SCHOOL

**Join us for In-Person Sunday School on Sunday at 10:30am.**  
**Pick up your Sunday School books in your class, Books are FREE.**  
**CLASSROOM ASSIGNMENTS:**

**Children {Ages 4-6}** - Room 110; **Juniors {Ages 7-11}** - Room 105  
*(Room next to the CRD Book Store)*

**Youth {Ages 12-17}** - Youth Worship Center; **Young Adults {Ages 18-25}** - Young Adults House  
**Young Adults {Ages 26-35}** - Young Adults House; **Adult 3A {Ages 36-45}** - Room 202  
**Adult 3B {Ages 46-55}** - Room 205; **Adult 4A {Ages 56-65}** - Room 206;  
**Adult 4B {Ages 66 & up}** - Fellowship Hall A-B; **Doctrine 101/102** - Room 214A; **BC1** - Room 208



YOU'RE INVITED TO THE  
**YOUTH MINISTRY**  
*Night of Elegance*  
DECEMBER • 9 • 2023  
AT 7:00 PM  
DIVINITY HALL  
6011 MARKET STREET, PHILA., PA 19104  
Attire: Formal

## JACM Posting

**Drexel University is Hiring!**

**Job Title:** Assistant Director of Engagement and Alumni Relations  
**Location:** Drexel University's LeBow College of Business  
For more information visit the following link:  
[https://www.linkedin.com/posts/jbspence\\_careers-at-drexel-human-resources-activity-7132484500164345857-kTLE?utm\\_source=share&utm\\_medium=member\\_ios](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/jbspence_careers-at-drexel-human-resources-activity-7132484500164345857-kTLE?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_ios)



## ADULLAM CAVE GATHERING

HOSTED BY THE MEN’S BREAKFAST MINISTRY

**Topic:** Life After the Cave

**Guest:**  
Pastor Christopher A. Bell, Sr.

**SATURDAY**  
**DECEMBER 9TH**  
8:30 A.M.  
Breakfast @ 7:30 AM



 Christian Stronghold Church

\*IN-PERSON & LIVE STREAM \*





## Hey! Let's Get Connected!

Have you downloaded the "Realm Connect" app yet?. This new tool will assist us in engaging with current and future members. The Application will provide the church with ways to do the following:

- Communicate church events to members
- Report Attendance for Worship, Sunday School, Bible Study, Cell and Bible Classes
- Complete your online giving
- Register for events
- Communicate with your ministry and ministry members
- Maintain your demographic information

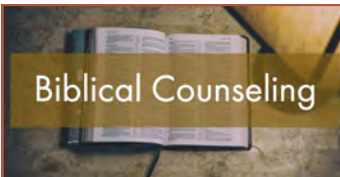
Live Connected with other church members



## *Make Prayer the Priority Everywhere!*

If you need to speak with your Deacon or Deaconess, please call the church and ask for Vicki Faison (215-877-1530, ext. 1167). Leave your name and contact number.

If you desire prayer (or you know someone who wants prayer), call us and [please leave a message](#). Your call will be returned by one of our Pastors who will pray with you. **Call: 215-877-1530, Ext. 1126**



### Biblical Counseling

If you are experiencing stress/anxiety during this time, or if you desire any type of counseling, our Counseling Ministry is available to serve you. Contact the church office at (215) 877-1530.

**Give with us as the Lord's ministries cannot continue if you do not give.** You are encouraged to give online. If you are not able to give online, mail your tithes and offerings or drop them off at the church office (4701 Lancaster Ave. Phila., PA 19131), Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. through 5:00 p.m. (**enter through the small parking lot**).



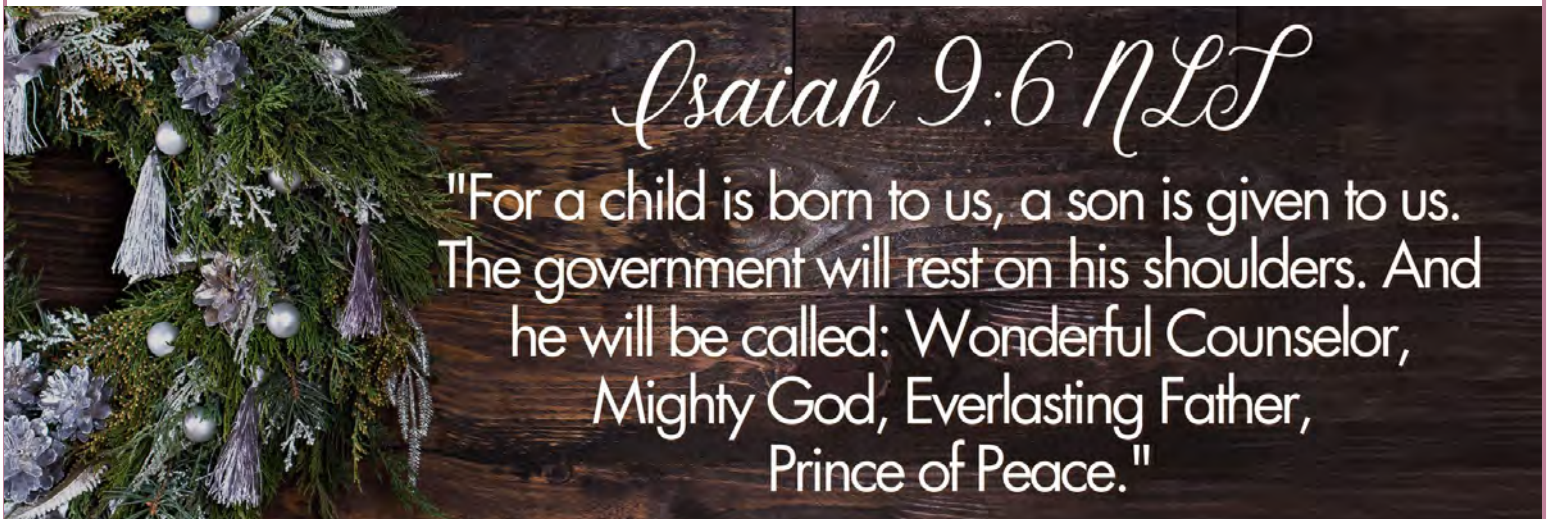
**DID YOU KNOW?** ... If you have a login and password for online giving, you have the ability to give using **Realm Connect** App from your mobile device. You can download the **Realm Connect** App for Apple or Android devices.

**Contact Roxann Covington** if you need any assistance with online giving:  
Call 215-877-1530, ext. 1100 or 215-668-3550 (cell).

**Emails and Letters:** If you are the recipient of a letter, we do not have your email address. Please send your email address to [rcovington@christianstronghold.com](mailto:rcovington@christianstronghold.com).



You do not have to receive offering envelopes via the mail. If you are giving online and do not use your pre-printed offering envelopes, you can opt out of receiving them. **Email Kathy Ausby at [kausby@christianstronghold.com](mailto:kausby@christianstronghold.com)** with your name and envelope number and you will be removed from the envelope mailing list.



**Please Turn Over**