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A rectangular graphic with a dark blue and purple cosmic background, featuring nebulae and numerous small white stars. The text "In the Light of Eternity" is centered in white. "In the Light of" is in a bold, sans-serif font, while "Eternity" is in a larger, outlined, serif font.

# In the Light of Eternity

**2 Peter 3**

*Our thanks to David Moss for bringing today's message*

**Sunday, May 12**  
*Mother's Day*

**Wednesday, May 15**  
Last WNB until Fall

**Thursday, May 23**  
Last Day for BSC students

**Friday, May 24**  
Last Day for Manatee Co. public schools

**Monday, May 27**—*Memorial Day* observed

**Tuesday, May 28**  
Quarterly Family Conference  
(Business Meeting: all member attend if possible)

**Sunday, June 2**  
Student Life Groups Promotion Day  
(Fill our new Family Info—see below)

**Sunday, June 16**—*Father's Day*



## Lunch Fellowship TODAY



You're invited to join us after Life Groups today for a potluck lunch. All are welcome whether you brought a dish or not. We always have plenty of delicious food.



Our speakers are our own Dave and Maxine Balsbaugh of *Hope Seeds International*. Come learn how this ministry is growing, what is new, and how you can help.

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## Student Information Form for 2024-2025 AND VBS

Beginning this summer, we are promoting our students at the beginning of **June**. Promotion Day this year is June 2.

This means you'll fill out the Information/Registration forms in May/June instead of at the beginning of the school year. One form registers your children for Life Groups, Wednesday Night BLAST, and this summer's VBS.



The QR code takes you to this year's form. You'll also find links on the Youth and Children's pages of our website.



### More Volunteers for VBS, please!

Please pray about serving during this summer's VBS and contact Steve DeWitt [920-285-7499] *soon* if you feel led to help in any way. We're putting the schedule together and we need time to run background checks.

Our games and groups will be set up for team competition: Red Roosters vs. Blue Bullfrogs. We'd love to have you be part of the fun!

## CPF Calendar This Week

### Sunday, May 5

- 9:00 am Worship  
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)  
10:30 am Life Groups  
11:40 am Fellowship Luncheon

### Monday, May 6

- 6:00 pm Persecuted Church

### Wednesday, May 8

- 7:00 am Men's Bible Study  
9:00 am Wednesday Women (see back)  
6:00 pm WNB Supper (all welcome, donation appreciated)  
6:45 pm Wednesday Night BLAST  
*Last Family Night until Fall*  
*We'll have a BLAST at the beach!*

### Thursday, May 9

- 9:30 am Prayer Circle (followed by Hope Seeds packing time)  
7:00 pm Payne Life Group (see back)

### Sunday, May 12—Mother's Day

- 9:00 am Worship  
Children's Church (4 years—5th grade)  
10:30 am Life Groups

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## *Volunteer at the Compassion Center*

You're invited to serve at the **Azinger Family Compassion Center** in Palmetto with us on **Tuesday, May 14**. The Compassion Center serves foster families and families in need. **If you're interested in helping this month (EVEN IF YOU ARE A "REGULAR" HELPER)**, please let **Suzanne Farrar (850-980-4472)** know THIS WEEK so she can update the center on how many volunteers to expect.



## How to Reach Us

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**Children's Church** (4 years through 5th grade) dismisses from the sanctuary following the music portion of the worship service.



Age-appropriate Life Groups for Babies through 12th grade meet at 10:30 a.m. each Sunday. Most meet on the 2nd floor of the Education Building.

### **CPF Adult Groups meeting weekly**

Day	Time	Topic/Group	Leader	Location
Sun	10:30 am	Adult Coed— <i>Mark</i>	Steve Pettit	Room 7
	10:30 am	Adult Coed— <i>Revelation</i>	Stoney Stone	Sanctuary
	10:30 am	Younger Adult Coed— <i>Hebrews</i>	David Moss	Basement
	10:30 am	Women— <i>Mark</i>	Lois Ann Swineford	Room 1
Wed	7:00 am	Men — <i>Hebrews</i>	Ed Moss	Fellowship Hall
	9:00 am	Women— <i>The Blessing of Humility</i>	Sue DeForest	Room 1
Thurs	9:30 am	Prayer Circle (all welcome)	Eloise Bobbitt	Bobbitt home
	7:00 pm	Adult Coed— <i>1 Corinthians</i>	Howard Payne	Payne home

*Room numbers are upstairs in the Education Bldg. Fellowship Hall is the downstairs area of the Education Bldg. "Basement" is behind the choir loft—through either wood door to the sides of the stage..*

Several other groups meet **monthly** or **bi-weekly**.

Please check our calendar on the website for information about those groups.

#### ***GIVING INFORMATION:***

*Our Donation Buckets* are by the doors leading to the lobby

You may give online at our website or use our giving app: ***Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement*** available from your mobile app store . You can also give by creating payments through your bank, or simply drop a check (or cash) in an offering bucket as you leave today.

**Giving Note:** The Church Council has authorized "designated giving" for several ministries. Your gift designation is the highest priority. However, in accordance with IRS/ governmental regulations, CPF retains discretion over the use of all gifts..

# In the Light of Eternity

5/5/24

**2 Peter 3:1** This is now the second letter that I am writing to you, beloved. In both of them I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder,

<sup>2</sup> that you should remember the predictions of the holy prophets and the commandment of the Lord and Savior through your apostles,

<sup>3</sup> knowing this first of all, that scoffers will come in the last days with scoffing, following their own sinful desires.

<sup>4</sup> They will say, “Where is the promise of his coming? For ever since the fathers fell asleep, all things are continuing as they were from the beginning of creation.”

<sup>5</sup> For they deliberately overlook this fact, that the heavens existed long ago, and the earth was formed out of water and through water by the word of God,

<sup>6</sup> and that by means of these the world that then existed was deluged with water and perished.

<sup>7</sup> But by the same word the heavens and earth that now exist are stored up for fire, being kept until the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly.

<sup>8</sup> But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

<sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slow to fulfill his promise as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing that any should perish, but that all should reach repentance.

<sup>10</sup> But the day of the Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a roar, and the heavenly bodies will be burned up and dissolved, and the earth and the works that are done on it will be exposed.

<sup>11</sup> Since all these things are thus to be dissolved, what sort of people ought you to be in lives of holiness and godliness,

<sup>12</sup> waiting for and hastening the coming of the day of God, because of which the heavens will be set on fire and dissolved, and the heavenly bodies will melt as they burn!

<sup>13</sup> But according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.

<sup>14</sup> Therefore, beloved, since you are waiting for these, be diligent to be found by him without spot or blemish, and at peace.

<sup>15</sup> And count the patience of our Lord as salvation, just as our beloved brother Paul also wrote to you according to the wisdom given him,

<sup>16</sup> as he does in all his letters when he speaks in them of these matters. There are some things in them that are hard to understand, which the ignorant and unstable twist to their own destruction, as they do the other Scriptures.

<sup>17</sup> You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability.

<sup>18</sup> But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

2 Peter 3:1-18, English Standard Version

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