



Our Vision

- To be a CHRIST-CENTERED church, positively impacting our neighborhood and world by helping our community replace intolerance with love and justice for all.

Our Mission

- Reaching and building up ALL people! My beloved family in faith, my brothers and sisters in Millian,

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Millian Newsletter

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PEACE BE STILL

39 He got up, rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.

Mark 4:39 NIV

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, proclaiming that His perfect will is fulfilled in our lives and in our community of Millian!

We are in a new stage, in which we have decided "not to die" and we are acting, having faith that our God through the Holy Spirit is guiding us to a renewal.

My beloved family in Christ, God did not promise that we would not face "storms" or "giants" (David before Goliath) in our journey of faith. He never said that. On the contrary, he taught us how to speak to the storm, full of faith, so that we can continue our journey. It does not mean that we will stop being afraid. But we will face our fears and allow our faith to be the one in total control.

Jesus told his disciples to move to the other side; just as God did with the Jewish

people when they left Egypt, he told them to go; but He never said that they would not have problems, persecutions, rebellions, lack of faith. They even fought with God! But before any "storm" God was always in total control of everything.

And the Lord commanded the winds and the waters to stay still, and these elements obeyed his voice.

God told us to walk, that there is the option to live and move away from death as a church. And precisely obedient to that mandate, we move with the faith that our God is guiding us in this process of living. And in that context we are:

- Working on a real budget, reflecting current ministries and administrative expenses.

- Adjusting the practice of giving restricted funds; let's all give to our general fund.

- Adjusting the position of the music director reflected in the salary cut.

- Adjusting the position of the custodian that will be

significantly reflected in the expense we have there.

- Permanently informing the congregation about the progress in all the areas involved.

- There is a permanent bridge of communication with the Conference, through the pastor and the District Superintendent

We dare to walk trusting that the Holy Spirit is guiding us on this journey. But I tell you, in this journey we will have storms and giants that we have to face as David did and our Lord Jesus taught us. Let's recognize that we are afraid, but that this does not control us. But full of faith, we face the storm and in the name of Jesus we proclaim peace and victory for the people of God in Millian Memorial, UMC.

We dare to have faith and be the family that God wants us to be, where diversity, skin color and different ethnic groups are part of our reality, never an obstacle.

I invite you to continue full

of faith, confident that the Holy Spirit guides us in this spiritual journey, that we pray without ceasing, and not stop offering gratitude to God for all his blessings.

Let's continue this journey together, working on the construction of the kingdom of God here in Millian.

The Lord is with us.

Your pastor who loves you dearly!

Rev. Dr. Miguel A. Balderas

FROM THE PASTOR'S CALENDAR

Rev. Dr. Miguel Balderas lead the opening prayer before the Montgomery County council on Tuesday, June 19, 2018. (the second time he was invited to the council meetings.)

Community Ministries of Rockville
Rev. Dr. Miguel Balderas gave the invocation and the closing prayer before the 2018 Graduation Class Ceremony, for the Language Outreach Program; of Community Ministries of Rockville on Friday June 22, 2018.

At Millian we are working in finding a solution in the best interest of the Church concerning the custodian position and the music director!

Millian Memorial United Methodist Church

Reaching and building up ALL people CHRIST!

OUR STAFF

Bishop:

Rev. Dr. LaTrelle Easterling

District Superintendent:

Rev. Gerard A. Green, Jr.

Lead Pastor:

Rev. Dr. Miguel A. Balderas

Director of Music:

Roberto Villeda

Lay Leader:

John Kelley

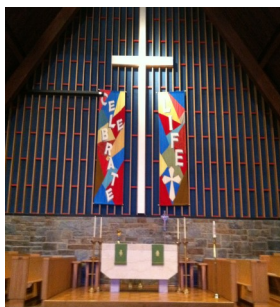
Preschool Director:

Margaret Jackson

Church Administrator:

Linda Canelas

Minister: All baptized members



Sunday Worship Services

10:00 a.m. in English/Spanish

12:45 p.m. en Español

Sunday School

8:30 a.m. in English - Adults

10:00a.m. in English

Wednesday Bible Studies

10:30 a.m. in English

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ARE YOU LISTENING?

"God does speak - sometimes one way and sometimes another - even though people may not understand it"

(Job 33:14 NCV).

A lot of us think we're too busy to listen for God's response. But we have to take the time to tune in and listen, because God is speaking. Job 33:14 says, "God does speak - sometimes one way and sometimes another - even though people may not understand it" (NCV).

The question is, "How do I understand it? How do I tune in so that I can hear God's voice?"

Here are four of the channels that God uses:

1. God speaks to us through the Bible.

It's your guidebook for life. It shows you the right step to take. That is why you need to read God's Word every day. If you're not having a daily quiet time and reading the Bible, God is getting a busy signal when he wants to speak to you. You have to keep a constant connection, because God's will is found in God's Word.

2. God speaks to us through teachers.

Have you ever been in a church service and felt like the teacher was delivering a constant direct message from God to you? There's no way I or any other teacher could figure out exactly what to say to meet every need. But God knows. So before every service I pray, "God, you know the people and the needs out there. Give me the right things to say."

Somehow, in the way only he can, God uses my teaching and the teaching of other pastors to meet the needs of people who are listening.

3. God speaks to us through impressions.

There are two extremes to this. One extreme is the rationalist who believes no impression can be from God; it all has to be logical. At the other extreme is the mystical belief that every impression is from God. You need to get in the middle and realize that for God, it has to match God's Word.

4. God speaks to us through our circumstances.

If you're going to live a life of significance, God has to make course corrections, and one way he does that is through the circumstances that come into your life.

When you start to listen to God through circumstances, impressions, teachers, or the Bible, sometimes he's going to lead you in ways that you don't understand. Are you listening to God? It may be hard to understand why He is calling you to serve in our Stephen Ministry. You may not understand why He is calling on you. It may not seem to "fit" in your plans. It may not seem to be the "right" time. It is always the "right" time to "fit" into God's plan!

Following God is not always easy, but it will reap more blessing in your life than you can imagine.

*Dawn Kelley,
Awareness and
Ownership*



**STEPHEN
MINISTRY**

***"Reaching and
building up ALL
people for
CHRIST".***

Millian Newsletter On the Web

Beginning the September Issue you can find and read the newsletter at: millianchurch.org

This is the last mailed hard copy.
If you would like a hard copy please come by the church office and get it.



SECOND SATURDAY JUNE

This was a very eventful day at Millian. We were joined by Community Partners' "End of School Celebration". The celebration increased the number of families and children participating in the event plus an increased number of activities. Children were intensely engrossed in painting rocks, making bead bracelets, painting emojis on cookies, making pin wheels, dream catchers and a matching game. MedStar Montgomery conducted blood pressure tests. Community Ministry provided adults with health and nutrition information in Spanish. Free clothing was available for selection by Linkages to Learning. Twelve middle school youth provided excellent leadership for the crafts joined by Marguerite Eimer, Konnie Brantner, Kendra Wells, Joan Weigel, Bambi Blackwell, Janet Coffelt, and Patricia Doherty.

FOOD PANTRY. Emma from Sargent Shriver Middle School Linkages to Learning provided translation and managed the register for the food pantry. Again, from the neighborhood 69 families (184 adults and 142 children) received food from the food pantry. Food (3 grocery carts) for the food pantry was received from the Girl Scouts as they ended the program for the school year. We thank you for your donations of food, clothing, and other items.

During this period of fiscal austerity, ministry funds have been diverted to the general budget we still have an account for the food pantry. A contribution of \$16.00 will purchase one bag of food for a family. **Would you please pledge a minimum of \$16 per month for the food pantry?** We are still accepting food but the amount collected has decreased drastically. The food purchased for the pantry in May was over \$800 and June the amount in June was a little over \$200 because of food received from Mums, St. John's Evangelical Lutheran and Girl Scouts. We are planning a vigorous campaign for the fall.

SMART SACKS. Another year has ended for Smart Sacks and we express our sincerest thanks to Nancy Gray and her team. Dwayne Weigel picks up the food from Manna in Gaithersburg, unload for packing in 60 individual sacks and deliver to Wheaton Woods Elementary School. Over 2200 food sacks were received at Wheaton Woods for distribution by Linkages to Learning. The team consists of Nancy Gray, Dwayne Weigel, Barbara Smith, Russell, Gene Pearson, Barbara Lo, Marcella Welch, and Bill Gray. Great work that impacted

the food insecurity in Aspen Hill.

4TH OF JULY PICNIC. Join us on the 4th of July from 12 noon to 2:00 p.m. for food and fun with some of our community neighbors. We'll have water play for children, crafts, and of course hot dogs, chips, watermelon, lemonade, etc.

BACK-to-SCHOOL. School is out, but the office supply stores are already stocking school supplies and we need to do likewise. The stores have very attractive bargains each week of the summer so shop early and weekly for sale items. Let's send the children back-to-school in September prepared to learn. Look forward to the flyer and collection boxes.

FRESH BREAD and SPIRITUAL NOURISHMENT. The June workshop participants made 20 loaves of pull-apart cinnamon butter-scotch and pepperoni pizza bread using whole wheat or unbleached white flour. See the photos on the bulletin board in the narthex. The inspirational message was from Jack Canfield's "The Golden Buddha" which emphasized finding the golden Christ

or golden essence within each person that we choose to hide. July 21 at 10:00 a.m. is the next workshop. Please join us to

make, taste and take home your bread to bake.

Hear this, O Job; stop and consider the won-

derous work of God.

-Job 37:14

Edith C. Williams, Outreach Chair

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FALL FESTIVAL

HELP! We need: VOLUNTEERS, Items to Sale

Clean seasonal clothing, Household

YARD SALE: Items, Dishes, Lamps, etc.

We don't have space to store items, but we can probably receive items October 1.

PRESCHOOL NEWS

Wow! This has been an amazing June! We are winding up our first ever Millian Summer Camp! This year's camp served over 50 students! The activities of the camp varied but were primarily focused on science and nature. The children made slime, tested density, created bridges, learned about bug habitats, dug for worms, made salt crystals, created glitter play dough, made telescopes and so much more! We also brought in special guests including a "Mad Scientist" who erupted a volcano, a magician who seemed to change a dove into a rabbit and Millian's very own Mrs. Williams who helped the children create and design special edible treats. However, by far, the most fun and enjoyable activity seemed to be water day, where almost everyone (including teachers) ended up soaked. A special thank you to Mr. Harry Andre who has blessed the preschool with six laptops and two desktops. This wonderful dona-

tion will allow us to put a laptop in each classroom (for teacher use) and update the two computers in the office. We are extremely grateful for this kind donation and look forward to quickly putting everything to use.

See you in the fall!!

Margaret Jackson

Director

Millian Methodist Preschool

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Seniors Millianaires

The Millian Seniors had their annual June potluck luncheon on June 21. Barbara Smith again graciously hosted the event at her home, as she has done for the past several years. We had a good turnout and everyone ate to their appetite's delight as we enjoyed many conversations before calling it a day. At our June 7th meeting

the "pretend" nominating committee submitted its report and all 4 incumbent officers were nominated for another term and were reelected unanimously. Returning as officers beginning in September are Stan Thomas (President), Bill Shelton (Vice President), Peggy Harris (Secretary) and

Paul Harris (Treasurer). The Seniors have continued our monthly newsletter collation work (usually the last Tuesday of the month). We will now go on hiatus for 2 months and renew our get-togethers in September, meeting on the first and third Thursdays of the month at 11 a.m. in the chapel.



SEA LA PAZ

39 Jesús se levantó y ordenó al viento y al mar que se calmaran. Enseguida el viento se calmó, y todo quedó completamente tranquilo.

Marcos 4:39 TLA

Saludos en el nombre de nuestro Señor Jesucristo, proclamando que su perfecta voluntad se cumple en nuestras vidas y en nuestra comunidad de Millian!

Estamos en una nueva etapa, etapa en la cual hemos decidido “no morir” y estamos actuando teniendo fe que nuestro Dios a través del Espíritu Santo nos esta guiando a una renovación.

Mi querida familia en Cristo, Dios no prometió que no íbamos a afrontar “tormentas” o h “gigantes” (David ante Goliath) en nuestra jornada de fe. Jamás dijo eso, al contrario, nos enseñó como se le habla a la tormenta, llenos de fe, para que podamos seguir nuestra jornada. No quiere decir que dejaremos de tener miedo, no; sino que enfrentaremos nuestros miedos y permitiremos que nuestra fe sea la que tenga el control total.

Jesús les dijo a sus discípulos que se movieran hacia el otro lado; es decir que caminaran, así como lo hizo Dios con el pueblo judío cuando salieron de Egipto, les dijo que marcharan; pero nunca dijo que no iban a tener problemas,

persecuciones, rebeldías, falta de fe, bueno, hasta pelearon con Dios. Pero ante cualquier “tormenta” siempre Dios estuvo en control total de todo.

Y el Señor le ordeno a los vientos y a las aguas que se quedaran quietas, y estos elementos obedecieron a su voz.

Dios nos dijo que camínenos, que en el existe la opción de vivir y alejarnos de la muerte como iglesia. Y precisamente obedientes a ese mandato, nos movemos con la fe de que nuestro Dios nos esta guiando en este proceso de vivir. Y en ese contexto estamos:

Trabajando en un presupuesto real, que refleje los ministerios actuales y los gastos administrativos. Ajustando la practica de dar a fondos restringidos, y todos demos a nuestro fondo general.

Ajustando la posición del director de música reflejado en corte de salario.

Ajustando la posición del custodian que se reflejara significativamente en el gasto que tenemos ahí.

Informando permanentemente a la congregación sobre los avances en todas las áreas involucradas.

Se tiene una puente permanente de comunicación con la Conferencia a través de su pastor con el Superintendente de Distrito.

Nos atrevemos a caminar confiando que el Espíritu Santo nos esta guiando en esta jornada. Pero les digo, que en este caminar tendremos tormentas y gigantes que hemos de afrontar como David lo hizo y nuestro Señor Jesús nos enseñó. Reconozcamos que tenemos miedo, pero que no nos controla este. Sino que llenos de fe, afrontamos la tormenta y en el nombre de Jesús proclamamos la paz y victoria para el pueblo de Dios en Millian Memorial, UMC.

Nos atrevemos a tener fe y ser la familia que Dios quiere que seamos, donde la diversidad, el color de la piel y los diferentes grupos étnicos es parte de nuestra realidad, jamás un obstáculo.

Les invito a que continuemos llenos de fe, seguros que el Espíritu Santo nos guía en esta jornada espiritual, que oremos sin cesar, y no paremos de ofrendar agradecidos a Dios por todas sus bendiciones.

Continuemos juntos esta jornada, trabajando en la construcción del reino de Dios aquí en Millian.

El Señor es con nosotros. Su pastor que les ama entrañablemente!

Rev. Dr. Miguel Balderas

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL-2018





We Witness

BY OUR PRAYERS: The people listed in our Prayer Ministry appreciate your prayers. If you have additional prayer requests, please call the church office. We ask that the person to be listed has given permission for his/her name to be printed, and that the office staff is updated so that the prayer list can remain current. The person's name will remain on the list for 30 days. If additional time is needed, please call the church office. Names in italics are new additions.

DECEASED:

Robert Sawyer *Passed away June 16; Memorial Service at Millian -Friday June 29th at 11:00 a.m*

HOSPITAL:

Wanda Blackwell *Recuperating from surgery*

HOME/ RECUPERATING

Ethel Gammon *Health concerns*
 Bill Gray *Recuperating*
 Naomi Smith *Recovering from eye surgery; Nora Gallagher's friend*
 Donna Shirata *Health concerns*
 Laurie Weaver *Serious health concerns.; Barbara Smith's friend*

HOME/LONG TERM

José Abad *In Mexico, diagnosed with cancer; Pastor Miguel's personal friend*
 Kimberly Angell *Serious health concerns, daughter of Jean Hudgins*
 Deborah Bussard *Serious health problems; daughter of Earl and Beverly Pallas*
 Earl Pallas *Health concerns*
 Kelley Campbell *Chronic illness, granddaughter of Anne and Bill Matthews*
 Jane Cumings *Health concerns due to MS*
 Willian Daniel; Cody
 & Cameron Daniel *Atrophy of the spinal cerebellum; great grandsons of Jean and Garry Brown*
 Oscar Guzmán *Health concerns in Mexico; Ruth Wong's Uncle*
 Pamela Kelley *Congestive heart failure; John Kelley's sister*
 Sarah King *Serious health concerns, Carolyn Goldman's niece*
 John Lee Lillibridge *Health concerns*
 Bill Matthews *Health concerns*
 Jackie Maphis *Health concerns, daughter of Jo Hagner*
 Martha Nelson *Health concerns*
 Ernestine Okrah *Cerebral malaria, sister of Lily Boateng*
 Annabell Ostrander *Health concerns*
 Jack Richards *Health concerns, Terri Sheetz' cousin*
 Bob Sawyer *Health concerns*
 Pat Smyrk *Health concerns*
 Alma Spaid *Health concerns*
 Sybil Stathoplos *Health concerns*
 Gudelia Zuleta de Wong *Health concerns, mother of Ruth Wong de Balderas*

HOSPICE CARE:

NURSING HOMES/ASSISTED LIVING/REHABILITATION CENTERS:

Daniel Dorsey In *Baltimore; brother in law of Dave and Janet Snavelly*
 Norm Brautigam *Fairhaven - 7200 Third Ave. Apt M- 115 Sykesville, MD 21784*
 Vesta Galate *Brighton Gardens 7110 Mistrel Way #112 Columbia, Md. 21045*
 Brian Greene *Health concerns*
 Nancy Hinkle *Wilson Health Center in Asbury*
 Wanda Sonnenberg *Brookdale Senior Living 2611 Olney Sandy Spring Rd. Rm. 212, Olney, MD 20832*
 Mescal Wimberly *Alfred House 18114 Cashell Road, Room 6, Rockville, MD 20853*

JULY—AUGUST 2018

Every Sunday	Every Monday	Every Tuesday	Every Wednesday	Every Thursday	Every Friday	Every Saturday
8:30am Adult Sunday School (C) 9:00am Choir (S) 10:00am Sunday School all ages 10:00am Worship in English & español (S) 12:45pm Culto 1:00pm Methodist Church [Ghanaian] (S & Rm5/7) 3:00pm Church Of God (C)	7:00pm NA [Narcotics Anonymous] (FH)		10:00am Holy Communion (S) 10:30am Bible Study (C) 7:00pm Wheaton Spanish SDA Prayer Service (YR) 7:30pm AA [Alcoholics Anonymous] (Rm. 5/7)	1:00pm Smart Sack Delivery (C) 7:00pm Church of God (C)	7:00pm Millian Youth Group (SH)	8:30am Wheaton Spanish SDA Worship (S) 5:15pm Wheaton Spanish SDA Youth Ministry (S)

July - August Birthdays

2-Jul	Jennifer	Cash
2-Jul	Leslie	Turner
3-Jul	Mark	Warner
7-Jul	Larry	Russell
7-Jul	Marcella	Welch
14-Jul	George Anna	Lunking
14-Jul	Kathy	Schmiech
19-Jul	Norman	Sheetz
19-Jul	Terri	Sheetz
20-Jul	Jean	Woods
22-Jul	Michelle	George
23-Jul	Brenda	Watson
25-Jul	Daryl	May
26-Jul	Chuck	Dalrymple
27-Jul	Luisa	Montano
28-Jul	Beatriz	Zossoungbo
29-Jul	Zack	Thomas
30-Jul	Mary	Kreinbihl
30-Jul	Graham	Lunking

1-Aug	William	Gray
6-Aug	Walt	Roesch
10-Aug	Juliet	Cash
10-Aug	Dwayne	Weigel
11-Aug	Luis	Castillo
12-Aug	Annabell	Ostrander
23-Aug	Bill	Matthews
23-Aug	Matthew	Moundou
24-Aug	Jerry	Wisor

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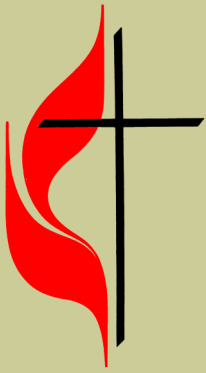
ALL MILLIAN MEMBERS
and community are invited
to a PICNIC ON JULY 21, 2018
11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.
At Millian Church
13016 Parkland Dr. Rockville, MD

FUN ACTIVITIES. PLEASE COME!

JULY 2018

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