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**Glass Half-Full or Half-Empty?** While listening to the radio this morning, I was struck by the words of Mike Greenburg. He is co-host, along with Mike Golic, of the “Mike and Mike” show on ESPN radio. Greenburg states that he looks at everything in life from a worst-case-scenario perspective. Golic says to Greenburg, “From the perspective of a glass half full or half empty, yours is cracked and leaking.”



Greeny insists that it’s difficult to change. Golic comes back with, “If you want to change, just change.”

Part of me wants to side with Golic and agree, “Just change.” But I know better. It’s not that easy. In some cases, we can control our attitudes and just change. At a deeper level, some things just aren’t so easy. Seeing the world through a negative lens or a positive lens is deep within our core. It’s like whether we’re energized by being around groups of people or emotionally drained when having to interact with several people. We don’t choose that response. It’s part of who we are.

If Mike Greeburg wants to change his outlook from a negative view on life to a positive view on life, can he do it? From my layman’s perspective, I think he can learn techniques to help him filter his negative responses and see some of the positives. I don’t believe he can change who he is at his core. He can’t change how God made him.

There’s nothing wrong with seeing the world as a glass half empty. As a matter of fact, Greeny sees some advantages to it. He believes it has made him work harder to be successful. Seeing the negative side of things has made him work harder to reach a positive outcome.

Now that’s an interesting outlook.

As we come in contact with coworkers and supervisors, how often do we accept them for who they are? Wishing they would change doesn’t help achieve a better outcome, but understanding them or loving them as we love ourselves might lead to greater achievement for all of us.- Dan Roloff

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### Upcoming Events

|               |            |                       |                             |
|---------------|------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|
| May 2         | 12:00-2:00 | Paintball             | Ft Detrick                  |
| May 9         | 7:20-9:20  | Qtrly Breakfast       | Monocacy Valley             |
| May 12        | 7:40-9:15  | Choir Practice        | Monocacy Valley             |
| May 16        | 8:00       | Marriage Journey      | Cedarbrook Community Church |
| May 16        | 9:00       | Baltimore Block Party |                             |
| May 19        | 7:40-9:15  | Choir Practice        | Monocacy Valley             |
| May 26        | 7:40-9:15  | Choir Practice        | Monocacy Valley             |
| May 31        | 4:30-8:00  | Dinner & Worship      | Frederick Rescue Mission    |
| May 31—June 5 |            | Mission Trip          | Gary, WV                    |
| Jun 2         | 7:40-9:15  | Choir Practice        | Monocacy Valley             |
| Jun 4         | 8:00       | WB Golf Tournament    | Hope Valley, Mt Airy        |

## Waterboyz Golf Tournament



**If you want to spend a day of great fellowship, then find an excuse to take off work on Thursday, June 4 and join us at the Waterboyz Golf Tournament at Hope Valley Golf Club in Mt Airy. We guarantee that you will see things you have never seen before and hear stories that are not to be believed. (although Waterboyz are always**

**to tell the truth, exaggerations are ok if a you are holding a 7-iron).**

**The cost is only \$35.00. Proceeds will benefit the Frederick Drug Court Encouragement Program. You can sign up by emailing: [thewbpipeline@myactiv.net](mailto:thewbpipeline@myactiv.net) or in the lobby of Damascus Road Community Church during May.**

On April 25, somewhere between 8-10 Boyz showed up at Tom Phillips home to help with some yard work – spring cleaning. Tom has terminal cancer and is close..... very close to moving past time into Jesus waiting arms. A few months ago Bob McIntyre went with me to spend a few hours taping an interview with Tom about what the dying part of his life looks and feels like as a man of God. We were on holy ground. His perspectives will create a legacy that will live on past him. Those of you who are walking this stretch with Tom and Taysie – WELL DONE!! The world wants to ignore and avoid the reality of death – we are pressing in because we know the truth – Tom is approaching forever with Jesus – not scary darkness and the great unknown. Jesus knows Tommy's name – He is standing by the door waiting to say "WELL DONE, my good and faithful servant! Enter into the place I've prepared for you!"