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## Concerning the Appointment of Additional Elders

Today, our church is beginning the process of appointing additional elders. Considering that three elders who have served our church for twenty years have recently retired, moved or are moving soon, the time has come. This Sunday the adult Bible class will meet at 9:00 am in the Family Life Center. Over the next few weeks our Sunday morning adult class time will focus primarily on our process of appointing new elders, as well as new deacons. Don't miss the first class, this Sunday, taught by Dan and Horatio. In addition to teaching, we are also setting aside two specific periods for fasting and prayer, and the church is asked to participate in those times as well. There will be a time to submit your questions, and a time for a panel discussion with our current elders. Next Sunday, May 1st, there will be a special sermon, "Select from Among You," on the qualities of a good shepherd and the selection process. Giving great emphasis to this process is important because, along with input from our existing elders, the new elders will help to chart the course of our church over the next decade and more.

The steps that we will (with the leading of God's Spirit) be following over the next seven weeks are outlined below.

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|---------------------------|--|
| April 24                  | Adult Bible Class in the FLC:<br><i>Introduction to Elder Selection Process, led by Dan and Horatio</i>  |
| May 1                     | Adult Bible Class in the FLC:<br><i>The Process... What Do We Call These Guys? Elder, Bishop, Shepherd, Pastor or Overseer?</i><br><br>Worship Service: Sermon: <i>Select From Among You</i> (Acts 6) by Dan |
| May 6                     | Day of Fasting and Prayer - Or any day between May 2-7   |
| May 8                     | Adult Bible Class in the FLC: Panel discussion with existing elders and ministers.   |
| May 8-11                  | After reviewing the "qualities" outlined in Titus 1 and 1 Timothy 3, current members submit potential elder nominees.  |
| May 15                    | Adult Bible Class in the FLC: Elders' wrap up <i>Spiritual Growth: MEET, MOVE, MAKE.</i>   |
| May 15-18                 | Current elders interact with all nominees to ascertain willingness of "top nominees" to put their name before the congregation to serve as an elder.   |
| May 22                    | Adult Bible Class in the FLC: Discussion of the qualities of a deacon.<br><br>Names of willing candidates to be shared with the congregation.  |
| May 22-June 5             | Congregation prays for and is encouraged to share their concerns, if any, directly with elder candidates.  |
| May 29                    | Adult Bible Class in the FLC: Discussion of the qualities of a deacon.   |
| June 11                   | Second Day of Fasting and Prayer   |
| June 12                   | Day of appointment of new Elder(s)   |
| To God be the Glory, -Dan |  |

## Our Mission

*Meet others where they are and together be transformed into the image of Christ.*

# From Daniel's Den

## Appointing Additional Elders

In 1975 five men were appointed to serve this church as our congregation's first elders. By the time our family moved here in 1984, two of those original brothers had moved away, and this congregation was overseen by three elders (**Jim Daniel, Frank Rizzuto and John Rucker**). We were a church of between 90 and 100 on most Sunday mornings. But, as we continued to grow, the need for additional shepherds quickly became obvious. As our church has grown, we have continued to appoint additional elders.

In January of 1991, **Dwight Thompson** was added as an additional shepherd.

In January of 1994, **Greg Krinks, Larry Point, and Tom Toy** were added as shepherds.

In March of 2007, **Horatio Fenton and Mike Lazar** were added as shepherds.

In January of 2012, **Mike Broyles and Dave Perine** were added as shepherds.

And now we begin the elder selection process again. We'll be looking at numerous scriptures in coming weeks. We will also be looking at general leadership principles. God's shepherd is more of a leader than a boss. So, what's the difference between a boss and a leader? Nordstrom's prides itself on customer service. The man who built Nordstrom's image had an uncommon view of leadership. He achieved success by being a leader, not a boss. Here's how he viewed the difference:

*The boss drives his men; the leader coaches them.*

*The boss depends upon authority, the leader on good will.*

*The boss inspires fear; the leader inspires enthusiasm.*

*The boss says "I," the leader "we."*

*The boss fixes the blame for the breakdown; the leader fixes the breakdown.*

*The boss knows how it is done; the leader shows how.*

*The boss says, "Go!" The leader says, "Let's go!"*

**The search for godly leaders is on, Dan the Preacherman**



**Dan Cooper**  
aka  
**"Dan, Dan,  
the Preacherman"**

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**Steve Pierre-Jacques**  
Deacon over  
AV Support &  
Information Technology

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## A Servant Speaks

### God Uses Technology Too!

I came across this scripture and I think it encapsulates what we are doing in the Information Technology and AV Support ministry at Pitman Road Church of Christ.

***When he came near the place where the road goes down the Mount of Olives, the whole crowd of disciples began joyfully to praise God in loud voices for all the miracles they had seen:***

***"Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord!"***

***"Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!"***

***Some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to Jesus, "Teacher, rebuke your disciples!"***

***"I tell you," he replied, "if they keep quiet, the stones will cry out." Luke 19:37-40:***

God will use whatever He sees fit to proclaim that Jesus is King, that Jesus was sent by Him, and that Jesus is His son. The AV/IT ministry is one of the outlets that we use for the Pitman Road Church of Christ to get this message beyond the boundaries of our walls. Whether it's through our website, YouTube channel, or live stream, we are striving to ensure that the messages that Dan and Carlos share with us are shared with many more.

Many of my siblings are not Christians. It is at times very difficult to share my faith with them or to simply invite them to church events. Out of the blue, my sister told me one day that she listens to the sermons online often. Seeds are being planted, thank you God! Thank you Dan and Carlos! Thank you to anyone who has ever worked in this ministry!

Something else that has made the AV/IT ministry dear to my heart is watching the teens and the young adults grow in their faith and discover their gifts. I have had the pleasure to see that Sean Fenton and Anthony DeStefano, both now strong married Christian men, grow working in IT.

Are you interested in helping with the live stream? The sound system? Sermon recording? We are always looking for help so if you're looking for a place to serve please stop by the AV booth.

**-Steve Pierre-Jacques**

## TORCH Missions Honduras



TORCH Missions participants, please plan to attend a meeting in the Young Adults classroom immediately following services TODAY!

### Not going on the trip but want to help?

Not everyone can go to Honduras this summer with TORCH Missions... But everyone can help the team that is going! The follow items are needed:

toothpaste and toothbrushes, shampoo, soap, feminine hygiene products, gallon ziplock bags, work gloves, safety glasses, coloring books and crayons, small toys (such as tic tac toe, bouncy balls, clown noses, bubbles, bracelets, stickers, fake tattoos)

**What not to donate:** anything that is used or already open, candy, large toiletry items.

There is a box at the Information Center for you to deposit your items. Questions? See Tyler Steffy.

## Bus Trip Information



If you are going on the bus trip to see **Samson at Sight & Sound Theater** on Saturday, May 7th, please be at the church building at 8:00 am. Tickets will be given out at that time and the bus will depart at 8:15

am. First stop is Sight & Sound for the 11:00 am show. Afterward there will be time for shopping at the Rockvale Square Outlets. Departure from Rockvale Square is 4:15 pm, next stop is Shady Maple Restaurant for a 5:00 pm dinner reservation. Arrival back at the church building is approximately 8:45 pm. Please contact Brian Holden if you need additional information at:

Home: 856-881-6792 or Cell: 856-759-2542

## Family Promise Thanks

The office staff extends a special thanks to **Mary Collier, John Ashton, and Rachel Stetser** for their work coordinating our Family Promise Host Week. We also want to thank the many volunteers who acted as hosts, cooks, drivers, and those who set-up, cleaned up, shopped, and did laundry.

**Get ready because our next Host Week is July 10-17th!**



## Women's Ministry Update

**There will be a brief meeting on Sunday, May 1, immediately following worship in the chapel, for any women who would like more information about the Women's Ministry. Perhaps you missed the kick-off meeting or have questions about how to get involved. If so, please come! The meeting will be short and informal. We will give an overview of the ministry and will hopefully answer any questions you may have.**

With love and joy,  
*Debby Durham and Melody Davis*



**Abbie & Krystal's Angels** was formed out of the loving memory of two beautiful girls taken away too soon at the young age of 20 because of an addiction to heroin. One of these young ladies was the daughter of **Natalie Verricchio**, our newly baptized sister in Christ. She now works tirelessly to educate and provide support to addicts and their families. Several times a year, her group distributes "**Bags of Love**" to those on the streets in need of food, water, and those little necessities we take for granted. They also provide assistance to get them the help they need.

We each can help by donating a "**Bags of Love.**" Simply fill a gallon size zip lock bag with the items listed below. A minimum of 50 bags are needed so feel free to fill more than one bag. The items are inexpensive and most can be purchased at a dollar store. Think of partnering with someone to split the cost. Ask friends and co-workers to get involved.

There will be a container at the Information Center labeled "Embark" to place them in. Please drop off your bag(s) no later than Sunday, May 15th. We plan to distribute them on May 21st.

**Embark Ministry would like to thank you for your support. Leza Davis & Erin Downing, Coordinators**


### **Bags of Love** items:

Hand sanitizer  
Travel size toothbrush, toothpaste, mouthwash  
Travel size shampoo, conditioner  
Travel size lotion  
Socks (male & female)  
Band aids  
Wipes  
Feminine products  
Roll of toilet paper (small)  
Bottles of water, juice, or juice boxes  
Snacks such as peanut butter crackers, fruit snacks, chips, cookies, Little Debbie snacks, etc. (3 min)  
Hand written note of encouragement (optional)



# Coming Up in May

NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>  
AT 5:30-7:30 PM  
Join us for



coffeehouse • fellowship • praise  
EVERYONE IS INVITED AND WELCOME!  
Coffee and light refreshments served.  
Young Adult LIFE Group



celebrate  
*Mother's Day*  
celebrate  
*Families*  
at Pitman Road  
Church of Christ  
Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>

Join us this Mother's Day  
as we celebrate families, especially those  
families who have welcomed a new baby!

Has your family welcomed a new baby  
since last Mother's Day?

If you would like to participate in the time of  
special blessing, please contact the church  
office so that we can prepare for your partici-  
pation and share some resources with you.

Feeding the Hungry in Trenton

Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup> • 10 am -2 pm  
Sign-up at the Information Center!

If you are willing to contribute to the \$500 cost  
of the meal, note "Trenton Meal" on your check  
and drop it in the collection plate or give it to Dottie.

**M.E.D.  
Meeting  
Sunday,  
May 15<sup>th</sup>  
after worship**

**Attention Pitman Road  
Ministers, Elders, and  
Deacons,**  
Please mark your  
calendar and plan to  
attend the quarterly  
M.E.D. meeting.  
Lunch will be served.  
More details to follow...

Bring Your Own  
**Craft Day**  
Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>  
Noon to 5:00 PM  
in the Family Life Center  
Snacks are provided!  
Hope to see you there!



Mark your calendars now!

**Memorial Day  
Church Picnic**

At PRCOC on Sunday, May 29<sup>th</sup>  
after the worship service



# Congratulations!



**Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Horatio Sean Fenton!** Sean and Rebekah were married last Saturday, April 16th, in Sacramento, California. They had a lovely outdoor wedding, which was blessed by beautiful weather. Many friends and family from our church here were able to attend the wedding, sending NJ love across the country. Sean and Rebekah will soon be locating to Seattle, Washington, where Rebekah will begin her medical residency. So make sure you see them soon!

Congratulations also go to the proud parents, **Horatio and Jackie Fenton**. Make sure you give Jackie an extra hug as she joins the ranks of moms with long distance children!

Many blessings **Sean and Rebekah** as you begin your new life as a married couple, and on your new adventures on the West Coast!

# Thank You!

It is with great admiration and thanks for a tough, last minute request, that was fulfilled by the Pitman Road Church of Christ, **"Mr Tim" and his pose**, and a job well done. In a desperate time of need you were able to gather, pack up household belongings, and load a moving van for a disabled woman and her elderly mother. The group was able to complete the task just hours before the eviction notice. Without the help of our church family, this woman would have been forced to leave most of their belongings behind since her family and helpers left her abandoned. Thank you again for a community outreach project well done.

- **Gene Dinshah**

# This Week's Prayer Requests

**Praises:** **Alana Peterson** has "turned a corner" and is regaining her strength!

## **Prayers Requested:**

**Jerry and Sandy Blanchard**, Robin Steward's parents. Jerry is Sandy's care giver, he now has a back injury and possibly shingles. Sandy is very weak, has neuropathy, and cannot walk unassisted. They are thankful for secondary caregivers.

**William Bartley**, reinjured his back and is unable to work.

**Gwen Phillip**, recovering from surgery.

**Ed Cerquoni**, hernia surgery on April 28th. PrayerS for Ed, Tammy, and Adam are appreciated.

**Brian Perino**, friend of Charlie Peterson, recovering from liver transplant.

**Kelly Evans**, Alana Peterson's cousin, doing well and awaiting final test results on mass removed from her brain.

**Barbara Perry** is now recovering at home.

**Alana Peterson**, continues to recover, is doing better.

**Barby Jo Crema**, uveal/ocular melanoma which has spread to the liver. Her second treatment was this past Thursday.

**Pat Schuehler**, possible throat surgery.

**Sue Martin's mother Dottie**, cancer has spread throughout her body; it's very aggressive.

**Ruth Bergman**, Manny Vander Vennen's mom, hospitalized due to severe weakness related to chemotherapy treatments for Multiple Myeloma.

**Cheattiqui Sweitzer**, Jayne Schofield's cousin, battling multiple cancers.

**Jayne Schofield**, having trouble with her knees, multiple health issues.

**Nancy Calabro**, numerous health concerns.

## **Military:**

**Andrew Holden** at West Point.

**Doug Peterson III**, deployed with Air Force

## **Engaged:**

**Kristy Romeo and Will Mendez**, May 15, 2016

**Mallory Perine & Brandon Keeks**, September 17, 2016

**Rebecca Cruz & Justin Guy**, November 6, 2016

**Jonathan Hooley & Mary Bernadette McElroy**, May 2017

## **Expecting:**

**David and Ryoko Marshall**, a girl, July 29th.

## **Traveling:** Paul Stanford

# Thank You!

Dear Pitman Road Church of Christ,  
Just wanted to thank you for the beautiful flowers you sent to my mother's funeral. All of my siblings commented on how generous and thoughtful you were to send them. I also want to thank those who kept us in prayer. It was felt by all of us.

Again, our sincere, thanks for making a difficult time a little easier. We are grateful for the loving thoughts.

**Sue Ward and Family**

## Our Ministers

### Evangelist

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## Our Deacons

**Bud Britton** ..... Grounds Maintenance

**Derrick Busch** ..... Young Adults

**Tim Davis** ..... Teens

**Tony DeStefano** ..... Body Life & Fellowship

**Glynn Durham** ..... LIFE Groups

**Darren Fields** ..... Greeters Ministry

**Brian Holden** ..... Special Activities; Body Life

**Garth Hutchinson** ..... Local Evangelism

**Larry Kellum, Jr.** ..... Caring & Sharing

**Brian Mansdoerfer** . Building Maintenance; Jr. Worship

**Chuck Olley** ..... Teens

**Aaron Pearl** ..... Youth

**John Peoples** ..... New Member Involvement

**Steve Pierre-Jacques** .....  
..... Audio Visual; Information Technology; Website

**Jay Schneider** ..... Serving Our Seniors

**Carl Steiner** ..... World Evangelism

**Manny Vander Vennen** .....  
..... Church Directory, Kids for Christ

## Sunday Schedule

9:00 AM Bible Classes  
10:00 AM Worship

## Wednesday Night Schedule

5:30-6:30 PM Meal  
7:00-7:45 PM Bible Classes  
7:45 PM Fellowship

## Last Week

Bible Class	124
Worship	221
LIFE Groups	120
Wednesday	106
Contribution	\$8,968
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$443,520.00
Contribution YTD	\$419,368.00
Under Budget	(\$24,152.00)

## Serving Us Today

Nursery	Casey Buchanan
Kids For Christ	Kelly Spencer
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer
Hall Monitor: Bible Class	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>
Hall Monitor: Worship	<b>Volunteer Needed</b>
Greeters: Front Entrance	Garth & Diana Hutchinson
Greeters: Back Entrance	Anita O'Hara & Adam Cerquoni
Ushers	Glynn Durham & Corny Walker
Information Center	Debby Durham
Shepherd's Call	Mike Broyles
Song Leader	Garth Hutchinson
Communion	Ron Dargan

## L.I.F.E. Group Locations Today

Group	Location	Contact
Brook Besor	TBA	856-589-2280
Circle of Sisters	Prenger's, Tuesday at 7PM	856-689-7932
Convenience Group	Church Building at Noon	856-589-1500
Hammonton Group	Spring Musical	
Marriage Mentoring	Contact Buchanans for sched.	856-229-1558
Men's Bible Study	Church Bldg. Monday at 7PM	856-217-3956
Paracletes	Spring Musical	
Silver Linings	Spring Musical	
Solid Gold	Spring Musical	
Teens	Spring Musical	
Vineland	Spring Musical	
Women in the Word	Church Bldg., Tues. at 9:45AM	856-589-1500
Young Adults	Spring Musical	850-814-6632

## Wednesday Night Meal

Cook: **TORCH Missions Honduras Benefit**

Menu: **Mexican Night!**

## Elder on Call:

March/April: Horatio Fenton



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