



Honoring the Youngs TODAY in the FLC



Craig and Katie Young are here for their annual visit and mission report! Craig will share the mission report during Bible class at 9:00 am, and will also preach the sermon during worship at 10:00 am.

Also, every year when Craig and Katie Young are in town, we honor them with a picnic and a time of fellowship. Once again this year we will be celebrating them and their enduring kingdom work in France. In past years we've celebrated this annual picnic at the Toys' home on the lake, at the Ashtons' house, at the Coopers', at the Hutchinsons', and at the church building.

This year, the picnic will take place at the church building in the Family Life Center TODAY, August 18, directly after the worship service!

All of the veterans of past France Mission Trips, plus those who might consider going on our next trip, are encouraged to stay around for the meal and the time of rich fellowship. At this time, the most likely date for our 2021 trip is June 18-27 with the total cost likely to run between \$1,800 and \$2,200 per person. While this is an expensive trip, we do amazing good. And, the work we do will build God's kingdom. Be sure to note that this is a work trip. You will work hard, and you will get tired. But, it is also a fun trip.

There will likely be a tag on trip, in addition to the "mission trip" that will include a time of touring in Ireland. The Ireland extension will add significant extra cost, and will be handled by each person wanting to go on that trip.

If this sounds like something that you may be interested in, head over to the FLC directly after worship!



60th Anniversary Church Cookbook

Would you like to be a part of our next church cookbook?

Pick up a recipe card at the Welcome Center, fill it out, and bring it back to the Welcome Center along with the dish that you bring to the picnic following worship honoring Craig and Katie Young.

Our Mission

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

From Daniel's Den

Why Read the Christian Chronicle

I spent nearly two hours sitting completely still this week reading and processing The Christian Chronicle. I read from the first to last page. If you haven't read the August issue yet, let me just encourage you to do so.



Two lead articles on page one caught my attention. "Keeping it a cappella" was a very well written and insightful piece and most encouraging. In that regard ... Did you know that one of our visitors about two years ago walked into our assembly at Pitman Rd. and wanted to know where all of our singers hiding? We sounded so good that he actually thought we had singers hidden somewhere! We sounded that good. And, it was just our regular Sunday morning worship. And...Just this past Sunday, I felt the same thing about our singing. It was so great. Did you notice it, or was it just me?

The other lead article was "Brantley returning to Africa." Dr. Kent Brantley and his family are returning to Africa, almost exactly 5 years after he contracted Ebola while serving as a medical doctor in Liberia. He was eventually stabilized and transferred back to the USA, where he was successfully treated.

Dr. Brantley has a Bible degree from Abilene Christian University. He and his wife, Amber," an RN, and their two children have made a two-year commitment to move to Zambia.

Please pray for the Brantley family as they continue making preparations to return to Africa. They are MAD!

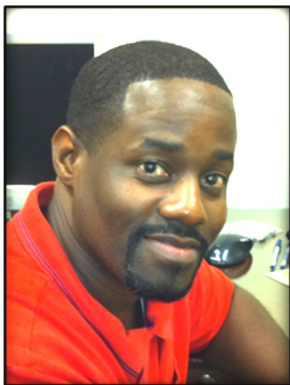
I was honored to personally meet Dr. Brantley when we both were on the program at OVU.

- *Dan the Connection Man*



Dan Cooper
aka
"Dan, Dan,
the Preacherman"

MAD =
Making
A
Difference



Derrick Busch
Minister

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We're All A Mess

5 Myths About Depression- Michael S. Lundy

Myth #3: **I definitely don't need medication.** (Abbreviated)

"That medication made me feel like a *zombie*!" Reluctance to taking medication is quite common and hardly new. I think it helpful to consider medication as one of the several *means* which God may use to bring about healing. Can God heal by direct intervention with no intermediary? Certainly. He does. Are we free to demand that he do so? Certainly not. There are too many Scriptural examples of God's use of means to bring about healing, and while I do not imply that each is a form of *medication*, some are.

Hezekiah, after praying for healing and being told that his prayer would be answered, is then treated with a cake of figs Isaiah 38:21. It is notable, I believe, that Isaiah's directions regarding what we might call a "poultice," or "bandage," included a very specific rationale: "that he may recover." Thus, while God had already promised Hezekiah healing, the *means* which he used included a primitive form of medicine.

Similarly, the Syrian Naaman was told to bathe in the river Jordan so he could be healed of leprosy 2 Kings 5. He did and was. While Jesus healed the Roman centurion's child with a bare command, he healed at least one blind man by applying mud to his eyes and sending him to wash in a certain pool John 9:7. Paul instructed Timothy on how to treat his stomach and other frequent ailments using wine 1 Timothy 5:23.

Could any of these been healed had they *refused the means* set forth for their healing? I doubt it, and we know that Naaman nearly missed his. James, of course, issues a multi-part "rubric" for healing of the sick: calling the elders, confessing of sin, anointing with oil, and praying with faith. Dare we omit any of these means out and just take our chances?

No. We are to take advantage of *every means* which God may ordain and provide for healing, including (but hardly limited to) medication when indicated. My favorite encouragement in this is a prayer which reads in part: "Perfect, we beseech thee, this thy mercy towards him; and prosper the means which shall be made use of for his cure."

- *Derrick*



REAL LIFE ...
REAL PEOPLE ...
REAL COMMUNITY ...

2019 - 2020

LIFE GROUPS

Kicking off during the week of September 8th!

At Pitman Road, we believe that God intended for all of us to live our lives in community with Jesus (our Lord and Savior), with our spiritual family (those who support us and help us grow in our faith) and with others (those who are seeking after God).

For the first 300 years of Early Christianity, believers met in small groups daily, in homes and public spaces (not in church buildings), to worship, pray, eat together, and grow in their relationships with God and with each other. LIFE Groups are our way at Pitman Road to adopt this biblical approach to community life from the early church.

LIFE stands for Love, Involvement, Fellowship and Evangelism.

All LIFE Groups will kick-off during the week of September 8th. There are many LIFE Groups to choose from. If you want a group that is geographically close to your home, we have those. If you want to meet with others of a similar age or in a similar life situation, we have those. If you want to increase your personal knowledge of God's word, or GET REAL with other brothers and sisters, or have a place to bring your kids, we have LIFE Groups that can help with all those things. And if you've been holding back, this is the perfect time to join! So, pick-up a 2019-2020 LIFE Group pamphlet, read about each of the LIFE Groups, and CHOOSE ONE to attend.

Sign-ups for all LIFE Groups are available at the Welcome Center counter. If you have any questions about LIFE Groups, ask me (Andy) or any of the LIFE Group leaders.

Remember, we can't make it to heaven on our own. We need strong, meaningful relationships with our brothers and sisters: to help us grow in our understanding of how to apply God's Word in real-life situations; and, to support and encourage one another in good times and bad. That's the way God made us. So, join a LIFE Group and share your life with Jesus, your brothers and sisters, and others!

Congratulations, Claire!



Garth and Diana Hutchinson joyfully announce the engagement of their daughter **Claire to Joel Foster** of Los Angeles, California on July 13, 2019. Claire has completed one year of a two year internship with the "Be One" church in Ishinomaki, Japan. Joel will join the same team for a year of mission in Japan beginning September 2019. The wedding date is pending. Thank you for your prayers for Claire and Joel

as they begin a life of mission together in God's Kingdom!

Orange Sunday



Back to Class Bash for preschoolers and elementary kids and their families will be

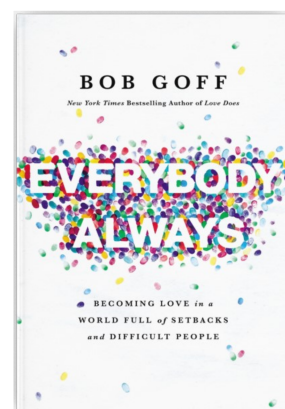
Sunday morning, Aug 25th. We'll start with a fun FX during worship service and continue with games in the newly decorated children's wing after service. Come find out about September's Bible class theme and life app and get your very own widget! See you there!

That Sunday's sermon, **August 25th**, will also focus on the spiritual components of our strategy and curriculum for the Children's Ministry. To view a sample of resources available, check out the Parent Cue App on your mobile device or at the website: theparentcue.org.



Women's Book Club
Begins Sept. 2019!

Please plan to join us for a Women's Book Club on **Tuesday, September 24th at 6:30 pm** at the home of **Gloria Myerson in Sewell**. We will discuss the book **"Everybody Always"** by **Bob Goff**, 240 pages, \$9.85 paperback on Amazon. Get your copy and read it this summer! Please see Brenda Busch and Gloria Myerson for more details!



Our Schedule

Sunday

9:00 am Bible Classes
10:00 am Worship

Wednesday

7:00 pm Bible Classes

Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday
8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Last Week

Bible Class	96
Worship	174
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	NC

This Week's Prayer Requests

Prayer Requests:

Linda Krinks, recovering from knee replacement surgery.

Gary, Sandy Sheehan's ex-husband's surgery went well. He had a triple bypass instead of a double and they repaired an a-fib issue!

Bob, Sandy Sheehan's brother's drain is helping to clear up his infection and his fever is down and he's feeling better! Thank you for all the prayers! Praising God for always listening!

Emma Drummer, multiple health issues.

Cliff Dando, having issues with cellulitis.

Amelia, Brian Holden's mother, is hospitalized and is being treated for pneumonia and will begin a new treatment for her lung cancer.

Je'Ani Lyles, admitted in Baltimore due to issues with diabetes. Looking to address current difficulties, get her sugar count down, and make a plan for moving forward.

Wilma Gillespie, mother of Elinda Hunter, fell and was taken to Lawnwood Medical Center in Ft. Pierce Florida. Surgery was necessary to insert a pin in the broken pelvis. The surgery was successful and she is now in a nursing home rehab center for PT. She is experiencing a lot of pain from fractured ribs and other problems. The PT may take about 3 weeks. Thank you for the continued prayers!

Diana Ford, sister of Jayne Schofield, recovering from surgery for colon cancer.

Judy Fitzpatrick, still in a lot of pain. Still unable to eat.

Emma Drummer, continues to undergo testing. Doctors determined she had another mini stroke. Phone calls are welcome.

Zachary Kuznetsoff, grandson of Elinda Hunter, recovering from pneumonia. His last doctor's appointment went well. He only needs an occasional breathing treatment at night and is resuming normal activities. Elinda thanks you for your prayers.

Eddie, son of Debbie Camorata's friend/coworker, continues to have several serious health issues. Continued prayers are appreciated.

Please continue to pray for **Clare Hightower**, **Patti Frambes**, **Doug Oliver**, **Elinda Hunter**, and **Linda Prenger**, as they receive treatment for/recover from cancer, as well as **Kareem Rutledge, Jr.** and **Je'Ani Lyles** in their rehabilitation/recovery from life changing injuries.

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Elder on Call for August: Garth Hutchinson

Serving Us Today

Nursery	TBD
Kids For Christ	Summer Break
Jr. Worship	Summer Break
Greeters: Front Entrance	Steve & Jayne DePrince
Greeters: Back Entrance	Mandy Mansdoerfer
Information Center	Shachara Adams
Ushers	Mike Lazar & Corey Peoples
Shepherd's Call	Mike Lazar
Song Leader	Garth Hutchinson

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LIFE Group	Location	Contact
LIFE GROUPS 2019-2020 COMING SOON! (SIGN UP TODAY!)		

Free Furniture!

After church this Sunday, you will be given opportunity to pick up furniture down the Long Hall Way of the A Wing.

What is available?

- * 3 office chairs
- * 3 book shelves
- * 2 office desks
- * **Filing Cabinets:** One 4 drawer filing cabinet, One 4 drawer lateral filing cabinet, One 3 drawer lateral filing

Items that you put your name on must be removed from the church building by Friday, August 23rd.

Items that are not removed by August 23rd will be set out to the trash.