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2015 PRCOC Events - Mark Your Calendars Now!

In an effort to be more proactive, and to prevent overscheduling of church events and activities, PRCOC now has a master calendar of all events for the year. Over the years, we've become a very busy congregation, and scheduling activities and events has become difficult, confusing, and conflicts have resulted. More often than not, events were announced to the congregation in as little as a week in advance. **We're not doing that anymore!** You can mark your calendars now, whether electronic or paper, so that you don't miss anything that is important to you and your family. **A general note to our members: if you have an event/activity that you would like to schedule, you must first see Dottie and fill out a form with date, time, and location. The office staff and elders will review any new events before they are added to the calendar. Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated!**

January 4 - 11	Family Promise Host Week	June 26-July 5	France Mission Trip
January 18	Martin Luther King Sunday	July 4	View Fireworks from PRCOC parking lot
January 24	Teacher Appreciation Dinner, 6PM, FLC	July 5 - 12	Family Promise Host Week
January 31	"I Still Do" Marriage Seminar Simulcast	July 10 -17	T.I.M.E. Team trip, Tim & Melody Davis and PRYG
February 1	All Church Meeting / Souper Super Bowl Sunday Fellowship Meal, Noon, FLC	July 11	Feed the Hungry in Trenton
February 7	Secret Sister Revealing Party, 1PM at the home of Melody Davis	July 25-August 1	Jr. High 1 week at Camp Manatawny directed by Aaron Pearl
February 19-22	Winterfest	August 8 - 15	Elementary 1 week at Camp Manatawny directed by Manny Vander Vennen
February 28	Café Night, 7PM, FLC	September 13	LIFE Group Kick-Off
March 14	Women of Faith / Unwrap the Bible Simulcast at PRCOC	September 20	Back to Church Sunday Church Picnic at Atkinson Park
March 29	Eggstravaganza, following worship, FLC	September 26	Fall Sing Along
April 5	Easter Sunday	October 4 - 11	Family Promise Host Week
April 5- 12	Family Promise Host Week	October 17	Fun Fall Festival
April 19	Spring Musical, 4PM	October 28	Trunk or Treat
April 25	LIFE Group Leader Appreciation Dinner	November 7	Hope for the Holidays grief seminar, 9:30 AM- Noon
April 26	Spring Musical Encore Performance, 4PM	November 14	Sight and Sound Theater trip to see "Miracle of Christmas"
May 1-3	"A Weekend to Remember" marriage event	November 22	"Pack the Pulpit" Sunday
May 9	Feed the Hungry in Trenton	November 25	Thanksgiving Eve Devotional Service
May 10	Mother's Day	December 11	American Red Cross Blood Drive at PRCOC
May 25	Memorial Day Picnic at the Walker's	December 12	Feed the Hungry in Trenton
June 9	High School Seniors' Graduation Luncheon Pitman High School Baccalaureate Service	December 24	Christmas Eve Devotional Service
June 12	American Red Cross Blood Drive at PRCOC		
June 21	Father's Day		

Our Mission

Love God • Love Others—Matthew 22:37-40 • Make Disciples • Baptize Believers • Teach Obedience—Matthew 28:18-20

From Daniel's Den

God Did That!

It was only a little over a month ago when we began calling attention to the budget shortfall that we have experienced since July 1st, the beginning of our fiscal year. We were \$21,500 below budget, and with Christmas approaching I confess that I thought, "What is the likelihood that people are going to give extra money to church now? I mean really, this is a high demand time for family budgets!" What was I thinking?

However, in keeping with the real spirit of Christmas this church began bringing gifts to Jesus, rather than just giving gifts to each other. So, our weekly contributions jumped in December. Every single Sunday in December our church giving exceeded our budget. In addition, as December came to a close, one family took me aside, handed me a check for \$2,000 and said, "Put this where you think it is most needed." And another family mailed the church a check for \$2,000 saying "This is our year end contribution." And the Hightower family, who still miss their beloved daughter, Beverly, made a large donation in her memory. They still miss her and the holidays are especially difficult. They wanted to honor Beverly's memory with a special year end contribution. All I know to say is, "Wow, God did that!" God is alive and well, and He is powerfully working in the hearts of people. As of Dec. 31st, our deficit has gone from \$21,500 to \$10,500! All of this makes me wonder if several took that challenge I offered two weeks ago, "Sign your name on a blank check, and let God fill in the amount!"

And, during that same time span, other generous donations have poured in to help with "Family Promise," the "Trenton Homeless Meal," our church pantry, our "Camp Manatawny mortgage challenge," and our next France Mission Trip! All I know to say is, "God did that!"

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To God be the Glory, -Dan



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aka
"Dan, Dan,
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Carlos Isaziga

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Have you considered your relationship with God? Is there room for new growth, direction, and focus?



Carlos' Corner

Making 2015 Count

Every New Year we set goals or resolutions that seem to be exciting and fulfilling at first. Then after a while, they just get old and forgotten. Why? Were those goals too lofty? Out of our reach? Or did we just not want to accomplish them badly enough? I don't know the reason or the secret formula that will empower you to accomplish all those New Year's resolutions.

What I do know is that if you are looking to take your health, whether it's eating better or exercising, in a new direction, you can't do it alone. If you need a new approach to how you handle finances in 2015, you won't be able to do it alone. And if you desire to take a relationship to new heights or new depths, you and I alone won't be able to do it.

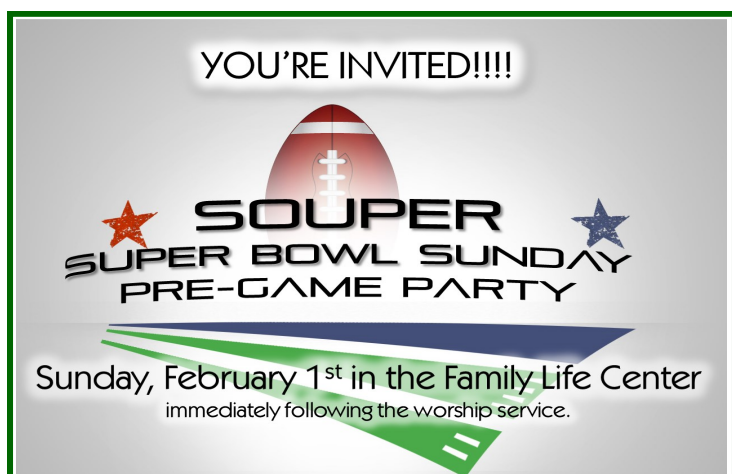
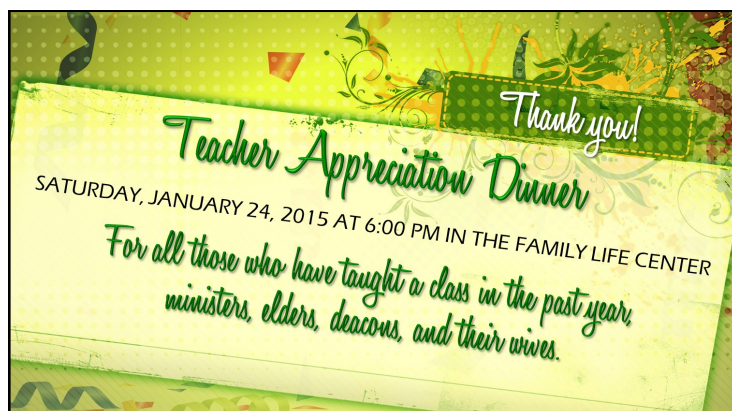
So, what do we do to make 2015 count? Let's start with the only One who can make all things new. Have you considered your relationship with God? Is there room for new growth, new direction, new focus? I hope so. May God bless our desire to focus on Him in 2015. Grace and peace to you and yours.

"He who was seated on the throne said, 'I am making everything new!' Then he said, 'Write this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.' "

-Revelation 21:5

-Carlos

Mark Your Calendars Now For These Quickly Approaching Events!



All of our members and guests are invited to attend our annual "Souper" Sunday pre-game party!

I doesn't matter whether your team made it to the big game or not... there will be food, fun, & fellowship for all!

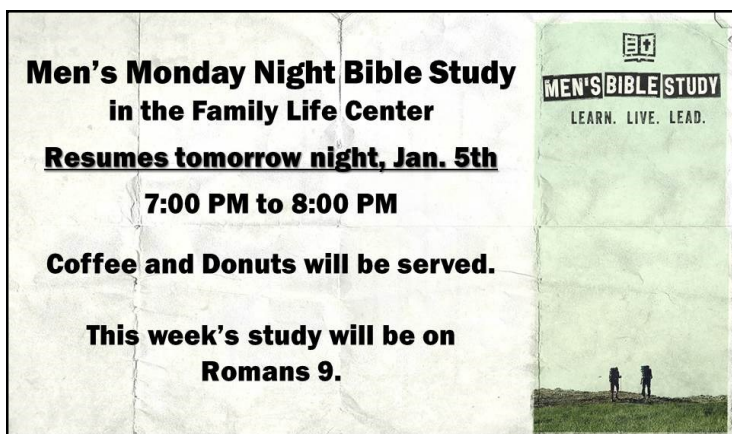
Members are asked to bring, soup, chili, or sandwiches. A sign-up sheet indicating your choice will be available next Sunday in the foyer.

Please bring all hot food pre-heated!

Beverages will be provided.

Desserts will be provided by ministers', elders', and deacons' wives.

Questions? Please see Annette Perine.



Did you miss "I Still Do" last October? If so, you are urged to take advantage of this rebroadcast of the simulcast event!



Saturday,
January 31st,
8:30 AM- 5:00 PM
at Pitman Road
Church of Christ

"I Still Do™" is a powerful, practical, one-day marriage event where couples can invest in and strengthen their marriage. Couples will affirm the fundamental importance of strong, healthy, committed marriages in every culture. By exploring God's design for marriage, couples will have a chance to reaffirm that their marriage matters – to their children and to the rest of society.

Not only do we strongly encourage our members to attend, we also ask that you use this as an outreach opportunity to invite family, friends, neighbors and coworkers to share this marriage-changing event!

Tickets will be available to our members beginning on Sunday, January, 11th, in the foyer.

Tickets are \$10 for our member couples.

For \$10 you will get one ticket for you and you spouse, and nine complementary tickets to give to those couples you invite to attend.

Lunch will be provided and served during the lunch break.

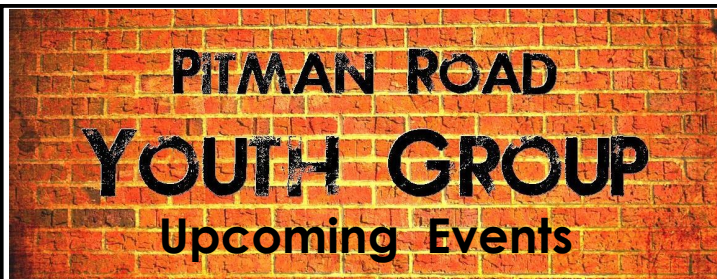
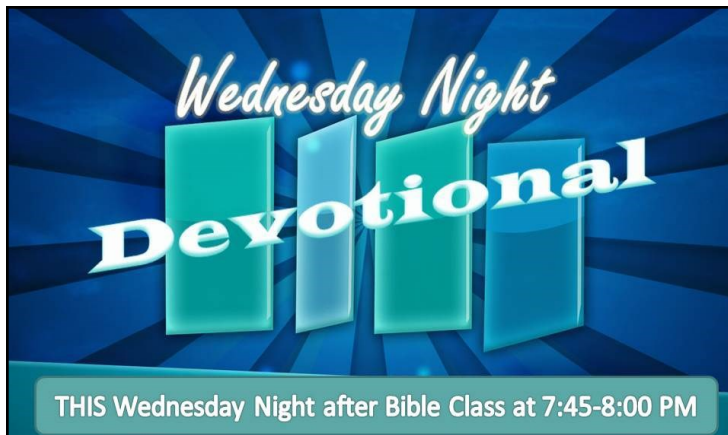
If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Derek Davis at 856-625-5353.





Join us on Sunday mornings at 10 AM, beginning next week, as we journey through the story of a man focused not only on rebuilding a wall around God's city, but also rebuilding a nation around God's heart.

THIS Week!



January

- 10th - (Sat) Service Project - More details to follow.
- 16th - (Fri.) Lock In. Start at 8:00 PM and finish at 7:00 AM Saturday morning.
- 24th - (Sat.) Tubing / Ice Skating. Late afternoon

February

- 1st - (Sun.) Super Bowl Party at the Davis' 5:00 PM start.
- 4th - (Wed.) Winterfest Meeting 7:00 - 7:45 PM.
- 19th - (Thurs.) Leave for Winterfest 11:30 PM from the building
- 20-22nd - (Fri.-Sun.) Winterfest
- 22nd - (Sun.) NO Small Group.

France Mission Trip

France Mission Trip Veterans and Interested Individuals:

Individuals from our church have traveled to France to encourage our missionaries, the church there, and to work on their Christian camp every two years since 2003. The number of participants we have taken ranged from two to forty. The group of 40 in 2013 was a bit too large, so we decided to limit the size to only 30 workers this year. As of this point we have less than 30 registered with their deposit in for the June 26-July 5, 2015 trip. If you are interested in exploring the opportunities, or if you would like to connect with veteran missionaries **Craig and Katie Young**, please plan to join us today at **Garth and Diana Hutchinson's** house for lunch and a time of Q & A.

We would love to have you join us for this time of encouragement and fellowship!

Dan

Battling ISIS In Our Prayer Closets

ISIS is comprised of two components, ideology and people. The word "wicked" appears in the KJV three hundred and twenty-five times. In the Hebrew OT its primary definition is "criminal", and in the Greek NT its definition is "evil; not such as it ought to be". They all describe the 'ideology' of ISIS.

Psalms 11: 5-6 tells us "the wicked and him that loveth violence His soul hateth; Upon the wicked He shall rain snares, fire and brimstone, and an horrible tempest: this shall be the portion of their cup". I agree with God, and I hate the wickedness of ISIS. I pray fervently for the wrath of God to pour out of the heavens and lay waste to ISIS.

My brothers and sisters, we must hear and answer the call to battle against ISIS in our prayer closets. We must regularly take up our spiritual weapons and wage war against those who "make themselves hateful and offensive to God and to show themselves foes of all men" (AMP 1Ths 4:15).

The real battle is not being fought in the deserts of the Middle East, but is being won or lost in the prayer closets of God's volunteer army, the faithful prayer-warriors who know "the weapons of our warfare are not carnal, but mighty through God to the pulling down of strong holds;". The stronghold of ISIS can, and must be, overthrown through your prayer life!

God hates the agenda of the wicked, the deeds of the wicked, the mentality and ideology of the wicked. But God also sent His Son to redeem even the wicked individuals that commit every horrific and criminal act of ISIS against the defenseless. So while I pray fervently, passionately and continually against ISIS, I also pray fervently for salvation of the individuals ISIS is comprised of. "Oh God of mercy, we bring before you the cries of Your oppressed and suffering children. Execute Your wrath, obliterate the army, the ideology of ISIS, and have mercy upon the lost people of ISIS." In the Loving Name of Jesus, Amen **-Bill Murray**

New Year! New Birth!



This New Year's Day is one that I will forever remember.

The highlight of the day was witnessing the baptism of 87 year old Harry Steward, Jonathon's father. I don't ever remember a time that I was ever more moved by a man's confession of faith and humble act of obedience.

Thanking God for Jonathon and Robin and their family's faithful modeling of how to be a Christ centered family; and thankful for Greg and Linda Krinks taking the time to follow up on that "Visitors Card" on the box that says, "I would like a visit." Greg and Linda first went to visit weeks ago, then began studying, and continued the studies, then when Harry decided on New Year's Day that it was time to start his new life in Christ, Greg and Linda were there to help make it happen. Happy birthday to one of the oldest babes in Christ that I have ever known. -Dan



This Week's Prayer Requests

Praises Thanks for the safe travel to and from far away places of countless of our members!

Prayers Requested:

Junior Varinas, Gina Isaziga's 45 yr. old brother, had a stroke last Tuesday. He is heavily sedated, on a breathing machine in ICU.

Stephanie DeStefano, has a mass in the Parotid (salivary) gland. She will be meeting with a specialist at Cooper Hospital in two weeks.

Jayne Schofield, confined to bed with back pain. Phone calls would appreciated. 856-451-2189

Charles, a minister in a far away place, whose wife has left. He is asking for prayers for their child, Elizabeth, and for the judge in this matter, to have wisdom and discernment.

Billy Marker, Linda Murray's cousin, has had a heart attack and is in need of triple bypass surgery. His lungs severely damaged, so surgery is postponed until he is stronger.

Nancy Calabro, blood clot and cardiac issues.

Jim Blackson, continuing his recovery from brain injury due to his accident at work.

Roseann Savastano, continuing her slow recovery from back surgery.

Jessica Sikes, having many complications, much pain. Cancer is progressing. Steve and Patti ask for prayers for Jessica's complete healing.

Lee Cooper, Dan's father, awaiting prostate surgery, (not for cancer,) and a pacemaker.

Marion Jacobs, Barbara Robinson's father, in a rehabilitation center after a blood sugar drop and mild heart attack.

Bob Manfre, radiation treatment for prostate cancer.

David Davis, Harriet's younger son, continues to need fluid drained from his body and his liver is not functioning very well. He may have a liver transplant.

Mary Lea Thompson, continuing recovery from a stress heart attack.

Jane Hanuszczyk is recovering from foot surgery.

Dreama Musso, Stephanie DeStefano's mom, stage 4 colon cancer.

Elkanah Fenton, Horatio's father, in hospice care.

Helena, Linda Wyatt's stepmother, in a coma as a result of a serious fall and head injury.

Flora Spratly, grandmother of Dawneisha, a coworker of Ray Holmes. Prayers are requested.

Military: Andrew Holden at West Point.

Expecting:

Brendan and Lisa Downing, March
Ryan and Pam Monaghan, March

Engaged:

Timothy Holmes & Paige Rothmaller, April 4, 2015.

Traveling: Paul Stanford

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Matt Downing Worship

Glynn Durham LIFE Groups

Darren Fields Greeters Ministry

Brian Holden Special Activities; Body Life

Garth Hutchinson Local Evangelism

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Brian Kleineweber Financial Consultant

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	NC
Worship	252
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	No Meeting
Contribution	\$15,890.00
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$271,752.00
Contribution YTD	\$261,274.00
Under Budget	(\$10,478.00)

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Judi Campbell
Kids For Christ	Manny Vander Vennen
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer
Hall Monitor: Bible Class	Judi Campbell
Hall Monitor: Worship	Volunteer Needed
Greeters: Front Entrance	Waverly & Dawnna Hale
Greeters: Back Entrance	Corny & Phyllis Walker
Ushers	Justin Guy & Waverly Hale
Information Desk	Glynn Durham
Shepherd's Call	Dwight Thompson
Song Leader	Garth Hutchinson
Communion	Waverly Hale

L.I.F.E. Group Locations Today

Group	Location	Contact
Bereans	Murray's at Noon	856-464-8595
Brook Besor	Durham's, Thursday at 7PM	856-589-2280
Circle of Sisters	Prenger's, Tuesday at 7PM	856-689-7932
Convenience Group	Church Building at Noon	856-589-1500
The Flock	A. Pearl's at 5PM	856-690-1405
Hammonton Group	Thompsons at 5PM	609-561-8561
Solid Gold	Not Meeting Today	
Teens	Church Building at Noon	856-589-1500
Vineland	H. Pearl's at 6PM	856-839-0015
18thirty	Church Building at Noon	850-589-1500

Wednesday Night Meal

Cook: Cathy Ervin & Harriet Wensel

Menu: Spaghetti with Meatballs & Sausage