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Focusing on

- · God's Word
- God's Son
- God's Vision
- God's Mission

Dan's 2014 Year In Review

Baptisms: 13

Linda Wyatt, Roseanna Miller, Lauren Zanni, Carlos Fowler, Steve Pace, Peter Wyatt, Jim Blackson, Jim Frampton, Mallory Perine, Nicolas Contravo, Mikayla Kellum, Ian Meindl, & Maggie Mansdoefer



Love circle for Linda Wyatt & Roseanna Miller

Placing Membership: 6

Karylle and Charie Adams, Melody Schools, Peter Short, Gloria Williams, and Lauren Thomas

Requesting Congregational Prayers and Public Sharing: 9 Anne Peoples, Erika White, Karelle Pierre-Jacques, Marcus

Hanuszczyk, Debbie DeStefano, Craig Welburn, Harriet Wensel, Nancy Smith and Jayne DePrince

Average Statistics for 2014 Calendar Year

Bible Class Average Weekly Attendance: 144 Worship Average Weekly Attendance: 255 LIFE Group Average Weekly Attendance: 140 Wednesday Night Average Weekly Attendance: 105 Average Weekly Contribution: \$10,070

Month by Month Overview of Events and Activities

<u>January</u> We hosted our first ever week of Family Promise. Teachers-Educational Workers Appreciation Dinner. MED Meeting with all but two deacons present. New Van engine. Teens' Spiritual Lock-In.

<u>February</u> Annual Corporate Meeting and Souper Super Bowl Sunday fellowship meal and Super Bowl parties hosted in homes in the evening./ Winterfest Trip in midst of big storm. Thirteen members attend area wide Teachers training seminar at Cedars Church in Wilmington. Café Night coordinated by Bill Murray.



Senior Saints Dinner

March Teens share Winterfest Report. Second Family Promise host week. Senior Saints Dinner served by Teens. Thirty Pitman members attend Camp Manatawny Dinner. Ashley Monica's Baby Shower. 260 attend "Son of God" movie showing.

<u>April</u> Glynn Durham directs Greeters & Ushers Seminar. Annual Spring Musical directed by Diana Hutchinson. Third Family Promise host week.

<u>May</u> Sight and Sound Theater trip with two busloads of participants, coordinated by

The cast of Break Down Our Walls

Brian Holden. Feeding the Hungry in Trenton. Two families, Coreys and Spaeths, with new babies are honored. We



Walker's Annual Memorial Day Picnic

host Camp Manatawny Area Wide Men's Retreat with 125 Present. American Legion Post 49 visits our PRCOC. Walker's 24th Annual Memorial Day Picnic. Ashtons and Clay Olley on annual medical mission trip to Peru.

June MED Meeting featuring

Vision Quest. Luncheon for High School Graduates. We host Pitman High School Baccalaureate Service. Encore performance of spring musical. / Mobil Church Directory App is made available thanks to Manny Vander Vennen. Andrew and Linsey Krinks share their service to the homeless in Nashville, TN. Successful Red Cross Blood Drive. Successful VBS and NYC Trip.

July 4th of July Parade at Cooper's House; free hot dogs and bottled water at the building for community members

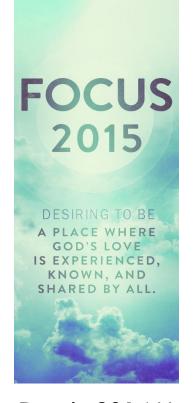
viewing the fireworks from our parking lot. Third Family Promise host week. Seven Pitman regulars and members go with KOP church on Honduras Mission Trip. 60+ Pitman members camp and serve at Manatawny for JH1 week with Aaron Pearl.



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Mission Lazarus trip to Honduras with KOP church

From Daniel's Den



My goal, prayer, dream and vision for the Pitman Road Church of Christ...

A place where God's love is experienced, known and shared by all!

A renewed vision, birthed out of prayer, fasting, meditation, consultation and conversation...



Dan Cooper aka "Dan, Dan, the Preacherman"

Dan's 2014 Year In Review

<u>August</u> 40+ Pitman members camp and serve at Manatawny for E1 week with Manny Vander Vennen. Teens' TIME Team trip to Arizona with Tim and Melody Davis. Picnic at Toy's house honoring Craig and Katie Young. LIFE Group Leaders training by Glynn Durham.

<u>September</u> Vision Quest class begins. Picnic at Atkinson Park. LIFE Group Kickoff. Jonathon Hooley returns to Latvia for two months. Back to Church Sunday. "See You at the Pole" Wednesday night devotional service.

October "I Still Do" live streaming at PRCOC, coordinated

by Derek and Leza Davis. Autumn Sing Along and meal coordinated by Harry Ake. MED Meeting. Annual Elders Shore retreat. Fun Fall Festival draws 54 from community plus 28 church kids. Trunk or Treating draws good crowd from community and from church.



Fun Fall Festival



Autumn Fall Sing Along

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November Dan and Katherine Cooper Celebrate 30 years with PRCOC. "Hope for the Holidays" grief seminar by Glynn and Debby Durham. Eight of our teens attend Youth Advance. Family Promise Volunteers Appreciation Dinner. Orphan's Sunday, contri-



Operation Christmas Child

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Orphan's International and RUN. Bus trip to Lancaster for Christmas show, coordinated by Brian Holden. Tim Hawkins Comedy Show coordinated by Derek Davis and Charlie Peterson. Pack the Pulpit Sunday/ Thanksgiving basket distribution to 58 families in need. *Operation Christmas Child-* 100 gift boxes assembled to be distributed to needy children all over the world.

Pack the Pulpit

<u>December</u> Feed the Hungry in Trenton. Successful American Red Cross Blood Drive. Cookie Exchange at Donna Lazar's house. Teens offer free child care to parents. Cooper's open house. Debbie Contravo's open house. 2015 Pocket Calendar distribution.



PRCOC members serve the homeless in Trenton

You're Invited!

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 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 are available NOW in the foyer on Sundays or directly form Derek Davis.

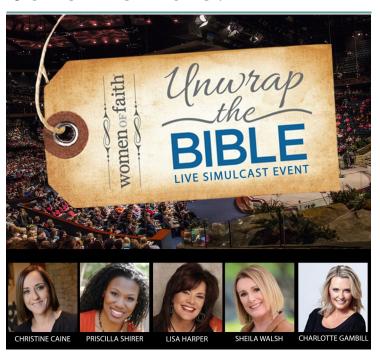
Tickets are \$10 for our member couples.
For \$10 you will get one ticket for you and you spouse, and nine complementary tickets to give to those couples you invite to attend.

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.



Save the Date!



Pitman Road Church of Christ Women's Ministry is offering a broadcast of the Women of Faith live simulcast event "Unwrap the Bible" on Saturday, March 14, 2015

8:30 AM- 5:00 PM.

See familiar stories in a new and meaningful way! Open your Bible and step inside the Scriptures as dynamic teachers bring God's Word to life at a powerful all-day Saturday event. When it comes to the Bible, there's always more to unwrap!

Tickets are \$15 and will be available soon. The ticket price includes lunch. Childcare will be available. Please invite family, friends, coworkers and neighbors! Invitations to hand out will also soon be available. Questions? See Janet Betts or Leza Davis.



Join us on Sunday mornings at 10 AM, beginning TODAY 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.



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

It 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 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.

Attention Secret Sisters

GETTING READY FOR THE 2015 YEAR!

I need to know a couple of important things right now to help me prepare.

- 1.) If you are NOT continuing with Secret Sisters, please let me know right away.
- 2.) If you are not a Secret Sister and would like to join, or if you need to update your information, please see me for a questionnaire.

PARTY INFORMATION:

DATE: February 7th **TIME:** 1:00pm **LOCATION:** The home of Melody Davis 415 Grape Street, Hammonton, NJ 08037

TRANSPORTATION: If you would like to car pool or ride in the church van, please meet at the bldg. at

12:15. Brittany will be driving the van.

WHAT TO BRING? Your favorite finger food and your "revealing" gift for your Secret Sister.

PLEASE NOTE: If you are not able to attend the party please be sure to give your gift for your Secret Sister to Melody or me. It is no fun for any person to be left out.

Thank you so much for your support of the Secret Sister Program. Dottie

Super Bowl Parties

Do you have a BIG SCREEN TV?

Do you believe God wants you to be hospitable?

How about if you marry your BIG SCREEN TV to God's call for hospitality and host a Super Bowl Sunday on Feb. 1? Some of our regulars are unable to host this year, so please consider opening your home. Contact the church office



immediately if you'd be willing to host this year...even if you don't have a BIG SCREEN TV, but you do have a BIG HEART!

Those who are planning to host Super Bowl parties so far. Tim & Melody Davis - **TEENS**Carlos & Gina Isaziga - **YOUNG ADULTS**Steve & Jane DePrince
Mike & Tina Broyles
Corny & Phylllis Walker

Be SUPER Generous!



As you enjoy Super Bowl Sunday, please be mindful of the less fortunate and help Pitman Road Church of Christ be **SUPER** in support of Family Promise in 2015 by giving now.

You will have an opportunity to make a contribution at each of the Super Bowl parties that will be hosted by our members.

All donations will be deposited directly into the Pitman Road Church of Christ Family Promise

fund and designated specifically for the support of the Family Promise program here at PRCOC, which offers assistance to homeless children and their families.

ANNUAL CORPORATE MEETING

As a non profit organization, recognized by the state of New Jersey as a tax exempt corporation, the state of NJ mandates that we meet annually. That being the case, our elders have selected the first Sunday of each February as the date for our annual meeting. Please consider this your written notification of our church's annual meeting, traditionally held on Super Bowl Sunday each year. If you are an active member of the Pitman Road Church of Christ, and in good standing, please consider yourself informed and invited of the Pitman Church of Christ's annual corporate meeting, this year on Feb. 1, immediately after morning worship assembly.

Prayers Requested



Jeff & Mary with their grandson Ryne

Jackson, TN 38305

Mary Jetton, a former and much loved member here at Pitman Road, has been diagnosed with stage 4 Lymphoma. Your prayers are requested on her behalf, and also on the behalf of her husband Jeff and their daughter Paige. We would like to offer Mary as much support and encouragement as we can from long distance. If you would like to

send her a card of encouragement you can mail it to: Mary Jetton 62 Grand Haven Drive

We Extend Sympathy

Our sympathy is extended to Horatio Fenton and his family on the passing of his father. **Elkanah Fenton** passed away last Wednesday morning in Florida after several weeks in hospice care due to lung cancer. Funeral arrangements are pending. Cards of condolence can be sent to Horatio and Jackie at their address listed in our church directory.

Adult Education Course Offered

Jay Schneider will be leading an adult education course on Bible reading and discussion on Tuesday nights at Clearview Middle School starting February 3rd. Jay is inviting PRCOC member to attend, and also encourages you to invite friends, family, and neighbors to attend. Jay does this because there are some who will not go into a church building and so we go to a public place. Matthew 24:14: "And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached throughout the whole world, as a testimony to all nations; and then the end will come." For more information, contact Jay at 856-478-0672 or jay.w.schneider@gmail.com If you plan to attend the course please register before January 19, online at www.clearviewregional.edu/administration/adult education or by mail. Call Valerie Philippi 856 223-2748 for questions and help with registration.

Course description:

Spiritual Growth: EXODUS Course #T18

10 Classes: \$32 Tuesdays • Feb 3 – Apr 14 • 6:45-8:00 pm Jay Schneider, Facilitator Middle School Room 109 As Americans, we have a history of pressing forward to better living. In order to progress to the new scenario we need to make the right exit [exodus] from our prior scenario. We will see from the example of Moses how leadership is developed, how to stand firm and how to press forward. Format will be to read chapters from Exodus, the 2nd book of the Bible & discuss them together. Not a lecture.

This Week's Prayer Requests

<u>Praises</u> For all of those who volunteered their time to Family Promise last week. **Anthony DeStefano & Hope Anderson**, are engaged! A wedding is being planned for July 10, 2015.

Prayers Requested:

Junior Varinas, Gina Isaziga's 45 yr. old brother, recovering from stroke, making great improvement.

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

Jayne Schofield, was supposed to meet with back doctor last Friday, but the appointment was cancelled due to an emergency and not rescheduled until Jan. 27. Please pray for pain relief and an earlier doctors appointment.

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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Brian HoldenSpecial Activities; Body Life		
Garth HutchinsonLocal Evangelism		
Larry Kellum, JrCaring &Sharing		
Brian Kleineweber Financial Consultant		
Brian Mansdoerfer. Building Maintenance; Jr. Worship		
Chuck OlleyTeens		
Aaron PearlYouth		
John Peoples New Member Involvement		
Steve Pierre-Jacques		
Audio Visual; Information Technology; Website		
Jay SchneiderServing Our Seniors		
Carl SteinerWorld 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	158		
Worship	275		
LIFE Groups	112		
Wednesday	87		
Contribution	\$14,604.00		
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$282,204.00		
Contribution YTD	\$275,878.00		
Under Budget	(\$6,326.00)		

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Judi Campbell
Kids For Christ	Debby Durham
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer
Hall Monitor: Bible Class	Judi Campbell
Hall Monitor: Worship	Casey Buchanan
Greeters: Front Entrance	Dimitri & April Sykes
Greeters: Back Entrance	Justin Guy & Rebecca Cruz
Ushers	Anthony Phillip & Garth Hutchinson
Information Desk	Diana Hutchinson
Shepherd's Call	Mike Broyles
Song Leader	Desmond Morris
Communion	Glynn Durham

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	Buchanan's at 5PM	856-229-1558
Hammonton Group	Ashtons at 5PM	609-561-8371
Solid Gold	TBA	
Teens	Church Building at Noon	856-589-1500
Vineland	H. Pearl's at 6PM	856-839-0015
18thirty	Isaziga's at Noon	850-814-6632

Wednesday Night Meal

Cook: NO VOLUNTEERS

Menu: NO MEAL