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FOCUS 2015

Focusing on

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

You're Invited!
Egg Hunt!
at
Pitman Road Church of Christ

For Children to Age 12

Sunday, March 29th
Lunch at 12 Noon

Egg Hunt begins at 12:30 PM
Photos with the Easter Bunny at 1:00 PM
Sign up now in the Children's Wing!

Adults are asked to accompany their children
throughout the festivities.

Indoor Event • Rain or Shine
Bring a basket collect your eggs.
(Bags will be provided.)

The Egg Hunt is open to the public!

**Please invite family, friends,
neighbors, and coworkers!**

Invitation flyers are available in the foyer.
Take some and hand them out!

***To make this event a success,
our members are encouraged to donate
candy and plastic eggs.***



CELEBRATE THE RISEN CHRIST

on Easter Sunday, 4•5•2015
with

Pitman Road Church of Christ

8:30 AM Coffee, donuts, bagels, fellowship
9:00 AM Bible classes for children & adults
10:00 AM Worship service

We encourage our members to take this
opportunity to invite family members,
friends, neighbors, and coworkers
to church on a day many are looking for
a place to worship.

Invitation flyers are available in the foyer.

Our Vision

A PLACE WHERE GOD'S LOVE IS EXPERIENCED, KNOWN, AND SHARED BY ALL.

From Daniel's Den

Lessons from an Old Guy!

Last weekend I attended the 8th annual New England Church Growth Conference! In case you weren't aware, I spent seven of my growing up years as a "Green Mountain Boy." Springfield, Vermont was my home town through all of Jr. High, Sr. High and my first year of college. I feel like a New Englander, and love connecting with my church family in that "neck of the woods" (to use one of their phrases). This year Dr. Howard Norton was their keynote speakers at the conference.

Dr. Norton is getting up there in age. I don't know exactly how old he is; but he's done a lot in his life. Dr. Norton has ministered around the world, served as an editor for The Christian Chronicle, a full time minister, a missionary to Sao Paolo, Brazil, and a full time instructor at both Oklahoma Christian University and Harding University. One of his lectures at the conference included suggestions on developing "an action plan for your local church." He used the Apostle Paul as an example of a man with a plan (See Romans 15:19-ff).

Dr Norton listed five suggestions on developing an action plan for church!

1. Study biblical vision and methods.
2. Look for opportunities near you.
3. Use the talents and passions of your members.
4. Lead the church in goal setting.
5. Develop a time table.

Not Much is Accomplished without an Action Plan AND a Time Line, *Dan the Preacherman*



Dan Cooper
aka
"Dan, Dan,
the Preacherman"

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Jay Schneider,
Deacon over

A Servant Speaks

Serving Our Seniors

The ministry at Parke Place was inspired by visits with my great-aunt Nancy there, shortly after it opened. She complained that a priest only came once each month. At that time, our congregation was just around the corner in our old building, so it was very convenient to start this ministry for those who were shut it.

More than a dozen years later, some of our members still meet at Parke Place weekly, during the 9:00 AM Bible class hour. We conduct a worship service, including prayer, singing, a short sermon, and the Lord's Supper. With the exception of Beverly Steiner, who serves each week, most members participate for a quarter at a time. The Brittons also consistently participate while they are home April through December. About 50 of our men have preached at Parke Place. Doc Kistler and Bill Stokes enjoyed speaking weekly. This is a good place for men to get a start at preaching or song leading.

Attendance by residents varies, usually from two to six people. Most residents living at Parke Place are not able to attend church Sunday mornings. When my wife, Sue, was living, she couldn't imagine being isolated from our Pitman church family, so our intention was to be a church family to those at Parke Place.

We would like to have you come and join us any Sunday, whether you attend for only one service, or make a commitment and attend for a full quarter. It's great that some people come to visit us at our building, but many people need an introduction to Jesus family outside the building. This is one attempt to, "Go into all the world..." If you are interested, contact me. We meet at 8:40 AM on Sunday mornings at the church building to drive over to Parke Place.

As deacon to senior saints, I would like to commend the many people who faithfully carryout the Bible's mandate to take care of your parents. I would also like to thank the those who also take care of non-relatives in need by offering food, clothing, rides, invitations to dinner and outings, medical care, legal assistance, connecting by phone and digital devices, sharing the Lord's supper, praying for each other... You are the hands and feet of Jesus.

-Jay Schneider

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Women of Faith presents *Unwrap the Bible* Success!

Last Saturday, the Pitman Road church hosted a broadcast of the “*Women of Faith presents Unwrap the Bible*” simulcast. One hundred and seven women attended the event! About half of those women were guests of our members, women from other churches, or members of the public who heard about the event. It was a great day of spiritual feasting and fellowship, just a great success!

It took many people to make this event happen. First and foremost, many thanks and kudos go to **Janet Betts** and **Leza Davis** for spearheading and coordinating the event. Thanks also go to **Charles Peterson** for audio/visual support, **Alana Peterson** for set-up, decorating, and breakfast in the Family Life Center, **Derek Davis** for coordinating the luncheon, and **Troy Brier** for being our head chef for the day! There were many other women who helped Janet and Leza, as well as many men who assisted in the kitchen and serving the meal, and although your names may not be listed here, your efforts are appreciated! Thanks also go to **Tim and Melody Davis**, and our teens for giving up their Saturday to provide childcare which made it possible for many women to attend.

Coming up in August will be the annual trip to Philadelphia to see **Women of Faith** live. This will be the final year that this tour will be taking place, so if you haven’t attended in the past, this is your last chance! See Janet for ticket information.



Janet Betts and Leza Davis, event coordinators and MC’s for the day.



Carla Clements performs in a skit coordinated by Gina Isaziga.



Troy Brier, Glynn Durham, Stephen Thomas, and Justin Guy prepare lunch.



Above: Unwrap the Bible in session.

Right: Desna Yanzuk and Debbie Contravo perform and lead praise singing.



Pitman Road Church of Christ
Monday Night Men's Bible Study
7:00 -8:00 PM
in the Family Life Center
Coffee and snacks will be served.
Our study of 1 Corinthians continues.

Bible Study
Come and Experience the Living Word

Bring Your Own
Craft Day
Saturday, March 28th
Noon to 5:00 PM
in the Family Life Center
Snacks are provided!

Hope to see you there!

Family Promise Volunteers Needed

On next **Family Promise** host week, April 5-11, is coming up quickly!



Volunteers are needed. Drivers, Cooks, Evening Hosts, Overnight Hosts, Setup/Breakdown, and Shopper. Please consider participating in this ministry and sign-up at the table near the auditorium entrance. **Mary & Leonard Collier** are the coordinators for this upcoming host week, contact either of them if you need more information.

MORE HELP NEEDED/FAMILY PROMISE

Is there anyone at Pitman Church who loves organizing and/or participating in fundraisers? **Family Promise of Gloucester** has several fundraisers throughout the year. The fundraiser proceeds are used for the upkeep, salaries, etc. of the Day Center, van, staff, etc. It would be nice if we had someone who would be the liaison for the Pitman Church. Contact John Ashton at 609 56-8371 or jashton834@comcast.net for more details.

Ladies Your Help is Needed



If you received a scripture afghan from me would you please take a picture of it and either email to (dottiequilts@yahoo.com) or text it to (856-723-7749). I would really like it if you would be willing to be in the picture as well, but if you would rather not that would be fine too. I am wanting to make a photo album of all the afghans I have made.

It also would help me when someone says they would like the exact one I made so-in-so. I really can't remember the color combinations of each person's afghan.

Thank you so much for taking the time to do this for me.
Love, Dottie

LIFE Group Leaders and Munchkin Ministers

We want to honor and express appreciation to:

- **LIFE Group leaders and co-leaders & their spouses.**
- **Munchkin Ministry servants, (including those who set up & clean up.)**

Join us on Saturday, April 25th, 9:00-10:30 AM, at PB's Diner on Delsea Drive in Glassboro.

You are our honored guests. There will be no cost to you.

Please let Glynn Durham know if you will be attending.



Spring Musical Props Needed

Can you help with accessories needed for *HIStory*, our spring musical?

If you can lend any of these items, please bring them to church and/or contact Diana Hutchinson at drh13013@gmail.com or 856-381-9095, at your earliest convenience. Thank you very much for your participation in this ministry!

Show dates are Sunday, April 26 & Sunday, May 3 at 4 PM

- 1 wicker laundry basket
- 2 large wooden bowls; wooden spoons
- 1 wooden crutch for a child
- 1 life-like toy lamb
- 1 crown (realistic looking)
- 2 or 3 bushel baskets
- 1 wooden stool (rustic/used looking)
- 1 ceramic (fake or real) jug used for carrying water
- 1 wooden pail
- 1 wooden broom
- 1 parchment (or paper) scroll (to resemble O.T. Scriptures)
- 4 small glass/plastic/ceramic jars for carrying spices to Jesus' tomb

New Baby!



Congratulations to **Brendan and Lisa Downing** on the birth of their son, **Jackson Augustine Downing**, on March 15th! Jackson weighs in at 10 pounds! We also congratulate grandparents **Matt and Susie Downing**.

This Week's Prayer Requests

Praises : **Dreama Musso**, Stephanie DeStefano's mother, is now at home after a number of weeks in the hospital.

Prayers Requested:

Nancy Calabro will be having a heart procedure on March 26th.

Willie Wilson sends his thanks and appreciation for prayers offered on behalf of his wife, **Deanne**, who was diagnosed with cerebral amyloid angiopathy, a neurological condition that increases the chance of hemorrhagic stroke. Deanne has been hospitalized since January 20th and was finally able to go home last week. Please continue to pray for Deanne, Willie, and the family as they adjust their new normal.

Marion Clark, Barbara Robinson's brother, covered in boils.

Garry Browning, former member, gravely ill. His wife Liz has asked for our prayers.

Tammy Jones, friend of Cindy Holden, request's prayers for the son of a family friend, Matthew, 27 yrs. old, who lost his job due to heart failure. He must have surgery and has constant arterial fibrillation. Also for Tammy's 8 month old great nephew, Elijah, hospitalized for influenza.

Johnny Reimels, Joyce's son, bulging disc.

Georgette Kenna, Beth Loeffler's mother, pancreatic cancer.

Ed Gandolfi, Annette Perine's dad, recovering well from surgery. Annette thanks you for your prayers.

Libby Mansdoerfer, diagnosed with Juvenile (Type 1) Diabetes.

Mary Lea Thompson diagnosed with Prinzmetal Angina (coronary vessel spasms).

Greg Krinks melanoma removed from his ear.

John Grillo, recovering at home after extensive surgery to repair his elbow.

Lee Cooper, Dan's father, now has a pacemaker and hopes to have prostate surgery in 6-8 weeks.

Steve and Patti Sikes, grieving the loss of their daughter.

Harriet Wensel, grieving the loss of her son.

Military:

Andrew Holden at West Point.

Expecting:

Lauren (Camorata) & Jeremy Thompson, March 28 - a boy!

Sarah and Bruce Stratton, June

Mary Ellen and Justin Walker, August

Brianne (Gelsinger) and Tom Lodado, October

Engaged:

Timothy Holmes & Paige Rothmaller, April 4, 2015.

Anthony DeStefano & Hope Anderson, July 10, 2015

Traveling:

Paul Stanford



**SIGN UP NOW
TO PREPARE A**

Wednesday Night Meal

*The sign up sheet for April, May, and June
is now posted in the FLC.*



**NEW
PHONING CARDS
ARE AVAILABLE**

Pick up as many as you need in the foyer today!

Shop Rite Gift Cards



I just spent \$100 on a Shop Rite gift card that Dottie has available in our church office. It cost me \$100, and by purchasing that gift card from Dottie, five dollars automatically is given to our church. I like that. You can

do the same thing. See Dottie anytime in the church office and she has the cards available. **-Dan**

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Our Deacons

Bud Britton Grounds Maintenance

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Tony DeStefano Body Life & Fellowship

Matt Downing Worship

Glynn Durham LIFE Groups

Darren Fields Greeters Ministry

Brian Holden Special Activities; Body Life

Garth Hutchinson Local Evangelism

Larry Kellum, Jr. Caring & Sharing

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

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Jay Schneider Serving Our Seniors

Carl Steiner World Evangelism

Manny Vander Vennen Church Directory, Kids for Christ

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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

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| Bible Class | 134 |
| Worship | 265 |
| LIFE Groups | 108 |
| Wednesday | 81 |
| Contribution | \$12,337 |
| Fiscal YTD Goal | \$386,724.00 |
| Contribution YTD | \$380,184.00 |
| Under Budget | (\$6,540.00) |

Serving Us Today

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| Nursery | Mandy Mansdoerfer |
| Kids For Christ | Carla Clements |
| Jr. Worship | TBA |
| Hall Monitor: Bible Class | Lori Hernandez |
| Hall Monitor: Worship | Volunteer Needed |
| Greeters: Front Entrance | Anita O'Hara & Adam Cerquoni |
| Greeters: Back Entrance | Darren & Dee Fields, Ron Dargan |
| Ushers | Glynn Durham & Larry Kellum Jr. |
| Information Desk | Mary Collier |
| Shepherd's Call | Dwight Thompson |
| Song Leader | Mike Broyles |
| Communion | Harry Ake |

L.I.F.E. Group Locations Today

| Group | Location | Contact |
|-------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| 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 | Mansdoerfer's at 5PM | 856-237-3767 |
| Hammonton Group | Thompson's at 5PM | 609-561-8561 |
| Solid Gold | Walker's at 6PM | 856-478-6972 |
| Teens | Church Building at Noon | 856-589-1500 |
| Vineland | Wilson's at 6PM | 856-839-0015 |
| 18thirty | Isaziga's at Noon | 850-814-6632 |

Wednesday Night Meal

Cook: Pearls

Menu: Fettuccine Alfredo



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