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FOCUS 2015

Focusing on

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

New Summer Quarter Classes Begin on June 7th

2015 Summer Quarter

June, July, August

Sunday

Location	Intended For	Topic	Teachers
Family Life Center	Adults	Revelation	Mike Grove
B-1	Lavender Ladies	Proverbs	Mary Lea Thompson, Yvonne Pearl
B-2	Young Adults	Not A Fan	Carlos Isaziga
B-4	Seekers/New Christians	Discovering Church Membership 101	Dan Cooper, Larry Point
Parke Place	Senior Saints	Worship	Jay Schneider, Bill Stokes

Wednesday

Location	Intended For	Topic	Teachers
Family Life Center	Adults	What's Happening Now?	Dan Cooper
B-1	Adults	Barnabas Group	Donna Lazar, Fran Point
B-2	Young Adults	Message for the Messed Up - 1st Corinthians	Carlos Isaziga
B-3 Chapel	Adults	Stretchers Bearers (Mark 2)	Glynn Durham
B-4	Adults	A Proverb and A Prayer	Greg Krinks
Conference Room	Adults	France Mission Trip Prep Class	Dan Cooper

Special Collection



Today is the second of two Sundays our leadership has designated to take a special collection for the relief work in Nepal. The designated contributions will be sent to **Samaritan's Purse**. The funds will be used to supply clean water, food, blankets, shelter and medical care. Make your checks payable to the Pitman Road Church and Add "**Nepal Relief**" to the memo section of your check.

Our Vision

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

From Daniel's Den

Hope May Come in a Whisper

Have you been feeling depressed?

If so, you are not alone. Some of God's greatest servants have struggled with depression. In my journey through the Old Testament this week I came across the story of a man who was struggling with depression big time. He had just been instrumental in orchestrating a huge victory over the false prophets (1 Kings 18:20-40). But shortly after his triumphant victory, he became a hunted man. He was running for his life. He all but gave up. No wonder he was depressed...he had no food, no water, and wicked Jezebel was out to do him in (1 Kings 19:1-9).

He called out to God and said, "I have been very zealous for the Lord God of Hosts; I have pursued your covenant, and have torn down altars. I alone am left and they seek to take my life." (1 Kings 19:10). When did this happen? When was he feeling so dejected? Only days after he had routed the 450 false prophets of Baal.

In your own life, have you ever noticed that after a great feat or significant accomplishment, discouragement or even depression frequently follows? When that happens, do not be surprised. That is simply the way Satan works. Continue to look for God and He will reveal Himself. But, He may reveal himself in a surprising way. In this story, Elijah expected God to reveal himself in some dramatic and magnificent way. But God did not work that way! Rather, God revealed himself in a whisper (1 Kings 19:11-14). Surprising, but true!

So if you been feeling depressed or overwhelmed, listen for God to whisper words of hope and encouragement (Psalms 46:10).

-Dan the Preacherman.



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

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*Merle (Glynn) Durham
Visitation Minister*

A Few Moments with Merle

The Everlasting Arms

Bad things happen in all our lives. Whether it is a national tragedy that involves thousands, or a lone person sobbing in a hospital waiting room after learning their loved one has died in the night, tragedy in life is a reality.

God is our refuge and strength in such times.

A mother eagle built her nest on a ledge of rock, a rock that had jutted out over the steep and dangerous precipice. One day she laid four eggs and she and her mate sat on them until they hatched. Then began the task of feeding them. Both parents were involved in the endless search for field mice and the like to fill the beaks which never seemed satisfied. One day the mother returned to her nest, and was startled at what she found. Clinging to the edge of her nest with all of its might was one of her babies – below it a fall of more than 1,000 feet. The little bird could not fly yet, and if it let go it would be crushed by the 1,000 foot drop. Screaming, the mother flew toward her baby, but as she flew, the baby's strength ran out and it fell from the ridge. As it fell, the mother swooped low, her strong wings spread wide to break the baby's fall, and then she caught it in her talons and glided with her little one, safely back to its nest.

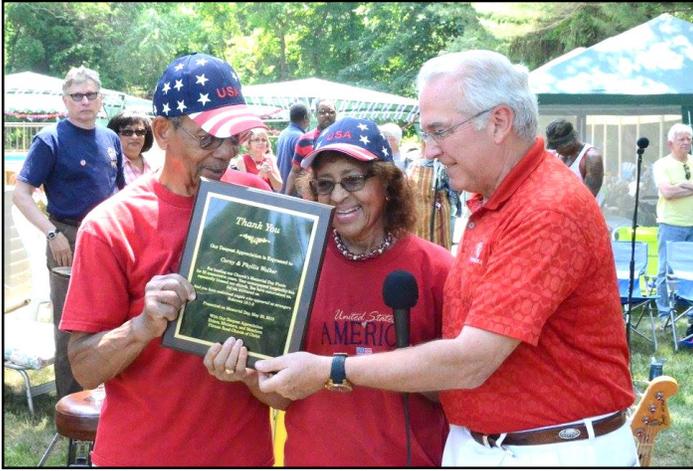
That's the picture that Moses had in mind when he assured the believers of his day, "***The eternal God is your refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms.***" (Deuteronomy 33:27)

God does not promise us freedom from difficulties in this world. Instead, He promises His presence and help in the midst of difficulty.

-Merle (Glynn)

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The 25th Annual Walker's Memorial Day Picnic



Last Monday we were once again blessed by the hospitality of **Corny and Phyllis Walker**, who hosted their **25th Annual Memorial Day Picnic**! On behalf of the church, Dan presented the Walkers with a plaque thanking them for all their years of hospitality. We thank you Phyllis and Corny for all you've done to bless us each Memorial Day!



Dave Perine and Joe Marshall continued their tradition as grill cooks. **Bert Kellum and Roseann Savastano** served food for hours. These are only four of the many, many people who help the Walkers pull this off each year.



Our talented members gave us a full afternoon of live entertainment. **Cindy Holden** and **Jim Hightower** started the afternoon off. **Andrew Holden** and **Anita O'Hara** took advantage of the "open mic" time to perform for us. **The Refuge Band**, featuring **Brian Kleineweber, Charlie Peterson, Mallory Perine, Debbie Contravo, Brandon Keeks, Jonathan Baptiste, and Marlon Bundridge** blessed the crowd with praise and worship music. Not pictured is **Desna Yanzuk**, who finished out the afternoon with her beautiful voice.

There was fellowship, food, and fun for all **200** (the "official" Dave Perine count) people who attended!

Announcements and Events



Children's Ministry Meeting!
TODAY!!!
Noon - 1:30 PM in the FLC

For all parents, Bible teachers, and those interested in working in children's ministry. Lunch will be served. Childcare provided.

Pitman Road Church of Christ



TODAY IS THE LAST DAY OF MUNCHKIN MINISTRY FOR THE SEASON.

Our "Munchkin Ministers" will be taking a break for June, July, and

August. So plan on getting your breakfast and caffeine before you get to church on Sunday mornings.

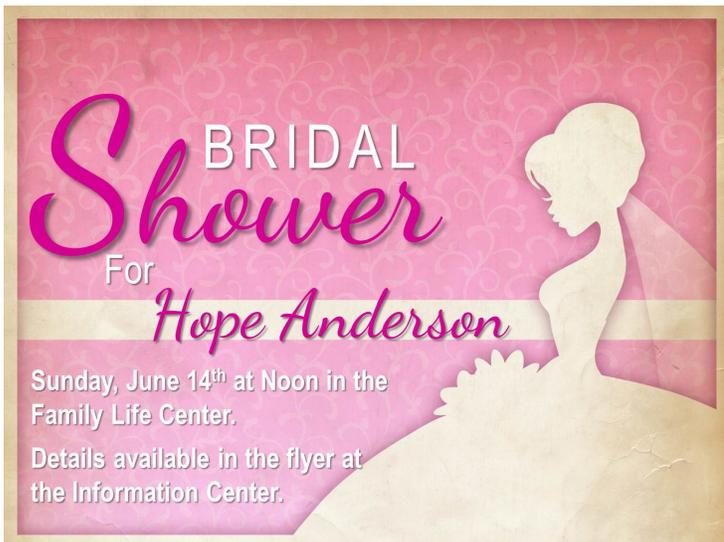
We send a BIG THANK YOU to all who have served this past year!

Our next Family Promise Host Week is coming up, July 5th - 12th.

Volunteers are needed! Please sign up at the Family Promise table in the foyer. All slots need to be filled.



If you have questions, please contact John Ashton.



BRIDAL Shower
For *Hope Anderson*

Sunday, June 14th at Noon in the Family Life Center.

Details available in the flyer at the Information Center.



American Red Cross

Pitman Road Church of Christ

American Red Cross Blood Drive

Friday, June 12th, 2:30 - 7:30 PM

Our blood drive is quickly approaching. There are three ways you can schedule an appointment:

- Sign up at the Information Center.
- Call for an appointment at 1-800-RED CROSS.
- Sign up at redcrossblood.org and enter Sponsor Code: Pitman Road.

Blood is especially needed this time of year. Please schedule your donation today.



Did you leave something behind at the Walker's Picnic?

If so, check in the Family Life Center, the "left behind" items are on a table.



coffee house fellowship • praise and worship experience for young adults

REFUGE
Experience God

Saturday • June 6th • 7-9 pm



18thirty
CAMP OUT

Come ready to have great time. We'll be swimming, canoeing, biking, hiking, or just chillin'. Campfire at night. Must bring tent, lawn chair & sleeping gear. Can bring your own canoe/kayak & bike. Schedule will be up soon!

When: Friday June 26- June 27
Where: @ Parvin State Park
Who: All those in 18thirty group
Cost: \$10 per person (includes camp site, food, & some activities)
Sign up or respond via email/text/social media before June 21st

We Express Our Sympathy

Our most sincere condolences are expressed to **Charlie and Dory Ann Seitz** on the tragic and unexpected death of Charlie's son **Steven Seitz** last Monday. Please keep Charlie, Dory Ann and their family in your prayers during this difficult time. You can send them cards at the address in the church directory.

Viewing and funeral service at Padgett Funeral Home, 1107 State Highway 77, Bridgeton, located at Carll's Corner before entering Bridgeton. (Across the street from Walmart.) Viewing Sunday (tonight), 6-8 PM and Monday morning 10-11 AM. Service at 11:00 AM. Military Service at Veterans Cemetery in Bridgeton following the funeral service.

Thank You!

A few Saturdays ago I went to a celebration at Drexel University. When I arrived, I dropped off about a dozen men's and women's business suits to be used for interviews. The students receiving them were ecstatic. They repeatedly thanked me and told me that I can't imagine how helpful this will be to the students for interviews. I let them know that these were donated by members of the Pitman Road church of Christ. I THANK YOU for our partnership in blessing others.

-Jay W. Schneider

Fresh Paint!



Thank you **Bob Manfre** for putting down a fresh coat of paint on the parking lot lines this past week. Your hard work in the hot sun is appreciated!

We hope our members will take note that additional visitor's parking spaces

have been added, and we ask that you refrain from parking in the spaces outline with yellow, and leave those spaces open for our guests. Your cooperation is appreciated!



This Week's Prayer Requests

Praises: **Michael Grillo** had a lung biopsy on Wednesday and the surgeon doesn't think it's cancer, praise God! Conclusive results will be available in a couple of weeks.

Prayers Requested:

Steve Musso is continuing his recovery at home. Prayers for Steve and Dreama are appreciated. Calls and visits would be appreciated as well.

Amanda Burt, (co-worker of Stephanie DeStefano) her husband, and 14 year old daughter lost everything they own due to a fire. If you have anything at all you could donate please contact Stephanie at 609-560-5690 and leave a message.

Beth Loeffler fell and suffered shattered bones in her arm. She is waiting to find out if she will need surgery.

Annemarie Cristino fell and suffered a severe ankle sprain.

Cathy Kistler had heart valve replacement surgery.

Ray Wilson continues to improve from the affects of a stroke.

Sue Ward, continuing her recovery at home. Prayers that all continues to go well and there are no complications.

Audrey Wigzell, Lynn Sbaraglia's mother, not doing well. Please pray for wisdom and decision making.

Brian Holden is recovering from surgery for a hernia repair.

Donna & Bob Staff, Linda Krinks parents, safety for them until they decide to accept in-home help.

Franklin Rhodes, cancer treatment.

Nancy Calabro, continued prayers for her health concerns.

Georgette Kenna, Beth Loeffler's mother, in hospice.

Military:

Andrew Holden at West Point.

Expecting:

Sarah and Bruce Stratton, June

Anthony and Kristie Correll, June 25, a girl!

Mary Ellen and Justin Walker, August

Brianne (Gelsing) and Tom Lodado, October

Engaged:

Hope Hooley & Darrell Bargfrede, June 20, 2015

Anthony DeStefano & Hope Anderson, July 10, 2015

Sean Fenton & Rebekah Lucien

Traveling:

Jessica Broyles - Tanzania

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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

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

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	264
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	83
Contribution	\$6,463
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$491,244.00
Contribution YTD	\$479,895.00
Under Budget	(\$11,349.00)

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Brittany Spaeth
Kids For Christ	Manny Vander Vennen
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer
Hall Monitor: Bible Class	Judi Campbell
Hall Monitor: Worship	Volunteer Needed
Greeters: Front Entrance	Marcus & Jane Hanuszczyk
Greeters: Back Entrance	Jackie & Horatio Fenton
Ushers	Glynn Durham & Larry Peterson
Information Desk	Linda Prenger
Shepherd's Call	Horatio Fenton
Song Leader	Mike Broyles
Communion	Glynn Durham

Wednesday Night Meal

Cook: **Annette Perine**

Menu: **Camp Manatawny Chicken Patty Sandwiches**

Camp Sponsorships



Each year the Pitman Road Church receives about a dozen requests to provide financial assistance for camp fees for children. **It's that time of year again when we put out the call to our members for special donations for camp sponsorships. The**

base fee for a camp sponsorship is \$300. If you would like to contribute to the sponsorships, see Dottie, and note "camp sponsorship" in the memo line on your check.



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