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PITMAN ROAD

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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THIS WEDNESDAY

7:00 pm

Everyone meets in the auditorium to hear all about our Youth Group's experience at this year's Winterfest!

Be sure to be here, don't miss out on the annual slide show of highlights from the trip!



REMEMBER!

THIS

**Saturday Night,
March 12th,
set your clocks
ahead one hour
before you
go to bed!**

Spring Quarter Classes: Special Emphasis

Starting Next Sunday All Adults Will Meet in the Family Life Center for Bible Class.

This spring, the months of March and April are all about rolling out our new program for Spiritual Growth: Meet Move, and Make . Becoming a mature Christian does not happen automatically. We want to be more intentional about the spiritual growth process. The entire church family is urged to participate. How important is this, you ask? So important that the elders are setting aside two months for all of us to work through the Spiritual Growth program together!

All adults meet together in the Family Life Center at 9:00 AM for the months of March and April

March 13	Introduction of the Spiritual Growth program by Mike Broyles
March 20	At this Church we "Meet Jesus" by Carlos Isaziga
March 27	At this Church we "Move into Community" by Dan Cooper
April 3	At this Church we "Move into Community" by Dan Cooper
April 10	At this Church we "Make A Difference" by John Peoples
April 17	At this Church we "Make A Difference" by John Peoples
April 24	"Where do we go from here?" by our elders

If you want to get a head start before class, you are cordially invited to join in some extra fellowship by coming between 8:30 and 8:45 to share in our Munchkin Ministry time... Always a great way to start a Sunday morning!

In May our traditional Sunday morning class format will resume. Classes will be announced closer to that time.

Wednesday Evenings: Spring Quarter Adult Classes BEGIN March 16 and go through June 1

B-1	Barnabas Ministry coordinated by Donna Lazar
Chapel	"Transformed: For Better or For Worse" by Dan Cooper
Conf. Rm	Beth Moore: "Mercy Triumphs" by Brenda Peoples

Our Mission

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

From Daniel's Den

Those “noble minded” Bereans!

What do you remember about the Bereans? In case you forgot, they are the ones mentioned in Acts 17:10-15. Those Bereans are a super examples for us!

Luke described the Bereans as being “more noble than those in Thessalonica” because “they were examining the Scriptures daily to see if these things were so.” Acts 17:11(ESV) Another translation reads they “were more noble-minded than those in Thessalonica, for they received the word with great eagerness, examining the Scriptures daily to see whether these things were so.” (NASB) What a description!

I want people who see this church to describe us as being noble minded. How might that happen? It will happen if we duplicate two specific characteristics about manner in which the Bereans received the word:

Attitude: They received the word with great eagerness.

Consistency: They examined the scriptures daily.

Right now less than half of our congregation attends Bible classes on Sunday morning, and even less on Wednesday. Church family, we can do better...a whole lot better! How? Take advantage of opportunities already available to study the Word. People who are intent on “examining the scriptures” make a serious effort to be present for Bible classes. People who receive the Word with great eagerness make an effort to be at Bible classes on time.

We can do better! A whole lot better. I know we can! Start today, and watch our Bible class attendance grow during the Spring Quarter. It’s about being transformed into the image of Jesus Christ.

Becoming more like the Bereans and Receiving the Word with Eagerness, Dan



Dan Cooper
aka
“Dan, Dan,
the Preacherman”

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Carl Steiner's Report on Mission Trip to Haiti



We did many things on this trip to Haiti.

On one of the nights while in Cap Haitien we were invited to dinner by **Charles Harrell**, a man with a long history of helping people in Haiti and spreading the gospel there. We went to one of the better places in town and spent three hours together. I have discussed many things over dinner; electrical code, business, etc. But I was very pleased to be part of this discussion because a large part of it was about helping young people who are very poor. Some of us had noticed that some of the orphans and school children didn't look as well nourished and happy as we would like. We

spent time trying to come up with a solution to the situation. Charles and I became friends, and I was happy to be a part of working on the solution to this problem. As of right now, providing nourishing food packets to their schools to be given out to the children is being considered and worked on.

As a team, we spent time checking up on the orphans whose schooling we support financially to make sure they actually attend. We checked up on the agricultural program that promotes backyard gardening. Part of our team provided teacher training and support at school; it was very successful.

I was able to do some Bible teaching to adults, but not as much as I had hoped for. I was set up to preach at a small congregation, but muddy roads caused that to be cancelled. I worked on electrical wiring at the school that I thought was dangerous. And we were able to connect with many old friends and strengthen each other.



This Easter Sunday...invite someone to church!

Many people will be seeking a place to worship this Easter Sunday, March 27th. Please invite a friend, family member, neighbor, or coworker to join us for worship. Use this great opportunity to share Jesus with someone who may not know Him yet.

Our worship service that morning will be guest friendly!

A new sermon series, There's More to Life, begins that day, giving your guests an opportunity to visit at the start of a series, and then hopefully return for the rest of the messages.

Invitation cards for you hand out are available at the Information Center.

Remember... Easter Sunday is March 27th!



EASTER

*Celebrate The Resurrection
At Pitman Road Church of Christ*

TONIGHT!
MARCH 6TH
5:30-7:30 PM



coffeehouse • fellowship • praise
ALL are welcome and encouraged to attend!
coffee and light refreshments served

Attention Pitman Road Ministers, Elders, and Deacons

The first MED meeting of 2016 will be on Sunday, March 20th, at Noon to 2:00 PM.

Among the agenda items, the elders will be introducing ways they hope will help improve they way they communicate with the deacons.

Harriet and Judi will be preparing a delicious home-cooked so in order to make sure there is enough for all, **please RSVP to Dan or the church office staff by Wednesday, March 16th.**

Calling all young actors and actresses!
Youth in 1st through 12th grade are invited to participate in a musical rendition of...

The Tale of Three Trees

Date of performance: Sunday, April 24th, 4:00 PM

Wednesday rehearsals: 7 Wednesday rehearsals on Wednesday, March 9th through Wednesday, April 20th at 6:00 - 7:45 PM.

Dress rehearsals: Friday, April 22nd at 7:00 PM and Saturday, April 23rd at 9:00 AM

Please contact **Diana Hutchinson** at 856-381-9095 or drh13013@gmail.com ASAP if your child/children would like to participate. Rehearsals begin soon! **Thank you!**

NURSERY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! If you are willing to volunteer just a few Sunday mornings each year to staff our nursery during the worship service, please contact Andrea Olley or Brenda Peoples.

Ladies Movie Night Success



Last Saturday, our Women's Ministry hosted "Ladies Movie Night" here at our church building. The evening featured the movie "Moms Night Out" as well as a fully stocked concession stand, fresh popcorn, and a red carpet entrance! Women were invited to attend in their pajamas, be we are

yet to discover any photographic and possibly incriminating evidence of that!

We want to thank those who worked so hard to make this a fun and successful evening! Among those who organized, worked behind the scenes, and hosted the event were **Brenda Busch, Tina Broyles, Gina Isaziga, and Brenda Peoples.**

RISEN Movie Event

175 of our members and guests attended RISEN last Sunday. A lot of work went into making this large group event happen! Many thanks go to **Tim and Melody Davis** for spearheading the event and making the ticket purchases. Thanks to **Andy and Donna Mychajlowcz** for coordinating the ticket sales on Sunday mornings. And a big thank you to **Tony and Stephanie DeStefano and Harriet Wensel** for setting up, serving, and cleaning up the pizza lunch.

Family Promise Volunteer Opportunity

Glassboro Methodist will be using their facilities for the Family Promise host site for the week of March 27th. They are looking for servant-hearted volunteers to help staff that week. If interested, please contact John Ashton at jashton834@comcast.net or Vicky Peters at vpeters@familypromisegc.org

Senior Saints DINNER

**THIS Saturday, March 12th
6:00 – 8:00 PM**

in the Family Life Center

Anyone 55+ is welcome to attend!

Please sign up at the Information Center.



Honduras Mission Trip Meeting

NEXT Sunday March 13th, there will be a **TORCH Missions Honduras** meeting to discuss flights, logistics, paperwork, and expectations immediately following worship in the young adult classroom. Everyone who is going on the trip should attend this meeting. And questions, please contact Tyler Steffy.



Bring Your Own Craft Day

Saturday, March 19th

Noon to 5:00 PM

in the Family Life Center

Snacks are provided!

Hope to see you there!



Thank You for Love and Support!



Dear Church family,
Well, another large chunk of treatment is on the books. Our family can't thank you enough for all of the prayers, meals, cards, and love over these past months. The journey continues and we thank you all for your faithfulness to our God, who is so good!

-The Petersons

Alana "rings the bell" after her last radiation treatment!

Dear Church Family,

I thank you all so much for your prayers, calls, visits, cards, flowers, and the food that you have shared with my family during my recent surgery. I appreciate and love you all very much!

I am healing well. My main focus is recovery. I eat, exercise, nap, eat and go to bed to repeat the next day. I look forward to joining you all soon.

Love, **Rachel Stetser and family**

New Birth!



This past Wednesday night we rejoiced with the angels in heaven when **Amber Zoppel** was baptized! Amber has been attending our church with **Brittany Brier and the Brier family** for many, many years. She IS the fourth Brier child! **Troy Brier** had the honor of immersing Amber. You may

also know her as **Jacob Broyles** girlfriend; she has become an important part of the **Broyles family** as well.

Amber, a high school senior, has been a regular and active member of our teen group throughout middle and high school. She has attended Camp Manatawny and served as a staff member for many years as well.

Amber's parents, and her grandmother (who attends church with her here regularly) were here to support her and witness her immersion into Christ.

Amber, although you've been part of our Pitman Road family for many years, you are now a sister in Christ as well! We are so proud of you!



Responses to the Invitation

Last Sunday, three of our members requested prayers at the invitation.

Jonathan Steward requested prayers for **Robin's** and his son **Mason**, who at the time was dealing with a total loss of hearing. We are happy to say those prayers have been answered in positive ways! Mason's hearing has improved! Other serious symptoms are improving. He has spent the last week first at CHOP and now at Seashore House.

Marlene Lazarus requested prayers for the spiritual health of her family.

LaVern Daniel requested prayers for her brother who has pancreatitis.

This Week's Prayer Requests

The monthly prayer list of long-term, ongoing prayer requests for March is now available next to the bulletin in the foyer. New, urgent, and immediate prayer requests will appear in the bulletin.

Praises: **Mason Steward's** hearing has been restored! **Alana Peterson**, radiation treatments complete!

Prayers Requested:

Kathy Ashton suffered serious leg fractures in a skiing accident. Recovering from surgery.

Jos Ransdorp, former member here, spinal surgery went very well, spine strong, mass being biopsied.

Glynn Durham, will be starting chemo on Wednesday.

Gwen Phillip, breast cancer, awaiting surgery date.

Rachel Stetser, recovering from mastectomy surgery.

Barbara Perry, breast cancer, awaiting surgery date.

Edward Gandolfi, radiation treatments begin next week.

Nancy Calabro, numerous health concerns.

Military:

Andrew Holden at West Point.

Doug Peterson III, deployed with Air Force

Engaged:

Sean Fenton & Rebekah Lucien, April 16, 2016

Mallory Perine & Brandon Keeks, September 17, 2016

Jonathan Hooley & Mary Bernadette McElroy

Traveling: **Paul Stanford**

Super Generosity!

Mary and I would like to extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to all for the generous donations to Family Promise during Super Bowl Sunday. May God shower each of you with a special blessing!

-John Ashton and Mary Collier

A total of \$399 was collected on Super Bowl Sunday to benefit our Family Promise fund.

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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 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	132
Worship	231
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	68
Contribution	\$9,485
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$369,600.00
Contribution YTD	\$347,923.00
Under Budget	(\$21,677.00)

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Jenn Pearl
Kids For Christ	Tina Broyles
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer
Hall Monitor: Bible Class	
Hall Monitor: Worship	Becky Vander Vennen
Greeters: Front Entrance	Darren & Dee Fields
Greeters: Back Entrance	Linda Preger & Joe Marshall
Ushers	Kathryn Steffy
Information Center	Lee Collier & Tyler Steffy
Shepherd's Call	Dwight Thompson
Song Leader	Matt Downing
Communion	Luke Olley

L.I.F.E. Group Locations Today

Group	Location	Contact
Brook Besor	TBA	856-589-2280
Circle of Sisters	Prenger's, Tuesday at 7PM	856-689-7932
Convenience Group	Church Building at Noon	856-589-1500
Hammonton Group	Thompson's at 5PM	609-561-8561
Marriage Mentoring	Contact Buchanans for sched.	856-229-1558
Men's Bible Study	Winter Hiatus	856-217-3956
Paracletes	Greenfields Assis. Living at 1:45PM	484-886-5349
Silver Linings	Mychajlowcz's at Noon	908-294-4058
Solid Gold	Lazar's at 6PM	856-223-1699
Teens	Church Building at Noon	856-589-1500
Vineland	H. Pearl's at 6PM	856-839-0015
Women in the Word	Church Bldg., Tues.at 9:45 AM	856-589-1500
Young Adults	REFUGE at 5:30 PM	850-814-6632

Wednesday Night Meal

Cook: Harriet Wensel, Judi Campbell, JoAnn Ruhland

Menu: Chicken Patti Sandwiches

Elder on Call:

March/April: Horatio Fenton



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