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PITMAN ROAD

CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Today we welcome Dr. Bruce McLarty,
president of Harding University!

Dr. McLarty will deliver the sermon this morning,
"Seeing the World Through the Eyes of God."

After the worship service,
Dr. McLarty will be joining
teens and their parents, and
Harding University alumni for
lunch in the Family Life Center.



Our Spring Musical is in Three Weeks!



You're Invited

to a musical production of

The Tale of the Three Trees

Sunday, April 24, 2016 at 4:00 PM

presented by



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Free! No collection will be taken.

The musical presentation will be
followed by light refreshments!

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**Mark your calendars
and join us on
April 24th for
The Tale of the
Three Trees!**

Not only is our annual
spring musical
production a
wonderful way for our
young people to
shine, **it's also a great
opportunity to invite
someone and
share God's love!**

Invitations are
available at the
Information Center.
Pick up a couple
and invite
someone today!

Our Mission

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

From Daniel's Den

"Transformed: For Better or For Worse"

Our church is focusing on transformation this year! What stories we are hearing during our Wednesday night class series! If you are missing the class, you are missing something great! Our passage for last Wednesday was 2 Cor. 3:18: *"And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is spirit."* The interesting point from this text is that we are being transformed by "degree." As much as transformation is an "event," it is also a "process."

I shared lunch with a man last week who is actively involved in transformation right now. He was lamenting the fact that he has lost eight years in his family's life because of immature choices he made. He says, "I regret that I did not begin this process years ago." Hence, the title for the class! The worse part of transformation is that we don't start earlier. As I am interviewing men and women about their transformation, I have been surprised by the responses given to my very first question: "At what point in your life did you begin to take seriously the notion of transforming your life into the image of Christ?"

Answers so far have ranged from, "When my first child was born and I knew I was responsible..." to, "When I was attending University of Miami and I was part of a ministry that was reaching out to non-Christians, and I was seeing their lives change..." to, "When I was in my mid-20's and I was feeling the consequences of the life I had lived up to that moment."

Transformation into the likeness of Christ may have started at our baptism, but according to the interviews, that is not the point that most recall. Let me ask you... At what point in your life did you begin to take seriously the notion of transforming your life into the image of Christ?

Being transformed from one degree to another, into His likeness, **Dan**



Dan Cooper
aka
"Dan, Dan,
the Preacherman"

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Carlos Isaziga
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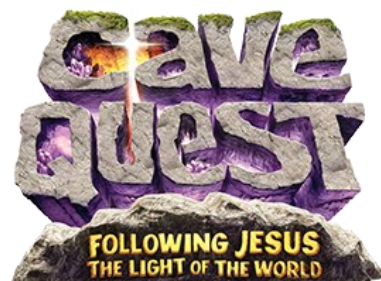
Carlos' Corner

All Hands On Deck for Kids

Kids meant the world to Jesus while He was on earth and they still mean the world to Him. The church is now on Earth as the hands, heart, and feet of Jesus, so kids should mean the world to the church too. Check out one of my favorite passages...

"One day some parents brought their children to Jesus so he could touch and bless them. But the disciples scolded the parents for bothering him. When Jesus saw what was happening, he was angry with his disciples. He said to them, "Let the children come to me. Don't stop them! For the Kingdom of God belongs to those who are like these children. I tell you the truth, anyone who doesn't receive the Kingdom of God like a child will never enter it." *Then he took the children in his arms and placed his hands on their heads and blessed them.*" -Mark 10:13-16

This summer we as the Pitman Road church want to take children in our arms, place our hands on their heads and bless them. Maybe not that way literally, but through our Cave Quest VBS, which is happening June 23-26. But it will not happen unless we all pitch in. We will need to embrace the "all hands on deck" mentality to make this summer's VBS a success. Our kids and the kids of our communities need you. Within the next couple of weeks there will be detailed information regarding volunteer slots that you can fill. All hands on deck needed, from teens to senior saints. I am so looking forward to seeing how God will bless kids this summer.



Abundant grace & truth, **Carlos**

Thank You For Your Participation!

Last Sunday many of us completed the **Angels of God Clothing Closet's Purple Bag Challenge: 40 Days = 40 Items to Bless Someone**. As you can see, we collected about 40 bags of items!

Thanks go to all those who contributed items! We also want to thank **Leza Davis** and the **Embark** ministry for spearheading this effort. And a really big thank you goes to **Derek Davis** and **Andreana Barefield** for being the muscle



behind the delivery of all the heavy bags to **Angels of God** in downtown Pitman.

If you want to know more about this worthy nonprofit organization serving families in our local communities, go to www.angelsogod.org

Stay tuned for the next outreach effort of the **Embark** ministry!



SIGN UP NOW!
 **Family Promise®**
 Host Week – April 17th-24th

Please stop by the sign up table in the Foyer to see how you can help build communities and strengthen lives!

**Our Host Week begins
2 weeks from today!**

There are still a number of empty volunteer slots. The greatest need is for volunteers to serve as Evening and Overnight Hosts.

Sign up now in the foyer!

Questions? Contact John Ashton by phone at 609-561-8371, or by email at jashton834@comcast.net

Transformation Opportunities

Our theme for 2016 is **TRANSFORMATION**. Keeping with that, there are a number of opportunities right now to help us grow and transform as Christians.

On Sunday mornings at 9:00 am for the rest of April, we will continue with **Spiritual Growth: Meet, Move, and Make** in the Family Life Center.

Following that at 10:00 am, Dan and Carlos continue the sermon series, **More to Life**, examining what abundant life God has for us as we transform more and more into the image of Jesus.

On Wednesday evenings at 7:00 pm in the Chapel, room B-3, Dan leads **Transformation: For Better or Worse**. Men and women share how their lives have been transformed by living as a Christ follower. This week, Dottie Grillo and Linda Krinks are interviewed.

Please join us on Sundays and Wednesday this month as together we are transformed into the image of Jesus Christ!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! VBS IS BACK! ALL NEW FORMAT!

For children ages 0 - 6th grade

Evenings on Thursday, June 23 Friday, June 24 • Saturday, June 25
and Sunday morning, June 26



For adults... Special Program on Thursday night

L.V. Moses on Friday and Saturday night and Sunday morning

Women's *Embrace* Ministry



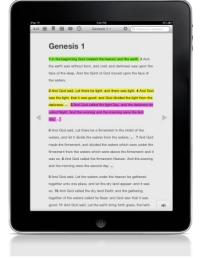
A brief meeting (30 minutes!) will be held in the Chapel on Sunday, April 10th immediately after the worship service. If you signed up to be a part of the **Embrace** ministry OR if you want to help plan future fellow-

ship activities, please join us! All women are welcome to attend.

Please contact Janet Betts at bettsj@ajj.com or Brittany Spaeth at brittannyfbanks@gmail.com if you have questions or want to be involved but cannot attend the meeting.

Using Electronic Bibles?

Are you are having difficulty when you attempt to use your electronic Bibles in our building? Please follow these steps:



1. Log on to apple.com from your mobile device.
2. If you see a warning, click "continue."
3. You will see a menu on the left-hand side. Type your email address into the top box.

Remember that you must follow the steps every time you enter the building.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please see Steve Pierre-Jacques or Anthony DeStefano.

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

**Bible
Study**

Come and Experience the Living Word

We will begin studying the
book of Ephesians



**Men's Monday Night
Bible Study
resumes TOMORROW,
Monday, April 4th!**

**All men are welcome!
Invite someone!**

Please join us TONIGHT for

refuge

Sunday, April 3rd at 5:30 – 7:30 pm

coffeehouse • fellowship • praise

EVERYONE IS INVITED AND WELCOME!

Coffee and light refreshments served • Young Adult LIFE Group

Thank You Very Much!

Dear Church Family,

Thank you so much for serving us during Mason's illness. Your prayers, cards, messages of encouragement, care package, and offers of service were greatly appreciated. We felt your love every step of the way! God has healed Mason and we are so grateful to have him home!

In His Love,

The Steward Family

Dear Pitman Road Church Family,

I'd like you all to know that I've reached my goal of \$1900 for my mission trip to Bolivia. Thank you so much for your financial support and prayers. God is so good!

-Amanda Rodriguez

Amanda's mom, Rebecca Cruz, says, "Love my church family! I'm very grateful and humbled by your generosity."

Your Prayers Are Not Taken for Granted

Praise the Lord! Mom (**Barby Jo Crema**) came through her first treatment last Wednesday better than we anticipated! Thank you all so much for your thoughts and prayers. Your encouragement and support makes a big difference to our spiritual, mental, and physical support on a daily basis! God works wonders through His saints and servants! Mom's next treatment is scheduled for Thursday, April 21st. Your prayers are not taken for granted! GISG all the time!

Love, **Noreen**



**SIGN UP NOW
TO PREPARE A**

Wednesday Night Meal

Cooks are needed for April and May!
Sign up now in the FLC.

**There are many open slots on the
Wednesday Night Meal schedule.
We need cooks! We need you! Sign up now!
Questions? See Harriet Wensel.**

This Week's Prayer Requests

The monthly prayer list of long-term, ongoing prayer requests for April is now available as an insert in this week's bulletin; extra copies will be next to the bulletin in the foyer, and it will be sent out via email. New, urgent, and immediate prayer requests appear in the bulletin.

Praises: Congratulations to **Jessica Broyles** on securing her first full time employment as a nurse! She will be working at Arkansas Children's Hospital, Nurse Residency Program, on the Rehabilitation Unit.

Prayers Requested:

Kino Marshall, Joe and Gina Marshall's granddaughter, is seriously ill with the flu. Prayers for her recovery and that **Ryoko**, who is pregnant, will not come down with it.

Gwen Phillip, surgery for breast cancer on April 11th.

Ed Cerquoni, hernia surgery on April 28th. Prayer for Ed, Tammy, and Adam are appreciated.

Peggy Ward, Sue Ward's mom, now under hospice care.

Glynn Durham, recovering from chemo treatment last Wednesday.

Barbara Perry, recovery from surgery not going well, in the rehabilitation hospital in the Kennedy Hospital complex. Visitors are welcome!

The Bartley Family has been sick with a virus and high fever.

Alana Peterson, harsh side effects from drugs involved with breast cancer treatment.

Barby Jo Crema, next treatments for uveal/ocular melanoma which has spread to the liver on April 21st.

Pat Schuehler, possible throat surgery.

Sue Martin's mother Dottie, cancer has spread throughout her body; it's very aggressive.

Richard Sussman, Teresa Point Sussman's father-in-law, biopsy, please pray for good results.

Ruth Bergman, Manny Vander Vennen's mom, hospitalized due to severe weakness related to chemotherapy treatments for Multiple Myeloma.

John Schofield, Jayne Schofield's husband, bronchitis.

Cheattiqui Sweitzer, Jayne Schofield's cousin, battling multiple cancers.

Jayne Schofield asks for prayers for her strength.

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

Kristy Romeo and Will Mendez, May 15, 2016

Mallory Perine & Brandon Keeks, September 17, 2016

Rebecca Cruz & Justin Guy, November 6, 2016

Jonathan Hooley & Mary Bernadette McElroy, May 2017

Expecting:

David and Ryoko Marshall, a girl, July 29th.

Traveling: Paul Stanford

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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	135
Worship	271
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	102
Contribution	\$8,997
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$411,840.00
Contribution YTD	\$385,714.00
Under Budget	(\$26,126.00)

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Desna Yanzuk
Kids For Christ	Tina Broyles
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer
Hall Monitor: Bible Class	
Hall Monitor: Worship	
Greeters: Front Entrance	Linda Kuznetzoff, Darren & Dee Fields
Greeters: Back Entrance	Leonard & Mary Collier
Ushers	Waverly & Austin Hale
Information Center	Mary Lea Thompson
Shepherd's Call	Dave Perine
Song Leader	Matt Downing
Communion	Harry Ake

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	Broyles' at 5PM	609-561-8532
Marriage Mentoring	Contact Buchanans for sched.	856-229-1558
Men's Bible Study	Church Bldg. Monday at 7PM	856-217-3956
Paracletes	Greenfield's Assist. Lvg. at 1:45PM	484-886-5349
Silver Linings	Diane Peoples' at Noon	856-445-1062
Solid Gold	REFUGE at 5:30PM	
Teens	Not meeting today	
Vineland	H. Pearl's at 6PM	856-839-0015
Women in the Word	Church Bldg., Tues.at 9:45AM	856-589-1500
Young Adults	REFUGE at 5:30PM	850-814-6632

Wednesday Night Meal

Cook: Harriet, Judi, and JoAnn

Menu: Pork Roast, Potatoes, and Veggies

Elder on Call:

March/April: Horatio Fenton



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