



# PITMAN ROAD

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### Mission Trip to Honduras



Eight of our members have departed on a 12 day mission trip to Honduras with Torch Missions. They are **Logan and Cassidy Davis, Carlos and Isabella Isaziga, Elizabeth Lazar, and Tyler, Kathryn, and Truett Steffy.**

This is a trip Tyler and Kathryn have taken a number of times in the past, this year coordinating the effort for our members to join the Torch Missions team.

The team will be working hard, building houses, conducting a VBS, visiting sick children in the hospital, as well as providing medical care for those in need.

Please pray for our members, as well as all of those attending the all Torch Missions trips to Honduras this summer.



### A Look Back at VBS

#### We pulled out all of the stop for our VBS this year!

- **Mass mailing** to the area around the building, with over 2,000 invitations mailed out.
- **Two banners** in front of the building promoting VBS.
- **Larry Kellum** and crew invested dozens of hours and a lot of creativity and talent into building amazing props.
- Guest speaker **Larry Mudd** from NYC for Thursday night's dramatic narrative sermon, **Love Seed**.
- Guest speaker **LV Moses** from Ohio for a thought provoking series on **Transformation of the Heart**.
- **Dinner served** to workers and visitors on Thursday and Friday evenings before VBS

#### The result?

- Visitors and/or repeat visitors at every assembly...
- **Hearts touched ... Lives changed.**



If you plan to watch the Pitman 4th of July Parade from the Cooper's lawn, please remember to enter and park on Colonial Ave...Broadway will be closed. Bring lawn chairs or blankets, and sunscreen. Limited shade available. Cold drinks provided! The parade begins at 10:00 am and gets to the Cooper's at approximately 11:00 am. It concludes about noon.

Later in the evening we are opening our parking lot to the community to view the Alcyon Lake fireworks. See page 4 for more details.

### Our Mission

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

# From Daniel's Den

## Experiencing God's Love

**Don't forget our stated Vision:** We, the Pitman Road Church of Christ desire to be: A place where God's love is experienced, known and shared by all!

**Don't our stated Mission:** We, the Pitman Road Church of Christ desire to meet others and together be transformed into the image of Christ!

**In the process of fulfilling both our vision and our mission we are committed to Great Commission faithfulness!** All of the above directly impacts how we spend our money, and how we spend our time, both individually and collectively. So, we just sent a check to help with the after effects of the Orlando violence. And, we just sent a check to **Lea Ann Kellum's** home church, on the front line in West Virginia, to help address the needs of those suffering from huge losses of property due to the unprecedented flooding. **John and Kathy Ashton** have just returned from a mission trip to Peru. **Tyler and Kathryn Steffy** left yesterday on a trip to Honduras, along with **Logan and Cassidy Davis, Elizabeth Lazar, and Carlos and Isabella Isaziga.** **Garth and Diana Hutchinson** left on Wednesday for their annual mission trip to Marseille, France.

On top of that, we are focusing time and money in local outreach efforts. **Carlos** and a team of committed workers just concluded our "Cave Quest" VBS. **Tim and Melody Davis** and their team are working to impact our community through sharing our hospitality on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Then, there is the feeding of the hungry in Trenton that **Larry and Lea Ann Kellum** coordinate three times each year, and many of you help to support, both physically and financially. And don't forget the work that **Aaron and Jen Pearl** and **Manny and Becky Vander Vennen** do in directing their respective weeks at Camp Manatawny.

This summer, let's keep the BIG thing, the BIG thing. Let's Major in Majors, **Dan**



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

Don't forget  
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Vision  
and  
Mission.



**Carlos Isaziga**  
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## Carlos' Corner

### Vacation Bible School

What a VBS! It was such an encouragement to me for so many different reasons. Here they are...

**Children met Jesus and were loved on.** Comment after comment made to me reflected on how much fun kids were having and how much fun it was for kids to get to know Jesus more. I believe children truly experienced the love of God at our VBS because there were so many involved in making our VBS a loved-filled, Jesus-rich environment. Jesus loves kids, and we reminded kids of that again at this VBS. (Matthew 19:13-15)

**Community of Jesus followers made a difference.** I was so proud and excited about how many people from our church decided they would volunteer and make a difference in the lives of kids at VBS. I would like to specifically thank our VBS planning team: **Robin Steward, Melody Davis, Tina Broyles, Larry Kellum Jr., Tim Davis, and Mike Buchanan.** Their work and leadership made this VBS a huge success. There were also countless crew leaders, station leaders, café attendants, stage decoration techs, sound techs, AV techs, registration attendants & many other volunteers. Thank you all for making a difference. Thank you all for being the hands & feet of Jesus. (Romans 12:6-8)

Loved Serving with you,  
Carlos





## Response to the Invitation

**Mary Lea Thompson** responded to the invitation last Sunday morning, asking for prayers for her heart. Her heart has been hurting, both literally and figuratively, and she asks for our prayers as she ages, that she age with God's grace.

## We Extend Our Sympathy

Our church family extends our deepest sympathy to **Robin Steward and her family** during this time of loss. Robin's mother, **Sandy Blanchard**, passed away in her sleep on June 25 after a long battle with Lymphoma. Sandy and Jerry were faithful members of the Walnut Street Church of Christ in Lock Haven, PA, and frequent visitors to our congregation when they were visiting Robin's family. Full obituary is available at [www.wetzlerfuneralhome.org](http://www.wetzlerfuneralhome.org). Church family can send cards of condolence to Robin's father, Jerry Blanchard, at PO Box 83, Mackeyville, PA 17750. In lieu of flowers, memorial gifts may be made to the Pitman Road Church of Christ Capital Fund.

## Sincere Thanks from Florida

I would like to thank you for the gift of \$500 for my sister **Bernadette Cruz**, from the bottom of my heart. Bobby Ross told me to keep an eye on the mail for a card from you, and when I checked the mail last night, it was there. My sister has been very strong since the loss of her son, **Peter Ommy**, but she is going through stages and some days are better than others. Prayers are always welcome because I am a firm believer that God heals through prayers. May God continue blessing you, your church, and it's members, always! -**Jose Luis Cintron**

## Assistance to WV Flooding Victims

A number of our Pitman Road members have family in the part of West Virginia that was affected by the catastrophic flooding last week, including **Lea Ann Kellum, Tamme DeLoskey, and Jayne Schofield**.

**Our church sent a check for \$1000 from our Caring and Sharing budget to help with relief efforts.** If you personally would like to contribute to recovery efforts, you may write a check to Pitman Road Church of Christ and note West Virginia on the memo line. We have also added a category for this special contribution to EasyTithe. We will direct all of the funds that we receive to the Park Avenue Church of Christ, 404 Park Ave., Charleston, WV 25302. They are distributing gift cards and supplies to people directly affected by the flood.

## LIFE Group Leaders Meeting



**REMINDER: Important "Vision" meeting for LIFE Group leaders and potential leaders on Saturday, July 9th at 4:00-6:00 pm in the Family**

**Life Center. Dinner will be provided. If you have not already done so, please RSVP immediately to Glynn Durham at 856-325-9708 or to [poppydurham@gmail.com](mailto:poppydurham@gmail.com). Come and share your dreams for LIFE Groups.**

## This Week's Prayer Requests

**The monthly Ongoing Prayer Requests for July is now available as an insert in this week's bulletin, as well as next to the bulletin in the foyer, and will also be sent out via email. New, urgent, and immediate prayer requests will appear in the bulletin for 2 weeks unless updated. All others will be on the monthly list.**

### **Praise:**

We are SO thankful for the efforts that were made by both members and friends of our church to "close the gap!"

### **Prayers Requested:**

**Remy Ziegler**, infant great-nephew of Melody Davis, recovering from procedure to repair a heart valve.

**Ed Stetser** recently fractured 4 of 5 bones across the top of his foot. He is in a non weight bearing cast and in rehab at the Atrium Post Acute Care facility in Woodbury, 467 Cooper Street, room 204. Calls or visits are welcome. His cell phone is 857-466-9878.

**Chris McConnell**, internal bleeding due to an inflamed esophagus, undergoing testing.

**TJ Bowen**, friend of Lea Ann Kellum. She is in her 90's and was found unresponsive after a possible stroke. TJ has been living on her own and enjoys her life and serving God.

**Jim Edwards**, friend of the Points, internal bleeding.

**Florence Murray** is continuing her recovery from cellulitis at home.

**Howard Mansdoerfer**, Brian's dad, kidney stones, fragile health complicates matters.

**Michelle**, Frank Sheehan's niece, regained consciousness, moved to rehab hospital. Doctors expect her to make a full recovery! Frank very is thankful for our prayers!

**Christa**, friend of Stephanie DeStefano, recovering from kidney surgery.

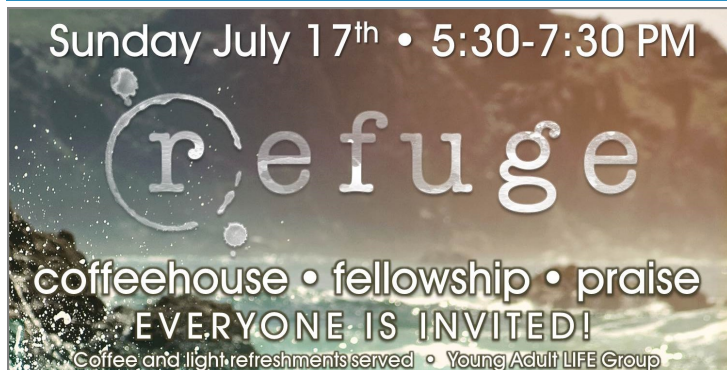
**Marguerite Brown**, friend of Cheryl Rosenberger, terminally ill.

**Candice Leigh Gorman**, Marguerite's infant granddaughter, brain hemorrhage.

### **Missions:**

**Garth and Diana Hutchinson** serving in Marseille, France during the Marseille Church Mission Week (July 2-10) Garth returns to the US on July 11th. **Diana, Lucas, and Claire Hutchinson** serving at Camp Harmonie Bible Camp in France (July 13-27), returning to the US on August 2.

**TORCH Missions Honduras team**, July 2-14.



**Join us for REFUGE! This month we will have a special guest speaker! Come and hear about Alana Peterson's journey with God in her defeat of cancer. Please note that we meet on a different night this month.**

## Our Schedule

### Sunday

9:00 am Bible Classes  
10:00 am Worship

### Wednesday

7:00 pm Bible Classes  
7:45 pm Fellowship

### Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday  
8:00 am - 5:00 pm

## Last Week

Bible Class	166
Worship	237
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	79
Contribution	\$8,549
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$549,120.00
Contribution YTD	\$545,132.00
Under Budget	(\$3,988.00)

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**Elder on Call for July and August: Mike Lazar**

## Serving Us Today

Nursery	Carla, Makayla, Leah Clements
Kids For Christ	Summer Break
Jr. Worship	Summer Break
Greeters: Front Entrance	Anita O'Hara & Adam Cerquoni
Greeters: Back Entrance	Garth & Diana Hutchinson
Ushers	Lee Collier and Tyler Steffy
Information Center	Mary Collier
Shepherd's Call	Mike Lazar
Song Leader	Mike Broyles
Communion	Brian Kleineweber

**Our Family Promise Host Week begins NEXT Sunday.** There is still a need of volunteers. Please see the sign up sheets in the foyer for the up to date listing of open slots.

## Outreach Opportunity



**We are opening our parking lot to the community to view the Alcyon Lake fireworks.** The teens will once again be handing out hot dogs and water bottles to our guests. Our restrooms will be open, and we will also provide an opportunity for our guests to have fun in

our Independence Day Photo Booth! If you would like to join the fun, we suggest you arrive between 7-8:00 pm; fireworks begin about 9:00 pm. Be prepared for traffic.

**This event is primarily an outreach to our community. Please come as ambassadors of our hospitality...leave the best parking spots, water bottles, and hot dogs to be first come and first served for our guests!**

## Closing the Gap: Good News

One month ago, we updated you on the deficit we were facing with our church budget. We were approximately \$27,000 behind on our budgeted contributions.

The elders and ministers went first, as we committed to give extra, and we asked you to follow. Some of us doubled up, some of us tripled up our contributions, and some of us simply made up for a week or two that we'd fallen behind. We even had those who have not officially become a part of our membership who gave generously to help us close the gap!

Many of us did something extra, and God gets all the glory! As of the end of our fiscal year, we closed the gap dramatically, and ended up only \$3,988 deficit for the fiscal 2016, which ended June 30. Thank you for being an "extra mile," "extra dollar" church. **-Dan**

## Important Information Regarding the Trenton Meal and Volunteers Serving the Meal...

**We need volunteers for July 9th. Meet here at 10 am, return about 2 pm.**

...Sign up on the clip board at the information Center.

**We need money!**

...Specifically: **\$400 for May's meal and another \$500 to pay for this month's meal.**

**YOU need shoes!**

**...All volunteers are now required to wear "closed shoes."**

A new policy in place requires that each of us who volunteer with serving at the Trenton meal wear "closed" shoes. **Flip flops or sandals are not allowed.** Sneakers and/or regular shoes are allowed. Please be considerate of this new regulation.



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