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TODAY! immediately following the worship service Souper Super Sunday Pre-Game Party! Please join us for a "Souper" lunch in our Family Life Center!

Super Bowl Sunday Night Parties

At the home of Corny and Phyllis Walker, arrival time is 5:30 PM. Please contact Phyllis and let her know you're attending, and what you will bring.

At the home of Mike and Tina Broyles, doors open at 5:30 PM! Bring your favorite Big Game foods! Beverages and Tomato Pie provided by the Broyles. Please contact Tina and let her know you're attending and what you will bring.

At the home of Linda and Peter Wyatt, arrive at 6:00 pm. Pizza will be provided. Please bring appetizers, finger foods, or dessert. Please call Linda and let her know you're attending and what you will bring.

FOR TEENS: At the home of Tim and Melody Davis, at 5:30 PM. Everyone please bring a 2 liter soda or a bottle or juice. Ladies please bring a dessert. Guys please bring side dishes (chip & dip or an appetizer). Pizza and wings will be provided. If you have any questions contact the Davises.

Be SUPER Generous

You will have an opportunity to make a donation to our Family Promise ministry at the "Souper" Super Bowl Pre-Game Party or at any of the parties being hosted in homes this evening.

Our Mission

From Daniel's Den

My Routine Hospital Visit

I've been doing a lot of hospital visits lately! Phew! More than I'd like.

While every situation is different, I do have a sort of routine hospital visit. After the initial greeting, I share a portion of scripture (frequently out of the Psalms), and at some point we'll pray together. Then, I leave. Typically, my visit is short, 10 to 20 minutes. (Just so you know what to expect in case you or a loved one encounters a hospital stay, and I stop for a visit.) ...And I'm not trying to promote more hospital visitation, so don't get any ideas!

A few weeks ago I made a hospital visit to Horatio. We were up on the 7th floor looking over the city and I was sitting in the waiting area with Jackie, reading a Bible verse aloud. Imagine my shock as was reading from Psalm 27 and she begins quoting it. I've never had that happen before! I stopped reading, and she kept quoting! Wow. My mouth dropped open and she said, "This is my favorite Psalm." Here's how Jackie Fenton's favorite Psalm begins...

The Lord is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; of whom shall I be afraid?

When evildoers assail me to eat up my flesh, my adversaries and foes, it is they who stumble and fall.

We both had a good laugh, and I said, "What are the odds of that? Out of the entire Bible, I pick your favorite Psalm to read to you, as your husband is about to undergo surgery." It was a God moment. I said, "God did that!" When did you last have a "God moment?" When did you last assert, "God did that!" (Why not ask Jackie to quote Psalm 27 you?)

The Lord is my light and my salvation, Dan



Dan Cooper aka "Dan, Dan, the Preacherman"

When did you last have a "God moment?"



Have you noticed that there are a lot of things to complain about? That's the way it was 3,000 years ago; 2,000 years ago; 1,000 years ago and last month. There are so many things to complain about. Complaining is nothing new! In our journey through Bible, my reading took me to Exodus 16 recently. And guess what God's people were doing in Exodus 16? Depending on your translation, they were grumbling and/or complaining!

In the midst of all the complaining, is there anything to celebrate. Is there any reason to rejoice? YES!

I want to celebrate what Carl Steiner and Steve Pierre-Jacques, two of our deacons have accomplished recently. Have you noticed?

- We have new and brighter lights in the Family Life Center.
- We have new lighting (thanks to the cost being covered by a generous donor) on the front of our building.
- We have a new "all night" light in the parking lot, which adds light, even when the main parking lot lights are not on.
- We have a new camera and doorbell, an extra layer of security at the main entrance. From this point on, when any of the office staff are in the building alone, the building will be locked; the only way into the building will be to push to door bell. Once you are seen on camera, and state your purpose, you will be welcomed in. No, we have not had any recent issues, but this extra level of security just seemed prudent.
- In recent months, we have added a number of motion sensitive cameras in and around our building, in the event of unwanted and/or unwelcomed guests. Additional cameras are being ordered and will be placed in coming months.

There is more!

- We had another successful week of Family Promise. We hosted three families; a total of 11 people, adults down to age 2 months. Even though we cut it close, eventually all the volunteer slots were filled. Our guests and our volunteers were blessed.
- Our teens, along with Tim and Melody Davis, coordinated and led a wonderful worship service last Sunday. They focused on the Beatitudes of Matthew 5, in keeping with our RETHINK sermon series. How encouraging it is to see our young men doing such a fine job of leading prayers and communion comments. It is a testimony to their parents, and their youth leaders.

Did you participate in the teens' challenge to five days without TV, social media, and gaming? If you did, we hope you had extra time to focus on JUST JESUS! This week, how about trying five days without grumbling or complaining? Yes, it's a very hard thing to do. So to counteract the inevitable complain... try not to complain... but if you do... counteract that with FIVE things to celebrate or be thankful for... even if it's JUST JESUS! -Dan

Also Happening Today!

After our Souper Super Bowl Pre-game party:

Move Into Community session will be led today by Dan Cooper at 12:30-1:30 pm in room B4. For our newer members: Want to get connected within our Pitman Road family? ...Then this meeting is for you!



Make A Difference session will be led today by John Peoples at 12:30-1:30 pm in room B2. Want to know more about how your God-given gifts and talents can be used for His glory here at Pitman Road? ... Then this meeting is for you!

NEXT Sunday!



Teen News

THIS Wednesday, February 8, 7:00 pm: IMPORTANT Winterfest meeting. Everyone going on the trip needs to attend.

Friday, February 10, 7:00-9:00 pm: NERF WAR in the FLC. Bring your Nerf gun and "bullets."



Friday-Sunday, February 17-19: Winterfest!



<u>WINTERFEST SPONSORS NEEDED:</u> Anyone interested in sponsoring, or partially sponsoring, a teen at Winterfest please see Tim Davis. The total cost is \$160.00.

Blanket Drive Resumes!

February is the "month of love," so here is a tangible way to show Jesus' love to the less fortunate. Let's help keep homeless and needy people warm this winter. You can bring new or clean and slightly used blankets to the building for the month of Febru-



ary. **Barbara Robinson** is coordinating this effort; if you have questions, please contact one of them. Please drop your new or slightly used, clean blankets in the box in the Family Life Center.

Support Needed For Mission Trips

Carl Steiner is feeling called to another trip to Haiti, February 18 -28. Once again, this trip will find him helping some of the poorest and most needy people on the face of the earth.

Carl will again be partnering with **THEA.** Cost for this trip will be about \$1,400. Carl is giving up a full week of work, and had not planned on this trip until now. Would you consider helping with the cost of the trip? Please write your check to Pitman Road Church of Christ and include "Haiti Mission Trip" on the memo section of your check. Drop your check in the collection plate at church or mail your check to: Pitman Road Church of Christ, 500 Pitman Road, Sewell, NJ 08080.

Dear Pitman Road Church Family,

I was overwhelmed by the support you gave me last year! I really appreciate each and everyone of you who helped me get to Bolivia, and also for those who prayed for me. I had an awesome time last year and I have some exciting news: I am planning to go to Bolivia again along with a group of students from Eastern University to participate in the **2017 Bolivia Service-Learning Trip** in May.

I will volunteer at A Breeze of Hope Foundation's programs and will help bring healing and restoration to children who have been sexually abused. I will also volunteer at the school for children from impoverished communities and families, to help provide meals. I will also volunteer at a health center assisting nurses who provide health services throughout impoverished communities. Additionally, I will help in a remote Andean Mountain village with a community-based skills learning program for children with disabilities. As I do this, I will be sharing my love with the children and learn from the Bolivians who are wholeheartedly working to transform their communities.

The main focus of this trip is to learn how I can use my skills and knowledge to serve vulnerable, impoverished, and oppressed children and adolescents, many of whom have endured tremendous suffering. I am really excited to spend my time making a difference in the world.

This year, I need to raise \$2,000 by April 2017. I would love to have your support in this amazing opportunity. If you would like to support me financially, please write a check payable to \underline{A} Breeze of Hope Foundation with "Bolivia Trip" on the memo line and send it to: A Breeze of Hope Foundation, Service Learning Team, P.O. Box 148, Essington, PA 19029. Please include a note with the check specifying that the support is for Amanda Rodriguez. Your donations are tax-deductible because A Breeze of Hope is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charitable organization. Also, please include your contact information to assist with your tax-deductible donation.

Thank you in advance for your support!
Best wishes, Amanda Rodriguez (Rebecca Guy's daughter)

Looking To Go On A Mission Trip?

THIS Wednesday, February 8, there will be a France Mission Trip Meeting in room B4 at 7PM. This meeting is for those who are going on the trip, and those who may be interested in going but haven't signed up

France
Mission Trip 2017
June 25 – July 2
2017

yet. This is the perfect opportunity to find out more about the trip, and to speak to others who have participated in this mission trip in the past. If you have questions ahead of time, contact Dan.

Our Schedule Sunday 9:00 am Bible Classes 10:00 am Worship Wednesday 5:30 pm Meal 7:00 pm Bible Classes Office Hours Tuesday - Friday

8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Last Week	
Bible Class	116
Worship	220
LIFE Groups	
Wednesday	58
Contribution	\$7,270
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$322,772.00
Contribution YTD	\$284,484.00
Budget Deficit	(\$38,288,00)

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Elder on Call for January and February: Mike Broyles		

Serving Us Today

Nursery **TBA**

Kids For Christ Manny Vander Vennen Jr. Worship Brian Mansdoerfer Greeters: Front Entrance Jackie & Horatio Fenton

Greeters: Back Entrance Ron Dargan & Mandy Mansdoerfer Information Center Mary Collier & Brenda Peoples Ushers John Peoples & Corey Peoples

Shepherd's Call Mike Broyles Song Leader Matt Downing Communion Carl Steiner

LIFE Group	Location	Contact
Ageless	Super Bowl Party @ Wyatt's, 6pm	856-205-0208
Beginning Anew	Pregame/Super Bowl Parties	
Brook Besor	Durham's, Thursday at 7pm	856-589-2280
Circle of Sisters	Sbaraglia's Monday at 7pm	856-419-0544
E.H.S.	Pregame/Super Bowl Parties	
Family of Teens	Pregame/Super Bowl Parties	
Hammonton	Super Bowl Party @ Broyles , 5:30	856-561-8532
Men's Bible Study	Church Bldg., Monday at 7pm	856-217-3956
Paracletes	Greenfields Assi't Lvg. at 2 pm	856-449-9656
Solid Gold	Super Bowl Party @ Walker's, 5:30	856-478-6972
Teens	Super Bowl Party @ Davis's, 6pm	609-704-8960
Vineland	Pregame/Super Bowl Parties	
Women in the Word	Church Bldg. Tuesday at 9:45 am	856-589-1500
Young Adults	Pregame/Super Bowl Parties	
Young Married	Pregame/Super Bowl Parties	

Wednesday Night Meal: Taco Salad

Cooks: Harriet, JoAnn, Judi

This Week's Prayer Requests

Please continue to pray over the requests in January's list of ongoing prayer requests. There have been no changes to that list, so we will not be printing a new list for February.

Praise: John Grillo was able to go home this week! Keep those prayers coming! John would still like to receive phone calls and visits, but please call him before you visit so he is ready for your visit.

Prayers Requested:

Mandy Mansdoerfer was diagnosed breast cancer; her prognosis is excellent! She is scheduled to have a bilateral mastectomy

Mary Collier is recovering from back surgery and pneumonia at PowerBack Rehabilitation, room 226, 113 South Route 73, Voorhees. She would love calls and visits. 856-809-3626.

Glynn Durham, side effect from chemo. Please pray for pain relief.

Sandy Sheehan, knee replacement surgery on Feb. 15.

Jack Martin's (former member) mother, recovering from a heart attack and now on kidney dialysis.



PLEASE MAKE THE FOLLOWING UPDATE TO YOUR NEW PHONING CARD...

Cathy Ervin's new cell phone number is 856-870-8588.



Comedy Night to benefit Family Promise of Gloucester County Saturday, March 4th, 2017

Church of the Incarnation-Kernan Center 240 Main Street, Mantua, NJ 08051

Come on out for this hilarious night of clean comedy and help raise money for Family Promise! Tickets are one for \$40 or two for \$70. For more information or to purchase tickets, please go to www.familypromisegc.org/events/

or email rparker@familypromisegc.org.

Tables can be reserved with the purchase of 6 tickets. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Show begins at 8pm.







