

# **PITMAN** ROAD

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# Father's Day is a Time to Remind Fathers

- A time to remind fathers to bring up their children "in the training and instruction of the Lord" (Eph. 6:4) by "encouraging, comforting and urging them to live lives worthy of God." (1 Thess. 2:11-12)
- A time to remind fathers to work at leaving a
  positive impression on their children, not to
  provoke or exasperate them. (Eph. 6:4)

### Father's Day is a Time to Remind Children

- A time to remind children that to honor and obey their fathers isn't just for the benefit of the parent but also for their own good "so that it may go well with." (Prov. 19:26; 20:20; 23:22; Eph. 6:1-3)
- A time to remind children of the joy they can bring to their father by living wisely, not merely by what they say on this one special day. (Prov. 15:20; 23:24-25; 29:3)

# Father's Day is a Time to Remember the Greatest Father

- A time to remember God as "a father to the fatherless" (Ps. 27:10; 68:5) who comforts those who did not grow up with a father or who perhaps had an ungodly father who wasn't there for them as he should have been.
- A time to remember God as the Greatest Father who can serve as a role model for earthly fathers. (Matt. 7:9-11; Heb. 12:7-10; 1 Jn. 3:1)



# Join us beginning NEXT Sunday for our VBS series!

# For Children ages 0-6th grade Inside Out, Upside Down on Main Street!

### **Sunday, 9:00 am:**

All children meet in the Family Life Center for Bible Class. Children will be led in special activities by the VBS team!

### Sunday - Wednesday, 6:30-9:00 pm:

All children meet in the auditorium for fun and singing, and then they will be dismissed by age group to the VBS activities.

# For Adults and Teens Building a God-Centered Home

**Guest Speaker: Matt Fortunato** 

Sunday, June 24

9:00 am Bible Class Identity: Who are we?

10:00 am Sermon

**Purpose: Why are we here?** 

6:30 pm Evening Session

God's Word: Listening to God.

Monday, June 25 at 6:30 pm **Prayer: Talking to God.** 

Tuesday, June 26 at 6:30 pm **Thanksgiving:** Thanking God.

Wednesday, June 27 at 6:30 pm Faith: Trusting God

Go to www.pitmanroadcoc.com for more information or to register children. *Invite a friend!* 



# From Daniel's Den

# A Test on Father's Day!

I learned something new a few days ago. It came from a new book, published just this year, *Factfulness*, by Hans Rosling. First, here is a test! Please circle the correct answer to the 12 questions below.

1.) In all low income countries across the world today, how many girls finish primary school?

A) 20 percent B) 40 percent C) 60 percent

2.) Where does the majority of the world population live today?

A) Low-income countries B) Middle-income countries C) High-income countries

3.) In the last twenty years, the proportion of the world population living in extreme poverty has...

A) Almost doubled B) Remained more or less the same C) Almost halved 4.) What is the life expectancy of the world today? A) 50 Years B) 60 Years C) 70 Years

5.) There are 2 billion children in the world today, aged 0 to 15 years old. How many children of the same age will there be in the year 2100, according to the United Nations?

A) 4 Billion B) 3 Billion C) 2 Billion

6.) The UN predicts that by 2100 the world population will have increase by another 4 billion people. What is the main reason? A) There will be more children [below 15] B) There will be more adults [15 to 74] C) There will be more old people [75 and older]

7.) How did the number of deaths per year from natural disasters change over the last 100 years?

A) More than doubled B) Reminded about the same C) Decreased to less than half

8.) How many of the world's 1 year old children today have been vaccinated against some disease?

A) 20 percent B) 50 percent C) 80 percent

9.) World-wide, 30-year old men have spent 10 years in school, on average. How many years have women of the same age spent in school? A) 9 years B) 6 years C) 3 years

10.) In 1996, tigers, giant pandas, and black rhinos were all listed as endangered. How many of these three species are more critically endangered today? A) Two of them B) One of them C) None of them

11.) How many of the people in the world have some access to electricity? A) 20% B) 50% C) 80%

12.) Global climate experts believe that, over the next 100 years, the average temperature will A) Get warmer B) Remain the same C) Get colder

So, what is the point of this little quiz? See answers and my reflections on bottom of page 4.



Dan Cooper aka "Dan, Dan, the Preacherman"

The Bible,
God's
revealed
scripture,
is the
ultimate
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document



Derrick Busch Minister

"The church is meant to be a refuge for those suffering."

# We're All A Mess

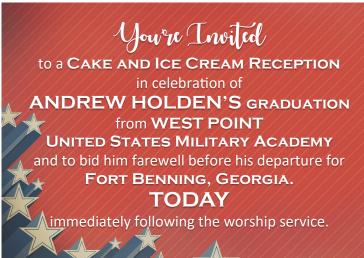
# 5 Truths about Christian Suffering

A summarized excerpt from Joseph Shuemann which was mentioned during last week's sermon entitled, "*Thinking like Jesus*." Meditate on the impact of these truths:

Suffering is Multifaceted: The apostle Paul wrote, "We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed" 2 Corinthians 4:8-9. Paul lists several types of suffering — mental, physical, emotional, and spiritual. Each of these are different ways that we can suffer, and when suffering comes, often several of these types of suffering are involved. Suffering Happens in Community: The church is not meant to be a loosely bound association of functional Lone Rangers. Paul confronts this thinking when he writes, "Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ" Galatians 6:2. The church is meant to be a refuge for those suffering. When a member is hurting, the church applies the bandages; when a member is down, the church encourages; when a member is in need, the church comes alongside to help. Suffering Equips us for Ministry: Firsthand experience in suffering is essential in equipping us for ministry. Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 1:4 that God "comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God." Suffering is a Battleground: Wherever there is suffering, there is a battle — a battle for your soul. The book of Job shows us there can be two ways to respond to suffering: one that curses God because of suffering and one that praises God, even in the midst of suffer. Job 2:9-10. Suffering Prepares us for more Glory: God says a lot about suffering in Scripture so that you know where to look when the pain comes to you. One of the counterintuitive truths about suffering is that it prepares Christians for more glory. Paul writes in 2 Corinthians 4:17-18, "This light momentary affliction is preparing for us an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison, as we look not to the things that are seen but to the things that are unseen. For the things that are seen are transient, but the things that are unseen are eternal."

God's Grace, Derrick

# TODAY!



# FILLED BABY BOTTLES DUE TODAY!

The Pitman Road Church of Christ Youth Group thanks you for joining us in serving "Choices of the heart". Choices of the Heart is a non-profit organization in downtown Turnersville that gives young women a choice. Choices of the Heart gives women who are experiencing an unplanned pregnancy choices to consider before an abortion. Over 50% percent of pregnancies in the United

States today are unplanned. Choices of the Heart is a Faith-Based resource for women that need empowerment and encouragement. This organization has helped hundreds of women. Today, June 17 is the final day to bring in your baby bottles. If there are no teens at the table please contact a teen or Chuck Olley and he/she will give you further instruction on where to place your bottle. You can find more information about Choices of the Heart at:

choicesoftheheart.com

Thank you for your generosity, Maggie Mansdoerfer **PRYG** 

You're Invited to a Graduation Open House for

# Clay Olley

July 8, 2:00-6:00 pm at 34 Irish Lane, Galloway, NJ RSVP 609-457 - 6464





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It's time to sign up to volunteer for our next Family Promise Host Week, Sunday, July 15 – Sunday, July 22

Volunteers are needed!
Sign up now in our lobby!





With great joy I announce one of the greatest highlights of our Israel/Greece trip. At "Bethany beyond the Jordan," very near where Jesus was baptized in the Jordan River, **Barbara Carney** was baptized into Christ on Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup>. Be sure to greet your newest sister in Christ. She has attended our church over seven years now, so this decision is huge Dan



Congratulations to **Sharnice Jones** on being awarded a
Masters in Public Health with
emphasis in Policy and Management from Drexel
University.

God's blessings to **Leah Clements** as she represents NJ with her 1st Place Essay at the National ACT-SO Original Essay Competition in San Antonio Texas next month. Leah's essay details her efforts to improve and support Social Justice at her high school.

## SYMPATHY



We received word from Waverly Hale, that his mother, **Alice**, peacefully passed away during the middle of the day on Thursday. Hospice was a big help in the final days, but Dawnna and the boys also provided loving and crucial care for Alice over the last few weeks. Funeral arrange-

ments are still pending, but the plan is to bury her in Virginia. So many adjustments for the Hale family in the last few months. continue to pray for God to give them guidance and strength. Waverly's dad passed on Oct. 14 at the age of 94, and his mom, Alice, passed on June 14, and would have been 94 on July 9th.

If you would like to send them a sympathy note, please use the following address:

Waverly and Dawnna Hale 1030 E. Hwy 377. Ste. 110 PMB 263 Granbury, Tx 76048

#### Our Schedule

#### Sunday

9:00 am Bible Classes 10:00 am Worship

Wednesday 7:00 pm Bible Classes

#### Office Hours

Tuesday - Friday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Last Week	
Bible Class	105
Worship	178
LIFE Groups	n/a

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Lori Hernandez

Wednesday

### Serving Us Today

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Kids For Christ **Summer Break** Jr. Worship **Summer Break** Greeters: Front Entrance Larry & LeaAnn Kellum Greeters: Back Entrance Mary & Lee Collier Information Center Donna Mychajlowycz Ushers John & Brenda Peoples Shepherd's Call Garth Hutchinson Song Leader Mike Broyles Communion



Plan to attend the annual July 4th festivities with Pitman Road!

- •View the Pitman July 4th Parade from the Cooper's front lawn.
- •View the Alcyon Lake Park

fireworks from our property as we host the local community.

**IMPORTANT** - There will be a Pitman Road Church Float in the Pitman Parade. Volunteers are need to walk with the float and hand out flyers. If you are willing to volunteer, please contact Troy Spencer - text or call 609-820-6071

### Find Us on Social Media:







# This Week's Prayer Requests

#### **Prayer Requests:**

Jayne Schofield, needs our prayers for several serious health issues.

**Fran Point** is having cataract surgery on her left eye, tomorrow then on July 2, she will have cataract surgery on her right eye.

Dwight Thompson continues with his physical and occupational therapy. He is growing stronger each day. Dwight and Mary Lea deeply appreciate our prayers. Cards are appreciated, but visits are still not appropriate at this time. His desire is to be with us again on a Sunday either late June or early July.

Mike Lazar is home recovering from shoulder surgery.

Clare Hightower's procedure went as expected. She will be recovering at home for two weeks.

**Linda Prenger's** preliminary biopsy results of the suspicious area is not the consistency of malignancy, but of course they need to wait on biopsy results. Praise God! Keep praying!!!

John Cerquoni, Adam's brother, is improving. You can send cards of encouragement to John c/o Madison Wilson, 162 Thornwood Dr., Marlton, NJ 08053.

Sandy Sheehan, Retesting for high liver enzymes in a couple of weeks. Sandy will be having surgery on June 28 for Endovascular Arotic Aneurysm Repair. She asks for prayers for both concerns. Geen Richards, Brenda Busch's aunt, update: Her tumor has shrunk significantly after this first round of chemotherapy. She will be taking another round of chemo, but in medication form. She is in good spirits, except that she is often tired. She thanks everyone for their

Kareem Rutledge, Jr. continues his stay at Magee Rehabilitation Hospital. Continue to pray for his complete recovery.

Lea Ann Kellum, has a ruptured tendon in her foot. Off work a couple more weeks.

Leanne Connelly, Judi Campbell's daughter; continuing her recovery from colon surgery.

Van Edwards recovering from a lumpectomy for breast cancer. **Dorice Mitchell.** Katherine Cooper's father, moved into Katherine's sister, Becky's home, in Birmingham.

Stephanie DeStefano, reoccurrence of diverticulitis.

Jim Davis, Tim's' dad, is in the Hammonton Center for Rehabilitation and Healthcare (43 N. White Horse Pike, Hammonton), room 115 B. Stephanie Robins friend of Barbara Robinson, skin cancer.

# FEEDING THE HUNGRY IN TRENTON

SATURDAY, July 14. 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

SIGN UP AT THE **WELCOME CENTER** TO VOLUNTEER TO SERVE THE MEAL.

If you are willing to contribute to the cost of the meal, note "Trenton Meal" on your check, drop it in the collection plate, or give it to Dottie.

### **Answers to the Father's Day Test**

Before I give you the answers to the Quiz on my From Daniel's Den article (see top of page 2), I want to share several significant insights with you.

There is more good news around than we are led to believe.

Journalist, and journalism in general, tends to distort our perception of reality.

We are out of touch with where the world is now.

Most media outlets have a bent toward sensationalism.

The Bible, God's revealed scripture, is the ultimate truth-telling document!

Here are your correct answers:

1: C, 2: B, 3: C, 4: C, 5: C, 6: B, 7: C, 8: C, 9: A, 10: C, 11: C, and 12: A