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Our Mission

Pinewoods exists to worship and proclaim the excellences of Him who has called us out of darkness into His marvelous light, to promote unity among God's people, to make disciples by equipping them for works of service, and to ignite a life transforming movement of the gospel in Pensacola, the Gulf Coast, and the world.

From the desk of Senior Pastor Joel Treick

This week, as I was thinking about Easter, I read a very interesting article over at Core Christianity called *7 Unbiased Facts About Jesus' Death*.



The facts are "unbiased" in the sense that they're agreed upon by both conservative and liberal scholars. While there is much disagreement about what happened to Jesus after he died, these "seven unbiased facts" are helpful because they establish some degree of common ground with our unbelieving friends and neighbors. Rather than starting a conversation about Jesus from a point of disagreement, I've found it's helpful to start evangelistic conversations from a point of agreement. (That's what Paul did in Acts 17 when he preached the gospel in Athens. He began by saying, "Men of Athens ... I perceive that in every way you are very religious." He noted that they had an altar "to the unknown god," and used that as a jumping-off point to talk about Jesus and the resurrection.)

I also think these "seven unbiased facts" are helpful because they take the story of Jesus out of the realm of fantasy and legend and place it within the realm of history. So often, conversations about "religion" are frustrating because they're mostly about our feelings. If I say, "You should worship Jesus on Sunday mornings because Jesus changed my life," and my unbelieving friend says, "You should play golf on Sunday mornings because this titanium driver changed my life," ... the conversation is basically over. If the gospel is **true** because it's **useful**, then who am I to argue with someone else who says golf is useful, or Buddha is useful, or the Quran is useful, etc. If Jesus gives me a better life and those things give you a better life ... who's to say what's right or wrong? On the other hand, if we point out the gospel is **useful** because it's **true** ... that's another conversation entirely! Then we're talking about historical facts that can be examined objectively.

With that in mind, I'd like to share some of these "seven objective facts" with you. These specific facts were compiled by **Pastor Timothy Massaro** who oversees the Christian Education ministry at Resurrection PCA in San Diego, CA. They are listed here with great appreciation for his research!

Objective Fact #1: Jesus was a real person.

The vast majority of scholars agree that Jesus of Nazareth was a real, historical person who lived and died in first century Palestine. This fact is (obviously) attested by the New Testament documents and 2,000 years of church history, but it's also attested by "hostile sources."

Jesus of Nazareth is referenced in Tacitus' *Annals* (15.44), Josephus' *Antiquities of the Jews* (20.9), the Babylonian Talmud, *Sanhedrin Tractate* (43a) and the *Toledot Yeshu*, a "biography" of Jesus told from an anti-Christian perspective. None of these sources present Jesus as the divine Son of God, the Savior of sinners, but all of them attest to the fact that Jesus was a real person.

Objective Fact #2: Jesus was condemned to die by the Romans.

According to multiple sources, Jesus was sentenced to death by the Jews for blasphemy and sorcery. In other words, he was accused of claiming to be God and performing supernatural acts, which his opponents attributed to Satan. (See Matthew 9:34 and Luke 11:15 where the Pharisees said Jesus “cast out demons by the prince of demons.”) After the Jewish authorities sentenced him to death, they handed him over to the Romans, specifically Pontius Pilate, since the Jews were not permitted to administer the death penalty.

(Joseph Klausner, *Jesus of Nazareth* [New York: Bloch, 1989], 18-46; Babylonian Talmud, *Sanhedrin Tractate*, 43a; Shabbat 11.15; b. Shabbat 104b; *Toledot Yeshu*. Cf. [Luke Timothy Johnson, *The Real Jesus*](#) [San Francisco: Harper, 1996], 123-25).

Objective Fact #3: Jesus was executed by crucifixion.

Jesus’ death on a Roman cross was a well-known historical event. It was written about by Christian, Jewish, and secular historians. Liberal Jewish Rabbi Samuel Sandmel observes,

“Certain bare facts are historically not to be doubted. Jesus, who emerged into public notice in Galilee when Herod Antipas was its Tetrarch, was a real person, the leader of a movement. He had followers, called disciples. The claim was made, either by him or for him, that he was the long-awaited Jewish Messiah. He journeyed from Galilee to Jerusalem, possibly in (AD) 29 or 30, and there he was executed, crucified by the Romans as a political rebel. After his death, his disciples believed that he was resurrected, and had gone to heaven, but would return to earth at the appointed time for the final divine judgment of mankind.” ([Rabbi Samuel Sandmel, *A Jewish Understanding of the New Testament*](#), 3rd ed. [Woodstock, Vermont: Jewish Lights Publishing, 2010], 33.)

Objective Fact #4: Jesus was buried in a tomb after his death.

According to ancient historical records (both Christian and non-Christian), Jesus was buried in the tomb of Joseph of Arimathea. Jesus received an honorable burial, even though he suffered a dishonorable death. Liberal New Testament scholar John A. T. Robinson argues from the evidence that the burial of Jesus in a tomb is one of the earliest and best-attested facts about Jesus ([John A. T. Robinson, *The Human Face of God*](#) [Philadelphia: Westminster Press, 1973], 131). **Michael Horton** observes,

“The burial of Jesus in the tomb of Joseph of Arimathea is mentioned in all four Gospels (Mt 27:57; Mk 15:43; Lk 23:50; Jn 19:38-39). This is a specific detail that lends credibility to the account. Furthermore, it’s an embarrassing detail that the disciples would not likely have forged. After all, according to the Gospels, the disciples fled and Peter had even denied knowing Jesus. Yet here is a wealthy and powerful member of the ruling Jewish Council (Sanhedrin), coming to Pilate to ask for permission to bury Jesus in his own tomb.

Adding to the embarrassment, according to John 19:38-42, Joseph was assisted in the burial by another leader of the Pharisees, Nicodemus (who met with Jesus secretly in John 3). Joseph was of such a stature that Pilate conceded to deliver the body over to him, but only after confirming with the centurion that Jesus was in fact dead (Mk 15:44-45). Everybody who was anybody knew where this tomb was, especially Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus. There was no question about where Jesus had been laid.”

Objective Fact #5: Jesus’ tomb was empty two days after his death.

Here’s **Michael Horton** again:

“The controversial claim is not that Jesus lived, died, and was buried. A little more controversial, though, is the claim that his tomb was empty on the third day. However, this is disputed by contemporary rather than ancient opponents.

Romans, too, were concerned about the disruption caused over Jesus’ empty tomb. A marble plaque was discovered with an “Edict of Caesar” commanding capital punishment for anyone who dares to “break a tomb.” Called the *Nazareth Inscription*, the decree was provoked by disturbances in Jerusalem and the plaque has been dated to somewhere near AD 41.

FROM THE DESK OF SENIOR PASTOR JOEL TREICK

Suetonius (75-130 AD), a Roman official and historian, recorded the expulsion of Jews from Rome in 48 because of controversy erupting over “a certain Chrestus” (*Claudius* 25.4).

In a letter to the Emperor Trajan around the year 110, Pliny the Younger, imperial governor of what is now Turkey, reported that Christians gathered on Sunday to pray to Jesus “as to a god,” to hear the letters of his appointed officers read and expounded, and to receive a meal at which they believed Christ himself presided (*Epistle* 10.96). Although unable to locate Jesus, dead or alive, the very fact that Jewish and Roman leaders sought alternative explanations for the resurrection demonstrates that the empty tomb was a historical fact. For the gospel story to have come to an easy and abrupt end, the authorities would only have had to produce a body.”

Objective Fact #6: Jesus’ followers claimed to see him alive.

Adrian Warnock observes, “The church did not create the resurrection stories; instead, the resurrection stories created the church.”

In other words, after Jesus’ death, his disciples were “lost, helpless, and afraid.” Even though Jesus had told his disciples that he would rise again, it appears that none of them believed him. The women who found the empty tomb weren’t expecting a resurrection. They were expecting to put flowers on the grave of a dead person. The male disciples weren’t expecting a resurrection. They didn’t even bother to come to Jesus’ tomb on the third day. Bishop N.T. Wright points out that they didn’t even have a theological category for an individual person rising from the dead before the general resurrection of the dead at the end of history.

That leads Warnock to write, “It is hard to conceive of anything other than the resurrection of Jesus that would have led to this rag-tail bunch of people sharing the message of Jesus in such a way that it grew into the largest religious movement ever known to man.”

There’s also the important point that most of the early disciples suffered and died precisely *because* of their claim that Jesus rose from the dead. It’s certainly possible for people to believe and tell lies. It’s certainly possible for someone to suffer and die for a falsehood he or she genuinely believes to be true. It strains credulity, however, to believe that the disciples would be willing to suffer and die for something they knew to be a deliberate deception. (This is especially true when you remember that the disciples had nothing to gain by falsely claiming that Jesus rose from the dead. The resurrection was grossly offensive to both Jews and Gentiles. It was the most objectionable thing the early Christians believed about Jesus.)

Objective Fact #7: Jesus’ enemies never presented the body.

There is no Christianity without the resurrection. The early church staked everything on the historical claim that Jesus rose from the dead, thus proving that he is God and validating everything he ever said. If the Roman and Jewish authorities wanted to stamp out Christianity forever, all they had to do was present Jesus’ dead body. They couldn’t, because the body was gone.

That leads us to the one **disputed claim** ... the claim that Jesus’ body was gone because he rose from the dead on Easter morning. Paul summarizes this early Christian belief in 1 Corinthians 15:3-8

1 Corinthians 15:3–8 ³For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. ⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me.

Jesus lived a perfect life. He died a sacrificial death. He rose again from the dead! That’s the story of Easter. That’s the story of salvation. We who were dead in our trespasses and sins have been made alive again ... by grace, through faith, in our risen savior, Jesus Christ!

Happy Easter!

Pastor Joel

PRAY FOR OUR PINWOODS MISSIONARIES

Ian and Heather serve in a sensitive ministry.

Ian and Heather are very thankful for our prayers and support over the years. **They will soon celebrate their 7th year of ministry.** Over those seven years they have played many roles: helping with medical clinics, community education, theological education, and church planting. Their team is growing, and now includes three families. God has directed them to some great national pastors. It has been an amazing time watching God grow his kingdom. However, it has not always been easy. They have endured many long bouts of sickness, been through coups and terrorist attacks. They have watched friends bury their children. They have lost friends. They have put all our time and effort into things just to watch them fall apart seemingly over night. But again, God is faithful and Ian and Heather are so grateful that they get to be a part of what is going on in their ministry.



Ian, Heather, Daniel and Jonathan visiting the location where they hope to build a church and a theological training center.

David and Marcia serve in a sensitive ministry.

Praises:

- Our co-worker and team leader had a second heart surgery and is home and on the mend, Lord willing. It has been a long haul since August when this first began. Praise God that Chuck's health is improving and that Wyema has stayed strong and safe while caring for him and going back and forth to the hospital. The love and concern displayed by the immigrants they work with for Chuck during his illness has been a precious sight and has drawn them together in special ways. Praise the Lord that Chuck is better.
- We had someone from the States, Richard, come do a weekend conference for the immigrants in their language. It was well received and encouraged those who could attend.
- The immigrant group has both grown together and seems to have become a part of the bigger church. They have had some good fellowship times together and with the church. Pray that both continue.

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- M was baptized early in January and received her visa to remain in February. Pray for her as she grows in her knowledge of Jesus and life in Him. She has brought visitors to church with her, which has been an encouragement. New Christians are some of the best evangelists!
- We travelled to another continent in February for a little over two weeks to be with our two sons and their wives and our five grandchildren. Praise God for the time to see my youngest son preach in French, be able to talk with the two national pastors they are working with, and attend both the small church plants that have started. David preached in one of the new churches that has been planted there. Pray that God will strengthen the young believers and protect them as they go into the hottest and most difficult part of the year.

Future plans needing prayer:

- Please pray especially for the members of our immigrant group that have difficulty coming on Sundays because of work.
- Pray that God would provide the means for them to not always work on Sunday, and that they would have the desire to fight for the time to worship God.
- Pray for us as we seek to encourage them to grow together in the body of Christ.
- Pray for David as he does outreach at the book table. Easter is a wonderful time to talk about Jesus and how different he is from all other religions especially I... David's main co-worker at the book table is also temporarily out because of hip surgery, so pray for his recovery and for people to step up and help. There is no way all questions can be answered in casual conversations on the street, but hopefully people will be enticed to come to church to find out more about Jesus the Messiah and Risen Lamb.
- Pray for Marcia as she continues to do Chai and Chat, and English class. Some new immigrants have visited, pray that they will continue and come to the Bible readings and join in some church activities.
- In April a native speaking pastor will be with us at various times. He knows many of the people in the group and will continue to develop relationships especially with the young men.
- Pray for opportunities to meet with him and that both the Christians and the seekers will share with him from their hearts in their own language.
- In May we will have a team of 12 coming on a ministry trip for 10 days. Pray for us as we arrange and plan for the time they will be here. We hope to do some sort of football clinic in the park across from the church as an outreach. Pray for all the legal and logistic ins and outs of running a sports clinic in a public area. As we begin arranging this, it is a lot more complicated than we would have imagined. God will provide.

Ben and Kim Church serve with MTW in Uganda.

Prayer Requests:

- We have had many visitors come to Sunday services since we started at the end of last year, but few who have become consistent attenders. Pray for our follow up efforts with these visitors.
- We are beginning new members classes April 7 and 14 - pray that the Lord would bring those whom He desires, and that we would teach clearly about the importance of church membership, as it is not well understood in this culture. We are praying for the Lord to add 40 members to us this year.
- Pray for the Lord to apply His word to the hearts of our core group members - that they would grow in their understanding of the gospel and be moved to share Christ's love in our community.
- Our mercy team is working with a neighborhood boy who has been abandoned by his parents and is malnourished - please pray for this boy's health and a long-term resolution for his care.
- Pray for me and for our church planting team as I work to equip them to build deeper relationships with and to better disciple our core group members.



Pray for Ben, Kim, and their children.

Mark and Nicola Faires serve with SEND North, an organization that supports and administers remote ministry activities throughout Alaska, as well as in the Yukon Territory and Northwest Territories in Canada.

Mark started off the year with a lot of travel. Between trips to Anchorage and Texas, Mark spent half the month of January away from home. The Anchorage trip was about 10 days of work on the Beechcraft Bonanza (SEND's most used aircraft) doing an annual inspection that ended up being a little more extensive (and expensive) than hoped. Mark then headed to Texas to visit his alma mater, LeTourneau University, where he spent time seeking out students who are considering committing to missionary service.

Mark and Nicola have been praying about having an intern come along side Mark for a month or two in the summers. The Faires are not really set up to have another person staying with them for very long as their extra housing is the guest house and they want to keep that available for missionaries and mission teams coming and going throughout the summer. Nevertheless they would appreciate our prayers as they investigate and, Lord willing, put into practice some sort of regular summer internship opportunity.

The Faires are currently still seeking to raise an additional \$3000 towards their ministry expense account (IAMP). Their goal is \$5000 total for this year. This is a fund that allows them to cover ministry expenses that "fall through the cracks" where SEND does not have a budget item or funds available for ministry tasks or work projects.

Prayer Requests:

- The Faires are expecting their fourth child in June. Please pray for a safe delivery and a healthy baby.

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- Please be in prayer with me as I evaluate and pursue the needed tools, resources, and perhaps training, to better maintain and equip SEND North's aircraft.
- Please be in prayer over the status and future ownership of the airport that we operate from. It would be our desire that a fellow believer would buy the property but ultimately we pray that whoever takes over management would be favorable to our mission.

David and Jan serve in a sensitive ministry.

PRAISE God with us for:

- Jan's shoulder surgery going well and the postoperative period being less burdensome than we anticipated
- the support that we've had during this period from our church here with meals provided for us several times each week and the encouraging notes from many of you
- plans beginning to fall into place for our home ministry assignment (HMA) time in the US April 10 – May 23
- His answering prayers for Preston & Sarah, colleagues, during their brief time back in their country of ministry following their unexpected denial of entry; they were able to finish up their business and have meaningful good-byes
- His encouragement as we've recently read several helpful Christian books including *Embodied Hope: A Theological Meditation on Pain and Suffering* and *Caring for One Another*

PRAY for:

- Jan as she stops wearing her sling and begins physical therapy --pray that she will tolerate it well and quickly recover strength and range of motion and be pain free
- the remaining scheduling for our HMA this spring and that as we visit churches and supporters that we will be able to convey our gratitude and that they will feel connected to our ministry
- our financial support shortfall of the past year to be made up by new donors or by increased giving from present donors and that we will wisely use the resources that God has entrusted to us
- growing relationships among our Global M Ministry (GMM) member care colleagues as most of us will be there together at the summit
- us to be an example of relying on Christ in adversity and thus be an encouragement to our GMM family and others around us
- us to eagerly look to Christ and his coming (Philippians 3:20-21, our passage for this year) and that we will rely on his power; that we will find him enough whatever our circumstances

Mack Griffith, Chaplain (Ret) Colonel USAR, serves as the associate director of the PRCC (Presbyterian and Reformed Commission on Chaplains and Military Personnel), an agency of the PCA's Mission to North America (MNA). He is a "chaplain to the chaplains" for the PCA and Reformed chaplains who serve our military forces. Email: Mgriffith@pcanet.org

How you can become personally involved in the PCA's Chaplain Ministry:

For valuable information on the PCA's Presbyterian and Reformed Commission on Chaplains (the PRCC) and for suggestions on how you personally may become involved with this ministry please visit this website: <http://pcamna.org/chaplain-ministries/>

PRAY FOR OUR PINEWOODS MISSIONARIES

This month we are highlighting the prayer requests from three chaplains who serve **with our troops stationed in Europe.**

CH (CPT) Steve Walton, 446 Movement Control Battalion, Grafenwoehr, Germany (PCA - Southeast Alabama) The Lord has blessed me with a good relationship with my new battalion commander, for which I am very thankful. In the months ahead, I'll be circulating more regularly to visit our teams down in the Grafenwoehr Training Area. Meanwhile, the weekly Bible study I'm leading on post here in Stuttgart continues to go well. Our congregation here is growing in grace and in numbers. I will soon begin a sermon series on Revelation in the morning services, and we press on through Romans in the evenings. Praise the Lord with us! 2019 will be our last full year in Stuttgart, and we are seeking the Lord's leading for the future. Our younger son, Branch, is working toward his GED and plans to join the US Coast Guard next year. Sam and his wife Leanna are adjusting well to married life. **PRAYER REQUESTS:** Pray that I would be a good pastor, Chaplain, and staff officer, to the glory of God. Pray also for a new, larger meeting place for Covenant Fellowship Church of Stuttgart, and that the Lord would establish and provide for the congregation here, for the Lord's leading for Hilary and me for the future. Pray that our sons and our daughter-in-law would walk steadfastly with the Lord. **EMAIL:** steven.k.walton.mil@mail.mil

CH (LTC) Jeff Dillard, USA, USAG, Wiesbaden, Germany (PCA - Chesapeake) My new assignment is the Garrison Chaplain for Wiesbaden. We have an outstanding team of conservative Christians who provide organizational leadership for religious support. Currently our greatest task is to gain buy-in with other Chaplains and volunteer leaders for the spiritual objectives and goals. Yet I have no authority over most of them - only influence. My stated mission and vision is 3 H's for 3 R's: providing ministries for the Head (beliefs), Heart (passions), and Hands (service) to build greater Rest in God's Word, Rejoicing among His people, and Reproducing the same toward others. **PRAYER REQUESTS:** Please pray for an unusual number and intensity of ongoing struggles in our extended family back in the States, including poverty, false accusations, severe illness, and broken relationships. Pray for our wise leadership here, specifically for my guidance, training, and rapport with fellow leaders and the same for my wife with ladies' ministries. **EMAIL:** jeffrey.d.dillard.mil@mail.mil

CH (LTC) Collin Grossruck, USA, USAG-RP, Kaiserslautern, Germany (PCA - Pacific Northwest) As the number of troops and families in our area continues to increase, so does our opportunity to reach out through new chapel ministries. We're thankful for a renewed command emphasis on Chaplain engagement with the community, especially outreach to newcomers. Although this is a time of cuts in spending and staff, we welcome renewed support to fund and staff new initiatives for God's kingdom. **PRAYER REQUESTS:** Please pray with us for faithful Chaplains to replace some leaving early. Stand with us in faith for new assistants able to adapt to this fast-paced environment. Continue to lift up our daughter who is facing some academic and health challenges. We so much appreciate your prayers for us, and occasional encouraging devotional thoughts. **EMAIL:** collin.s.grossruck.mil@mail.mil



As of 3/31/19, we have a grand total of \$3,211.59. We thank everyone for your help with this ministry at Safe Harbor. Because of our members generosity Safe Harbor will be able to continue the mission of saving unborn babies and preaching the gospel to their mothers. There are 11 bottles still out, please return bottles empty of full. Thank you.



Spring Ladies Bible Study

It's Not Supposed to Be This Way, By Lysa Terkeurst

What happens when life looks very different from the reality we long for? In *It's Not Supposed to Be This Way*, Lysa Terkeurst offers a Biblical perspective and hard-won advice to encourage readers facing their own challenges. Find unexpected strength while wrestling between faith and feelings and learn how to stand through uncertainty and trust in God's goodness.



There are two established classes that meet in the Education Bldg:

Tuesday Mornings 9:30-11:00
Begins Tuesday, March 26th
(Nursery available)

Wednesday Evenings 6:15-7:30
Begins Wednesday, March 27th

Additional Study Opportunities

Precept Upon Precept Study

“The Good, The Bad, & The Ugly - Kings and Prophet Series Begins

Wednesday, April 3 - Cost is \$15.75

We will study the worsening religious and political condition in Judah. We will look at one of the best kings since David (The Good) and one of the worst kings Judah ever had (The Bad). When God brings the Babylonians in to judge Judah and Jerusalem for their sins, everything gets really “Ugly”.

It will be 7 lessons meeting every other Wednesday until June 26. Contact Sheryll Jo Biles

(850)384-0356 if you are interested.

TableTalk - Wednesdays - 10:30 to 12:00 at Ms. Sarah Oaks' home (1600 Amanda Lane)
850-476-4978.

Together we go through *TableTalk* - a discipleship magazine written by today's leading theologians and pastors to help Christians grow in the knowledge of God. It includes daily devotionals, themed content dealing with a particular issue, and featured columns on a variety of issues.

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SPEAKER JULIA FRIEDMAN



FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT KAREN MABIE: 228-343-9725

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8:30AM REGISTRATION

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“YOUR KINGDOM COME, YOUR WILL BE DONE, ON
EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN.” MATTHEW 6:10

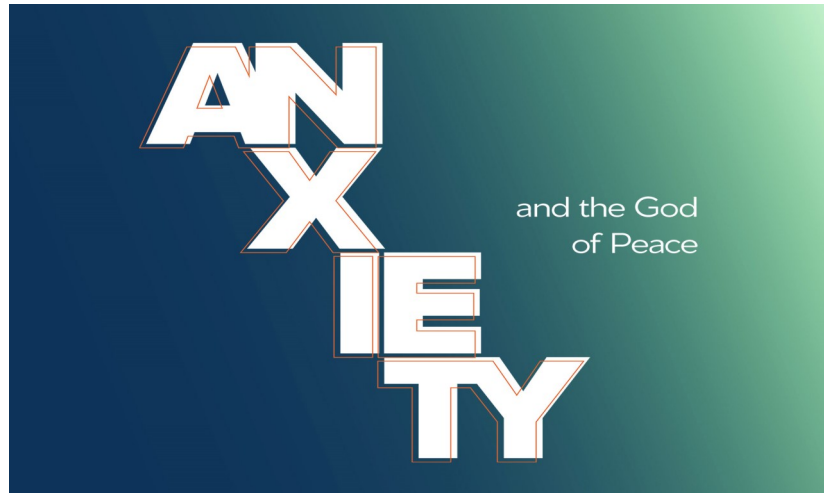


Sign up by March 31



Julia Friedman is originally from South Florida where she learned that warm ocean water is about the best thing on earth. She graduated from Palm Beach Atlantic University with an undergraduate degree in biochemistry. Coming to a full understanding of Christianity after college, she decided to go to Reformed Theological Seminary in Jackson, MS where she received a Master's Degree in Biblical Studies. She worked in youth ministry for ten years before deciding to return to medicine and getting a doctorate in pharmacy. Currently she is bi-vocational, working on pharmacy staff at a teaching hospital and speaking at women's events and Bible studies as she attempts to make Christ known in all corners of her life. She and her husband Kevin have one son and live in Chattanooga, TN.

CCEF - Christian Counseling & Educational Foundation
2019 National Conference



We hope you can join us at this year's National Conference in
Birmingham, Alabama — October 11-13, 2019.

Early registration (\$200)
first deadline April 31.

<https://www.ccef.org/conference/2019-national-conference/>

Pinewoods Graduate Recognition

Parents of Graduates . . . we need your help in honoring our high school & college graduates in our May newsletter. If you are the parent of a soon-to-be graduate (high school or college), please bring or e-mail (info@pinewoodschurch.org) the following items to the church office by Sunday, April 7th:

- ♦ Full name of student.
- ♦ Current picture of student.
- ♦ Name of school student graduating from.
- ♦ Brief description of future plans.



Also needed: at least 30 digital pictures* of each high school student graduate at different stages in their life. Please bring or send these pictures to Brenden, Ashley or Savannah.

*Digital pictures that are numbered in the order you would like them to appear, is the best format. Please also include a digital copy of a favorite song. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR HELP!

SHORT-TERM MISSIONS OPPORTUNITY

YOU'RE INVITED!

Journey to Cherokee, North Carolina, and serve through Grace Community Church of Cherokee, a “family friendly” mission church where all ages are welcome. Cherokee is an excellent place for a first-time missions experience. Teams are encouraged to return several years in succession in order to build and deepen their relationship and witness to the Cherokee people.



Short-Term Missions Opportunity

The Great Smoky Mountains in NC is home to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. MTW Missionaries Scott and Ruth Hill and Norman and Julie Beck, along with their children, have planted Grace Community Church of Cherokee. They live in and serve the Cherokee community and are assisted by the work of short-term teams.

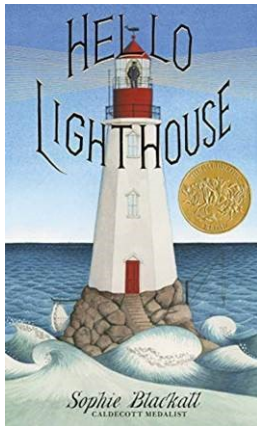
Grace Community Church, along with short-term teams, serves the Cherokee tribe through word and deed ministry. Backyard Bible clubs, vacation Bible schools, sports/day camps, community visitation, and senior citizen centers are among the many avenues through which teams can minister. Teams may also choose to be involved in relational evangelism through repair of homes and buildings.

Interested in a Short-Term Missions Trip to Cherokee? Dates: June 15-22, 2019. Contact Brenden or Ashley Camp.

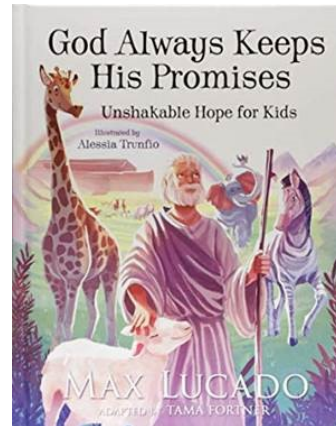
LIBRARY NEWS

Come see our new **BOOKSHELVES** in the **LIBRARY!!!** They are handsome! Many thanks to the fine couple who made them for us!!! Our shelves were almost full before, and now we have room for more good books. We estimate that our library has 9,000 volumes and 800 DVDs. We hope you will check them out and read them to help you grow in your faith. All kinds of subjects grace the shelves from church history to fiction to prayer to parenting to commentaries to Bibles to science to the nature and work of our God.

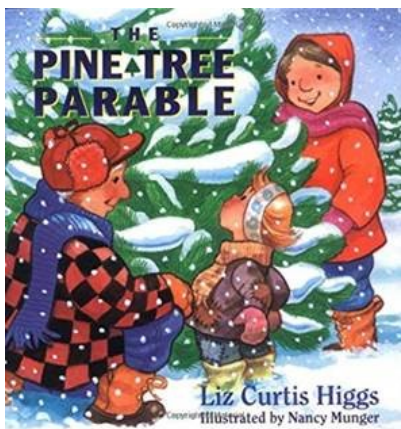
Spring Library News -- New Books for Children



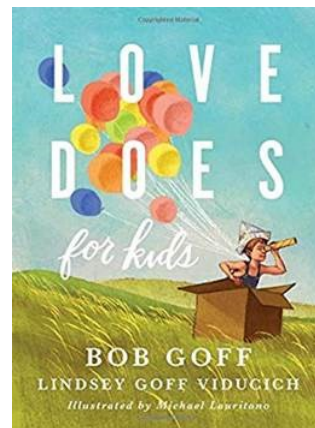
Hello Lighthouse
by Sophie Blackall



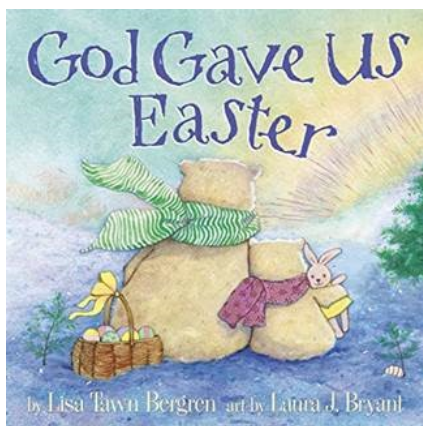
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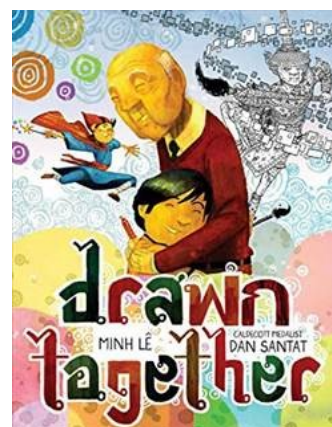
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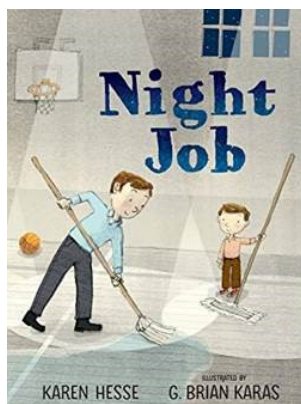


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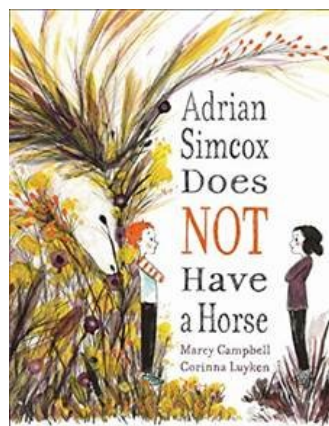


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Spring Library News -- New Books for Children (continued)



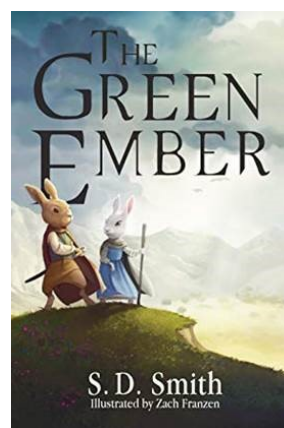
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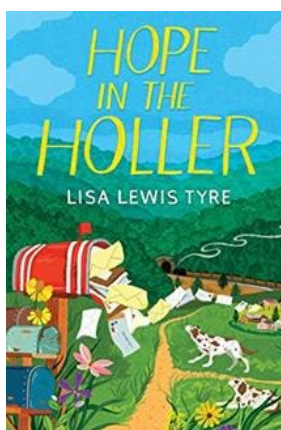
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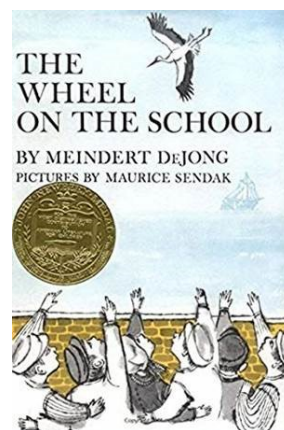
Nowhere Boy
by Katherine Marsh




(The Green Ember Series)
by S. D. Smith



Hope in The Holler
by Lisa Lewis Tyre



The Wheel on the School
by Meindert DeJong



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MAUNDY THURSDAY

April 18 @ 6:30 pm

Sacrament of Communion

Please be in prayer to
prepare your hearts.

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JOIN US FOR

EASTER

CELEBRATE OUR SAVIOUR

Sunday, April 21, 2019

9-9:45 am - Breakfast: Pancakes, Sausage, Eggs & Fruit in the Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. - Morning Worship Service

Join us immediately following the worship service for an Easter Egg hunt on the church grounds! No Sunday School Classes or evening activities.



Parenting Workshop



With Karla Hardin

Practical Christian parenting for children under 12.

APRIL 27, 2019

9:30 AM - 4:00 PM

\$35 per person or \$60 per couple

Includes: Lunch and Childcare

Pinewoods Church
2198 Highway 297-A
Cantonment, FL 32533

Contact Krissy McKee to register. krissy@pinewoodschurch.org

 *Hardin Life Resources*

Rejoice!

PINEWOODS FAITH AND ART CAMP

SAVE THE DATE
JULY 8 - 12

PINEWOODS CLASSES / LIFE GROUPS

Sunday School @ PW Kids

Kindergarten - 5th Grade

Every Sunday Morning

Worship 8:45 - 9:00 Lesson 9:00 - 9:45

Meet in Education Building



YOUNG ADULTS SUNDAY SCHOOL

MEET IN EDUCATION BLDG 8:45 AM

PAUL TRIPP

JONAH

You Can't Outrun Grace



PW STUDENTS (JR/SR HIGH) MEET IN
THE MIKE 8:45 AM

CREATION CARE

(TAUGHT BY JOSEPH RICKETS)



Adult Sunday School

Meet in Fellowship Hall

8:45 AM Begins April 14

CHURCH HISTORY 101

THE HIGHLIGHTS OF TWENTY CENTURIES

Sunday

McSwain / Sport Life Group—5:30 - 7:30 pm

(Jean 516-3990)

Milstid / Drew Life Group - 5:15 pm

(Frank 968-0274)

Ladner Life Group -

(Judy 968-9888)

Treick / Roe Life Group - 5:30 - 7:15pm (Shirley 748-0154)

Meets at church Fellowship Hall

Tuesday

Men's Prayer Breakfast - 6:15 am @ Denny's (Don 748-0151)

Hannah Prayer Group - 8:30 am (Sarah 476-4978)

East Hill Life Group - 6:15 pm (Suzy 469-1138)

College & Careers - 7:00 - 10 pm (Mercer 516-6971)

Wednesday

Precept Studies - 9 am (Sheryll 479-5944)

Tabletalk Group - 10:30 am (476-4978)

Music Ministry - (Kate 982-0786)

Thursday

West Nine-Mile Life Group - 6:00pm @ Bruce & Sheryll Biles' home 3580 Ashland Avenue

(Heather 228-209-4092; Sheryll 850-479-5944)

This group meets the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month

**** Note: Times and Locations subject to change from each week so please call first. ****

Sunday Night Live

*Continues through
May 19th*


Sunday nights during the school year from
5:30-7:30 PM

we offer a service for children of ALL AGES
which includes free dinner, playtime, games, and
a lesson from The Gospel Project for Kids with
worship & catechism music.

Volunteer Schedule

DATE	INFANT Kristen Rasmussen (Staff)	HALL MONITOR	TODDLER Kathy/Krista Touchstone (Staff)	CHILDREN'S CHURCH
4/7/2019	Susan Whittle	Steven Whittle	Elena Roberson	Jeanne & Gary McArthur
4/14/2019	Deb Showalter	Holly Dean	April Showalter	Judy Dickinson
4/21/2019	Vicki Webb	Stacey Ziglar	Mia Arnold	Shirley Roe Myrene Treick
4/28/2019	Kendall Sainata	Collin Bowman	Jennie Carter	Krissy McKee
5/05/2019	Jean Sport	Karen Mabie	Mercer Sport	Becky Gallagher
5/12/2019	Meghan Hinson	Stacey Ziglar	Robby Hinson	Krissy McKee
5/19/2019	Vera Meacham	Chris Carter	Heather Carter	Lydia Hual
5/26/2019	Tricia Hubbell	Jesse Chasser	Mia Arnold	Krissy McKee
6/02/2019	Elena Roberson	Steven Whittle	Susan Whittle	Jeanne and Gary McArthur
6/09/2019	Deb Showalter	Holly Dean	April Showalter	Judy Dickinson Casey Snyder
6/16/2019	Vicki Webb	Stacey Ziglar	Mia Arnold	Shirley Roe Myrene Treick
6/23/2019	Kendall Sainata	Collin Bowman	Jennie Carter	Krissy McKee
6/30/2019	Jean Sport	Karen Mabie	Mercer Sport	Becky Gallagher

April 2019

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Kevin Webb</i>	2 Men's Prayer 6:15 Hannah Prayer 8:30 Ladies Study 9:30 am East Hill 6:15 pm College & Career 7 <i>Colin Barrows Kathy Diamond</i>	3 Tabletalk 10:30 am Men's Ministry 6 pm Ladies Study 6:15 pm	4 W 9-Mile Home Group 6:00 pm	5 <i>Harrison Payne</i>	6 Women's Retreat 8:30 am - 3:00 pm
7 SS 8:45 am Worship 10:00 PW Students 5:30 SNL Children 5:30 Home Groups 6	8 Diaconate 6:00 pm Session 6:00	9 Men's Prayer 6:15 Hannah Prayer 8:30 Ladies Study 9:30 am East Hill 6:15 pm College & Career 7	10 Tabletalk 10:30 am Men's Ministry 6 pm Ladies Study 6:15 pm	11 <i>Suzy Marshall</i>	12	13
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21 EASTER Breakfast 9-9:45 am Moment for Missions David & Jan/MTW Worship 10:00 Easter Egg Hunt No Sunday School Classes or Evening Activities <i>Heather S.</i>	22 Missions Team Mtg. 6:30 pm	23 Men's Prayer 6:15 Hannah Prayer 8:30 Ladies Study 9:30 am East Hill 6:15 pm College & Career 7	24 Tabletalk 10:30 am Ladies Study 6:15 pm  <i>Brooke Moore Todd Orren</i>	25	26	27 Parents Workshop 9:30 am - 4:00 pm <i>Amelia Spears</i>
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