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# PARKVIEW BAPTIST NEWSLETTER

Becoming like Christ...  
Being Christ in the World!

## In Concert Voices of Grace

March 1  
10:45 AM

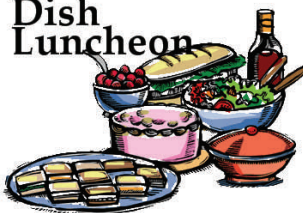
This is a community outreach program of the Robert E. Webber Institute of Worship Studies in Orange Park, FL and is a comprehensive choral program for training young singers in worship leadership through choral excellence. The ensembles comprising VOG sing for various types of worship services, community events and outreach tours. Invite your family and friends to come and enjoy this special concert.

*\*A free-will offering will be received.*

*\*We will also celebrate the Lord's Supper.*



Covered  
Dish  
Luncheon



Following the concert there will be a potluck luncheon, so bring your favorite dish and enjoy the food, fun and fellowship with the children in Voices of Grace.

## The Pastor's Letter

Pastor Greg Magruder



Dear Church Family,

I want to thank the church for allowing me to attend the Institute for Worship Studies in Orange Park, Florida. This institute is the brainchild of Dr. Robert Webber who is known internationally as an educator, theologian and leader in the AncientFuture worship movement. Dr. Webber's graduate program at Northern Baptist Theological seminary has been developed into a distance-learning / on-campus course of study in Florida. It uses the cohort approach to learning in which a "group" journeys together to complete the degree. The course work is not only academic, but also demands interaction among the students in developing projects that can be used in the local church. These projects and papers can then be used by other churches to develop worship experiences and programs in their own settings. I have been on a journey with my cohort for the past two years and it has been rewarding.

I am excited that Parkview benefited in practical ways too. My courses of study have led to some practical applications at our church. I have just finished my final class – the dissertation class. I will be proposing a project to my Thesis Supervisor and once I have his approval I will be sharing the project with you. We will implement the project at Parkview and then I will write my dissertation. I will be asking you to help me in the weeks ahead. I know that the project will also help the church to grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord. I personally have been stretched and challenged spiritually and professionally. I hope you will be stretched too. Thank you for allowing your pastor to grow in his walk with the Lord.

Ash Wednesday begins the Lenten Season for 2009. On Wednesday, February 25, our church will participate in an Ash Wednesday service at 6:30 p.m. This will be a time of prayer, confession, Scripture readings and reflection. Lent has to do with the season of spring and reminds us of renewal and fresh growth. Lent on the Christian calendar has become a time of preparation for Easter and Resurrection! The 40 days prior to Easter are devoted to a time of cleansing, fasting and spiritual formation. It is a time of denial of self and meditation on the death of Christ. It gives us pause so we can truly celebrate the glorious resurrection of Jesus Christ. Lent begins on February 25 and continues through April 8 except for Sundays. Then the Easter season begins and we celebrate new life!

Personally, you may want to use this time of Lent as a way of drawing closer to the Lord. You can spend time developing the habits of our faith like prayer, Bible Study and sharing your testimony. You can use a devotion book like *The Purpose Driven Life* by Rick Warren for the 40 days of Lent. You can use daily devotionals like Open Windows or The Upper Room to spend time with the Lord. If you like the computer you will want to check out these sites for personal devotions: [www.crosswalk.com](http://www.crosswalk.com) or [www.upperroom.org](http://www.upperroom.org). If you want to know more about the history of Lent and use ideas and prayers from great Christians of the past and today, then check out these websites: [www.PrayerFoundation.org](http://www.PrayerFoundation.org) and [www.rca.org](http://www.rca.org).

Other related Lenten events will be our sermon series on *Living the Simple Life: Studies on Jesus' High Priestly Prayer in John 17* on Sunday mornings and our Discipleship Studies on Prayer on Sunday evenings. On Wednesdays during Lent I will be teaching on *Keeping the Main Thing the Main Thing: Basics of a Healthy Church*. Let's use these next 40 days of Lent as a time of revival and restoration at Parkview Baptist Church!

*Pastor Greg*

### MARCH LECTIONARY THEMES

**March 1** Voices of Grace Choir & Communion

**March 8** "Living the Simple Life of Jesus: Worship"

*John 17: 1-26*

**March 15** "Living the Simple Life of Jesus: Evangelism"

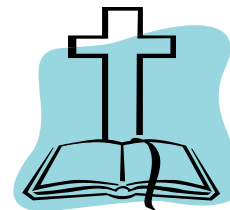
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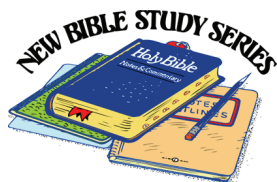
**March 22** "Living the Simple Life of Jesus: Discipleship"

*John 17: 1-26*

**March 29** "Living the Simple Life of Jesus: Fellowship"

*John 17: 1-26*





**MARCH 1  
SUNDAY EVENINGS  
6:00PM**

**PRAYER: DOES IT MAKE  
ANY DIFFERENCE?**

**What is prayer? How does it work?**

**And more importantly, does it work?**

**In 6 thought-provoking and inspiring sessions, award-winning author Philip Yancey helps you explore and experience the very heartbeat—the most fundamental, challenging, perplexing, and deeply rewarding aspect—of our relationship with God: prayer. Join us for the next 6 Sunday evenings at 6:00PM in the sanctuary. Participant guides are available for \$7.00.**

**WOMEN'S MISSION & MINISTRIES**

- March 8-15** Week of Prayer for North American Missions
- March 8** **CBF Mission Emphasis** during Sunday School and Worship Service
- March 9** Cottage Prayer Meeting at Sue Holladay's Home 1029 NW 36th Road at 7pm
- March 10** Harms Mission Group in Prayer Room at 10:00AM
- March 11** Prayer Meeting with Mission Videos from SBC and CBF at 6:30pm
- March 12** Ronald McDonald House Ministries Fidelis Class - Leveda Brown
- March 12, 13, 14** Pray at Home Days using Prayer Guides
- March 15** **SBC Mission Emphasis** during Sunday School and Worship Service

\*\*\*Continue bringing old calendars for the Arbor House, and we will continue to collect washcloths & hand towels, motel size shampoo and conditioner, toothbrushes and trial size toothpaste for St. Francis House. When you start your Spring cleaning in your closet, bring your old clothes for the Peaceful Paths Thrift Shop for newly released prisoners getting back in to the working community and for women & children in domestic abuse situations. Thank You!

**March 8, 2009**

**Daylight Savings Time Begins!!**

Don't forget to set your clocks ahead an hour before you go to bed on Saturday Night!

**2008 North Central Florida Campus Update**



The project located near Gainesville in LaCrosse, Florida reached several milestones in 2008. Our first was to successfully rezone the once agricultural property to a zoning acceptable for a foster care campus. Many of our supporters joined us at the Alachua County Commission Meeting while hundreds of other wrote letters and emails to encourage our elected officials to pass the needed zoning.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Yerman 5K Run and Walk presented by Chick-fil-A raised over \$58,000 and involved over 450 runners, walkers and volunteers. Thanks to our many sponsors including Best Western, The Trophy Shop, Campus USA Credit Union, The Osteen Brothers, Inc., Trippensee Opticians, R&R Construction, Rickman Partnership, Tioga Dental, James Moore and Company, TradePMR, and many more for making this event a success!

Thanks to an offer of a generous \$30,000 matching gift, our supporters more than met the challenge and in the last six weeks of the year Friends of Children received \$96,000! The property title was transferred from Bill and Gaye Cellon to the Florida Baptist Children's Homes in December.

2009 holds great promise with our annual spring auction and the **2009 Yerman 5K Run and Walk on Sept. 26.**

Friends of Children, NCF, INC, ends 2008 with the following:

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| <b>*Total Endowment Funds held by Florida Baptist Children's Homes</b>                                     | <b>\$1,335,763.36</b> |
| <b>\$2.4 million needed to complete Trust Fund</b>   |                       |
| <b>*2008 Social Worker Expenses including office, salary, and costs of placing foster/adopted children</b> | <b>\$66,820.00</b>    |
| <b>*Restricted for Construction of Cottage(s)</b>  | <b>\$100,462.50</b>   |
| <b>Friends of Children ending Bank Balance</b>   | <b>\$121,795.00</b>   |

*For more information on how you can help Friends of Children NCFINC reach our goal of a Florida Baptist Children's Home Campus in North Central Florida, contact Bev Carroll, 352-262-1391, [BCarroll011@aol.com](mailto:BCarroll011@aol.com). PO Box 358502, Gainesville, Fl. 32635-8502 We are accepting donations, seeking volunteers and church representatives. We can also help with estate planning and stock gifts.*



**WE NEED YOU!**

9:00AM - 12:00 PM

March 7

March 21

April 4

April 18

We need everyone's help to get ready for the 50th Anniversary celebration. Please plan on working at least one day. All ages welcome!

**SAVE THE DATE!**

**PARKVIEW'S  
GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY**



**Saturday & Sunday  
April 25-26, 2009**

**Greeters For March**

- 1 Julia Keene
- 8 Gertrude Langdon
- 15 Cheryl Lloyd
- 22 Alan Magura
- 29 Andrew Magruder

**Ushers This Month**

- Jean Paul Calixte
- Henry Keene
- Bob Casey
- Joey Stehno

The Mission of Parkview Baptist Church is to lift up Jesus Christ as  
 Savior and Lord, and to obey His Great Commission.  
*Matthew 28:18-20*  
 Our Purpose Statement  
 The purpose of Parkview Baptist Church is raising the family of  
 Jesus Christ by leading every member to:  
 .....MAGNIFY HIS LORDSHIP IN WORSHIP  
 .....MULTIPLY HIS FAMILY THROUGH EVANGELISM/MISSIONS  
 .....MATURE HIS CHILDREN THROUGH DISCIPLESHIP  
 .....MODEL HIS LIFE THROUGH SERVICE/MINISTRY  
 .....MINISTER HIS LOVE THROUGH FELLOWSHIP

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## **March Birthdays**

- 1 Lou Edwards
- 1 Bill Senterfitt
- 3 John Mathis
- 3 Pat Dean
- 5 Don Harris
- 5 Winnie Neal
- 5 Doris Wilber
- 6 Grace Walther
- 7 Jonathan Deal
- 7 Bobbie Hoover
- 9 Jimmy Hazen
- 13 Ralph Jones
- 14 Ron Chappell
- 15 Debbie Emerson
- 15 Lucy Lemke
- 19 Clarence Magee
- 19 Marilyn Senterfitt
- 20 Wendy Kindig
- 21 Denise Green
- 24 Chris Griffin
- 25 Elizabeth Hodge
- 25 Jan Huffstetler
- 26 Robin Atwood
- 26 Danielle Wilber
- 28 Vickie Hodge



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
AND GOD BLESS YOU!**

DID WE FORGET  
YOUR SPECIAL DAY?

PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH  
OFFICE IF WE OVERLOOKED YOU  
OR ONE OF YOUR LOVED ONES.

## **April Birthdays**

- 1 Sadie King
- 2 Bob Prine
- 2 Ashley Olitsky
- 2 Bill Powell
- 3 Edna Walker
- 4 Sarah Hudson
- 5 Jane Weininger
- 10 Doris Martin
- 14 Paige Comstock
- 15 Austin Cox
- 16 Marlene Mattox
- 17 Nicole Standridge
- 20 Virginia Clark
- 21 Charles Perry
- 21 Jan Randall Neal
- 21 Joey Stehno
- 21 J.D. Comstock
- 23 Greg Magruder
- 24 Debra Martin
- 24 Ralph Newman
- 26 Mac McEachern
- 29 Jay Clark
- 30 Monnie Winchester
- 30 Tom Lunsford
- 30 Jay Weininger





