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Monday-Thursday
9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.
Fridays
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
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Memory Verse

*(Deuteronomy 6:5 *NIV)*

“You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your strength.”

Our Mission Statement:

Parkway Presbyterian Church shares the Good News that all may know God's love in Jesus Christ and that Jesus calls us as followers to Connect with God, Grow in faith with others, and Serve the world.

Announcements:



**Parkway Church
 Annual Gala & Silent Auction
 To Benefit Youth Mission/Retreats**

Thank you to the many volunteers that helped with The Gala this year. We especially want to thank The Gala committee:
 Priscilla Berry, Steve Gillard, Sue Harris, Sherrill McCracken
 and Sue Welch.

We also appreciate all of the support from Parkway members and Parkway staff. We have strived to Glorify God during this benefit for our youth.

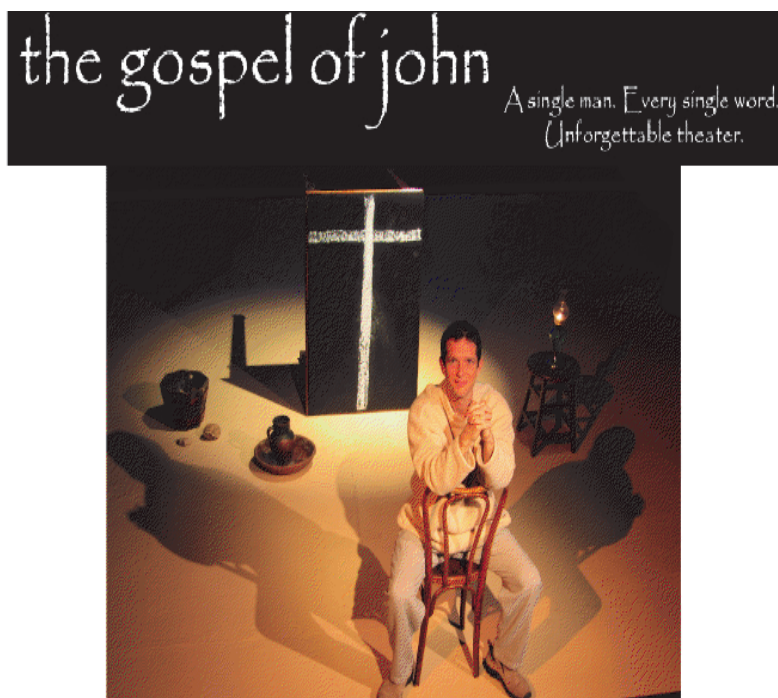
—Thank you,
 Joni Berto and Debbie Negley
 Co-Chairs, Gala Committee 2012

“And whatever you do, whether in word or in deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.” Colossians 3:17

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28TH

Doors Open at 6p—The Performance Begins at 6:30p

FREE—Limited Seating



“lively and engaging. Mr. Sherrill is a poised performer with a subtle physical grace”
---The New York Times

“an amazing achievement! ...transforming theater...riveting!”
---Atlanta Journal-Constitution

“... brings the New Testament to life.”
---The Washington Post

LIVE PERFORMANCE OF JOHN 12-21

Parkway Presbyterian Church

5830 Bethelview Road - Cumming

Wednesday, March 28

Doors Open At 6:00PM, And The Performance Begins At 6:30

LIMITED SEATING

FREE Tickets Available Through The Church Office

770-889-8694, Ext. 12

Brad Sherrill

Since 2001, Brad Sherrill has performed *The Gospel of John* over 600 times in Churches, cathedrals and theaters across the U.S., Canada and the U.K., including a six-week run off-Broadway at New York City's historic *Lamb's Theatre* and at professional theaters in Chicago, Washington D.C., Toronto and Atlanta. International performances have included many large, historic cathedrals in Europe such as *Westminster Cathedral* (London, 2007), *Christ Church Cathedral* (Dublin, 2008) and *St. Peter's Cathedral* (Belfast, 2008.) Brad spent much of 2009 memorizing large portions of texts from Isaiah and Jeremiah for his 2010 premiere of *Prophets*, which premiered in Atlanta at the *Conant Performing Arts Center* in March, 2010 and now tours the U.S.

The Book of John, by heart - All 20,000 words of it

By Kathy Janich

Atlanta actor Brad Sherrill first thought about dramatizing the Gospel of John in early 1999.

In “The Gospel of John,” Sherrill is the entire cast. He commands the stage for two hours, using only his voice and body and a few props—a rustic table, a chair, an oil lamp, a basin of water, a bucket of rocks-- to tell a story that moves him and, he hopes, will touch others.

The evangelist's words resonate with Sherrill, who says the Bible's fourth Gospel has been “whispering” at him for some time, that it “wouldn't leave me alone,” that he's “on fire about it.”

“It's a compelling story,” the actor says, his brown eyes narrowing and beam-ing with purpose as he discusses the 2,000-year-old text. “Regardless of your beliefs, it is the most compelling story. A man came to Earth and lived very quietly until about the age of 29, and then he said he was God's son. He performed miracles. And the political climate was such that he was put to death because he was a rebel.

“John seems to be after something bigger. ‘He is the son of God, but he is also God on Earth.’”

With Sherrill's “Gospel of John,” there is little set and minimal lighting or costumes (he'll probably wear jeans and a casual shirt). There's no script, just the 20,000 or so words that make up the Gospel, the one written by Jesus' apostle named John, the one people usually find the most poetic, the most moving and the most accessible. Sherrill has memorized every one of those 20,000 words - it took 4½ months to get them into his head, and they require a daily refresher course to stay there.

Sherrill sees his audience as “people who think they may be interested in the Bible. People who are interested in seeing good theater and trying to see if one guy can do it. I'm not just doing this for believers,” he says.

Sherrill has been acting pro-fessionally since 1983.

“I began acting at the Church I still go to when I was 11. I know that, had I not been raised in that community and introduced to theater at that early an age, I might not be an actor. So this is something of giving back.”

Sherrill says “The Gospel of John” found him, not vice versa. “I feel that I was called to do something sacred, Biblical.”

Babylon

Daniel's Courage in Captivity

**VBS AT PARKWAY
CHURCH IS THE
"mane" event!!**

**JUNE 11 -15,
9:00a TO
NOON.**

Mark your calendars and invite a friend!

Daniel was way more than the guy who survived a den of hungry lions! Travel back to Babylon and join Daniel. Explore exotic sights and smells in a Babylonian bazaar! Kids and adults will find that they're not much different from Daniel and his friends, who kept their faith in a faithless culture.

Registration
Information
Coming Soon!!

We will need around 100
volunteers to make VBS happen
this summer. If you can lend
a hand please contact
Matthew at 770-889-8694 or
matthew.bullard@parkway-church.org



Members— we are trying to get a current list of ordained Elders and Deacons. In recent years, the member information form asked for this information, but in earlier years we appear to not have obtained this info. If you have been ordained as Elder and/or Deacon in any Presbyterian church, would you please let the church office know which or both, either by phone or email, preferably email: onna.carroll@parkway-church.org.

We need this important information to update our local records and for our new denominational records.

Thank you for your help.

WEDNESDAY PROGRAMS WINTER SCHEDULE

MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDIES

9:30a-11:30a - (Child care is provided.)

- **Experiencing God, (The Revised & Expanded Edition),** Led by Eloise Newton, Library (through May 16)
- **Precept Study, Led by Janet Barnett, Trailer "A".** (through April 25, 2012)
March 7—April 25: **Joshua Precept/Upon Precept**

EVENING PROGRAMS (5:00P-7:30P)

(Child care begins at 6:00p.)

- **Early Bird Hymn Sing,** Sanctuary, 5:00p
- **Wednesday Night Dinner,** Sanctuary, 5:30-6:15p,
- **Children's Program , Kids 4 Truth:** (ages 3 yrs—5th grade), 6:15p-7:30p

Evening Studies: 6:15P—7:30P

(Child care is provided.)

- **Study of the Book of Jonah, Led by Pastor Bill,** 6:30p, Sanctuary, March 7, 14, & 21.
- **Coed Bible Study is Precept-Revelation Part 1, Led by Shannon Holthaus, Room 104. (through May 16th)** (will not meet on March 28, & April 4) All are welcome! If you have any questions, please call Shannon Holthaus 770-886-3623
- **Life Lessons from Women in the Bible, Led by Peggie Barnes—Library, (Begins April 11—May 16)** In this six-week study beginning April 11, we will study the lives of more than 30 Bible women. Each week's study will focus on women of different ages and stages of life. As we explore each woman's relationship with God and her role in His plan, we will discover important lessons for our own walks of faith.
- **Men's Evening Bible Study: The First Letter of John, Precept upon Precept Bible Study,** "How to know you have eternal life." Led by Jeff Rajala, Room 102.
- **Middle School and High School Youth Programs, Youth Trailers**
- **Music Ministry 7:00/7:30P-8:30P**
 - Praise Team Practice, Sanctuary (7:00p)
 - Chancel Choir Practice, Room 115 (7:30p)

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 10:05-10:55 a.m.

Our faithful Sunday School Teachers have exciting, age-appropriate, Biblical lessons for children age 3 years through 12th grade. A map with Sunday School locations is available in the Narthex.

Our Sunday Growth Groups offer a variety of opportunities for you to deepen your understanding of the Scriptures and how to live life with God 24/7/365. All of our groups meet from 10:05-10:55, and are open to anyone who wishes to attend.

- **FAITH BUILDERS – ROOM 102,** led by Keith Brown, John Burkhalter, and Billy Saville—This class is studying the Book of Acts. You are welcome to join us!
- **WOMEN'S BIBLE CONNECTION – LIB.,** led by Lauralie Rubel All women are invited to join us as we continue our study of the Book of Romans.
- **BOOK BY BOOK – ROOM 104,** led by Norm Bruinsma Join us as we probe the depths of the *Letter of Paul to the Philippians* and discover the wonder of the Good News.
- **MODERN CHRISTIAN LIVING— ROOM 115,** led by Chuck Beaver
Each week we will explore a topic drawn from the week's headlines and discuss Scriptural applications and perspectives. Join us as we face the challenges of living as Christians in today's world.
- **PARKWAY FAMILY MINISTRIES CLASS - TRAILER B** (Game Room), led by Brett Berto. What are the key factors that will make a difference in the spiritual lives of our children? Using George Barna's book, *Revolutionary Parenting*, we will discover essential steps parents must take to shape childhood character. Barna reveals surprising information about popular parenting tactics and shows us how to instill a vibrant commitment to Christ in our kids. Books are available on the table in the main hallway.
- **TWEAKING YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD – ROOM 109,** led by Derrel Emmerson. What are you doing to increase your awareness of God and to stay keen in knowing His will? How does a believer walk in consciousness of God's presence? This course will share ways by which one can deepen your faith, personal experiences of God's interventions and classical ways by which Christians have learned to walk in grace. It will be taught using the general guide of Richard Foster's book, *Celebration of Discipline* and, of course, the *Bible*. Books are available in the main hallway.
- **THE CHRISTIAN LIFE: A DOCTRINAL INTRODUCTION – TRAILER "A",** led by Cheri Ashley. Key biblical themes as grace, faith, new birth, and assurance are for beginners as well those believers who need to dust off their beliefs on deeper issues. These doctrines shape our Christian walk by showing us the God we worship. Revive your walk; learn and grow! Author: Dr. Sinclair Ferguson, books available on the table in the main hallway.



Sunday School—10:00 – 10:55
Every Sunday—Youth Trailer

This fall we will be focusing on our character and convictions.

- Developing healthy relationships
- Living on purpose
- Dealing with pain and struggles
- Discovering our gifts
- Putting our stamp on the world
- Having integrity

Contact David Hoke at 1rls@bellsouth.net or 678.977.8604

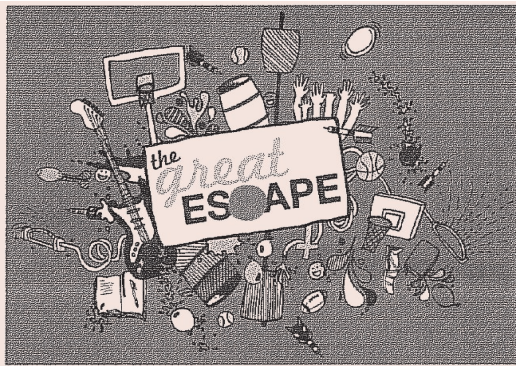
Sunday Nights—5:30 – 7:00—Youth Trailer

Have a blast! Make new friends! Grow in your faith! Contact Shannon Holthaus at shanholt@comcast.net or 770.601.6673.

Wednesday Nights—5:30 – 6:15

Supper (FREE FOR YOUTH!) In The Sanctuary
6:15 – 7:30 Bible Study In The Youth Trailer

How do we live the Jesus-centered life? Dig deeper into the Bible each Wednesday and find out. Contact Robin Bos at rbos24@comcast.net or 770.597.5224



June 17-22

The Great Escape was the first, and is the oldest, continually running middle school conference in America today. Rising 6th, 7th, & 8th graders will enjoy a week packed full of recreation and activities as well as dynamic Christian speakers, musicians, and artists.

The Great Escape is a tremendously fun and exciting atmosphere where you will feel comfortable and loved, and where you will have an amazing week experiencing the love of Jesus!

We have a limited number of spaces, so complete your Permission/Release/Consent form and return it to the Church office by the

March 4 DEADLINE.

The History of Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministry began in 1975 when the Rev. Kenneth Haugk, P.H.D., a pastor and clinical psychologist, trained nine laypersons of his congregation in St. Louis to be Stephen Ministers. They assisted him in providing Christian care and support to people in the congregation and community who were experiencing life difficulties. These trained caregivers were so enthused about their ministry, they encouraged Dr. Haugk to offer Stephen Ministry to more congregations.

Over the next few years, Dr. Haugk traveled to congregations and trained Stephen Ministers. This quickly proved to be inefficient, since he could visit only a limited number of congregations, and these congregations were then dependent on him to train additional caregivers. So in 1978 Stephen Ministries held the first Leader's Training Course and trained the first Stephen Leaders—representatives of various congregations who then returned home to train and supervise their own Stephen Ministers. Since that time Stephen Ministries St. Louis has specialized in "training the trainers" through the Stephen Series ministry system. The Stephen Series is a complete system for training and organizing lay people to provide one-to-one Christian care to hurting people in and around the congregation.

Stephen Ministries St. Louis is a not-for-profit, trans-denominational, religious and educational organization founded in 1975. The St. Louis-based staff of 40 provides support for the ministry in more than 11,000 congregations worldwide. Dr. Haugk serves as executive director. The name Stephen comes from Stephen, who was the first layperson commissioned by the Apostles to provide caring ministry to those in need (Acts 6). The logo Stephen Ministry congregations use consists of a cross and circle, together with a broken person and a whole person. The broken person stands behind the cross, symbolizing the brokenness in our lives as a result of our sin. The whole person stands in front of the cross because it is through the cross of Jesus that we are made whole. The circle symbolizes both the wholeness we receive through Christ and God's unending love for us.

Parkway, which enrolled in 2000, is one of 341 congregations in Georgia and is one of over 11,300 congregations from over 160 Christian denominations that now have Stephen Ministry. Over a half million people have been trained as Stephen Ministers, a number that grows by tens of thousands each year. Over 63,000 pastors and lay leaders have been trained as Stephen Leaders at a Leader's Training Class. It is estimated that since 1975 Stephen Ministers have provided distinctively Christian care to more than a million people through formalized one-to-one caring relationships and have used their caregiving skills to touch the lives of millions of others in an informal way. People from all 50 states, 9 Canadian provinces, and 24 other countries, have been touched by God's love through a Stephen Minister. And that is the mark of God's doing, because finally the story of Stephen Ministry is a million stories and more of caring ministry.

It's important to note that Stephen Ministers are not counselors. They are trained Christian caregivers. Their role is to listen and to care—not counsel or advise. They are assigned only to people who agree to receive the care of a Stephen Minister. Stephen Ministry is a supervised ministry. Stephen Ministers engage in twice-monthly supervision to ensure that they are providing the best-quality Christian care. A Stephen Minister is assigned to a care receiver of the same gender and both are at least 18 years old. Stephen Ministry is a confidential ministry. What a care receiver tells a Stephen Minister remains confidential. Even in supervision, the names of care receivers and specific details are never discussed.

If you would like more information about Stephen Ministry, if you would like to be trained to be a Stephen Minister, or if you or someone you know might benefit from the care of a Stephen Minister, please contact Pastor Bill Ford, Phone 770-889-8694, E-mail: Bill.Ford@parkway-church.org, or Norm Baker, Stephen Leader, phone 770-886-0439, E-mail normanma-ryb@bellsouth.net or one of our other Stephen Leaders or Ministers.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY NEWS



CHILDREN'S CHRISTIAN EDUCATION:

- **CARING NURSERY:** 8:45-NOON, IN ROOM 107

Our nurturing, professional Childcare Staff welcome your infants and toddlers (up to age 2).

- **CHILDREN'S WORSHIP:** 9:15 & 11:15 a.m., Room 115

Children age 3 years—5th grade may participate in our Children's Worship Time downstairs. Children are always welcome to stay with their parents and worship as a family. *Children's Worship does not meet on Communion Sundays.*

- **SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 10:05-10:50 a.m.

Our faithful Sunday School Teachers have exciting, age-appropriate, Biblical lessons for children age 3 years through 12th grade. A map with Sunday School locations is available in the lobby.

- **WEDNESDAY PROGRAM—**6:15-7:30 p.m.

"KIDS 4 TRUTH" (ages 3 yrs—5th grade), downstairs

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Sunday School for children ages 3 years through 5th grade runs concurrently with our adult and youth classes at 10:05 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. The classes are as follows:

- birth-2 years old Nursery, Rm 105
- 3 and 4 years old Room 106
- Kindergarten and 1st grade Room 111
- 2nd & 3rd grade Room 114
- 4th & 5th grade Room 112
- Kids' "Precept" Study Room 113 (ages 3rd—5th grade)

LIBRARY MINISTRY—Attention Young Readers

On the fourth Sunday of each month, Elementary age children will have an opportunity to visit the church library at the conclusion of Children's Church. They will be able to check out a book or two to enjoy reading Christian books throughout the year. Your child is encouraged to bring their blue Parkway Media bag with them if they have one from Summer Reading. The library would like to encourage parents to enjoy perusing the wide variety of genres offered as well. Books can be returned and new ones check out anytime the library is open on Sundays and Wednesdays or during church hours. There is a self serve check out notebook near the window. If you have any questions please see Kaye Litzinger or Suzie Dominique.

Parkway Presbyterian Preschool
5830 Bethelview Road—Cumming, GA—(678) 513.3909
Website: www.parkwaypreschool.com
Email: hclarkpppk@comcast.net

Registration for Preschool

Registration for the 2012-2013 school year has begun. We would like to invite you to come tour the preschool. Give us a call 678-513-3909 to schedule a time. This is a half-day Christian program. We have loving teachers in each room. All our staff is CPR and First Aid trained. The ratios are 10:2 in our two year old programs and 12:2 in our threes, fours, and Young Fives classes. Come check us out and see that Jesus is in our school and classrooms.

Box Tops for Education

We want to thank you for your help in our efforts to collect Box Tops for Education. We have had a great collection year, and have collected \$ 243.00 towards our scholarship fund. It is collection time again and we need your help. Please look through your pantry and send in any tops you have. You can also check this website <http://www.boxtops4education.com/earn/clip/Brands.aspx> to get a list of other participating items. Thank you for your help! Send them in soon!



PRIME TIMERS—(55 and Older)

Prime Timers is a group of active, caring, and supportive individuals, aged 55 years and older, who meet on the first Friday of each month from 11:30 am until 1:00 pm to enjoy fellowship and lunch. **For information**, please contact Dee Hayward, Nancy McHale or call the church office, 770-889-8694.

Prime Timers Luncheon **Friday, March 2nd** **11:30a.m.—1:00 p.m.**

Sylvia Broome will speak about her mission to the homeless in downtown Atlanta. Sylvia will be talking about her outreach efforts which include Bible studies, bringing hot food and drinks, providing personal hygiene items, and developing relationships. *Please bring donations of Socks, and these foods: Peanut Butter, Crackers and Canned Goods of Vegetables (for soup making), Tuna Fish, and ready-to-eat meals such as Spaghetti O's and Ravioli for the Mission Women.* Bring a dish to share. Contact Dee Hayward or Nancy McHale for details

MEN'S MINISTRIES

Wisdom tells us to fellowship with other men and study how the Bible applies specifically to a man's heart and life. "As iron sharpens iron, so one man sharpens another" (Proverbs 27:17). It's time for men of the Church to stand together and let the sparks fly as we sharpen our swords. Please find an area in the body of Christ where you can serve.

PARKWAY MEN'S ANNUAL RETREAT

Friday, April 20 & Saturday, April 21

Georgia Baptist Conference Center in Toccoa, GA

- **MEN'S FRIDAY WEEKLY BREAKFAST:** (Off site) Fri. mornings, 7:00 a.m., Folks, Hwy. 20 across from Ingles.
- **MEN'S SATURDAY MONTHLY BREAKFAST:** 3rd Sat., 8:00 a.m., Parkway Sanctuary.
- **MEN'S BIBLE STUDY:** Precept upon/Precept Bible Study, The First Letter of John, written by Precept Ministries International; Chattanooga, TN. Led by Jeff Rajala—Room 102— Contact: Jeff Rajala jeffrajala@yahoo.com.
- **MEN'S SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY:** Men, come meet with us Saturdays, March 3rd at 8:00 a.m. & March 17th at 10:00 a.m., in room 104. All men are invited to join in this study "The Book of Psalms". Call Jay Jones or Norm Bruinsma for details.
- **Young Men's Coffee & Bible Study:** Every Friday Morning at 6:30 a.m.—Starbucks (435 Peachtree Pkwy.) See Matthew Bullard for details.

Welcome to Parkway!



Women's Ministry

Sondra Gross, Women's Ministry Leader

sondra.gross@parkway-church.org

SAVE THE DATE . . .

Thursday, April 26th—6:00 p.m.
Spring Potpourri & Secret Angel
Reveal at Parkway.

Parkway Women's Book Club **Please Join Us!**

Monday, March 12th at 7:00 p.m.
Diane Lemon's House

Book Selection: "The Debt"
by Angela Hunt

Bring a Friend!

Contact Stefani Baskam for more
information at jsbaskam@gmail.com.

Parkway Women's Ministry - 2012

Winter Bible Study:

Wednesdays 9:30am, 104/Library

Wednesdays 6:15pm, 104/Library

Spring Potpourri & Secret Angel Reveal:

Thurs., April 26th—6:30pm

Summer Bible Study: TBD

PLUS. *Monthly Book Club Gatherings, Secret Angel Program, Monthly Craft Fellowship, Quilters, and Meals Ministry*



BLOOD DRIVE

MON., MARCH 19TH

BLOOD MOBILE - 2:30-7:30 P.M.

Call the church office for an appointment, 770-889-8694.

THE MILITARY MINISTRY—MARCH 13TH

We will be meeting Wednesday, March 13th at 11:30 in the back of the sanctuary. We welcome supplies - food, toiletries and monetary gifts. Food and postage has gone up this year. **PLEASE BEFORE YOU GIVE US THE COUPONS CUT THEM OUT AND SEPARATE THEM BY FOOD, HOUSEHOLD, TOILETRIES AND HEALTH, PETS AND BABIES.** We do not have enough people to sit and cut them out on the day of mailing. It does not take long if you do the ones you get. 30 minutes or so sitting in front of the TV would do it. Please understand why we do not want ones that are not cut out. Thank you for your cooperation.

SEW FAITHFUL QUILTERS—MARCH 9th

We will meet February 9th at 6:30 in Room 104. We sent 57 quilts to the Children's Healthcare Hospital for Christmas. Throughout the year we gave 30 quilts to members of the church who have lost a loved one or been seriously ill. Thanks to all the ladies who made these quilts and shared their talents. Won't you come join us, beginners and experienced quilters are welcome.

NURSING HOME MINISTRY

"Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God". 1 John 4:7

To share your and God's love in our Assisted Living and Nursing Home Ministry, please contact Joan Brown, to learn more about the various opportunities to serve.

LEARN TO CROCHET

Carol Barnes House, 2nd Sun. of the month—3:00 —5:00 p.m.

Please join us and bring some yarn and an I crochet hook. If you can't crochet, lessons will be provided. If you need thread or have any questions contact Carol Ann Barnes.

GREETERS NEEDED! - Volunteer to be a Greeter at

11:00 a.m. Worship—If you want to be that warm and friendly face our members and visitors see upon arriving on Sunday mornings, please contact Donna Laub or call the church office, 770-889-8694.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP—MARCH 1 - 10A.M.—Lib.

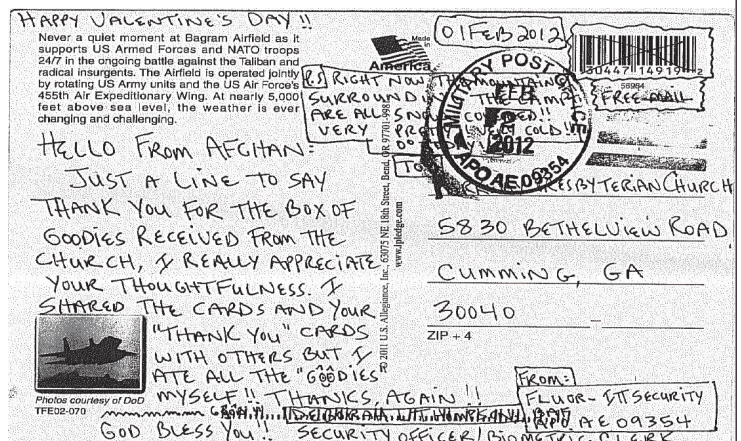
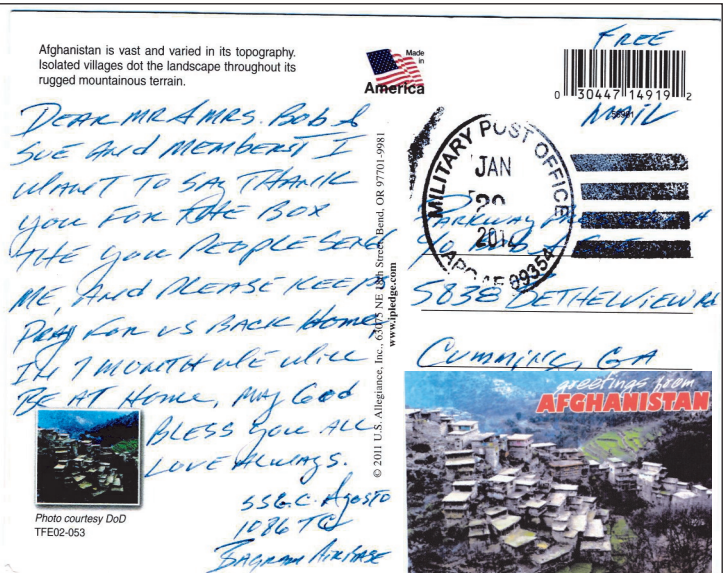
Join us in the Library on the first Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m. for prayer. If you have an interest in participating or have any questions, please contact Nancy McWhorter, nancymcw@comcast.net.

Pastor Bill Ford's Sermons are available by request and on Parkway's website www.parkway-church.org. If you have any questions, please contact the church office, 770-889-8694.

THE PARKWAY MEALS MINISTRY NEEDS YOU!

- Do you like to cook?
- Can you cook a little extra and freeze part of your meals for someone in our church family that has a need?
- Can you help deliver those meals to our church family members that may have a need?
- Can you provide a whole meal or maybe just a little something we can put together with something else we have?

If you answered "YES" to any of those questions, **WE NEED YOU!** Please contact Marla Edge at 678-513-3223 or marla@edgefamily.org and let her know in what way you can help. We will call upon those volunteers on a rotation basis.



ORPHAN MINISTRY

Do you have a heart for children? Consider the impact you can have on a hurting child. Join our growing ministry! We need teens and adults alike to spread God's love for orphans in the U.S. and abroad through prayer, outreach, and helping organize events like the Foster Family Fun Day planned for May 2012. For more information, contact Amy or Travis Raish at (770) 500-0889.

Parkway Missionaries In Russia



The Role of a Deacon *How Can Your Deacon be of Help to You?*

Effective deacons lead by encouraging, motivating, and serving others. Acts 6:5

The office of deacon as set for the in Scripture is one of compassion, witness, and service after the example of Jesus Christ. Persons of spiritual character, honest repute, of exemplary lives, brotherly and sisterly love, sincere compassion, and sound judgment should be chosen for this office. It is the duty of deacons, first of all, to minister to those who are in need, to the sick, to the friendless, and to any who may be in distress both within and beyond the community of faith. **G-6.401-G-6.402**

- **Visiting with you to “get acquainted”.** You should always feel comfortable in calling on your Deacon during any illness or at a time of sorrow. Get to know each other before any need arises.
- **Rejoicing with you and your family.** Sharing your special moments can increase your joy. Let your Deacon know what is going on in your life.
- **Being your friend.** You can count on your Deacon to listen to your troubles and concerns in confidence. It is comforting to know that someone is willing to be there to share your burdens or listen to interesting plans you might have.
- **Giving support in a time of crisis.** Allow your Deacon to know the difficulties you are facing whether this is financial, marital, loneliness, health or an imminent death. Listening is a special privilege in a Deacon’s ministry to you.
- **Helping to find answers to questions about faith or our church with its theme of Connect, Grow and Serve.** You have a personal resource you can turn to – your Deacon. It is better to voice your questions regarding your spiritual life or your concerns about the activities of the church so your Deacon can help clarify and encourage you as a part of the body of Christ at Parkway.
- **Guiding you to have a closer relationship with members of the church through fellowship.** As you connect with God in the worship services, you also grow spiritually through being a part of smaller groups. Fellowship is offered through Wednesday night meals, Bible Studies mid-week and Sundays, and any number of special interests groups. Find a place that suits you and soon you will put names to faces and share more easily.
- **Finding ways to serve within the church.** Your Deacon, as a leader in various ministries, is familiar with the places of service at Parkway and the needs that your spiritual gifts can fill. Discuss where you would like to serve as you continue on your journey to *Connect, Grow and Serve*.

Praying for you and with you. This is a place of importance that your Deacon wants to honor. Let your Deacon know of a specific request from you and be assured that this will be held in confidence.

If you don’t know who your Deacon is and who the members are of the flock you are in, please contact Donna Carroll at Parkway, 770-889-8694.

ELDERS

Brett Berto

Roger Blackstock

Robin Bos

Keith Brown

John Burkhalter

Suzie Dominique

Thomas Freas

Jeff Hempker

David Hoke

Shannon Holthaus

Eloise Newton

Billy Saville

DEACONS

Norm Baker

Randy Bellavance

Joan Brown

Dave DePoorter

Mary Gorrie

Carrie Hamilton

Jay Jones

Nancy McHale

Al Parkes

Wilma Plourde

Carol Raquet

Tim Still

Deborah Schlittler—Brazilian

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OUTREACH MINISTRIES:

Please call the church office, 770-889-8694, for contact numbers.

Hannah’s Ministry: Contact Carrie Hamilton carrie.hamilton@parkway-church.org or Sherrill McCracken sherrill.mccracken@parkway-church.org.

Stephen Ministry: Contact Norm Baker norm.baker@parkway-church.org. Supervision and Continuing Education are held on the second and fourth Sunday evenings in the library from 6:15 - 8:45 PM.

Brazilian & Immigrant Ministry: Contact Cido Araujo cido.araujo@parkway-church.org.

TROOP 200 SCOUTS: Ken Gross, ken.gross@parkway-church.org.

PACK 200 CUBS: Chris Dominique, chris.dominique@parkway-church.org.

For information on these ministries go to info@parkway-church.org.

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES AT PARKWAY!

At Parkway we are called to share the good news of Jesus Christ with others as we worship, learn, share, grow, and serve in the joy of His Spirit.

Faith and Growth Opportunities

Jeff Hempker - jeffhempker@comcast.net

Eloise Newton - eloisewton@att.net

Sunday

- Basic Christianity
- Women Bible Connection
- Book by Book
- Faith Builders
- Life Truths for Couples

Wednesday Morning Women's Studies

- Precept Studies
- Topical Studies

Wednesday Evening Studies

- Women Precept Studies
- Women Topical Studies
- Men's Topical Study
- Small Groups

Caring Ministries

- Stephen Ministry—One on one lay Christian Care to listen, support, encourage, and pray. Norm Baker - normanmaryb@bellsouth.net
- Hannah's Ministry—A support network for couples suffering through fertility challenges, miscarriage, stillbirth, and early infant loss. Carrie Hamilton - carrie.hamilton@parkway-church.org and Sherrill McCracken sherrillmc@yahoo.com
- Military Ministries—Group meets to fill boxes, write thank you notes, make prayer squares and have great fellowship. This is to make sure our military knows we thank and support them for serving in our military to keep us safe. Mary Mac Harrell, mmharrell@bellsouth.net
- Nursing Home Ministries—To share your and God's love in our Assisted Living and Nursing Home Ministry, contact Joan Brown, joan.brown@parkway-church.org
- Intercessory Prayer Group—Meet on Thursday mornings in the library at 10 a.m. for prayer. Contact Nancy McWhorter, nancy.npt@vacation.com
- Quilting Ministry—Group meets monthly to make quilts for child care hospital and other needs. Suzie Dominique - domlawn1@bellsouth.net

Missions

Parkway is involved in Local, National and International missions. At least 10% of our annual budget is allotted to Mission Programs. Parkway also has an Associate Pastor who works with International families to help them adjust to life in the U.S., and conducts Sunday Evening Worship and a weekly Bible study in Portuguese.

Mission Ministry Leaders

- International Missions
Thomas Freas - tfreas@telequipcorp.com
- Domestic Missions
- Local Missions
Matthew Bullard - matthew.bullard@parkway-church.org

International Ministries

- Parkway Brazilian Church—Cido Araujo, Pastor, cido.araujo@parkway-church.org

Worship and Music

Keith Brown - keithchar20@att.net

Cecile McGuire - cmmusic2004@yahoo.com

Sunday Worship Services

- 9:00 a.m.—Traditional Worship with Chancel Choir
- 11:00 a.m.—Contemporary Service with Praise Music

Music Ministry

- Adult Chancel Choir (9:00 a.m. Service)
- Praise Choir (11:00 a.m. Service)
- Praise Band (11:00 a.m. Service)
- Handbell Choir

Men's Ministries

info@parkway-church.org

- Wednesday Evening Bible Study (school year)
- Friday Prayer Breakfast (weekly off site)
- Saturday Fellowship Breakfast (monthly)
- Iron Sharpening Night
- Retreats
- Fellowship Activities

Women's Ministries

Sondra Gross - cocoa83@bellsouth.net

Bible Studies

- Sunday Morning Faith and Growth Class
- Wednesday Morning (2) & Evening (2) Studies (1 a.m. study only—summer)

Fellowship, Learning, and Ministry

- Fall Kick-Off Dinner
- Christmas Tea
- Spring Potpourri
- Secret Angel Program
- Monthly Book Club
- Needle Work Classes
- Meal Ministry

Fellowship and Other Ministries

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Fellowship

- Coffee Ministry
- Wonder Workers
- Wednesday Night Dinners
- Wednesday Early Bird Hymn Sing
- "Prime Timers" (55+ years)
- Quarterly Brunches & after Worship Luncheons

Library Ministry

Evangelism and Outreach

Greeters and Ushers

Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts

Building and Grounds Committee

Children's Ministries

Sunday Mornings

- Sunday School
- Children's Worship

Wednesday Evenings

- Christ Creations (arts, drama, & music)

Summer Activities

- Vacation Bible School
- Summer Reading Program

Youth Ministries

Will Startup - will@parkway-church.org

Sunday Mornings

- Faith & Growth Classes
- Worship
- Middle and High School Youth Groups

Sunday Evenings—5:30-7:00 p.m.

Wednesday Evenings—6:15-7:30 p.m.

Special Activities & Events throughout the year.

Information

For information about Parkway Church activities, including meeting times and leaders, please call the church office at 770-889-8694 or check our website:

www.parkway-church.org