

**Sunday,  
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# P.B.C. Youth Ministry Newsletter

**Issue 1**

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## Summer, Summer, Summer Time!

Summer time is officially here! We are kicking off the summer with the very first issue of Pilgrim Baptist Church's youth ministry newsletter. This will be the place where you will receive all of the information about the youth events, services, fundraisers, outings, and activities taking place. Everything you need to know in one place! Stay tuned!

### "DEAR PASTOR..."

*"My friend doesn't go to church. Every time I invite him he says he can just watch church on T.V. What can I do to get him to come with me?"*

- Concerned Friend

Do you have questions about being a Christian? Is there something you read in the Bible you're not quite clear about? Ask Pastor Hudson!

In every issue of PBC youth newsletter there will be a section where Pastor Hudson will answer questions from our youth. All questions are anonymous.

Submit questions you have to [askpastorhudson@gmail.com](mailto:askpastorhudson@gmail.com) or drop it in the "ask pastor bucket" and each newsletter will feature 3-5 questions/answers. Check the next issue to see if Pastor Hudson answers your question!!

### YOUTH EXPLOSION!!

**Sunday, July 24, 2011**

**Theme: "Prayer: God's Power Revealed"**

Last summer, the youth explosion was a huge success!! God was glorified by our youth through song, dance, and poetry. This summer's youth explosion is right around the corner so be sure to invite your friends and family and spread the word on facebook and twitter! We want to share our love for Jesus with as many as we can! Get ready!



## DATES TO KNOW!

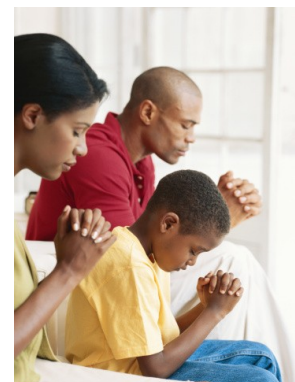
**7/6 & 9 - BOYS STEP  
TEAM REHEARSAL**

**7/13 - STEPS TO  
SUCCESS  
WORKSHOP**

**7/19 - GIRLS MENTOR  
PROGRAM**

**7/24 - YOUTH EXPLOSION**

**7/24 - TRUNK PARTY**



## Congratulations Graduates!

We are so very proud of all of our 2011 graduates! From preschool to graduate school, we understand the hard work it takes to complete a year of school. Remember as you get your grades and report cards, turn them in to Mrs. Mirta Hudson.

### July 24, 2011 - Trunk Party!

On Scholarship Sunday following morning service, please stay and support our high school graduates. A few of them will be going away for college in the fall and we want to show them how much we love them by helping them gather the items they need for this excit-

ing new phase in their life! Congrats again to our high school graduates!



# “You’re Accepted, Not an Exception”

God has proven his unconditional love for you in many ways. If God loves you, you must be lovable. The fact that God loves you unconditionally in spite of your flaws and failures is a huge reason to accept yourself.

If you can't take yourself the way you are - weaknesses as well as strengths, shortcomings as well as abilities - you aren't likely to give anyone else the chance to accept you as you are. You will always put up a front to prevent people from knowing what you're really like. And if you think it's tough to be honest and open—and let others sometimes see you at your worst—it's even harder to live the life of a phony.

When Jesus took children into his arms

and blessed them (see Mark 10:16), you can bet that those kids weren't perfect little angels. They were kids - disobedient, disagreeable, sometimes downright bad. Yet Jesus displayed his heavenly Father's unconditional love by blessing the imperfect little ones.

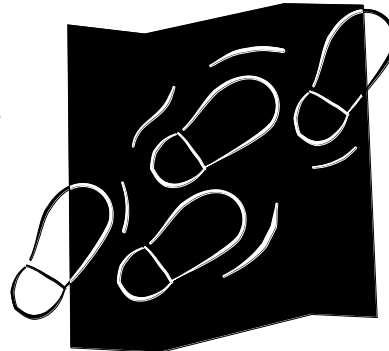
Here's a huge command-one that will change the world around you if you live it out: **"Accept one another.. just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God" (Romans 15:7, NIV).** But

you can love like God loves only when you see yourself as God sees you - totally acceptable and totally lovable.

**REFLECT:** In light of all God has done to prove his unconditional love, what keeps you from seeing yourself as lovable?

**PRAY:** Thank God today for his acceptance and ask him to help you see yourself and others with God's eyes.

**REMEMBER:** Romans 15:5-7

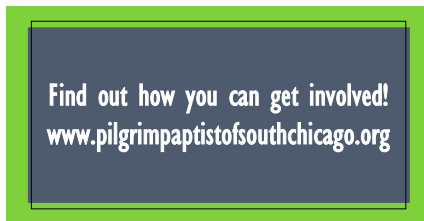


## “So what’s going on this summer?”

### Boys Step Team

Calling all steppers!! Our own Bro. Craig Slaughter will head up Pilgrim's first boys stepping team. Want to participate? Come out every Saturday, at 1pm ready with your shorts and gym shoes prepared to step! Just another way to praise our God!

FYI: Next Rehearsal dates are Wed, July 6, at 7pm and Sat, July 9, 2011 at 1pm



### Girl's Mentoring Program

Girls ages 4-12 are encouraged to participate in this summer's 6 week mentoring program lead by Sis. Dorothy Carpenter beginning Saturday, July 9th. If you haven't registered yet, do so as soon as possible. It's free! We wouldn't want our girls to miss out on this treat.

### Steps to Success

Step into your dreams! Students in grades 7th-12th, please sign up to participate in the steps to success workshops. Learn the ins and outs of applying for high school, college and scholarships. Education is important part on the road to success. We want you to have all the tools and resources you need to get there! Register today with Sis. Asia Miles. First two workshops are Wednesday, July 13, and July 20, 2011 at 7:00pm

## PBC YOUTH MINISTRY NEWSLETTER

### WE NEED YOUR HELP!

Want to contribute to the youth newsletter? We are looking for youth participants. If you have a poem, a writing, or would like to interview other youth for upcoming newsletters, see Saunya Hudson or Cynthia Gipson to be a writer for the newsletter. This is your newsletter and we want YOU to be a part!

### Youth Choir Rehearsal!!

#### Upcoming Rehearsal Dates...

Thursday, July 7, 2011, 7pm

Tuesday, July 12, 2011, 7pm

Tuesday, July 19, 2011, 7pm

### Like us on Facebook!

Stay up to date with all PBC's latest events and services on our facebook page. Share with your friends!

