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“Prayer: God’s Power Revealed” Recap



DATES TO KNOW!

- 8/10 - STEPS TO SUCCESS
- 8/14 - MENTOR PROGRAM
- 8/14 - BOYS STEP TEAM REHEARSAL

From the PBC Steppers, youth praise team, youth choir, liturgical dancers, guest recording artist Regula, to the scholarship recipients... PBC's 2nd Annual Youth Explosion was just that - **AN EXPLOSION!** How awesome it is that we can worship and praise our God in so many ways.

Feedback...

“The youth explosion really touched a lot of people . I’m glad that we had it and I feel that we should have more throughout the year.” - JeTawn

“What a wonderful surprise! I am extremely proud of my son, Troy as well as all the other boys for doing such a great job of giving God praise through stepping! Keep up the good work Craig!” - Tangela

“It was fun & exciting! I liked the step that the boys put together. I’m looking forward to next year’s explosion.” - Nia

“Who Will Be Your Everything?”

YOU WANT to date. Why?

That's not such a dumb question. There are plenty of bad reasons to date. But the right reason for getting to know someone of the opposite sex-in God's way, in God's time-is to answer the desire God built into you to have a special friendship with someone. You're probably not breathing if you don't need an intimate, affectionate, transparent relationship with someone.

And ponder this: Filling that need starts with Jesus. It's not trite or tacky to say that he has everything you could ever want in a special, intimate friend.

Jesus seeks your friendship. **Revelation 3:20** is Jesus' way of saying he wants a tight, personal relationship with you.

You are special to Jesus. To Jesus, you're not ordinary. Or unappealing. Or ugly. You're

amazing to him. No matter what you or others see as your personality quirks or physical flaws, he likes you. He's reserved a place in your heart that no one else can ever fill. And his love isn't fickle—he won't ditch you because you bore him.

Jesus has affectionate feelings for you. When you feel down, Jesus cares. When your life is a thrill and you're filled with joy, Jesus celebrates with you. Because he is a God who feels, you can be sure he shares your happiness and sadness. He's involved in every aspect of your life.

You can be intimate with Jesus. No one knows your most locked-tight thoughts and feelings like this companion. He's glad when you share your most private thoughts with him. You can let him in on your dreams and longings and know that he understands what you mean. When

your relationship with your parents is under stress, Jesus is available to listen.

Instead of expecting a special guy or girl to give you identity and security, start by looking to Jesus Christ as the one friend who will always be there for you. Choose to make him the most special person in your life.

REFLECT: When you look for identity and security, where do you start? Whom do you expect to provide that for you?

PRAY: Talk to God about his being your unfailing friend and the most important person in your life.

REMEMBER: 2 Thessalonians 2:13-17

*Source - Josh McDowell ministries

“DEAR PASTOR...”

“Dear Pastor, what is the purpose of saying the mission Statement every Sunday?”

- Anonymous youth

Dear anonymous youth,

The reason we recite the mission statement every Sunday is to help the entire congregation memorize it together. This also creates an atmosphere for visitors to know our purpose as a church.

- Pastor Hudson

Submit questions to
Askpastorhudson@gmail.com
or give to Saunya Hudson

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!

Church Website

www.pilgrimbaptistsofsouthchicago.org

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