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March 2018

Let's Bring A Friend

We've been talking a lot in recent weeks about "Big Reveals." We all celebrated February 28 as we unveiled the new logo for PBC, a logo which represents a fresh new day of God's work in the life and ministry of PBC. It was exciting for everyone and so encouraging to me to see a body of believers excited about the future and what God has in store for His church.

Well, now it's time for the second "Big Reveal!" April 8, 2018 has been designated Friend Day at PBC! Friend Day? What in the world is Friend Day? It is a day for each one of us who is a part of PBC to invite a friend to church. If each one would invite, and bring, a friend to church can you imagine what that would do? It would double our attendance in one day! However, we will be setting no attendance goal for Friend Day. The purpose of Friend Day is to give the church a list of prospects for follow-up. It's actually what we should be doing every week at PBC and not just one day designated for inviting our friends.

Here is how it works. Each person will receive a "Yes" card either in Sunday School or during worship on March 4, 2018. I already have my first "Yes" card completed by a friend and I will be showing that to you as you receive your "Yes" card. Each person will also receive a "Who Are My Friends" form to help you identify some people to invite. You should now begin asking the Lord who it is that He wants you to invite for "Friend Day." As you consider who to invite please keep in mind that we are looking to invite folks who are either unchurched or those who seem to have no relationship with the Lord. We do not want to invite people who attend another church. We only want to invite the unsaved or the unchurched. When you invite your friend for Friend Day have your "Yes" card ready. Once they accept your invitation have them complete the "Yes" card. You will bring the completed "Yes" card back to church the next Sunday. We will have your card placed on a large bulletin board in the hallway leading to the fellowship hall where we all can stop and pray over those folks any time we pass by. The cards can also be a reminder to us to remember to pray for those who plan to attend any time they cross our minds.

Our Sunday School and staff will be trained for follow-up with each person who attends on Friend Day. Each week, beginning March 11 through April 1 the adult and teen Sunday School classes will be teaching lessons on friends. The sermons will be focused on friends during this same time. The children's classes will be teaching for five weeks on friends through April 8. The adult and teen classes will use April 8 as a reception time in their classes to get to know the friends that you bring with you to Sunday School on Friend Day.

As we approach Friend Day I want to encourage each one of you to be praying for the Lord to use this day to help us reach people with the gospel. Also, ask the Lord to help us be good stewards of those He brings to us and disciple them properly. The day before Friend Day (April 7) we will have a special prayer service for Friend Day at 7 PM in the sanctuary. Please be praying in advance of Friend Day and mark your calendar and join us on April 7 for united prayer.

We can have a large attendance of Friend Day, but that is not our goal. The goal is to build a list of prospects for follow-up. We are commissioned by Jesus to make disciples. Friend Day only gives us an opportunity to take a small step toward becoming faithful to His commission. Let's put our hearts together for the cause of Christ and bring a friend on Friend Day.

It's going to be GREAT!



Call of the Wild Feast

Sunday, March 4, 2018
5 PM in the PBC
Fellowship Hall
Guest Speaker:
Brandon Thornton from
Gulf Shores, AL



FRIEND DAY

April 8, 2018

Invite your friends and join
us on this very special
day.

God has some good
things in store for PBC!

LLL's Luncheon

(Living Long and Loving it!)

March 13 at NOON!!

The main dish will be provided by the group in charge.
Lets have a good time with good food and fellowship.

March Calendar

2018

Weekly Events

Sunday
9:45am Sunday School
10:55am Worship
10:55am Children's Church
6:00pm Financial Peace Univ.

Wednesday
10:00am Morning Bible Study
6:30pm AWANA
6:30pm Youth Bible Study
6:45pm College Bible
8:00pm Choir

Church Events for March

March 2018

Annie Armstrong Offering & Week of Prayer	4-11
Prison Ministry - 6:00 PM	5
C.A.R.E. Ministry - 5:00 PM	12
LLL'S Luncheon - 12:00 PM	13
Senior's Valentine Banquet - 12:00 PM	18
Deacons Meeting - 7:00 PM	18
JBA General Board Meeting - 7:00 PM	22
C.A.R.E. Ministry - 5:00 PM	26
BAPTIST WOMEN - 7:00 PM	27
Good Friday - Church Office Closed	30

Deacons Meeting



Sunday March 18, 2018
7:00 PM

Valentine Banquet Luncheon

March 18, 2018

Immediately following church service.

March Birthdays

4	Logan Rachels
7	Brad Batten
8	Megan B Greene, Karen Pearson, Jackson McPherson
9	Betty Oliver, Terri Sutton
11	Gertrude Williams
12	Mary Wellons
16	Tony Haddock
21	Steven Godwin
23	Cedessel Glover
24	Bradley McPherson
25	Jordan Haddock
28	Elmer Fields, Renee Wiggs
29	Tim Gronendyke

Tithes and Offerings

January, 2018

General Fund MTD — \$20,886.41
Monthly Requirement — \$23,100.00

Children's Ministry / Awana

We are looking forward to what The Lord has in store for the Children's ministry in 2018. The first of many things ahead is on Wednesday, March 21 when the children will be performing "Happy Day". We would like to invite the whole church to come enjoy the music at 6:30 in the Sanctuary and stay afterward for a covered dish Supper.

AWANA Schedule for February

March 7	Crazy Hair Night
March 14	Dress like a Super Hero
March 21	Happy Day Program and Covered Dish 6:30
March 28	Journey to the Cross

March 2018 Flower Schedule

- 4 - Marshall & Leigh Anne Price in memory of Rev Don Price and in honor of Sue Price and Rev and Mrs. Robert Coats
- 11 - Matthew and Megan Lee in memory of our grandparents.
- 18 - Susan C. Chappell & Monty Capps in memory of their parents and grandparents
- 25 - Betsy Pate in memory of deceased loved ones.

FPU meets in the Fellowship Hall each Sunday at 6 PM

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PRINCETON BAPTIST *Youth*

The Youth will be having a spaghetti fundraiser March 25th after the morning worship service. They will be raising funds to help offset the cost of summer camp which will be \$250 per camper. This will be a sit down lunch where the youth will be making and serving the food for all those who attend. There is no set cost. The youth will have a jar you can drop your donations into. Please make plans to come and enjoy a fun lunch!

Teens

Meet Each

Wednesday

6:45 - 8:00 PM

Sunday

9:45 - 10:45 AM

WHY I BELIEVE

A Twelve Session Study from Chip Ingram

Join the College age class on Wednesdays at 6:45 PM as they go through a study by Chip Ingram called "Why I Believe"



Women's Bible Study

The Armor of God

BY PRISCILLA SHIRER



Sunday, January 28, 2018

5:00 PM

Facilitated by Lauri Hinton

Meets at Kristy Gardner's home, Thompson Lane, Princeton

C.A.R.E. Ministry

The CARE Team meets March 12 & 26, 2018 at 5:00 PM. Join us if you can pray, help deliver meals, clean up after dinner or make follow up visits. Please notify the team if you know of any needs they can meet or anyone who needs encouragement to join our church family. We need drivers to deliver meals on the second & fourth Monday nights.

We need someone to prepare meals for CARE Ministry.
If you can help, please contact Pastor Dwayne

C.A.R.E. Team Report

February 12 & 26, 2018

Members Present:	20
Meals Delivered	36
Visits	1
Cards Sent	41

Prayers for all requests

March Nursery Schedule Sunday School & Worship

Nursery Volunteers	
4	Kristy Gardner
11	Megan Lee
18	Jean Starling
25	Lauri Hinton

Rotating Nursery Schedule

Karen Pearson & Kim Wellons
Joyce Dudley & Jean Starling

God Gives Good Gifts as We Worship Him

You may have noticed from my last article that I was going to continue discussion of Romans 12:1-2 in this month's article. The main focus of that discussion is that of receiving good gifts from the Lord as we worship him. First, let me remind you from my last newsletter article that getting stuff from God is not why we worship him. We worship him in response to the revelation we have received from him through his Word. Worship is for those who are in Christ. We have to have the Spirit in us to be able to connect to the triune God and understand his Word. The only way we receive the Spirit is through salvation. This is what makes us new creations according to 2 Corinthians 5:17. So, you can see from this first point that the very greatest gift that we receive is the Triune God himself. How awesome is that! The living God resides in you from the point of salvation. As you worship, you have the direct connection to the Creator of the universe. The one who holds the world in his hands. The Alpha and Omega. The eternal God. This means that God was here before time began and he will still be here long after time is no more. So, the greatest gift we receive in worship is God.

If God resides in us, then we also will receive all that his Word says to his children. Let's be specific though as it relates to the passage in discussion. Romans 12:1-2 states that we receive his mercies, which in turn gives us strength to no longer conform to this world, which in turn transforms our minds as the Spirit illuminates His inspired Word, which gives us discernment to know what the will of God is for his church and us individually. Also, we will know what is good and acceptable and perfect to God for our lives. What more can we ask for? I think sometimes we get so caught up in the temporal things that we forget about the eternal things. Francis Chan has stated that he is preparing himself and his family for the first 10,000 years in heaven. I think sometimes we forget that heaven is eternal and this life has an expiration date. There is no end when we step from this life into eternity. I believe that we can get so focused on things in this life that we forget that the gifts from God start now and extend into eternity. For those in Christ, it is an eternity with the greatest gift we receive in worship which is Jesus. This means that the other gifts we receive in worship are to prepare us for that eternity.

I also think that sometimes we stop at thinking that those gifts we receive are just for us. Remember, that according to Romans 12:1-2, we receive his mercy, and that mercy gives us the ability to no longer conform to this world and transforms our minds to give us discernment to know the will of God and what is good, acceptable, and perfect to God. I believe that those gifts are not just to prepare us for eternity, but also to prepare others for eternity. Remember that eternity is for everyone. Everyone will live eternally. The difference is if you will spend an eternity in heaven with Jesus or an eternity separated from Jesus in a place called hell. So, for those who are not in Christ they will live eternally without the gift of Jesus and all the things he chooses to give to his children. It is important for us to remember that as we receive the gifts of Jesus in worship we need to be faithful to share the gifts of Jesus with others.

Blessings,

Trevor Clatterbuck
Associate Pastor of Worship

