



"Love God, Love Others: It Will Change Your Life"

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Monday - Thursday
9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
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9:00 to NOON

SUNDAY

Coffee & Donuts:
9:15
Bible Study: 9:30
Service: 10:30



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FEBRUARY 2017
NEWSLETTER

From the Desk of Eric.....

This past week I spoke on taking a fasting from things in our life, things that might not be sinful, but are keeping us from growing in Christ and having life to the full. As we left the church and went home to work on lunch, I began scrolling through the news and my Facebook newsfeed. Everywhere I looked people were complaining, arguing, and threatening civil disobedience. I noticed my mood change, the tone of my voice change, and my spirit change. So I took my own advice and am now fasting from Facebook and several websites.

What good is all the anger and screaming doing for anyone regardless of political party or policy? More importantly, what good is it doing for our soul? We become which we consume! As a Christian, there is only one trait that I should be identified by. Jesus teaches us about it in John 13.

By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."John 13:35

If someone were to describe you in one word what word would it be? My prayer is that the word would be love. The world is changing, becoming more divisive, and Christians will get caught in the cross-fire. We will not win the war by fighting. Jesus has already won the war on the cross and invites us to join Him. Our hope is not found in any government official, the court system, or lobby group. Our hope is in Jesus Christ and Jesus Christ only. May we show a dying world our Lord and Savior by sacrificing for them... just as He did for me. Those outside of Christ will not come to know Him through hate. They will only come to know Him through our love.

I stood in tears listening to the words of Vice President Pence at the March for Life. It stood in sharp contrast to what we are seeing throughout the world today. He spoke...

"As it is written, 'Let your gentleness be evident to all.' Let this movement be known for love, not anger. Let this movement be known for compassion, not confrontation. When it comes to matters of the heart, there is nothing stronger than gentleness.

I believe that we will continue to win the hearts and minds of the rising generation if our hearts first break for young mothers and their unborn children, and if we each of us do all we can to meet them where they are, with generosity, not judgment."

There is great wisdom in his words. A battle is taking place. A battle that cannot be won by anger or fighting. A battle that can only be won by love. I hope to see you on the battlefield. Paradise is worth it.

JR & SR HIGH YOUTH GROUP
SUNDAYS 5 to 7

DINNER PROVIDED

JR & SR HIGH WINTER CAMP
AT LJCC
FEB 3 AT 6PM—FEB 5 AT 1PM

SIGN UP ONLINE TODAY!



JR & SR HIGH SUPER BOWL PARTY
SUNDAY, FEB 5
5:30 TO HALF TIME
AT ROY & CINDY MEYERS' HOME
(1000 CRESTVIEW DR)

Instead of bringing Pop & Chips, we are collecting items for the Humane Shelter.

Suggested Items: Dawn dish soap, Bleach, Windex, Hand sanitizer, Green scrubbing pads-no metal in them, Paper towels, Purina Cat Chow, Purina Kitten Chow, Fancy Feast Kitten food in small cans, Purina Dog Chow or higher level dog food, Beggin Strips, Cat/kitten toys.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- FAST4HAITI & WORSHIP NIGHT WITH AREA YOUTH GROUPS—MARCH 12: 4-7. MORE INFORMATION TO COME.
- FOOD4HAITI—MEAL PACKING AND LUNCH—APRIL 30 AT 2:00.



MISSION OUTREACH

Our Mission statement: *"It is the mission of the PVCC Missions Outreach to show our love for God and others by using our time, talents, energy and financial resources in support of our global, national and community missions."*

We appreciate Pleasant View's part in our ministry focused on the Russian-speaking world. Here is a brief report of our efforts in 2016 and plans for 2017.

THE HOPE PROJECT - In the Fall of 2015 a decision was made to move forward on the purchase of land and the construction of a multi-purpose facility to be utilized by our Hope Project in the mountains of Central Asia. In this setting one believer is sharing God's love in an unreached community of 15,000 and only 3 other known Christians. The nearest church is 2 hours away.

The land purchase moved quickly. Construction began in early Spring, 2016. After the foundation was laid, Scott LaRue and his son Tim (15), spent 9 days of a 5 week-trip helping frame the building under the direction of a Russian Christian. Local labor was hired to assist. After 9 days the building was ready for the roof structure to be added. Others from Russia and locally completed the building by early Fall. Praise the Lord: Thanks to our partners the project is debt free and is currently in use!

TRAINING AND EQUIPPING CENTER - Belarus is a Russian-speaking country. Just outside Minsk, the capital, a property is ready for renovation to be used as a center for expanding a church-planting movement in Eastern Europe. A vacant building, sitting on several acres of land, was given to the churches. It needs updating to meet government codes. Plans are to utilize this for a year-around center for equipping leaders. In addition, a summer camping program (similar to Lake James camp) would be developed. We have a goal of raising a total of \$40,000 to help in this important project.

LOOKING AHEAD - Our next step in the **Hope Project** is to enlist a near-culture team and raise \$1,175 monthly support (\$300 of which has been promised) The team would devote 3 to 5 years to come along side the Christian with whom we work. **THIS IS A VITAL PRAYER NEED. PLEASE JOIN US IN THIS.**

In September Scott LaRue will be participating in a **Church Planting Conference** to be held in Minsk. Church leaders from both Russia and Belarus will gather for this annual event designed to advance new churches being planted in this needy part of the world where less than 1% of the populous is an Evangelical Christian.

ELDER CORNER:

I have to admit this isn't my favorite times of the year. We haven't seen the sun out for two days in a row for in a while. You look around everything is the same color. No green, no white, just a dull gray. The walls of your house are closing in on you. You just want to open the windows and let the fresh air in. Welcome to late winter in Indiana.

But just when we think all is lost you start seeing signs of Hope! The Sports Vacation and Boat show is back at Fort Wayne. Spring training for baseball is right around the corner. You might start getting catalogs in the mail with the all things of spring. All around you are just small things giving us hope that we are not going to be in this season forever.

This is so much like our lives as followers of Christ. So often we can be drug down by the doldrums of everyday living. That's when need to faithful and just keep pushing on. When it's hard to put one foot in front of the other. Remember God's promise to us. He will not leave us or forsake us.

If you're stuck right now don't give up! Help is on the way! Keep praying, keep serving, keep reading and studying the word. Just as winter passes into spring so will you!

Loving Him and Serving you,
Jeff



Valentines Day Dinner

Tuesday, February 14 at 6:00

Everyone is invited. We will start the evening with a Lasagna dinner and dessert followed by "The Not- So- Newlywed Game." **Please sign up in the foyer so we can get a count.**

We are in need of people to help with **set-up, clean-up and serving.**

Items needing donated: Sign up in foyer

- 6 Pans of Lasagna
- 2 Large Sheet Cakes
- 12 Garlic Bread Loafs

FEBRUARY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	LJCC JR & SR WINTER RETREAT Men's Prayer Breakfast at PVCC 8:00 Women's Devotional Breakfast at Great Lakes 9:00	
<u>5</u> YOUTH SUPERBOWL SUNDAY PARTY 5:30	<u>6</u>	<u>7</u>	<u>8</u> KIDS SUPERHERO NIGHT 5:30-7:00	<u>9</u> TRIFOCAL PIZZA HUT 12:00		
<u>12</u> Youth Group 5-7	<u>13</u>	<u>14</u> VALENTINES DINNER 6:00	<u>15</u> KIDS SUPERHERO NIGHT 5:30-7:00	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u> LJCC 4 & 5 WINTER RETREAT
<u>19</u> Youth Group 5-7	<u>20</u>	<u>21</u>	<u>22</u> Trifocal Breakfast 9:00 We Hop KIDS 5:30-7:00	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u> SUPERHERO NIGHT 6-11	<u>25</u>
<u>26</u> Youth Group 5-7	<u>27</u>	<u>28</u>				



TRIFOCAL MINISTRY



February 9, at 12:00, Luncheon at Pizza Hut: Sign up in the foyer, weather permitting.

February 22, Wednesday at 9:00, Trifocal Birthday Breakfast Bunch at We Hop:
Weather permitting

PANTRY COLLECTION BARREL

Missions Outreach is continuing to collect pantry items for the Woodburn Christian Children's Home.

For **February**, the following items are suggested as these are in short supply:

- Beans (Refried, Chili, Pork-N-Beans, Baked, Kidney)
- Canned Vegetables (Mixed, Carrots, Potatoes, Tomatoes)
- Instant Oatmeal Packets Pop-tarts Pancake Mix
- Dishwasher Gel Pacs Paper Towels Toilet Paper



As you do your grocery shopping, remember the children at **WCCH**, and purchase a few extra items for the barrel, which will be located in the back of the foyer.

FACTS & FIGURES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship</u>	<u>Offering</u>
Dec 25		3,976.33
Jan 1	131	4,890.00
Jan 8	134	4,014.00
Jan 15	136	5,207.00
Jan 22	156	3,582.00
Jan 29	141	3,340.00

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SUPERHERO Wednesday NIGHTS Feb 1, 8, 15, 22

We will feed the kids from 5:30—6:00 and group time from 6:00—7:00.

DRESS AS YOUR FAVORITE SUPERHERO!

SUPERHERO NIGHT Friday, Feb 24, 6pm to 11pm

Join us and find out who the **GREATEST** Superhero of all is?

Girls bring a snack, boys bring a 2-liter of pop to share Pizza provided.

DRESS AS YOUR FAVORITE SUPERHERO!



Women's Devotional Breakfast



Saturday, Feb 4 at 9:00
at Great Lakes

All women are invited.

Men's Prayer Breakfast

At PVCC
Saturday, Feb 4 at 8:00

All men are invited.

Early Education Volunteers

<i>"Planting Seeds of Faith"</i>	FEB 5	FEB 12	FEB 19	FEB 26
Toddler	Shannon B Makinlee B	Emily S Dannee Kay	Jackie W Lisa F	Laura B Kim O
2 Year Old's	Deb P Sidney S	Becky M Laura B	Jenny W Tammy D	Jennifer S Maleah S
Preschool	Kayleen B Jenny W	Linda K Kristen K	Amanda S Emily A	Stephanie Maggie A
Church Park	Bret S Lydia S	Jay M Becky H Bryan S	Jordan E Ashley E	Jake A Julie A Ben S

10:30 Worship Volunteers

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Chairman Of The Day	Bill Boyer	Terry Dowell	Jeff Crooks	Lee Kunce
	Jake Arnold	Jeff Dohl	Jake Arnold	
S	Ron Barlett	Dan Pulver	Kevin Beard	John Maggart
E	Derrick Aldrich	Shawn Somerlott	Neal Knox	Dan Pulver
R	Kevin Beard	Dave Somerlott	Ron Barlett	Jeff Dohl
V	Shane Somerlott	Jeff Wilson	Bob Brady	Jeff Wilson
E	Matt Somerlott	Scott Weber	Jim Wilson	Scott Weber
R	Neal Knox	Lee Kunce	Mark Ridenour	Bob Brady
S	Bret Stevens		Bret Stevens	
Sound Room	Chris Sears	Chris Sears	Derrick & Cathy Aldrich	Chris Sears
Front Door Greeters	Cindy Braman Rose Aronen	Sue Spangle Cathy Aldrich	Cindy Rowe Deb Smathers	Janet Warstler Linda Kays