

HERE AND NOW

WHAT'S HAPPENING
AT PHBC

JANUARY 21, 2018

DREAMING OF SUMMER: 2017 CAMBERSHIP REPORT BY: PAM SCOTT

Each year, Children's Ministry offers a campership to any student who completes a daily Bible study and memorizes Scripture.

In total, 15 students earned the \$75 campership and used the scholarship to spend a week at a Christian summer camp. They attended Stony Glen, Cedarbrook, and Faith Ranch.

When asked what their favorite activities from camp were, students had a difficult time choosing because there were so many activities to choose from. One of the boys that went to Stony Glen mentioned activities like gaga-ball, human foosball, basketball, archery, and riflery, which he hopes to improve in next year. Delicious food, canoeing, and swimming at the waterfront were other highlights for him.



Another boy mentioned that camping out in the woods is a fun activity he gets to do over the summer. He enjoyed riflery, airsoft, and camping out. It rained most of the week, but he said, "God did not let it rain on Wednesday when we camped out."



One of the girls who went to camp overcame her fear and got on a horse! She also made the spiritual decision to read a book of the Bible. Another one of our girls made the spiritual decision to read the entire Old Testament by next year!

A special thanks to our Campership adult volunteers for so faithfully meeting with the kids, listening to verses, and checking off the completion of their Bible work. You make the process extra fun and exciting for the students! We appreciate you!

MISSIONS PRAYER FOCUS



Dr. Rick and Debbie Bardin serve with NAB missions in Cameroon. Rick is a doctor at Mbingo Hospital, where he is a pathologist and also teaches doctors in an internal medicine residency program. Debbie works as a nurse in the HIV/AIDS program. Pray for the work that the Bardins and others are doing in Mbingo. Not only are they healing patients' physical needs, but they also have

the opportunity to care for spiritual needs. The Bardins express their appreciation for the cards and money that PHBC has sent them. They also say thank you for praying for them.

PRAYER THOUGHTS

"We are confident that he hears us... We also know that he will give us what we ask for" (1 John 5:14a, 15b NLT).

Prayer is Hope. Being confident in God's ability to work all things according to His plan.



SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES



The Senior Adult Meal will be Tuesday, January 23 at noon.

Celebrate the New Year with a delicious meal of chicken and noodles, buttered carrots, rolls and butter, and a slice of apple pie.

Our guest speakers will be Glenn and Raette George. Glenn is a chaplain with the Summit County Sheriff's Office and a member of the ICPC

Disaster Response Team. Raette is a gifted vocalist and will share a few songs with us. **BRING NO FOOD**, only an appetite and a friend. Cost is \$4 per person.

MEN'S MINISTRIES

Hey, guys, been wondering what events are coming up? Take a look at what you can get involved with this year. We will have more information in the glass walkway once a month starting Sunday, January 21.

- **Guys' Night Out – February 23**
- **Bangers and Bangers – March 2**
- **Moody's Men's Conference "Walk Worthy" – March 3**
- **Rough Cut Men's Conference – April 13-14**
- **Men of Valor 40th Annual Retreat – September 28-30**

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Do you work with kids once a year, monthly, weekly, or have a possible interest?

Then we need you to join us this Saturday at our Children's Worker Breakfast and workshops. You'll enjoy a wonderful breakfast, gain some new tools or sharpen what you have, review and practice safety drills, and leave encouraged and challenged to serve the King of Kings. Join us from 9:00am until noon on January 27 in the FLC. Above all, remember to "Magnify the Light of Jesus In All You Do".



Moms and dads, we would love to have you accompany your Pioneer Girl on Wednesday, February 7 from 7:00 to 8:30pm.

In the various club rooms, you can assist with cookie decorating, a craft, and cards, which will be distributed to nursing homes and others for Valentine's Day.

It's time to think about our Pinewood Derby on March 7. If you have a girl in Pioneer Clubs or a boy in Tree Climbers or Stockade, you can purchase a car on Wednesday nights for \$7. Then you'll have time to work with your child on shaping, sanding, painting, and getting your car ready for the big race. If you need assistance with cutting or sanding, you may come with your child on February 7 and visit the workshop in the FLC, where workers will help you with the process.

YOUTH MINISTRIES



Students are encouraged to invite their friends and join us to watch the Big Game on Sunday, February 4, beginning at 6:00pm. There will be plenty of great food, non-football games, and a special gospel presentation at halftime. Jr. High (grades 7 and 8) are partying at the Klings'. Sr. High (grades 9-12) are partying at the Minnicks'. Full information and sign-up are available at www.oneeightyone.org.

It's concert time! OneEightyOne Student Ministries is going to Winter Jam on Friday, February 9 from 4:00 to 11:00pm. The lineup includes Skillet, Kari Jobe, Building 429, KB, Newsong, Jordan Feliz, and comedian John Crist. Check out www.oneeightyone.org for full information and to sign up.

Students grades 7-12 should join us for a wintry getaway, February 16-18. Our Winter Retreat, "Faith Under Fire", will be at Stony Glen. The cabins will be warm, the food delicious, the Bible teaching practical and engaging, and the activities will have you telling stories for a year. Guests are welcome to attend! The cost is only \$99 if paid by January 31. Full information and sign-up are available at www.oneeightyone.org.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Items left in the Lost and Found at the end of each month will be donated. Make sure to check in the church office as soon as you suspect that you may have lost something.

PARMA HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY



It is time to begin preparing for next school year already! If you have a child that is ready for kindergarten in August or are looking for a new school for your children in 1st through 6th grade, plan now to attend Parma Heights Christian Academy's Community Open House on Saturday, February 3 from 11:00am to 2:00pm. Tour the school and meet the teachers, who will be available in their classrooms to answer questions about PHCA. Open enrollment to the Academy begins February 1 and is completed online. Tuition is reasonable and assistance is available. The Academy offers a strong academic curriculum along with music/band, art, physical education, library, computer/media center, and several extra-curricular opportunities. If you refer another family to PHCA, you will receive a \$100 check next fall after school starts if they attend PHCA! There is a table with information about PHCA

in the glass walkway for the rest of January. Call 440.845.8668 weekdays from 7:30am to 4:00pm, or check out www.phcawarriors.com if you have any questions.

AHUMBE VILLAGE UPDATE

In the fall of 2017, PHBC made a 5-year commitment to the impoverished village of Ahumbe, Nigeria by partnering with Global Hope Network International to help end the cycle of extreme poverty in that village. GHNI helps villagers resolve the five key issues that keep them in poverty: water, education, food, wellness, and income.

Phase I for us was to raise money to provide clean drinking water. With our annual Thanksgiving Offering last November, we were able to complete that phase. Our offering money provided the purchase of a rig that drills deep into the ground and taps in to clean, uncontaminated drinking water. Today, Ahumbe has clean drinking water and, according to our sources, with that clean drinking water 75% of the diseases caused by contaminated water will go away.



By exceeding our financial goal by over \$9,000, we have been able to move into Phase II earlier than expected. Phase II is to resolve the issue of education. Although the village will supply its own teachers, our part will be to assist the locals in the making of the bricks for a school building in Ahumbe. Children up to 16 years old, along with moms with 5 kids, are literally lining up to go to school to learn the alphabet. Already, bricks are being made locally and transported to the site of the future school building.

Continue to pray for Ahumbe. Our representative there is quite pleased with how quickly the village is progressing. Pastor Dan and some others from PHBC will be making a trip to Ahumbe in April to see firsthand what is going on and to explore other ways PHBC can make a difference both physically and spiritually for the people of Ahumbe.

SUMMER OUTREACH UPDATE

FOCUS Sports Camp ends and VBS morphs into entirely new outreach event.

As part of our church renewal process (ReNew PHBC), FOCUS Sports Camp is coming to an end. Having launched in the summer of 2007, FOCUS began with approximately 300 children participating in one of four sports: soccer, basketball, football, and cheerleading. Sports Camp ran for 11 consecutive summers, hitting its peak attendance in 2015 with over 1,000 registered campers.

So why end what seems to have been a wildly successful ministry? Several reasons exist. One, we've noticed a trend in declining attendance the last few summers. In part, because Parma City School District no longer allows us (or other outside organizations) to promote our activities through take-home flyers.

Second, we've outrun our leadership base. While we have had some of the most amazing workers on the planet, it has just flat-out gotten harder and harder to recruit the amount of volunteers needed to run a safe and efficient program with the number of campers we have. Sports Camp falls three weeks before VBS, and the two programs have a tendency to compete for the same resources, including adult and youth workers, countless hours of office administration, and behind-the-scenes help from an army of volunteers. So paring back from two programs to one will help us provide a better quality ministry to the families we are serving.

But the biggest reason Sports Camp has come to an end is because we have not been reaching our objective. We have been very intentional about the purpose for camp: *"Connecting kids and their families to Christ and His Church"*. Although there have been many "decisions for Christ," we are not seeing the kids or their families being discipled and becoming involved in church.

VBS Gets Major Overhaul.

With Sports Camp coming to an end, the Children's Ministry has decided to totally re-vamp VBS and make it an entirely new outreach ministry. For grades 1-6, this new Outreach Event will continue to have exciting rallies, impactful Bible time, and "how to live it" in

small groups. In addition, it will also have a lot of fun and exciting activities. Some of the ideas on the table are wacky scavenger hunts, Ninja style obstacle course, creative movement, and Minute-to-Win-It competitions. The preschool would keep its same effective VBS format.



We need your input and help! We are currently in the process of creating this new program as we go and we would love to hear from you! Stop by the table in the glass walkway and take a minute to pick a couple of names that you think would sound exciting to kids, and choose 5 to 6 possible activities that you think would help kids want to come and be part of this exciting outreach. Begin praying about your involvement. Besides our wonderful VBS and Sports Camp workers from the past, we will need additional teams to create and run the new “out-of-the-box” activities. Each activity will be designed and built from scratch. The sky is the limit as we continue to seek God’s direction for this exciting outreach.

WHAT’S HAPPENING AT PHBC

JANUARY/FEBRUARY						
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SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

YA Singles Bible Study – 4:30pm

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

Food Pantry – 10:00am

BSF – 6:55pm/WC

GriefShare – 7:00pm/B-5

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

Senior Adult Meal – 12:00pm/FLC

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

IMPACT Night – 7:00pm

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

Fortified Men’s Group – 8:00pm/B-5

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

Children’s Worker Breakfast – 9:00am/FLC

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

Puppet Team Rehearsal – 4:00pm/B-1

YA Couples Bible Study – 4:30pm/B-5

MONDAY, JANUARY 29

Food Pantry – 10:00am

BSF – 6:55pm/WC

GriefShare – 7:00pm/B-5

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 31

IMPACT Night – 7:00pm

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 1

Fortified Men’s Group – 8:00pm/B-5

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

PHCA Open House – 10:00am

PHBC LEADERSHIP STAFF

Dan Barfell – Senior Pastor

Kraig Anderson – Executive Pastor

Dan Adams – NextGen Pastor

Pam Scott – Children’s Pastor

Tim Hunsicker – Discipleship Pastor

Matt Williams – Young Adults Pastor

Dave Griffey – Christian Schools Administrator

Jen Moench – Preschool Director



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

8:15 & 9:30am *Classic* | 11:00am *Contemporary*

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