

# HERE AND NOW

WHAT'S HAPPENING  
AT PHBC

OCTOBER 1, 2017

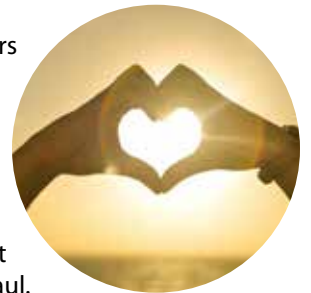
## INVESTING IN LIVES BY: PAM SCOTT

*What an honor and privilege it has been for me to serve at PHBC for 42 years. And one thing the Lord has really shown me is the importance of being invested in lives for the long haul.*

I was just reminded of that again the other day, when a person who grew up in this church 30-some years ago came to me and said, "Thank you. I am where I am today because you invested in my life when I was facing some tough struggles as a child. Without that, who knows where I'd be. THANK YOU for caring and pouring into my life."

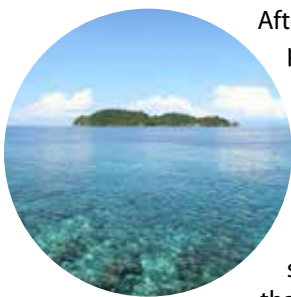
Today, she is on fire for the Lord and joyfully serving, influencing the next generation for Christ.

That is one of many stories I've appreciated hearing over the years. And my point is this: it's not about you or me, it's about allowing God to influence others through us as we invest in lives for the long haul. So be encouraged, don't give up; whether you're teaching, pouring into another one-on-one, or whatever it may be, God will impact lives as you invest in others with His love. It's truly worth the investment. After all, God gave His all to invest in each one of us.



## DESIGNED FOR A PURPOSE BY: TIM HUNSICKER

*At a recent Hot Food Night at PHBC, I read Psalm 104:25-31 to the group gathered there.*



After I read this to the group, I took time to remind them that all of creation was designed for a specific purpose. I also noted that God gives us what we need when we need it, and in His timing. Animals, unlike humans, enjoy the freedom of doing what they were formed for. Elisabeth Elliot said, "A clam glorifies God better than we do, because the clam is being everything it was created to be."

We need to remember that we were created to worship God and bring Him glory. This is why God created man and woman. But we know that this all changed when sin entered the world, and now we get sidetracked and distracted from doing the very thing we were created for. Every man and woman strives to worship and glorify something, and it's only once we have a personal relationship with Christ that we can pursue doing what we were created to do: worship and serve God.

## MISSIONS PRAYER FOCUS



Dr. Rick and Debbie Bardin are NAB missionaries in Cameroon. Rick is a pathologist and Debbie is a nurse. They serve at Mbingo Hospital. Pray for God's blessing on the weekly Bible study that Debbie leads.

## PRAYER THOUGHTS

Schedule time every day to **Seek God**.  
*Search for the LORD and for His strength;  
continually seek Him (1 Chronicles 16:11).*



## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES

*The Senior Adult Bible Study will be on Tuesday, October 10 at 1:00pm in B-5.* Join us for a great time of fellowship and study of God's Word as we continue "Roamin' Through Romans". Bring your Bible and a friend. Refreshments to follow.



## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

*College students and singles, you're invited to a Bible study* starting Sunday, October 1. We'll meet at the home of Pastor Matt and Sheri at 4:30pm.

*Young adult married couples are invited to a Bible study* starting Sunday, October 8 at 4:30pm in the parlor.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

*We have exciting news! The Bible Challenge is going to continue for children in grades 1 through 6!*

Each month, you have the chance to answer two different questions. The questions are written on the board in B Hallway. Carefully read the question, search your Bible for the answer, write your FIRST and LAST name on the answer card, circle your grade, write your answer clearly on the back, and slip the card into the Bible Challenge Answer Card slot. We ask that you answer each question only once. If you answer correctly, your card will be placed in a drawing, and winners will be randomly chosen. Winners will receive a postcard in the mail and have the opportunity to choose their prizes on the first Sunday of each month at Kids Corner in A Hallway. CONGRATULATIONS to the 22 winners we have had up to this point! We look forward to many kids participating and demonstrating their knowledge of the Bible!



*Our kids at IMPACT Night are excited to partner with the church family to support a village in Nigeria called Ahumbe.* This year, the children will be bringing in their coins to help provide clean drinking water for this village. Our goal is to collect \$1,000, and the children have been provided with special containers to collect their coins. We encourage you to save together as a family for this project. Aluminum cans will also be collected on Wednesday nights and can be dropped off just outside by the glass walkway, closest to the Academy wing. They will be recycled, and the money put towards our Mission Project. Every little bit helps to provide safe drinking water for our adopted Nigerian village.

*Treasure Cove is a unique ministry that helps to communicate God's truths to children with special needs.*

As they are surrounded by many of God's treasures, children will hear about the greatest treasure, Jesus. Treasure Cove holds classes at 9:30 and 11:00am every Sunday. We can use more helping hands to assist with our children, as much interaction takes place one on one. See Pam Scott or Lea Smith to get involved. At this time, we can use assistance at either hour, so we can fit you in at your time of choice.

## STUDENT MINISTRIES

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- Instagram @phbc181
- Twitter @phbc181
- [www.facebook.com/181studentministries/](https://www.facebook.com/181studentministries/)

## PARMA HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

*PHCA is a Kindergarten through grade 6 accredited and state-chartered Christian School* located right in the church building. If you would like information about the Academy, please check out our website at [www.phcawarriors.com](http://www.phcawarriors.com) or call the school office at 440.845.8668.

## PHBC TO ADOPT A VILLAGE IN NIGERIA

### Consider the facts:

- 22% of the world's population makes less than \$1.25 a day.
- 1.5 billion people live in extreme poverty.
- The average village population is 1,500 people.

PHBC is going to help put an end to extreme poverty and bring the hope of Jesus Christ by adopting a village in Nigeria, West Africa. Join us on Sunday, October 29 for Adopt-A-Village Sunday.

On Adopt-A-Village Sunday, you will: Hear about the Million Village Vision, understand the 5 Key Issues that will end extreme poverty, learn which village PHBC is adopting, and discover how YOU can be a part of the solution to bring help and hope! Together, we can change the world!



## COMMUNITY MINISTRIES

### Learn how to get the most from Social Security.

Attend a complimentary workshop that presents the tools that are available to help you plan for your financial future. Financial Advisor Neal Clemens will be sharing valuable information about financial and retirement planning issues from a Christian perspective. Please join us at PHBC on Sunday, October 15 at 6:00pm.



### It's time to clean out those closets and donate your new or gently worn coats and jackets to Love In the Name of Christ (Love INC).

If you are purchasing coats please purchase 2X or larger. We are asking you to bring your coat to church during the first FOUR Sundays of October. The coats will be picked up, cleaned, hung in a plastic bag, and given to the homeless and poor throughout Cuyahoga County. They are expecting a colder winter this year, so please help us reach out the hand of hope in a practical way as we extend Love In the Name of Christ.



## WHERE WILL YOU SERVE?

We are really excited for a day of fun, games, treats, petting farm, puppets, crafts, face painting, Kettle corn, and much more as we provide a loving touch for children and families in our community. Our Fall Family Festival is just around the corner, so reserve Saturday, October 28 on your calendar and become part of the action, either attending and bringing your friends, or being a part of the crew to make it happen. Weather permitting, we will be using the family life center and the Cross of Hope Pavilion and wooded area. If the weather is inclement, everything will move inside. We need at least 160 volunteers to help connect with our community. You can start bringing in bags of wrapped candy donations.



Plan on joining us that day for a great opportunity to meet and interact with our community. Sign up in the glass walkway for the time slots you can help. For those of you with kids, you will want to attend with them and invite your friends. Flyers are available in the glass walkway.

### Fall Family Festival schedule:

- 10:00am to 12:15pm – Set-up and eat lunch
- 12:00 to 3:00pm – Run games and activities  
(Festival begins at 12:30pm)
- 3:00 to 4:00pm – Clean-up

## THANK YOU

Thank you all so very much for the beautiful cards and flowers, visits, encouraging words and support for the passing of John. Knowing that your thoughts and prayers were with us during this difficult time was and is a source of great comfort.

– Judy, Doug, and Rick Shimko

# WHAT'S HAPPENING AT PHBC

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**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1**  
 New Life Class – 11:15am/C-5  
 Puppet Team Rehearsal – 4:00pm/B-2  
 YA Singles Bible Study – 4:30pm

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 2**  
 BSF – 6:55pm/worship center  
 GriefShare – 7:00pm/B-5

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 4**  
 IMPACT Night – 7:00pm

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7**  
 Stony Glen Retreat – 9:30am

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 8**  
 YA Couples Bible Study – 4:30pm/parlor

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 9**  
 BSF – 6:55pm/worship center  
 GriefShare – 7:00pm/B-5

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 10**  
 Senior Adult Bible Study – 1:00pm/B-5

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 11**  
 White Cross – 10:00am/parlor  
 IMPACT Night – 7:00pm

**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13**  
 MOPS – 9:15am/parlor

## 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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