

the PULSE

February 2016

Monthly Vitals of Parma Heights Baptist Church

Missions Prayer Focus:



Elaine Idoine serves with Youth with a Mission (YWAM) in South Africa. Her work with HIV patients helped her write a training manual for people

who work with HIV and AIDS patients. It has been translated into French and Swahili. Our PHBC Thanksgiving Offering a few years ago allowed her to print this manual so it could be distributed throughout the continent of Africa. She also works on a mobile testing unit. She is able to test for HIV, blood sugar, blood pressure, and TB. Recently she has also helped with an after-school care program where she helps first and second graders with their school work. Pray for Elaine's health, her financial support, and her personal safety.

Prayer Thoughts:



Let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. | John 4:7 ESV

Love with God's love:

- Listen with a caring heart
- Sacrifice for other's needs
- Pray for one another's concerns

Loving your neighbor is not something you feel. It's something you do.

– Mary Southerland

Check It Out:

Are you interested in becoming a member at PHBC? Whether you're just interested, are newer here, or you've been attending for a while, the *ALL IN Membership Seminar* is the next step towards membership. This 7-session study will be led by Dan and Grace Adams beginning Sunday, March 6 at 11:00am in B-5. You'll get a chance to understand what PHBC is all about. Sign up in the church office or e-mail Dan Adams at dadams@phbaptist.org.



Events & Classes:

Family Movie Night is Friday, February 26 at 7:00pm in the worship center. Doors open at 6:30pm. We will be showing Disney/Pixar's *Inside Out*. Growing up can be a bumpy road, and it's no exception for Riley, who is uprooted from her Midwest life when her father starts a new job in San Francisco. Like all of us, Riley is guided by her emotions – Joy, Fear, Anger, Disgust and Sadness. The emotions live in Headquarters, the control center inside Riley's mind, where they help advise her through everyday life. This event is free for the whole family and your friends too. Popcorn and water will be provided.



WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Join us for a relaxing evening of fun, fellowship and food at Ladies Laugh Out Loud on Friday, February 19 at 6:30pm in the parlor. A nacho bar is provided by the Women's Ministries team. Please plan to bring a beverage or dessert to share. All ladies are welcome. Bring your friends! Sign up in the glass walkway.

MEN'S MINISTRIES

A Men of PHBC Shooting Club event will be held on March 5 at Stonewall, 100 Ken Mar Industrial Parkway in Broadview Heights. Doors open at 8:00am. We will meet for breakfast at Bob Evans, 4516 Royalton Road in Broadview Heights at 7:00am. Sign up in the glass walkway beginning February 14. There will be a \$10 range fee per person due at sign-up. Please remember that you are responsible for your ammunition. Get connected by contacting the Shooting Club at phbcshootingclub@gmail.com.

The Men of PHBC Mid-Year Retreat is coming this April. Watch *The Pulse* for more information.

Mark your calendars for the 38th Annual Men of PHBC Retreat on September 23-25, 2016. This year's speakers are the men of our own pastoral staff. Watch for more details.

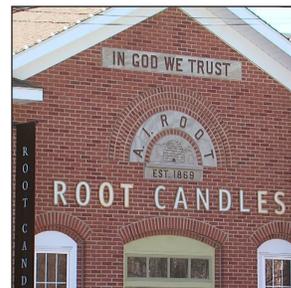
Join the "Monday Morning Guys". Every Monday morning at 7:30am a group of men meet at church for a time in God's Word and prayer. Then they roll up their sleeves and work on some of the maintenance tasks around the building. Their devotion to God, each other, and this church campus is greatly appreciated. So, what are you doing on Monday morning? Consider this your invitation to join this group of committed men of God.

SENIOR ADULT MINISTRIES

The Senior Adult Bible Study is Tuesday, February 9 at 1:00pm in B-5. We will continue our lesson concerning one of the patriarchs of Israel who wrestled with God and never walked the same way again. Bring your Bible, a pen and a friend. Refreshments to follow.

Senior Adult Trips are returning on Tuesday, February 16. Enjoy a great meal at the newly remodeled Stancato's Italian Restaurant. Enjoy the succulent choices from the food bar. Then we'll head down to Medina to shop at Root Candles and stop at the Coffee Colony, the perfect places to pick up a treat for yourself or a friend! Tickets are \$25 (includes meal and transportation.) Tickets are available to church family members in the church office beginning February 7.

The Autumn Fellowship Meal is Tuesday, February 23 at noon in the family life center. Celebrate President's Day and take the winter chill off with delicious comfort



food! We'll have meatloaf, macaroni and cheese, and a vegetable. In honor of George Washington, we'll have cherry pie for dessert! Our speaker will be our own Pastor Terry Zerby. We'll also be treated to some entertainment provided by our Parma Heights Christian Academy second grade class. Bring no food, only an appetite and a friend. Cost is \$4.

Discipleship:

Beginning Wednesday, February 24, the Going Deeper group begins a study on prophecy led by Mike Pierce from 7:00-8:30pm. This study is for anyone curious about the prophecies of the Bible and the signs of the end times. This study will link the pieces of the prophecy puzzle in plain, simple language. During the study we will explore and explain what might otherwise be a mysterious or even frightening perspective of the significance of prophetic events.

"If we believe in excellence, then we believe in training". These are the words posted in the primary training room at the Association of Baptists for World Evangelism's (ABWE) headquarters in Harrisburg, Pennsylvania. This training motto is one the Discipleship Ministry Team at PHBC has embraced through



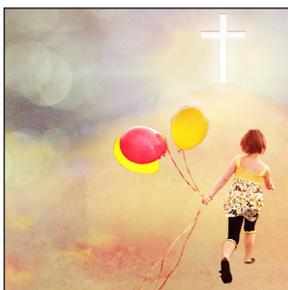
the years as we pour into our leaders four key times of the year. This year's first quarterly leadership training will be held on Sunday, February 28 from 6:00 to 7:30pm in the youth center. We target our Growth Group and IMPACT Leaders, but open this training to anyone in leadership or interested in developing their ministry leadership skills. Whether you are a seasoned deacon or new to PHBC, continued training on how to be an excellent ministry leader is important. Why not make 2016 the year you allow the PHBC Discipleship team to invest in training and equipping you to help others find and follow Jesus Christ?

Kids & Students:

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

The Pioneer Girls Father-Daughter Mission of Love Event is February 10 from 7:00-8:30pm in the family life center. We are targeting all of our fathers and daughters to be part of this fun-filled event! Come and have a blast as we celebrate a special Valentine's evening together. If dad is unable to attend, please feel free to invite your grandpa, uncle, brother, or special friend. Don't miss this very special evening with your daughter.

The Pinewood Derby is coming fast on March 16. If your child is in Tree Climbers, Stockade, or Pioneer Girls, you will want to participate. This is a great time for moms or dads to get involved with your elementary child, as you shape, sand, and paint together. Trophies are given for the fastest cars and best designs. Ribbons are received by all participants. So make sure you pick up your kit on Wednesday night. The cost is \$7 per car. (Wheels have not arrived yet but we will get them to you as soon as possible.)



Is your child ready for the next step of baptism, or wanting to know more about growing as a believer? If so, you'll want to sign them up for New Life Class, which begins March 6 and last 7-8 weeks. Children should come to C-5 with their Bible and a pencil once dismissed from the 11:00am worship service. 1st and 2nd graders must be accompanied by a parent. Sign up in the church office.

WE LOVE KIDS, and you can help keep all of our kids healthy by following these simple guidelines.

Please keep your child home if:

- They have had a fever, vomiting or diarrhea within the last 24 hours
- Just started on medication
- Has heavy nasal discharge or constant cough
- Has unusual spots, rash, or possible symptoms of a virus
- Your little one is fussy, cranky or just not himself

Let's all work together to help keep all of our kids healthy.

STUDENT MINISTRIES

The Big Game Outreach Party, hosted by the Minnicks and Mitchells, is Sunday, February 7 at 6:00pm. Enjoy an evening of fun, football, food, and games with your friends. It's fun for everyone, whether you like football or not. There will be a special half-time gospel presentation, so invite your friends! Girls, please bring a snack or dessert. Guys please bring a 2 liter of pop. Everyone, bring your friends!

Join us at the Winter Retreat for a weekend away at Stony Glen February 12-14. This will be an amazing weekend of games, contests, group activities, free time, powerful worship, and practical Bible teaching. Check out www.oneeightyone.org for more information. This is one of our favorite events of the year – you won't want to miss it!

Parents, join us for a Summer Trips Parent Info Meeting on Sunday, February 28 at 12:30pm in the youth diner. Summer is just around the corner, and it's time to start planning for some amazing ministry trips including Summer Camp and our Mission Trip. Join us for information on each of these trips.

We're looking for two college-aged individuals to serve as Summer Interns with our Children and Youth Ministries. If you know someone who would be good at working with our children and youth, please pass along information about this amazing opportunity or contact Dan Adams, DAdams@phbaptist.org, or Pam Scott, PScott@phbaptist.org. Complete information can be found at www.oneeightyone.org or in the church office. Applications are due by February 26, 2016.



Worship Ministries:

The Experience Easter Choir has just three rehearsals! We are looking for singers of all ages and abilities to join together for *Experience Easter: This I Believe*. The primary rehearsals are Sundays, March 6, 13 and 20, from 1:30 to 4:00pm. The program is Thursday, March 24 and Friday, March 25 at 7:00pm. This year's approach has a more lighthearted feel with a life-changing message! Questions? Contact Kraig Anderson (kanderson@phbaptist.org) or just show up for the first rehearsal.

Christian School Ministries:



PARMA HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Consider sponsoring a student or staff member in the 10th Annual Bowl-A-Thon to be held Saturday, March 5! Our staff and students will be bowling to raise funds for the Academy's general operating budget. Each person is participating in contests to see who can raise the most support, and they would love your help! Just stop by the Academy table in the glass walkway to fill out a sponsorship form. This is our largest fundraiser of the year, which has allowed us to keep our tuition low. Thanks for helping us reach our goal of \$20,000.



Are you looking for a school that will support your biblical worldview and incorporate your Christian beliefs and values into school curriculum, athletics, special classes such as art and music, discipline and extra-curricular events? Enrollment for Kindergarten through 6th grade is underway for next year at Parma Heights Christian Academy, so check out our website at www.phcawarriors.com or call the office at 440.845.8668 for information. Anyone from PHCA or PHBC who refers a new family that enrolls will receive a \$100 check next fall after school begins. Just make sure they tell us you referred them to PHCA!

With Valentine's Day this month, don't forget to use gift cards to buy those special presents or take your sweetheart out for dinner! PHCA carries cards for Cheesecake Factory, Macaroni Grill, Olive Garden, Red Lobster, Longhorn Steakhouse, PF Chang's and Bonefish Grill. You can pick up shopping cards in the glass walkway on Sunday mornings or in the PHCA office Monday through Friday from 7:30am to 4:00pm.

Thank you to all of our church prayer warriors! We are honored to have our students lifted up regularly by our church family. It is our prayer as a school that every child may come to know Jesus as their Savior and that those who know Him will remain steadfast and strong in their faith. Know that you are making a difference in the lives of PHCA's students! *"Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus."* (1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 NIV)

Community Ministries:

Are you looking for a way to be a blessing to both the Body of Christ and your community? Love INC has an opportunity for you. They are looking for a person to help on the phones. The commitment would be 3-4 hours a week during the hours of 9:00am to 3:00pm. They are located in the Independence area. You will be trained, encouraged, blessed and occasionally fed. Please give them a call at 216.450.0302 or email them at loveincwcc@sbcglobal.net.

The Cleveland Pregnancy Center's Loose Change for Life campaign will be held during the month of March this year, rather than from Mother's Day through Father's Day as in the past. You may pick up a bottle in the glass walkway beginning February 28. Fill it (or any container of your choice to help with costs) with coins, bills or a check to support the Cleveland Pregnancy Center during the month of March and return the filled bottles to the church office by Easter Sunday, March 27. Thank you for all your gracious support!



Do you like helping people? Do you often find yourself in situations with people in emotional, personal or relational crisis or transitions? Maybe you are a gifted encourager or caring helper. Because of your desire to counsel and guide individuals, you may be seeking a deeper understanding of people and the skills to be a more effective people helper. Come and join us for these highly informative and practical workshops, from a source you can trust. Fees are paid by The City Mission, but advance registration is required. Please contact Neb Burke, Executive Assistant to the CEO at nburke@thecitymission.org or 216.431.3510, ext. 206.

- ***The Science of Gratitude***

Saturday, February 13 (9:00am – 12:00pm)

- ***Debt Canceling: Resolving the Pain of the Past***

Saturday, February 20, 27 – both sessions required (9:00am – 12:00pm)

- ***Introduction to Crisis Management***

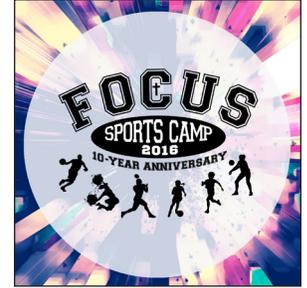
Saturday, March 5 (9:00am – 12:00pm)

- ***Introduction to Suicidology: Prevention, Intervention and Postvention***

Saturday, March 12 (9:00am – 12:00pm)

Where Will You Serve?:

Save the Date for FOCUS Sports Camp June 20-23 and 26! This summer we will be celebrating ten years of connecting kids and their families to Christ and His church through the ministry of FOCUS Sports Camp! Hundreds of kids have come to know Christ through FOCUS and we need YOU to help make this year the best yet! Areas to serve include: Coach, Assistant Coach, Blue Shirt Worker, Food Service, Security, Sunday Family Celebration. Where will you serve?



What a joy it is to work with giggly, energetic girls, giving them direction that will help shape their whole future. Don't miss out on a great opportunity on Wednesday nights that can impact girls for life. We can still use some extra hands with our first and second grade girls, as well as some people who are creative and love to work behind the scenes, helping to get us ready for the many special activities throughout the year. See Pam Scott or Sue Hickey to get on board with this exciting ministry.

Do you love holding babies, or playing on the floor with a toddler who is so eager to learn? There are great opportunities to do this once a month, or every other month, whatever works for you. Join our rotational staff of Nursery-Toddler workers and enjoy watching these children soak up all that's around them. Sign up at the sign up center, or the church nurseries today. You'll be glad you did.

FYI:

PHBC Facilities Team is looking for a new part-time person to add to our Team. This person needs to be available to work an average of 20 hours a week and be able to work mainly mornings and afternoons with an occasional weekend. Also this person needs to be able to pick up at least 50 pounds and able to move school furniture regularly. This person also needs to be a quick problem solver and will be responsible for the church building at times. Pick up an application in the church office.

Applications for college-age summer interns to work with children and youth are now available in the church office. Applicants must be interested in going into a ministry related vocation and have finished at least two years of college. Applications are due by February 26.

We thank all of you who have provided food for the funeral luncheons that PHBC has given! Your ministry is truly a labor of love and is greatly appreciated by the families you serve. Your dishes, pans and plates can be picked up in the glass walkway. Please make sure the item you take is yours and not just a similar item. We will dispose of items left after February 15. Thank you.

In our continuing efforts to meet the needs of our PHBC family, we are partnering with Matt Williams of Moriah Counseling and Consulting. Matt provides counseling to people from PHBC during the day on Wednesdays at the church and other times at his office in North Royalton. Matt is a clinically trained and licensed counselor and comes to us with many years of ministry experience. Most currently, Matt has served as Director of Grief Counseling at Cornerstone of Hope in Independence. To schedule a Wednesday appointment at the church with Matt, or for more information, please call the church office and ask for Kathy. The cost of each appointment is \$50. We are glad to be able to offer this needed help to our church family.

The PHBC Food Pantry is available to those in need within the church family. Operating hours are Mondays from 10:00am to noon. If you are unable to come on a Monday, contact Barb Shumaker at 440.746.0944 to make an appointment.

Thanks for all the donations of food and gift cards given to keep the shelves stocked in our food pantry. Each of us who work in the food pantry have been blessed beyond measure by being able to help in the pantry and share food, prayer and God's love with everyone who comes in. We thank the church for the help you give so that we may do something we love. We have seen God so many times and we are so thankful to everyone.

Thank You:

Dear Church Family,

We would like to thank everyone for their prayers, love, cards, phone calls and visits while Phil was in the hospital in November and December and in rehab.

Thanks to Pastor Dan Barfell, Pastor Terry and Sandy, and Pastor Dan Adams, who sat with me over an hour in ICU, letting me talk and listening to me just when I needed it. Thanks also to George and Betty Leshan who made many visits and the rest from our Growth Group. We love you all.

God has been so good to us. We just want to thank Him for what He did in Phil's body. We serve a wonderful God, and love our church. We are being fed by God's people. We feel so blessed to be members of Parma Heights Baptist Church.

In Christian Love,
Phil and Jean Pantalone

Stewardship:

Giving Update through January 2016		
	January Year to Date	January Per Week Average
Actual	\$157,891	\$31,578
Budget	\$137,177	\$27,435
% of Budget	115.1%	115.1%
Variance	\$20,714	\$4,143

Note: These financial figures include a special general fund gift of \$30,000. Without this gift the offering would be 93.2% of budget in the month of January.

January Average Sunday Growth Group Attendance: 449

January Average IMPACT Night Attendance: 270

Our Pastoral Staff:

Dan Barfell – Senior Pastor

Pam Scott – Minister to Children

Dan Adams – Pastor of Student Ministries

Kraig Anderson – Pastor of Worship and Administration

Terry Zerby – Associate Director of Senior Adults

Tim Hunsicker – Associate Director of Discipleship

Dave Griffey – Minister of Christian Schools



SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICES

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

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