

Generations in Ministry

What is the difference between spiritual gifts and talents? Are spiritual gifts ramped up and blessed talents, or are they something entirely different-because they often look the same. Or are talents something you already, have and then spiritual gifts come later? If spiritual gifts are something separate and special, when does one get them-only at baptism or throughout life? Can children receive spiritual gifts? Would God give a spiritual gift to a person if they were not in a social position to be able to use it fully? If spiritual gifts are something specifically given to you of God, how do you know about it? How do you know what God wants you to do with your spiritual gifts? Come this afternoon and work with Pastor Michael to see if some of these questions can be answered. p. 5

Praise for the Past **Faith for the Future**



We thank you for your faithful giving toward your pledges!

To see more pictures of the expansion progress visit www.facebook/piedmontparksda

www.faith4thefuture.com

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Piedmont Park Community Seventh-day Adventist Church

Welcome to Worship!

We pray that your encounter with God and His Family will renew your experience of joy and peace in your journey.



Vision Statement

We will, with God's guidance, introduce individuals to Jesus Christ and support their growing relationship with Him in preparation for the Second Coming.

Mission Statement

With God's leading, we will create an atmosphere of Christian love and friendship, nurture spiritual growth and equip members for active involvement in ministry to our community and world.

August 16, 2014

Adult Bible Study Classes

Superintendent: Virgil Carner

Musician: Anne Schenk Song Leader: Vern and Jill Thompson

- **Balcony Explorers:** practical problem-solving through sharing Scripture and the Church Quarterly. Located in the Balcony. Bill Fitts and Assistants
- **Eclectic Journeymen:** Various Topics. The Montessori School Building. Peter Adams, Jeremy Middleton or Kim Hazelton
- **Searchers of the Word:** The Bible, Church Quarterly and the Spirit of Prophecy. Back left side of the Sanctuary. Oliver Williams or Guest teachers
- **Hearers of the Word:** Ask a Greeter for a hearing assistance device. Church Quarterly. Right front of Sanctuary. Richard Cotter, Alice Mihulka, Thomas Toews
- **As the Spirit Leads:** The Quarterly - Room behind Piano. Virgil Carner and Leon Hill
- **Themes of Hope:** You are Invited and Welcome! Guests are Welcome! Lite Breakfast. Church Quarterly. 9:30-10:40am. Kitchen end of the Fellowship Hall. Class Leaders: Renee, Jennifer, Eula, Scot & Manuela & Ryan
- **Adult Sabbath School Class.** Front Left of Sanctuary. The Quarterly. Malcolm Gaskin & Sandra Schwabb
- **Karen SDA Sabbath School Class:** Room behind the Organ.
- **Young Adult Discussion Class:** Meets every 1st and 3rd Sabbath. South end of Fellowship Hall.

Prayer and Praise

Psalm 37:5 (NKJV) “Commit your way to the LORD, Trust also in Him, And He shall bring it to pass.”

“Give to the winds your fears; In hope be undismayed. God hears your sighs and counts your tears. God shall lift up your head. To Him commit your griefs; Your ways put in His hands. To His sure truth and tender care, who earth and Heaven commands. O put your trust in God. In duty’s path go on. Walk in His strength with faith and hope...so shall your work be done. Leave to His sovereign sway, to choose and to command; So you shall, faithful, seek His say- How wise, how strong His hand! (Hymnal # 519)

Our Father in Heaven, today we give thanks for:

The funds that came in to help our Karen student stay at College View Academy this year!
For a productive all church business meeting last Monday evening.
For progress on the Faith for the Future building expansion and funds coming in.

Father, today we say a special prayer of intercession for:

Sindy Vorderstrasse for healing and for her Father who has heart trouble
Maria Nehls who has pneumonia
Our Silent Requests

Message of Encouragement

“Think of the most impossible thing there is to do. Can you long jump across the Grand Canyon, or fly on your own through the sky? Of course not! This is how impossible it is to live the Christian life without help and in our own strength.

We often rate the commands of Scripture.

Easy: Do not kill. (Exodus 20:13)

Medium: Praise the Lord. (Psalm 150:1)

Hard: Love one another as I have loved you. (John 13:34)

The truth is... Every command of Scripture should be ranked: IMPOSSIBLE for “All have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God.” (Romans 3:23)

When we fully realize the sinful capabilities of our own hearts and the utter impossible nature of the commands of Scripture, we tend to put God’s commands into the easy-medium-hard categories and fall into the comfortable spot of picking and choosing which commands we will obey.

What command of Scripture is in that ignored, but “hard,” category” in your life? Jesus said, “Without me you can do nothing.” (John 15:5). Lean on the enabling power of Jesus Christ given to you through the Holy Spirit. Ask for the Holy Spirit to come to you and teach, comfort and strengthen you. Then you will be able to think, feel and do what is pleasing in God’s sight. “It is God who worketh in you both to will and to do of His good pleasure.” (Philippians 2:13).

This is a portion of Part 12 in a series called “Truth or Lie,” based on the book, Lies Women Believe: and the Truth that Sets Them Free by Nancy Leigh DeMoss.



The Largest Evangelistic Family Ministry
and Women’s Ministry Event of the Year!

A Ministry by Women for Women and their Families

Sponsored by KS-NE Women’s Ministries
and People from all Kansas-Nebraska Churches

September 14-19, 2014
Kansas City, KS

YOUR help is needed!

We need staff, item donations, monetary donations and prayers!

EVENTS you can help staff will include:

- Family Fun Day (9/14 - 12noon-6:00pm)
- Free Suppers & Seminars (9/15 thru 9/18 - 5:45-8:30pm)
- Ladies Only Free Spa Day (9/19 - 10:00am-5:00pm)

For more information or to sign up to help, contact:
Sue Carlson at suecarlson54@gmail.com

spiritual GIFTS

Are you curious what your gift is?
Would you like to find out how to use your gift in ministry?

August 16 @ 2pm

Come to a FREE seminar about spiritual gifts and ministry opportunities!

Presented by
Pastor Michael Halfhill

Questions:
piedmontparksda@gmail.com

Important Dates for your Calendar

There are some special events coming up right here at Piedmont Park. We invite you to add them to your calendar today!

September 6
Soup Supper & Guitar Vespers at 6:00pm
Bring food to share and your musical instrument and voice to join in the music after supper!

September 13
Friday Night Vespers at 7:00pm
This special Vespers will feature stories and experiences from volunteers who helped with tornado cleanup in Pilger. Featuring: John Treolo

Date coming soon...
Church Campout at Woodland Acres

October 31
Light Up the Dark at Piedmont Park

For more information about these and other events, visit the Piedmont Park website at www.piedmontparksda.org, click on Calendar

Or contact the church office at piedmontparksda@gmail.com
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THE Lester's IN CONCERT

Saturday August 23 7:00 pm

Piedmont Park Church

August 16, 2014

Prelude

Opening Songs
 “Live Out Thy Life Within Me” Hymn #316
 “In Christ Alone” Word on Screen
 Song Leaders: Laura Daw & Britiani Daw

Invocation Pastor Michael Halfhill

Music for Meditation “Christ In Me Medley”
 Mitch Hornung and Adam Schwimmer

Baptisms Paul and Lisa Oakland Pastor Michael Halfhill

Musical Interlude Tammy Adams

Church In Family Prayer Rich Jacobs

Tithes and Offerings Betty Jacobs
 (All loose and unmarked offering will go for our local church budget)

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Andy Moseley

Children’s Story “Lambs Offering-Peru” Sylvia Trotter

Baptismal and Profession of Faith Dedicatory Prayer
 Paul and Lisa Oakland
 Pastor Michael Halfhill

Special Music
 “Tell Me the Story of Jesus/I Love To Tell the Story”
 Beth Baker Schwimmer and Adam Schwimmer

Scripture Reading “Matthew 7:13-14” Tom Brawner

Sabbath Message Pastor Michael Halfhill
 “Discipleship Series Part 2- Path of Most Resistance”

Closing Hymn “This Little Light of Mine” Words on Screen
 Song Leader: Angela Coppock
 Pianist: Lisette Deemer

Benediction Pastor Michael Halfhill

Postlude

Organist: Tammy Adams

Church Calendar

Friday, August 15-8:26pm-Sundown-We welcome the Sabbath Day

Sabbath, August 16-8:26pm-We look forward to a blessed week

9:20am-Adult Sabbath School Song Service

9:30am-Child, Youth & Adult Sabbath School Program and Study

9:40am-Adult Lesson Study

10:50am-Sabbath Message – Pastor Michael Halfhill “Path of Most Resistance”

12:15pm-A special love offering taken as you leave for Piedmont Park to be a sponsor for Christina Record’s EYE Run. The sponsorship helps raise funds for services for the blind.

12:30pm- Sabbath Potluck in the Fellowship Hall after the worship service

2:00-4:00pm-Spiritual Gifts and Ministry Opportunities Seminar/Pastor Michael p. 5

4:00pm-Piedmont Pedalars p. 5

Sunday, August 17

10:30am-You are invited to a Fifty Plus Tropical Blast Brunch p. 5

Wednesday, August 20

7:00pm-Wednesday Night Prayer Meeting

Friday, August 22-8:16pm-Sundown-We welcome the Sabbath Day

Sabbath, August 23-8:16pm-We look forward to a blessed week

9:20am-Adult Sabbath School Song Service

9:30am-Child, Youth & Adult Sabbath School Program and Study

9:40am-Adult Lesson Study

10:50am-Sabbath Message-Pastor Michael Halfhill “The Groom Wears Red”

12:30pm-There is no Fellowship Meal today at Piedmont Park

4:00pm-Piedmont Pedalars p. 5

7:00pm-The Lesters in Concert p. 5

Offering Calendar

8-16 Our Local Church Budget

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Our Local Combined Church Budget

Our local church budget is \$1,374.72 in the red as of August 14. Our local combined church budget requires \$3,545.10 each week to fund our church’s expenses and ministries.

Lambs Offering for the Karin Fund: \$218.35

Tithe & offerings may be donated online by going to www.piedmontparksda.org, then click on Online Giving.

Treasurer-Evelyn Cornforth 402-484-3004 evcornf@gmail.com

Our Offering Today is Our Local Church Budget

As I went shopping for groceries, clothes and household needs last week, I thought how easy life is if one has enough money to meet their needs and how pleasant it is when there is a little left to have a little treat or want. We aren’t always this fortunate. Sometimes we rob “Peter to pay Paul” as the saying goes...(I wonder where that saying sprang from)...or we borrow from our kids piggy banks...you may have been in that spot before as I have. We don’t enjoy being short of money when the need arises to purchase items for our daily needs, for our health care, or to keep our home up, etc. How much better to have enough!

This week we thank you in advance and pray for a generous Local Church Budget Offering to meet the practical needs, the ministry needs, and yes, perhaps a little of the wants of our church as we support God’s work at Piedmont Park SDA Church.

Wishing for you God’s Richest Blessings and a Happy Sabbath!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today’s Bulletin, the weekly Prayer and Praise & the Family Communiqué (extended announcements) are posted on the Piedmont Park website. To see them, please go to www.piedmontparksda.org and click on Bulletin. The monthly Piedmont Birthday List is sent out via the Prayer and Praise email contact group at the beginning of each month.

The deacon for the day is Steve Duden. The elder for the day is Leon Hill. They are happy to be of assistance to you or pray with you.

1st Readings for Membership Transfers

In: Cheryl Wallin from Wichita South SDA Church, (Wichita, KS)

Out: Cale and Amy Prindle to Azure Hills SDA Church (Grand Terrace, CA)

Anjuli (Lake) Tenborg to Gurnee SDA Church (Gurnee, IL)

Thank you so much for the funds you have been donating into the Karen Fund at Piedmont Park Church. The funding available there allowed us to help Tabitha, our 10th grade Karen student at College View Academy, to stay at CVA for the coming school year. If you would like to help us replace the \$600.00 taken from the Karen Fund, please mark your tithe envelope “Karen.” Questions? Renee Schaecher – Church Office 402-484-1344 leave a message, 402-580-1608 (text) or piedmontparksda@gmail.com

There will be a special love offering opportunity today for Christian Record Services for the Blind. Look for a deacon with an offering plate at the doors as you leave. We are raising \$250.00 to help sponsor the EYE Run which is one of CRS’s fundraisers for the year. If you would like to know how to register for the run go to www.piedmontparksda.org. Bulletin, August 16 and look for the EYE Run announcement.

Please join us for a traditional potluck fellowship meal today after the church service. Fellowship meals are provided in the context of community. Please bring food to share and/or a love offering and provide help setting up & taking down tables and chairs and cleaning up. Thank you. The Hospitality Ministry. Chair: Kim Hazelton readabook94@hotmail.com

God has given spiritual gifts to all believers so that we can be used in ministry. Are you curious what your gift is? Would you like to find out how to use your gift in ministry? **Today at 2 pm**, Pastor Michael will have a seminar about spiritual gifts and ministry opportunities. This seminar is free of charge and open to all. Questions? Contact the Church office and leave a message at 402-489-1344 or e-mail piedmontparksda@gmail.com

Pioneers Park, here we come for another wonderful ride! Please join the Piedmont Pedalers for the fun. We are meeting at Wilderness Park parking lot off of Pioneers Blvd just west of the railroad tracks west of the State Pen at 4:00pm today. We plan to ride to Pioneers Park via bike trails. Great route, wide path to allow maximum fellowship. Please join us! Questions? Kent Thompson 402-421-7705 or Dwain Leonhardt, 402-421-7507

You're invited to a CVC Fifty Plus Tropical Blast Brunch, tomorrow, Sunday, August 17 at 10:30am. Come with your favorite summer dishes -- Finger Foods, Appetizers & Dips, Desserts, Fruit and icy cold Smoothies. Park on the south side near entrance doors #3, lower level annex. Questions? Contact Bev, 402-770-6133.

The Lesters will be in concert next Sabbath, August 23, 7:00pm here at Piedmont Park. Often called “The First Family of Gospel music,” The Lesters have been sharing their love of music through five generations. Their rich blends and uplifting music continue to inspire audiences throughout the country. Doors will open at 6:00pm for this Free concert. An offering will be taken. For additional information call Lou Ann Fredregill at 402-792-2450.

The Celebrate Recovery program is coming soon to Piedmont Park Church! Freedom from all of life’s hurts, hang-ups, and habits is possible through Jesus Christ and solid biblical principles. Celebrate Recovery is a proven Christian restoration program based on the Beatitudes found in Matthew chapter 5. Over the past 20 years, thousands of people have found Christ and new life through Celebrate Recovery. Questions? Church Office – 402-489-1344 piedmontparksda@gmail.com More details will follow soon.