

### Generations in Ministry

Recently two tornados hit a small Nebraska town, did a lot of damage, caused injuries and at least one death. Adventist Community Services was asked to set up a warehouse with clothing, personal supplies, etc., for those who had lost everything when the tornadoes carried their houses and possessions away. John Treolo, ACS coordinator from the KS-NE Conference office asked for volunteers. Shaina Adams & Beth, Katelyn, and Colton Synder were Piedmont Park members that responded. They returned from helping those in need with satisfied hearts and good things to say about the volunteers and the people of Pilger, NE. Shaina helped pick up trash from the fields and put it in piles for the trucks to be loaded later. The personal tragedy of the situation really struck home for Shaina, she said, as picked up toys, clothing, and personal items off of the ground where they had been spewed by the tornado. The Snyder kids were too young to clean up in the disaster area but found their niche by helping in the warehouse. Colton said it was great to help with his hands! Thank you, Jesus.

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



Purchase an inscribed brick and have a permanent, tangible way to honor a special someone or event in the **new lobby** of the addition.

Pick up an order form in the lobby and turn in your order as soon as possible per the instructions.

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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.

July 5, 2014

## Adult Bible Study Classes

Superintendent: John Rhodes

Musician: Betty Hill

Song Leader: John Rhodes

- **Balcony Explorers:** practical problem-solving through sharing scripture and the quarterly. Located in the Balcony. Bill Fitts and Assistants
- **Eclectic Journeys:** Various Topics. The Montessori School Building. Peter Adams, Jeremy Middleton or Kim Hazelton
- **Searchers of the Word:** the Bible, 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. Quarterly. 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! 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 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath. South end of Fellowship Hall.

## Prayer and Praise

**Our Father, We pray the prayer of intercession for your loved ones...**

Gertie Unterseher who is on Hospice.

Vicky Lynn Zak, Piedmont Park member, formerly from Lincoln, died peacefully on January 27, 2014, in Flat Rock, NC, of diabetes and kidney disease while in Hospice care. Vicky is survived by her children, Anthony (Bob) Ballard, Judi (Chris) Schroeder, John (Elizabeth) Ballard, James (Robin) Zak, Michael (Jennifer) Zak, and Melissa (Marc) Simmons; mother-in-law, Bertha Zak, 11 grandchildren; nieces and nephews. Vicky's life will be celebrated by her children in a private family celebration per her wishes.

Linda Becker who recently had tests for health concerns.

Melvin Vietz who is healing from having surgery.

Doreen Opp who is healing from having surgery and is experiencing much pain.

Crystal Kennedy who is recovering from surgery.

Families / Marriages / Kids

The silent requests in our hearts.

Those with financial needs or needs for better jobs.

Those whose faith is weak, and those whose faith drives them to extremes. Please God, help us to be balanced, vibrant, useful, faithful, Christians with peace and your joy in our lives.

For our Vacation Bible School staff, supplies, enough helpers, your Holy Spirit, and good attendance.

Thank you, God, for Your concern for us during these requests and many more. We thank You and praise You for Your goodness to all peoples and for Your promises to us.

## Message of Encouragement

How time flies! As least for me and for many people I talk to. Surprisingly many of the people who remark time is flying by are in their middle years. Babies have no sense of time, children are in a hurry to grow and time seems to be slow, young people think they have a lot of time, and then we realize that in truth, even though the cadence of time never really changes, it is rushing by for us as we begin to see the horizon in the distance. For God, time is not of real consequence as He is timeless, but He realizes how short time is for us. He says we are like the flowers of the field, today we are, and tomorrow we are not. Some believe this life is all we have and so we are obligated to make the most of it. Time for them is something that ends when we die. Others think that we have all the time in the world because when we die we come back in another form and have another chance to live a better life. Some believe that this life is a test and if we don't meet the test successfully then when we die we will be sentenced to a level of heaven or hell to match how we performed, or even worse, we may lose heaven all together...we are still buying time. God empathizes with us that our time is short on this earth. So God offers His timelessness to us. His one and only requirement is that we love God with all our heart, mind and soul (our whole life) and our neighbor as ourselves. He calls, and we answer on a minute by minute basis...just as we always breathe for life, we have God in our heart and mind for life. Those that will live this kind of life do not worry about performance based salvation. They accept and acknowledge that their life is saved in God. Those folks that "do" because they recognize and accept God's love, whether they can actually feel it or not, will be given the gift of endless time...there will be no ending horizon. The Tree of Life and the River of Life flowing from God's throne will be available to them and they will live eternally with God's endless time to learn, laugh, grow, plant and harvest in peace, complete contentment and happiness. They will experience God's immediate presence and time will not matter anymore. By: Renee Schaecher

**The Old Paths Quartet**  
**Monday, July 7 at 6:30pm**  
 Doors open at 5:30pm for this free concert!

Ten years ago, a group of men chose a name from the following verse and made a commitment to stay true to its words:  
 Jeremiah 6:16 KJV - "Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for The Old Paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls....."

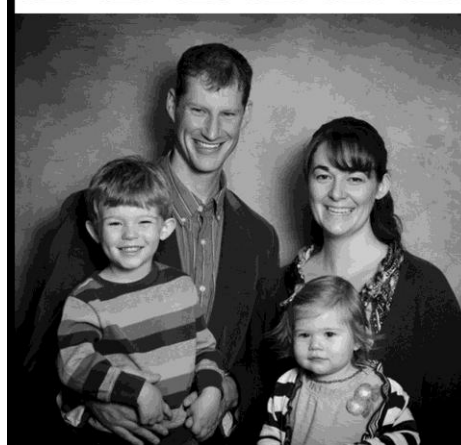
With loads of enthusiasm and ministry experience, the Old Paths Quartet materialized out of Atlanta, Georgia to become one of the most influential, trend setting Christian groups in Southern Gospel.

Mid-West Gospel Music  
 402-492-2450

A free-will offering  
 will be taken.



**Friday Night Vespers**  
**July 11 at 7pm**  
 in Piedmont's Sanctuary



**Presented by the**  
**Scharffenberg Family!**

Questions? Vanessa at ppvespers@gmail.com or 402-486-0629

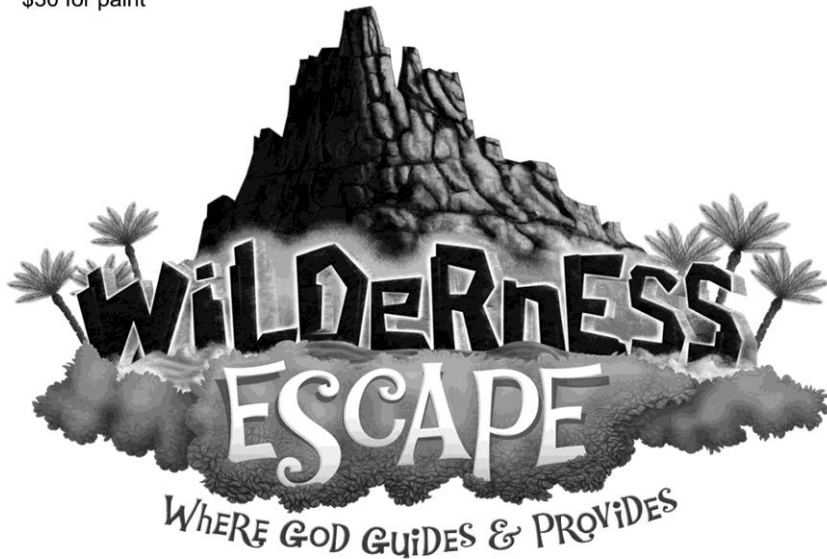
These are items that we need in order to put on a successful VBS program. If you can donate one or more of these items, please visit the table in the main lobby and let us know! If it would work better for you to donate money towards VBS, please mark your tithe envelope "VBS."

Questions: Charlene Hawkins at 402-486-4413 or charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com

# Vacation Bible School Donations Needed

## → Consumables (donated, not returned to donor):

5 wads of raffia	1,100 colored 4.5" popsicle craft sticks
1 roll 12" brown paper	3 bottles washable red paint
Lots of newspapers	Bed sheets (any size, used or new)
100 toilet paper or paper towel rolls	54 paper grocery sacks - blank on one side
strands of silk ivy	1 package orange tissue paper
100 brown shoe laces (used or new)	1 package yellow tissue paper
50 pounds colored sand	1 package red tissue paper
1 roll thick paper towels	3 sets of food coloring
50 bars unscented soap	6 bottled waters - 8oz size
8 rolls of 1" masking tape	6 bottled waters - 1 liter size
144 bamboo skewers	6 bottled waters - 1/2 liter size
12 pita breads	2 large bottles vanilla extract
\$ for regular bread dough	\$ for gluten free bread dough
6 pounds rice (not for eating)	balls of twine
12 sheets poster board (brown or black)	
pillowcases, towels, bedspreads, blankets, fabric (any kind)	
\$30 for paint	



## → Reusables (borrowed and returned to donor):

3 utility buckets	12 spray bottles
8 cheese graters	3 paint brushes - 1" size

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July 5, 2014

Opening Songs  
 "Power in the Blood" Hymn #294  
 "Amazing Grace" Hymn #108  
 "Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus" Hymn #618  
 Song Leaders: Ferlie Gaskin & Melfa Day

Invocation Pastor Michael Halfhill

Music for Meditation Kristen Unterseher

Church In Family Prayer Dr. Kirk Brown

Tithes and Offerings Carol Rees-Finance Chair  
 (All loose and unmarked offering will go for our local church budget)

Welcome and Announcements Pastor Michael Halfhill

Children's Story "Lambs Offering-Peru" Brian Wehling

Special Music "No Greater Love" Jessica Scharffenberg

Patriotic Reading Bill Fitts

Scripture Reading "Romans 6:5-8" Gwendolyn Reithoven

Sabbath Message "Let Freedom Ring" Pastor Michael Halfhill

Closing Hymn "Redeemed" Hymn #338  
 Words on Screen  
 Song Leader: Ryan Watson  
 Pianist: Darcy Pearcy

Benediction Pastor Michael Halfhill

Postlude  
 Pianist: Darcy Pearcy Organist: Sandra Schwabb

### Church Calendar

**Friday, July 4-9:02pm Sundown-We welcome the Sabbath Day**

**Sabbath, July 5-9:02pm Sundown-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

12:30pm-Please join us for a fellowship meal today. Your offerings and help are needed.

4:00pm-Piedmont Peddlers and Piedmont Plodders p. 5

**Monday, July 7**

6:30pm-Old Paths Quartet in Concert p. 5

**Wednesday, July 9**

7:00pm-Prayer Meeting

**Friday, July 11-9:00pm Sundown-We welcome the Sabbath Day**

7:00pm-Friday Night Vespers with Kenny & Jessica Scharffenberg p. 5

**Sabbath, July 12-9:00pm Sundown-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 Andy Moseley and Communion Sabbath

12:30pm-There is no fellowship meal at Piedmont Park today.

07-05 Our Local Combined Church Budget – Beginning the 2015 church fiscal year

07-12 Women's Ministries – Local, conference, union budget

### **Our Local Combined Church Budget**

**Let's Celebrate! You helped end our church's fiscal year in the black! Let us praise God together for our faithfulness.** Our balance as of June 30 is in the black by \$6,561.66.

Our local combined church budget requires \$3,661 each week to fund our church's expenses and ministries.

Lambs Offering Given for Pathfinders on June 28: \$119.78

Tithe & offerings may be donated online by going to [www.piedmontparksda.org](http://www.piedmontparksda.org) under Online Giving.

Treasurer-Evelyn Cornforth 402-484-3004 [evcornf@gmail.com](mailto:evcornf@gmail.com)

### **Today's Offering is for our Local Combined Church Budget**

In review of the church bills it was interesting to see that the cost of gas, heat/cooling, telephone, etc., was very similar to a single household's bills of, say a four member family, and it did seem possible that 300+ families could support the budget of the church from that perspective. Of course, we also actively support Adventist Education for our kids, so that ups the challenge some, but it's still doable if we all work together. God calls us "the family of God." God says that if we turn our backs on our own family's needs, then we are no better than a non-believer (Isaiah 58:7). God kind of lays it on the line with that statement, doesn't He. Let us truly value our local church budget and support it for what it can do for our members and for the community as we minister and witness to them. Strong and regular support for our local combined church budget helps us pay our standard bills, maintain and improve our church facility and grounds, support our main ministries, fund our benevolent fund, and more. Thank you for your love for your church and help. Questions? Carol Rees Finance Chair 402-423-1457

## 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](http://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 Josh Kittleson The elder for the day is Virgil Carner.** They are happy to be of assistance to you or to pray with you.

### **Membership Transfer Requests: 2nd Reading In and Vote**

Mary Angela Early from Apache Junction SDA Church

Catherine E. Stowell from Longmont, CO SDA Church

**Piedmont Peddlers and Piedmont Plodders:** This week the plan is to meet at 84<sup>th</sup> Street MoPac Trail head (between "O" Street and "A" Street on East side of 84th) at 4:00pm Dwain Leonhardt 402-421-7507

**The Piedmont Park Un-Restricted Benevolent is raising funds to support the current financial support needs of our members and one community family.** We appreciate your care and donations! Please place your donation in a tithe envelope and mark it URB3. Our goal is to raise \$10,000 total over time. To date we have \$9,836.00 to go. We can provide a tax receipt for you if you provide your name and address. If you have general questions please contact Renee Schaecher-URB Chair at 402-489-1344, cell – 402-580-1608 or [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com). Thank you!

**In preparation for the front of the church being torn down and the re-building beginning** an entrance on the north side of the church by the sacristy has been prepared. It has a door for people who have a special need for an entrance without steps, and all others may use the Cotner side entrance across from Bryan Hospital. On the way through the educational wing hallway you may notice that the church secretary's office inside of the Junior Sabbath School Room. During the week, it is more important than ever, to set up an appointment and then call when you arrive (402-580-1608) as the secretary will not be able to hear the doorbell or see that you are at the door.

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**Women's Ministries invites you (guy or gal) to join in the fun of making baked items for 2014 Vacation Bible School, Sunday, July 13, at 3:00pm in the Fellowship Hall/Kitchen.** Contact: Carol Leonhardt 402-402-421-7507

**Piedmont Park Potluck Picnic & Vespers, Saturday Night, July 19, 6:00pm** Roberts Park, 56<sup>th</sup> and Summer. Please bring food to share and join us for a fun evening. 402-792-2450, Lou Ann Fredregill, Social Committee Chair

**You are invited to join us for a wonderful concert by "Keepers of the Faith" on Sunday, July 20, at 7pm at College View Church.** Door will open at 6:00pm. A love offering will be taken. Information: 402-792-2450 Lou Ann Fredregill.

**Piedmont Park VBS:** What would happen if you could sit down with Moses, listen to his stories, marvel at his unwavering faith, ask him your questions, and learn to trust in God the way he did when he led the Israelites out of Egypt? **Come to Piedmont Park's Vacation Bible School on July 20-24 from 6:30-8:30pm each night and find out** while you enjoy friends, food, games, music, crafts and FUN! To pre-register for FREE, please go to [www.piedmontparksda.org](http://www.piedmontparksda.org) and click on the VBS 2014 link. We look forward to having you with us! Questions? 402-489-1344 or e-mail [piedmontparksda@gmail.com](mailto:piedmontparksda@gmail.com)