

Generations in Ministry

Thirteen people packed 4,200 meals in just two hours at a Kid's Against Hunger packing event last Sunday in 2 hours!

Of those thirteen people 6 were children under 9 years of age. Five people from Piedmont Park Church packed 1,500 of the 4,200 meals. We were happy to work together with our community to help send much needed food to the Philippines after the Typhoon.

Aubrey Chapo, from Piedmont Park, chose to celebrate her 8th birthday afternoon at the food packing event. She said her heart was moved when she saw the Power Point pictures of people in the Philippines shown by Maria Johnson (who is on her second trip to the Philippines as part of a medical team). When Aubrey realized we were going to help pack food for these very same people, she wanted to help. Aubrey was joined by her cousin, Reina and her Grandmother, Eula Key. We hope you can join us next time!

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



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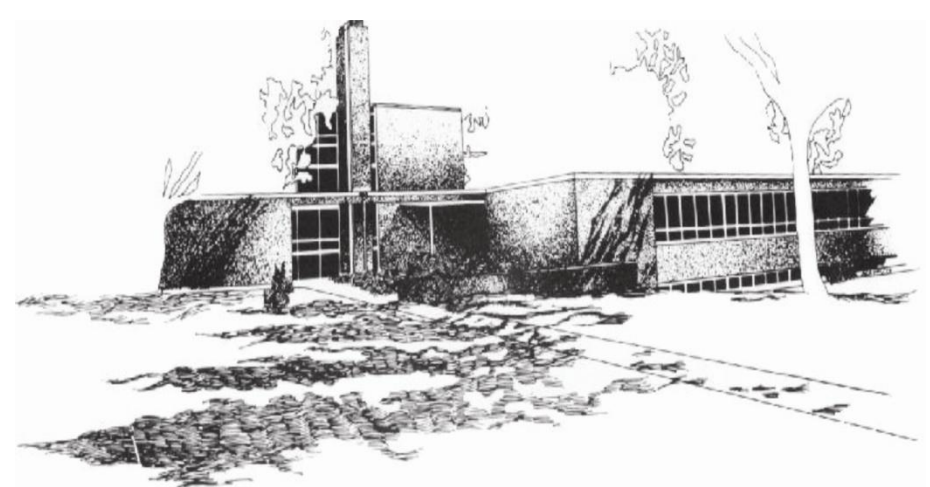
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Piedmont Park Community Seventh-day Adventist Church

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.

May 10, 2014

Adult Bible Study Classes

Superintendent: Virgil Carner

Pianist: Anne Schenk Chorister: Darrel and Tammi Daniel

- **Balcony Explorers:** practical problem-solving through sharing scripture and the 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, 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:** Christ's Object Lessons and The Quarterly - Room behind Piano. Virgil Carner and Leon Hill
- **Rediscovering our Roots:** "Education" by E.G. White. Fellowship hall. Russ Huggins & Ed Meelhuysen
- **Themes of Hope:** You are Invited and Welcome! 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. Malcolm Gaskin & Sandra Schwabb
- **Karen SDA Sabbath School Class:** Room Behind the Organ.
- **Young Adult Discussion Class:** Meets every 1st and 3rd Sabbath. Pastor Andy's Office.

Prayer and Praise

"God is spirit, and His worshipers must worship in spirit and truth."

John 4:24

Lord, we want to worship You! We praise Your holy name and ask that You would bless us as we worship You together in spirit and in truth. As we join together, let the musicians, choir, prayer givers, sermon givers, scripture readers, teachers, participant, cooks, attendees all join together in a chorus of resounding praise and adoration. You are worthy and wonderful, Lord. Thank You for all You are and all You do for us. We praise You and bless you, Lord God.

We pray the prayer of intercession for:

We pray for Betty Hill who has been ill this week

We pray for our students who are preparing for summer work and activities

We pray for those graduating from college

We continue to pray without ceasing for those with chronic illness

"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

Hebrews 10:26

Lord, I thank You for my church and the people who attend, whether I know them all or not. Help me to be a blessing to each person I meet. Help me to be an encourager, a listener. May we build each other up, not tear each other down. May we be others-centered and see the value of each person in our congregation. Lord, help us to be a blessing to them in any way we can.

Power Prayers for Women by Jackie M. Johnson

Message of Encouragement

Isaiah 49:15-16 (NIV) "Can a mother forget the baby at her breast and have no compassion on the child she has borne? Though she may forget, I will not forget you! See, I have engraved you on the palms of my hands; your walls (your plans, your good) are ever before me."

We know that mothers in their humanity can make mistakes and forsake their child but according to Isaiah 49:15 that is the exception and not the rule. God has made the whole process of birth and bonding between mother and child a very strong and special thing. God is wise and loving and wants always to protect and nourish the love relationship between mother and child. God never forgets mother or child. God puts a special gift inside a mother's heart called hope. Hope that her child will live and be all he/she can be, hope that her marriage will be strong, hope that she will be able to make it as a single mother, hope that as a single woman she will find connection and love as a nurturing woman who shares God's loving heart with others. "Hope is a seed God puts in our hearts to remind us there are better things ahead." (Holly Gerth)

Romans 5:5 "Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us."

I am not alienated, Because you love me 1 John 3:1

I am not rejected, Because You are for me Romans 8:31

I am not isolated, Because You are with me Isaiah 41:10

I am not unwanted, Because You are my Redeemer Psalm 19:14

I am not disheartened, Because You are my future 1 Thessalonians 4:17

I am not alarmed Because You are my God! Psalm 31:14

(Devotional excerpt by Roy Lessin, from his blog Meet Me in The Meadow)

Vacation Bible School (VBS) is an exciting ministry our church has chosen to use to reach out to the families of our church and our neighborhood. Through VBS we are able to present Jesus in a unique way that portrays Him as real, fun and approachable.

There are several ways you can support our VBS program:

1) Time and talents - It takes a small army of volunteers to operate a successful VBS. We need Craft helpers, Group leaders, Drama team, Safety monitors, Decorators, Kitchen workers, Photographers ... and more. If you choose this avenue of giving, we have a place for you! **Please sign up at www.piedmontparksda.org, click on VBS**

2) Finances - You can help reduce the church's cost for VBS by giving donations of money and/or supplies or by loaning non-consumables. We will soon be posting a list of specific supplies needed. Be watching for more information.

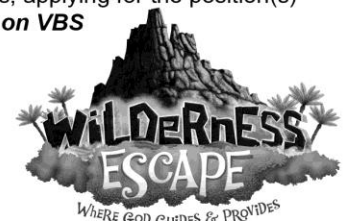
3) Prayer - As with all ministries, prayer is our primary key for success. You can pray for the families that will attend, the staff who will be helping and the leaders that are currently putting all the details of this exciting program together.

So, how is God asking you to help? After prayerfully considering this question, go to our VBS website and look over the volunteer opportunities, applying for the position(s) that interest you. **www.piedmontparksda.org and click on VBS** God will bless ALL efforts, large and small.

Piedmont VBS 2014: July 20-24 (Sun-Thurs)

Director: Charlene Hawkins, 402-486-4413

All volunteers must complete Shield the Vulnerable

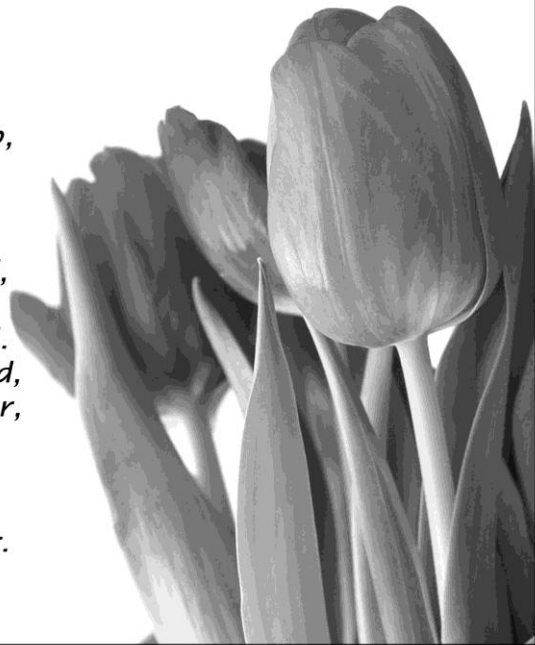


May 10, 2014

To My Mother

For all the times
you gently picked me up,
When I fell down,
For all the times
you tied my shoes
And tucked me into bed,
Or needed something
But put me first instead.
For everything we shared,
The dreams, the laughter,
And the tears,
I love you with
a "Special Love"
That deepens every year.

Author Unknown



Congratulations Graduates!!!



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"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)

Prelude

Opening Songs

"'Tis Love that Makes Us Happy"

Hymn #579

"All the Way My Savior Leads Me"

Hymn #516

Song Leaders: Ferlie Gaskin and Friends

Invocation

Pastor Michael Halfhill

Baptism

Mina Shenouda

Pastor Michael Halfhill

Music for Meditation

"Amazing Grace"

Britaini Daw

Church In Family Prayer

Barb Engquist and Children, Nick and Ivy

Tithes and Offerings "ADRA-Disaster and Famine Relief"

Kaye Duden

(All loose and unmarked offering will go for our local church budget)

Welcome and Announcements

Pastor Andy Moseley

Dedicatory Song

"Via Dolorosa"

Nicole Hart

Prayer of Dedication for Mina Shenouda

Pastor Michael Halfhill

Children's Story

"Lambs Offering-Pathfinders"

"Mom Goggles"

Vanessa Schaecher and Pastor Michael Halfhill

Children - Flowers for Mom's and Women with a Mother's Heart

Pastor Michael Halfhill

Special Music

"Mother's Day Tribute"

Video

Vanessa Schaecher

Scripture Reading

"Matthew 15:22-28"

Steve Duden

Sabbath Message

"A Mom Ministry"

Pastor Michael Halfhill

Closing Hymn

"Because He Lives"

Words on Screen

Song Leaders: Cale Prindle and Friends

Benediction

Pastor Michael Halfhill

Postlude

Pianist: Kim Hazelton

Organist: Tammy Adams₃

Church Calendar

Friday, May 9-8:30pm Sundown-We welcome the Sabbath Day

Sabbath, May 10-8:30pm 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 - Mother's Day Celebration

12:30pm-There is no potluck/fellowship meal at Piedmont Park this week

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

Monday-May 12

7:00pm-Church Board Meeting in the Youth Room

Take the Survey – Piedmont Park's Core Values Are? p. 5

Wednesday, May 14

6:30pm-Pathfinder Club Meeting,

7:00pm-Evening Prayer Meeting

Friday, May 16-8:37pm Sundown-We welcome the Sabbath Day

Sabbath, May 17-8:37pm 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 - Adventure Club Sabbath

12:30pm-Please bring food to share and/or give a monetary donation and join us for Potluck. We also

appreciate help cleaning up, putting chairs and tables away and vacuuming

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

5:00pm-Adventurer Club Investiture at Holmes Lake Park

Sunday, May 18

4:00pm-GNCC International Club – Kenya p. 5

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Our Local Combined Church Budget

Our local combined church budget requires \$3,661 each week to fund our church's expenses and ministries. Our balance as of May 7 is deficient by \$1,568.48. This is because we paid out the monthly allocations. With faithful giving we should climb back into the black within the month.

Tithe & offerings may be donated online by going to www.piedmontparksda.org under Online Giving.

\$143.83 was given for Lamb's offering/Peru

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Today's offering is for Adventist Disaster and Relief – World Wide

Someone one once said, "A disaster is not an act of God, but when we help, our response is." For the human being, it can be hard to get involved with those whom we know have had chronic problems and it can be hard to get involved with someone we don't know, much less have ever even seen. We typically have much more sympathy for those we know and love.

Yet God asks us to love as he did, which would mean to be willing to get involved in a way that may stretch us or be unfamiliar to us. May God give a special blessing to those people who can and are willing to get "hands on" involved. Yet, we all can do something.

This week, ADRA is asking us to care that some of God's children, far away, need a little lift when disasters come. Please donate funds to help ADRA's personnel to go to God's people and help them, in person, in our place.

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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 Robert Mastera. The elder for the day is Kaye Duden. They are happy to be of assistance to you or to pray with you.

This Sabbath, May 10, at 4:00pm the Piedmont Pedalers and Piedmont Plodders invite you to meet. This week we meet at 27th & Hwy. We are going to ride towards Pioneers Park. Join us as we witness God's second book -the book of nature and gain from relaxation, fresh air, exercise, sunshine and good company on the Sabbath day, the day made for our good. Questions? Kent Thompson ktompson@cbcthompson.com

As the construction begins on our church building, our previous 3 Year Plan is ending. As a church following God's guidance we have accomplished many of the goals that we planned three years ago. Now it is time to work on a new plan for the future. We would like to think about the core values of our Piedmont Park church. We need your thoughts about what our core values as a church are and what they should be. We encourage all ages from Earliteen on up to participate. Please take a few prayerful minutes to fill out this survey by clicking on the following link. The survey does not take long and will be very helpful in our ministry plans for the future. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/F6WCQPT> From: Pastor Michael Halfhill

Women's Ministries is seeking nominations of women in our congregation whose service to home, church, and community have been a blessing to others. Please take a moment to write that woman's name and the reason for your nomination on a card and place it in the special "Women's Recognition" box in the church foyer or email Carol Leonhardt at caleonha@gmail.com **Women's Recognition Sabbath is June 7.**

GNCC International Club - come join us for the Good Neighbor Community Center International Club at 4:00pm on Sunday, May 18 in the Piedmont Park fellowship hall. Tom Randa, GNCC executive director, will be presenting the country of Kenya.

On Thursday, May 29, Lincoln will come together for "Give To Lincoln Day", sponsored by the Lincoln Community Foundation. We need YOU to join us. It's 24-hours of unprecedented giving to local nonprofits. It's your chance to help make a real difference, right here in our community. Show your support through Give To Lincoln Day, and your gift will be increased by helping us get a proportional share of the \$300,000 challenge match fund. If for some reason you can't donate online, please send your donation to **Good Neighbor Community Center**, 2617 Y street Lincoln, NE 68503 and we will take care of it for you. You can also schedule a payment to be processed on the 29th today using the link at <http://gncclincoln.org>. Thank you for your support. Tom Randa, Director Good Neighbor Community Center

Sabbath, May 31, the Piedmont Pedaler's and Piedmont Plodders are going to Valparaiso to enjoy the fabulous Oak Creek Trail that goes to Brainard. We plan to meet at the trail head in Valparaiso at 4:00pm. Dwain and I are going to bicycle to the trail head. If you would like to add 40 miles to the ride, please contact Kent right away. This is great riding and walking trail. It is an enjoyable partially covered trail with great views of the country side. Details will follow. Questions? Kent Thompson ktompson@cbcthompson.com

I am excited to announce that we are now filling staff positions for the Piedmont Park 2014 VBS! To see what positions are available and/or to register to volunteer, go to <http://www.piedmontparksda.org/> and follow the step by step directions. This Year ALL volunteers helping in any church ministry involving children are required to complete the abuse prevention training and to submit a background check application. This is available through "Shield the Vulnerable" website at <http://www.shieldthevulnerable.org/>. For those who would prefer a non-online option, be watching for an announcement giving more information about a "Shield the Vulnerable" class in the near future. Thank you. Charlene Hawkins 402-486-4413 or 402-802-7582 or email at charlene.hawkins68@gmail.com

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