

Announcements

September 5, 2021

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Bulletin



MEMBER HEALTH ISSUES:

- **Scott and Debbie Saario** both have COVID 19. Scott went the hospital with a low heart rate. The doctors were able to control his heart rate with medication and they don't believe his heart issue had anything to do with COVID.
- **Phil and Gail** are home fighting COVID. Phil tested positive and Gail tested Negative. However, Gail has symptoms, and the doctor believes she also has COVID. As of this morning the meal schedule was full! If they need additional food, we will let you know.
- **Angela Rubright** has COVID. She feels terrible, but Ashley and Austin are fine.
- **Jack** fell last Sunday and hurt his left knee.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF PSD:

- **Julie Volk**, Cindy Vanlandingham's sister, does not have COVID but does have pneumonia in her right lung. She will be admitted to AdventHealth Orlando or Winter Park.
- **Thurman Davis** has a birthday on September 15th. He will be 93. If you would like to send him a card, send it in care of his son, Danny Davis. The address is 105 E. 27th, Littlefield, Texas 79339. Thurman went to Texas to visit family in July. It was not part of the plan for him to stay. However, because of some new health problems, he did not return to Florida. At this time, he is living in Texas in an assisted living facility near his son.

Traveling:

- **Matt, Amy, and family** are on a three-month family vacation. They will return on October 20th.
- **Kathy Lodge** is in Kentucky visiting her mother. She will be there until September 9th.
- **Emory and Angie** are in Live Oak, FL this weekend visiting Angie's parents.
- **Joe and Susan** are in Tampa visiting their son and his family.
- **Jeff and Julia** are in Tennessee visiting Julia's family.
- **Kendra Aiken and the kids** are still out of town.
- **Conner, Alexa, and kids** are in Bowling Green visiting Conner's family.
- **Brian** is leaving tomorrow for his vacation in Utah where he will meet up the Hinely's. He will be back on September 14th.

SHUT-IN:

- **Anne Dickson, Geny Harrison, Peggy Hunt, Lynna Davis, Patsy Holt, and Pat Steele**

COVID CONCERNS

- **Bea DeBoe** is home due to COVID concerns.

BAPTISM!

- Yesterday Banu Tekin was baptized into Christ! Banu has been a good friend of Ayshea VanCleeef for the past six years. Now they are sisters in Christ! Banu will be here this morning, but she currently lives in Massachusetts. Her address is 10 Rivercrest Way, South Hadley, MA 01075.

"... pursue righteousness, faith, love and peace, along with those who call on the Lord our of a pure heart" 2 Timothy 2:2

September 5, 2011 - Importance of Teaching Children to Know God

We are preparing to embark on a journey. We are preparing to examine and select some new material for the bible classes at PSD. It's a very important journey. The shepherds recognize the need to do this carefully and to listen to all our church family, in order to hear your thoughts, wishes, suggestions, criticisms, hopes for your children and to weigh carefully what our choices are as we consider what is available. In doing so, we want to remember how God has encouraged his people to take seriously what He says about his commands to **"Teach** them diligently to your children!"

God has always encouraged His people to **teach** one another and certainly **teach** the children. One of his instructions was to love the Lord your God with all your heart, soul and might. Then he commanded them in Deuteronomy 6:7, "You shall **teach** them diligently to your children and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise."

Teaching their children was a regular part of life, not something they tried to squeeze into their schedule when they had extra time. **Teaching** children was an essential part of the life of God's people. God is even called a **teacher** in Job 36:22, "God is exalted in his power; who is a **teacher** like Him?" And in Psalm 34 the Psalmist says, "Come O children, listen; I will **teach** you the fear of the Lord".

In Psalm 78:5 the Psalmist writes, "He established a testimony in Jacob and appointed a law in Israel, **which He commanded our fathers to teach their children.**" Fathers and mothers are **commanded** to teach their children. Parents are the ones primarily responsible for the spiritual teaching of their children. In Psalm 143 the psalmist asks of God, "**Teach** me to do your will, for you are my God".

So, what are we to **teach** our children? Hosea 6:3 "Let us know; let us press on to **know the Lord**". Hosea tells us it is important to know the Lord. It is also important that our children know the Lord. Deut 4:35 says, "that you might know that the Lord is God: there is no other beside Him." 1 Kings 8:60 states, "that all the peoples of the earth may **know that the Lord is God**; there is no other." David charged Solomon in 1 Chron. 28:9 "And you, Solomon my son, **know the God of your father** and serve him with a whole heart and with a willing mind, for the Lord searches all hearts and understands every plan and thought. If you seek him, he will be found by you, but if you forsake him, he will cast you off forever." David didn't just say know "about God" but he said, "know God" and serve him. We can know God and we can share God with our children and encourage them to seek God.

Our children can only come to know God by watching us live as disciples of His and hearing us present God to them as He is found in His word. We have the most important opportunity to share the good news with our children. Acts 28:28 says, "therefore, let it be known to you that this salvation of God has been sent to the Gentiles; **they will listen.**" **Our children will listen.** They are ready and waiting for their parents, their church family, and their teachers to share "the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God, with them." (Romans 11:33) In fact, Paul said in Ephesians 3:10, "so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the.... world". We want our children to "know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, that they may be filled with all the fullness of God". (Eph. 3:19)

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Sunday Worship Services

9 a.m. Lord's Supper Service
9:45 a.m. Bible Class
10:45 a.m. Praise & Preaching

Wednesday Bible Classes 7:30 p.m.

Elders

Herb Hinely 407-339-4805
Jeff Hunt 407-739-5266
Joe Rimmer 407-414-7393
Dave Weaver 407-782-1112
Tim Welsh 407-670-8279

Deacons

Matt Hinely, Terry Petty
Erik Quist, Rory Salimbene
Jack Thomas, Emory
VanCleeef

Evangelist

Brian Messerli 407-300-2517
Dwayne Gandy 214-724-5375

620 Palm Springs Drive
Altamonte Springs, FL
407-831-3230

The main thing is this: We want all our children, even all our adults, to hear the words of Christ as he was praying to his father: "This is eternal life, that they know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent." (John 17:3) We want all of our children at PSD to know God and his son Jesus Christ. Paul said in 1 Timothy 4:10 "For to this end we toil and strive, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all people, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things."

Christ said it best in Matthew 28:28 as he was preparing to ascend into heaven: "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of this age."

The Elders

The Bible Class Curriculum Meeting

The elders want your input! That's right, your opinion is important and valuable to your shepherds. They decided months ago to consider changing the curriculum for our younger students. This coincides with our adult and high school classes ending their survey of the Bible using the Waldron material. This Saturday, September 11th, starting at 9:00 all members are encouraged to participate in a discussion of the strengths and weaknesses of three different children's Bible class curriculums. Each member will have an opportunity to examine the material, consider the strengths and weaknesses of each, and provide input to our shepherds before they decide.

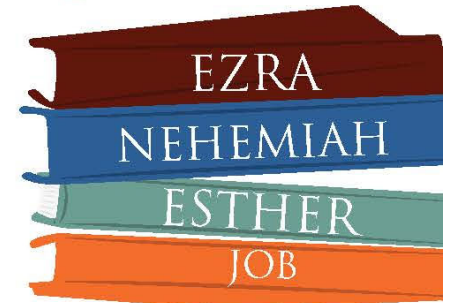
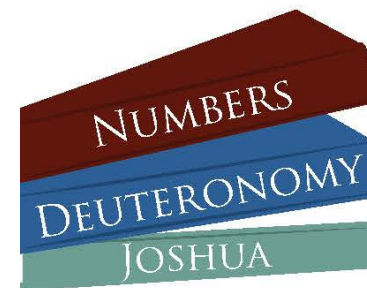
Here are some thoughts from our shepherds concerning why this is important and what they hope to accomplish.

- The children of this church are important to its present and future growth! The time and effort it takes to decide on and implement a curriculum communicates to our children and their parents how important the needs of the younger generation are to us.
- A curriculum represents a well thought out and consistent approach to helping parents teach their children about God. Our Bible classes are not intended to take the place of parents teaching their children at home. The curriculum we choose is aimed to help parents consistently teach their children about God and His plans for them. Moses told the Israelites in Deut 11:19, "You shall teach them to your children, speaking of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up."
- A good curriculum will provide perspective and context for Bible stories, the people in the stories, and the places the stories take place. This will help students enjoy the stories of the Bible while learning the important overall story of His amazing plan for them.
- The elders believe it is beneficial for parents to be intimately involved in PSD's Bible class program. The more you understand the curriculum the better equipped you will be to discuss the Bible lessons with your children and help them prepare for in-class discussions.
- The elders want this process to be open, inclusive, and transparent. The shepherds have consistently used these principles to guide their decision-making process. Believe me I know. With a two-week deadline, they solicited your feedback before they extended me an offer to come work with the Christians here. I knew that it wasn't just lip service. They coveted and appreciated your input. The same is true in selecting the Bible class curriculum. They want your input while accepting the responsibility of the decision that they will ultimately make.
- The shepherds care about teachers too! They hope to find a curriculum that enables our teachers to enjoy teaching material that is engaging and effective. Providing a good curriculum also helps teachers expand their understanding of Scripture.
- The elders encourage all members to take an active interest in our children. You might not be a teacher, but you can help teachers by cutting, coloring, copying, or any of the other time-consuming tasks it takes to make a good Bible curriculum even better. Come to the workshop to communicate your love and support for our kids and their parents. Also, pray for the shepherds as they consider what curriculum will bring God the greatest glory and benefit our kids the most.

Dwayne with input from the Shepherds

BOOKS OF THE BIBLE WORD SEARCH

OLD TESTAMENT 1



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Exodus
Leviticus
Numbers
Deuteronomy
Joshua
Judges

Ruth
Samuel
Kings
Chronicles
Ezra
Nehemiah
Esther

Job
Psalms
Proverbs
Ecclesiastes
Song of Solomon



Better song leading
Better singing
More glory to God

Sing and Rejoice

Singing Workshop (Friday - Sunday)

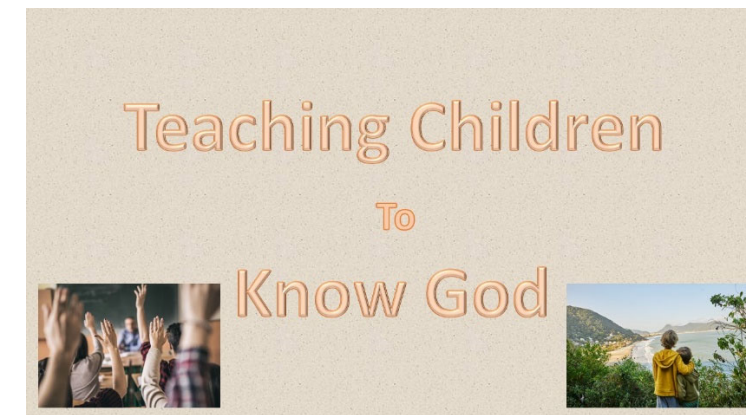
October 1st - 7:30 p.m.
Congregational Singing

October 2nd - 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
7:30 p.m.
Leading and Learning

October 3rd - 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.
True Worship in Song

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Dates to Note



Children are Important to God

Ps 127:3-5 Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, The fruit of the womb is a reward. 4 Like arrows in the hand of a warrior, So are the children of one's youth. 5 Happy is the man who has his quiver full of them; They shall not be ashamed, But shall speak with their enemies in the gate. NKJV

Children are a _____ from God!

Luke 18:15-17 Then they also brought infants to Him that He might touch them; but when the disciples saw it, they rebuked them. 16 But Jesus called them to Him and said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for of such is the kingdom of God. 17 Assuredly, I say to you, whoever does not receive the kingdom of God as a little child will by no means enter it." NKJV

Jesus _____ infants. He understood their _____ and trusting nature.

Matt 18:1-9 At that time the disciples came to Jesus, saying, "Who then is greatest in the kingdom of heaven?" 2 Then Jesus called a little child to Him, set him in the midst of them, 3 and said, "Assuredly, I say to you, unless you are converted and become as little children, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven. 4 Therefore whoever humbles himself as this little child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. 5 Whoever receives one little child like this in My name receives Me. Jesus 6 "Whoever causes one of these little ones who believe in Me to sin, it would be better for him if a millstone were hung around his neck, and he were drowned in the depth of the sea. 7 Woe to the world because of offenses! For offenses must come, but woe to that man by whom the offense comes! 8 "If your hand or foot causes you to sin, cut it off and cast it from you. It is better for you to enter into life lame or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet, to be cast into the everlasting fire. 9 And if your eye causes you to sin, pluck it out and cast it from you. It is better for you to enter into life with one eye, rather than having two eyes, to be cast into hell fire. NKJV

When a church takes great effort to decide on and then carry out a Bible class curriculum it shows that we understand the _____ of children.

The church is one of the last places left where parents know their children are being taught God's word _____.

It's Important that Children learn about God

Deut 10:12-15 "And now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require of you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all His ways and to love Him, to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, 13 and to keep the commandments of the Lord and His statutes which I command you today for your good? 14 Indeed heaven and the highest heavens belong to the Lord your God, also the earth with all that is in it.

New Bible Class Curriculum Workshop

September 11 - 9:00-12:00

Session 1: 9:00 am - 2-3 Year Olds & 4-5 Year Olds

Session 2: 10:00 am - Grades 1-2 & Grades 3-5

Session 3: 11:00 am - Grades 6-8 & Grades 9-12

We want input from **Bible class teachers**, **parents**, and other **interested members**. Let's put our heads together and find a curriculum that benefits our kids and honors God.

Please Come!
PSD church Building

Save the Date!



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| Saturday, September 11, 2021 | Bible Curriculum Workshop 9:00 - 12:00 noon |
| Sunday, September 19, 2021 | Elders, Deacons, and Preacher's meeting – 2:30 |
| Friday, October 1, 2021 | Singing Workshop: Individual Instruction with Matt Dow. By Appointment Only |
| Friday, October 1, 2021 | Singing Workshop: Congregational Singing with Matt Dow: 7:30 PM |
| Saturday, October 2, 2021 | Singing Workshop: Song Leader's Instruction: With Matt Dow, 9:00-12:00 |
| Saturday, October 2, 2021 | Singing Workshop: Learning New Songs: Saturday night, 7:30 PM |
| Sunday, October 3, 2021 | Singing Workshop: Be Thou My Vision: Matt Dow: 9:00-12:00 |
| Sunday, October 10, 2021 | H2H: Next Session Begins |

Our children need to learn that God's commandments are _____ for us.
Our children need to learn that God is good and the _____ of everything.
Our Bible classes here at PSD help parents _____ these important concepts to their children.

Deut 11:13-21 *'And it shall be that if you earnestly obey My commandments which I command you today, to love the Lord your God and serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul, 14 then I will give you the rain for your land in its season, the early rain and the latter rain, that you may gather in your grain, your new wine, and your oil. 15 And I will send grass in your fields for your livestock, that you may eat and be filled.'* 16 Take heed to yourselves, lest your heart be deceived, and you turn aside and serve other gods and worship them, 17 lest the Lord's anger be aroused against you, and He shut up the heavens so that there be no rain, and the land yield no produce, and you perish quickly from the good land which the Lord is giving you. 18 "Therefore you shall lay up these words of mine in your heart and in your soul, and bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. 19 You shall teach them to your children, speaking of them when you sit in your house, when you walk by the way, when you lie down, and when you rise up. 20 And you shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates, 21 that your days and the days of your children may be multiplied in the land of which the Lord swore to your fathers to give them, like the days of the heavens above the earth. NKJV

It's imperative that children witness grown-ups following God's laws. Our first responsibility to our children is to be role _____ of obedience.
We need to teach our children that blessings come from _____.
One of the songs kids sing in Bible class includes the line " _____ come down as the _____ go up."

The benefits of teaching children

Children are naturally curious

Deut 6:20 *"When your son asks you in time to come, saying, 'What is the meaning of the testimonies, the statutes, and the judgments which the Lord our God has commanded you?' 21 then you shall say to your son: 'We were slaves of Pharaoh in Egypt, and the Lord brought us out of Egypt with a mighty hand; 22 and the Lord showed signs and wonders before our eyes, great and severe, against Egypt, Pharaoh, and all his household. 23 Then He brought us out from there, that He might bring us in, to give us the land of which He swore to our fathers. 24 And the Lord commanded us to observe all these statutes, to fear the Lord our God, for our good always, that He might preserve us alive, as it is this day. 25 Then it will be righteousness for us, if we are careful to observe all these commandments before the Lord our God, as He has commanded us.'* NKJV

Josh 4:19-24 *Now the people came up from the Jordan on the tenth day of the first month, and they camped in Gilgal on the east border of Jericho. 20 And those twelve stones which they took out of the Jordan, Joshua set up in Gilgal. 21 Then he spoke to the children of Israel, saying: "When your children ask their fathers in time to come, saying, 'What are these stones?' 22 then you shall let your children know, saying, 'Israel crossed over this Jordan on dry land'; 23 for the Lord your God dried up the waters of the Jordan before you until you had crossed over, as the Lord your God did to the Red Sea, which He dried up before us until we had crossed over, 24 that all the peoples of the earth may know the hand of the Lord, that it is mighty, that you may fear the Lord your God forever."* NKJV

Children learn in multiple ways! Engaging children with things they can _____, touch, hear, _____, and even taste are great ways to teach children.

Childhood learning sticks

Prov 22:6 *Train up a child in the way he should go, And when he is old he will not depart from it. NKJV*

2 Tim 1:3-6 *I thank God, whom I serve with a pure conscience, as my forefathers did, as without ceasing I remember you in my prayers night and day, 4 greatly desiring to see you, being mindful of your tears, that I may be filled with joy, 5 when I call to remembrance the genuine faith that is in you, which dwelt first in your grandmother Lois and your mother Eunice, and I am persuaded is in you also. NKJV*

2 Tim 3:10-17 *But you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance, 11 persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra — what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me. 12 Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. 13 But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived. 14 But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, 15 and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus. 16 All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work. NKJV*

Two reasons Timothy was a huge asset to the church as an adult were the _____ set by his mother and grandmother and the _____ of God's word he attained as a child.

Every person doing their part

Eph 4:11-16 *And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the pastors and teachers, 12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, 13 until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ, 14 so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. 15 Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ, 16 from whom the whole body, joined and held together by every joint with which it is equipped, when each part is working properly, makes the body grow so that it builds itself up in love. ESV*

In order for our Bible classes to be effective, we need _____ member doing their part!

What can you do?

- Pray! You can go through the directory and pray for the kids who are already part of our spiritual family. You can pray for the unborn children. You can pray for Christian families who may eventually move here and be a part of this group. You can pray for kids in the community who desperately need to know about God. You can also pray for the teachers.
- Give! When you give to this church most of the funds are used to spread the gospel. This includes the materials we need to be able to teach our children.
- Teach! We need enthusiastic, talented, and hard-working teachers. We also need teaching assistants. Your role might not be to present the lessons, but you can sit in class and help the teachers maintain the proper learning environment.
- Volunteer! A lot of what goes into teaching happens outside the classroom and almost anyone can help. Sometimes teachers need help preparing things for class. This might include making copies, laminating, coloring, cutting, and a list of other things that would help our class program get better.