



PERRY CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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PASTOR'S PONDERINGS...

Some of you may be aware that I'm readying myself for a possible relocation and move. No, it is not a move to British Columbia, nor is it a planned relocation which is taking me out of the greater area. I thank God daily for the ongoing opportunity to not only serve through the components of my life in the furthering of God's realm here on earth, but also for the opportunity to serve alongside of the folks, God's beloved children, here, in the greater Lake County/Perry area who claim within their own lives, a love for God and a discipleship title to add next to their own names as well. The move I contemplate making, is one which will bring me out of my current shoebox sized "hut," and position me in the sprawling confines of a more contemporary house and home worthy of being supported by photographic evidence suggestive of somehow telling others that the home is now occupied by someone who loves God.

Why on earth would that be important? Why would it be necessary to somehow let others know that the house we find ourselves now "housed within" is a dwelling occupied by a lover of God? I think it important due simply to properly identifying for others who drive by, that the God-lover house, is not just owned by the current inhabitant, nor is it owned by a God loving group who hold title and deed to the property. The true God-lover house is one that has the earmarked signs of God's loving and guiding presence written all over everything found within the house. Not only are the inhabitants living inside of the home, God-lovers by self-proclamation, they are quite evidently God-lovers even based upon what others can say about them. That is the rub in all of this, by the way. Self-proclamation does not add up to very much, unless self-proclamation can somehow be accompanied by outside-of-self, supportive and documented voicing.

Not that many years ago, this very congregation faced its own geographic move. Was it a contemplated move designed to relocate into a nicer, bigger, roomier church building, or was it a move designed to somehow eliminate all the problems found "back in the older" church building? Can I give you some lousy news? Oh boy! How fun is that? The bad and lousy news would be this: If either of the scenarios I just painted for you somehow sum up why the church relocated to this current church structure, the church had no business moving or relocating in the first place! You don't move geographically to become more contemporary, nor do you move geographically so that you can eliminate the problems that existed in your older, outdated, church building. Geographic moves should only be conducted with a clear forward-thinking goal in mind. For a church group, that specific goal must somehow relate to being able to work better and more efficiently at conducting the business of church, which is the missional component of discipleship. In short, the work produced and generated from within the physical structures and walls of the building must somehow become "better and more efficient" because of the move, and not simply as an occasional by-product that takes on the form of a once-a-month operation that fit nicely into a leisurely life-style and a "full" calendar of infrequent events.

Yes, I'm about to move but you can bet that my entire residence will have the clear markings of someone who loves God filling up the entire space. Lord knows I'll need the extra room just to be able to adequately hang-up my black velvet picture of Jesus smoking a cigar and playing cards with dogs sitting around a poker table!

I'll look for you in church, Pastor Paul

BIBLE STUDY—YOU'RE INVITED!

Come join us in Bible study. Who, you may ask? Just a group of fellow Christians seeking to learn more about God, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. No towering theologians, dynamic evangelists, or Bible scholars—just folks eager to learn.

We sit around the dining room table to discuss what we have learned from the week's study while sharing a few munchies and coffee.

Our next study, Philippians, begins September 17th at 7:00 p.m. at 5337 Todd Dr., Madison, the home of Bill and Jo Hudson. If you have questions, call Bill at 440-477-6680 or Jo at 440-954-0999.

If you plan to attend, please call us by September 3rd so that we can order you a copy of the study book. See you on the 17th!

Bill Hudson

Editor's Note: This is a joint Bible study with Perry United Methodist Church.



WEBINAR: FINANCIALLY RESOURCING YOUR MINISTRY & MISSION

Date: Tuesday, September 25, 2018

Where: Online

Time: 1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. EDT

Presenter: Dr. Bruce Barkhauer



Let's take the pain and discomfort out of our stewardship efforts by gaining an understanding of what stewardship is really all about. Participants will come away with a biblical and theological understanding of stewardship as well as planning and programming ideas that are proven to work in congregations just like ours.

This will be a great webinar for the leaders of the church, including but not limited to Elders, Church officers, and Team Leaders. One small fee of \$10 will cover **all the people who come!** **That's a great value for our dollar.** Please **let Deb or Pastor Paul know if you're able to attend.** It may not be a convenient time frame for everyone, but I know it will work for many of us.

About the Presenter: Dr. Bruce A. Barkhauer was called as the first Minister for Faith and Giving for the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in 2010, after 25 years of parish ministry. Since that time he has engaged the whole church in conversations about generosity and offered transformative ways for congregations to think about stewardship.



**NEXT HAND BELL CHOIR MEETING IS SUNDAY, SEPT. 9TH
AFTER WORSHIP. COME, RING WITH US!**

PROJECT HOPE SATURDAY SIDE DISH



We'll gather to prepare the food for the "Saturday Side Dish" for Project Hope on Thursday, September 13th at 6:00 p.m. The food delivery will be on Saturday, September 15th at 6:45 p.m. We do need a volunteer to deliver the food that day.

Here's what is needed:

3 loaves of French or Italian Bread not sliced, 1 lb. Sliced ham, 1 lb. Sliced salami, 1 lb. Sliced turkey, 2 lb. Sliced cheese, 1 Small bottle Italian dressing, 1 Small bottle ranch dressing, 2 Small bags shredded lettuce

For the sack lunches that we provide to Project Hope clients we need: 55 slices of ham, 55 slices of cheese, 2 Cases of Water bottles, 1 pkg. of 100 Ziploc sandwich bags, and donations for fruit.

Sign-up sheets for food needed and delivery people are on the church bulletin board.



SAMARITAN'S PURSE — OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD



Just a heads up...CWM has purchased 48 plastic boxes for those who wish to participate in Operation Christmas Child again this year. Samaritan's Purse started this project in 1993 and over 77 million boys and girls in over 130 countries have received shoe box gifts and heard the good news of the Savior – **God's greatest gift**. The boxes, labels and guidelines will be available soon. Dedication of the filled boxes will be Sunday November 11th. CWM paid the postage last year but the cost has gone up to \$9 per box. Any monetary donation made out to CWM will help defray this cost.

More information will be provided during an upcoming worship service.

Suggested items: school supplies, toys such as small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, harmonicas etc., hygiene items, t-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, flashlights with batteries, hair clips etc.

DO NOT INCLUDE: *used or damaged items, war related items, chocolate or food, expired candy, liquids, lotions, glass or breakable items, medications or vitamins, aerosol cans.*

Laurie Martin



REGIONAL ASSEMBLY—CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN OHIO

Pastor Paul will be attending the Regional Assembly of the Christian Church in Ohio on Saturday, October 6th, 10a—4p at Gender Road Christian Church 5336 Gender Rd., Canal Winchester, OH. Donna and Eric Van Boxel have already decided to attend. If you would also like to go, Pastor will have room in his car for 2 more people. Just let him know.



The resolution that will be voted upon can be found at <http://www.ccinoh.com>

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Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
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2 9:30a Worship 10:45a Fellowship <i>Dan Worrell</i> 	3 <i>LABOR DAY</i> Church office is closed.	4	5 9a Community Outreach Team Mtg.	6 9:30a Prayer Team	7	8 9a-5p OWM Fall Retreat
9 9:30a Worship 10:45a Fellowship 11a Hand Bell Mtg	10 7p Trustee Mtg. <i>Tom Silvis</i> 	11	12 6p Elder Mtg. 7p Church Board Mtg.	13 9:30a Prayer Team 6p Project Hope Food Prep	14	15 9a-4p ODM Fall Retreat 6:45p Project Hope Food Delivery <i>Kim Davis</i> 
16 9:30a Worship 10:45a Fellowship	17	18 <i>Jessica Bartlett</i> 	19	20 9:30a Prayer Team	21 <i>Eric Van Boxel</i> 	22 9a-3p Church Leader Workshop <i>Isabelle Martin</i> 
23 9:30a Worship 10:45a Fellowship	24  <i>Rev. Kathy Evans</i>	25 1:30-3:30p Vital Congregations Webinar at PCC	26	27 9:30a Prayer Team	28	29
30 9:30a Worship 10:45a Fellowship	<i>Advance Notice:</i> <i>The Installation Service for Pastor Paul will be held on Sunday, October 14th. Please mark your calendar.</i>					

SEPTEMBER SERVICE SCHEDULES

	WORSHIP LEADERS	ELDERS	ALL MONTH
2		Don Bartlett Rick Bartlett	<u>Deacons</u> *Eric Van Boxel Donna Van Boxel
9		Linda Warfield Laurie Martin	<u>Sacristan</u> Laura Braden Shelley Braden
16		Vicki Wakelee Carole Martin	<u>Counters</u> Frankie Blanchard Judy Bartlett 9/2, 9/9, & 9/23 Vicki Wakelee 9/16 Connie Smith 9/30
23		Rick Bartlett Don Bartlett	
30		Carole Martin Vicki Wakelee	<u>Hostess</u> Jackie Fernandez Jeray Bunnell

FUNDS/GIFTS/ENDOWMENT TEAM ANNOUNCEMENT

If you “are interested in the interest” accrued on the church investment held by The Christian Church Foundation, please ask an Fund/Gifts/Endowment Team member or attend the church board meeting for a report. **Regardless if you’re interest is increasing...ours is!**

Linda Warfield, Team Chair

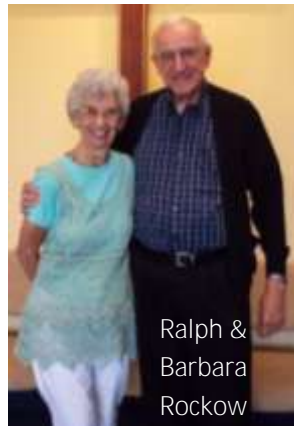


8-19-2018 Former Members visit PCC



Beth Moore simulcast “Living Proof” will be available at Cornerstone Friends Church in Madison on September 15, 2018 from 9a-5:30p. The cost is \$20/

person. Coffee, tea, water, and lunch are provided. To register or for more information call the church office at 428-6868. Registration is also available online at <https://www.cfcmadison.org>.



Ralph & Barbara Rockow



Bob & Barb Schmidt

Perry Christian Church CWM presents

The Porch Rockers

Music from the 60's & 70's

Bring Your Dancing Shoes!!

Sunday October 28, 2018

4:00-6:30 p.m.

at

Perry Community Center

2800 Perry Park Road, Perry, Oh



4:00-6:00 p.m. Appetizers, Chinese Auction & Dancing

Drawing at 6:00

\$25.00

Receive 5 free raffle tickets at the door

For Tickets call: Penny @ 440 463-2562 or Carole @ 440 897-2574

Proceeds support Christian Women's Missions

Tickets are transferrable but not refundable

CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Christian Women Ministry (CWM) continues to collect empty medicine bottles for Matthew 25 Ministries in Cincinnati, OH. Our fourth box was mailed a week ago and we are working on our fifth. CWM is also collecting donations to assist with postage. See Penny Harrison, Carole Martin, or Judy Bartlett to make donations.

CWM has a lot to look forward to this fall. Let's look ahead.

- October 28 – Annual Fundraiser—Get your donations ready by preparing a basket or donating a gift card or lottery tickets. If you prefer to purchase the items for a basket, we will assemble it for you. If you have questions or would like to donate, please talk with Penny Angeloro or Carole Martin.
- November 4th – Sock exchange and light lunch
- December 12th – Sue Tally Christmas Tea and ornament exchange

Mark your calendars right away so you won't miss a thing!

Penny Harrison, Co-Chair



A LITTLE HELP, PLEASE



Our newest members, Don Curtis and Wendy Harrick, will be getting married here on September 29th. Wendy is in need of some "crafty" people to help her make centerpieces for the reception. She will be at the church on Thursday, Sept. 6th at 1:30p to work on this project. If you are willing and able to assist her please come and do so! Any help and support will be greatly appreciated!

THANK YOU



I would like to thank everyone for your prayers, cards, phone calls and food over the past few weeks since Dave's death. Just knowing that others care helps the pain and hurt of him being gone.

Thanks a million!
Carole and Family

Below: 8-19-18 Perry Christian Church Players "What is this & What can we do with it?"





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Worship 9:30 a.m.
Fellowship 10:45 a.m.
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