

THE PULSE



PENINSULA COMMUNITY CHURCH'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS

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COMING IN OCTOBER: 40 DAYS IN THE BIBLE



by Pastor Jim

How many times do you doubt God's Word? How often do you fall prey to people who attack the Bible's reliability or not live out its content?

How well do you know God's Word? Enough to really believe God's Word or don't "do" God's Word. Forty Days in the Bible will transform us from "hearers" to "doers."

As our culture becomes more and more biblically illiterate, we must not follow that trend. Instead, we must intentionally, purposefully, and carefully buck the trend. Biblical literacy is critically important if we are going to thrive in today's world.

Forty Days in the Bible is a church-wide, six-week study in the principles of the Word of

God. We will discover the great care that has gone into getting the Scriptures into our English language from the original languages of Hebrew, Greek and Aramaic. We'll use six small group sessions to learn how to study the Bible for ourselves.

This is a critically important spiritual life campaign, produced entirely by our own church staff. We will launch on Sunday, October 9. It's a great chance to join a small group - if only for just six weekly sessions.

Are you in?

40 DAYS IN THE BIBLE

ONE CLASS. SAME CLASS. BOTH HOURS.

Beginning on Sunday, October 9, Pastor Ken will be teaching ONE adult Sunday morning class – during both hours of worship. Pick which hour, but there will only be ONE class all morning. The material covered will be a foundational lynchpin for the 40 Days in the Bible spiritual life campaign. So make it a priority to be in one of those two classes for six weeks only! Regular classes will resume after the campaign.

READY TO JOIN A COMMUNITY GROUP?

It is time. You've wanted to get plugged into a small group setting for a long time. You've wanted someone to pray for you, to miss you, to give you a hug on Sunday mornings, and maybe even some lives to invest in yourself. As we begin 40 Days in the Bible, join a Community Group. It'll change your life. Just commit yourselves to one meeting a week for six weeks – and then drop or continue! Get in a group!



FINANCIAL UPDATE

(AS OF JULY 31, 2011)

GENERAL FUND	ACTUAL	BUDGET	2010 ACTUAL
Income	\$538,778	\$604,595	\$530,129
Expenses	602,657	614,352	573,365
Year-to-Date Balance	-63,880	-9,757	-43,236
Beginning Balance (1/1/11)	\$33,265		
Ministry Enhancement Balance	\$15,388		



FALL ADULT MINISTRIES

by Pastor Ken

As the fall season approaches with another school year, adult ministries at PCC get back out of summer mode and into a more regular pattern. September is a great month to get plugged into adult ministries if you aren't plugged in already.

Here are some suggestions:

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL – If you haven't tried an adult Sunday school class, why not start this week. There are five different classes to choose from, three that meet at 9 am and two that meet at 10:30 am. Check the website and you'll find topics and locations of these classes.

COMMUNITY GROUPS – If you aren't involved in a community group, there

are going to be some great opportunities to get involved this fall. But don't wait. Go to our webpage (www.pccpv.org) where you can find a place to sign up for a community group. We have 14 groups that meet on various days and times. I'm sure we can find one convenient for your schedule.

Also, we're looking for some new Community Group leaders. If you think God might be calling you to help with this ministry, contact Pastor Ken or Joseph Jaramillo about your interest. We plan to start some new Community Groups during our fall emphasis in October.

PRIME TIMERS – If you are on the plus side of age 50, come join a bunch of others of us who are over 50 and proud of it! Some wonderful trips and outings

are planned along with regular potluck lunches and Sunday afternoon hymn sings roughly once a month.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY – And of course in other articles in this issue of the Pulse, you can read about a whole host of women's ministry activities which will appeal to women of all ages.

BIBLE STUDIES – In addition to the various studies conducted by the leaders of women's ministry, Pastor Ken will be teaching a Bible study each Wednesday, beginning September 7 in the church lounge at 6:30.

Lots to think about and lots to get you involved in consistent Christian growth!



by Pastor Bruce

I would love to break all attendance records this year at Harvest Festival, our fall community outreach. But to do that I will need your help. Here is what you can do... Sign up in advance to work a booth. Sign up in advance to help with food. Sign up in advance to be part of the set up and clean up. Sign up in advance to register and welcome our guests. Each of these things would be tremendously helpful. However, there is one thing I would like **everyone** to do and that is to personally invite five families to come to Harvest Festival Monday, Oct 31 at 6:30. You have plenty of notice. Start now. Pray about who to ask. Let God lead.

You all know we have the best celebration around! So you know it's going to be fun, it's going to be family friendly, and it's going to be uplifting. Great atmosphere, food, games and a special area just for preschoolers. Don't miss it! On a night celebrating darkness this is our opportunity to be a beacon of light.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY THIS FALL

by Joei Sheckman

What an incredible opportunity, the Beth Moore simulcast on September 10 is reaching our community with the love of Christ! We are the only church in the area hosting the simulcast. The next closest location is Carlsbad. Once again I invite you to come! You will be blessed by the teaching, the fellowship and the worship. One of the most powerful things Tozer said, he said simply, "The Holy Spirit makes a difference." That is the main reason I ask you to come and bring friends and neighbors. Yes, even ask those people you don't know very well, especially the ones who may not have a relationship with our Lord. We clearly saw the evidence of the Holy Spirit moving in hearts at the last event, and I know we will see it again this time. We have so strongly felt His presence at our prayer sessions for this simulcast, convicting and blessing us at the same time. We do not want to get caught up in the practical and forget the miraculous – "The Word of God is living and active...judging the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." Word of mouth is the most effective way to get people to come. Invite women, even if you cannot attend. We will have special greeters to meet them, sit with them, and make them feel welcome. Call Sallie Zucker at 310 809 9055 to match a guest up with one of our friendly greeters. Those same greeters will be the prayer encouragers when the altar call is given. How comforting for a new believer to walk down the aisle and pray with a woman who has already befriended her!

Recently Les and I were at the Hollywood Bowl to hear violinist Joshua Bell play Vivaldi's "The Four Seasons." The music was so sublime, the tone so pure, so perfect: that at that moment the music became everything to me. I felt so close to God as

this seemed to be the very music of heaven itself. For those who have been to these events, we know that is what happens – God becomes everything! All the distractions fade away. We all need the personal touch of Jesus. On September 10, this church will be a place to feel His touch.

On a lighter note, the wife of one of our ushers for the last event shared that this was the only time her husband wished he was a woman! And no, I will not reveal his name. Tickets for you and your guest are on sale on the patio or by calling me at 310 375 5254. You can buy tickets for \$20 at pccpv.org

Speaking of the living and active Word, Women's Bible Studies will begin later in September. Karen Wickline and Sharon Wickline will do a Kay Arthur "Precepts" study on Daniel on Tuesday mornings, starting September 13. There is homework, which encourages you to go through the process of observing, interpreting and applying the Word for yourself. Kay Arthur will definitely challenge you. Moms Touching Hearts and Homes led by Emily Allen continues to meet on Wednesday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 am beginning September 14. They will study Danny Silk's book "Loving Your Kids on Purpose," a Christian approach to parenting focusing on relationships. Meryl Konrad's group meets on Thursday mornings for an intimate time of prayer and Bible Study. Christie Welch will meet Sunday mornings at 9 am starting September 18 to study "Jonah: Navigating A Life Interrupted" by Priscilla Shirer.

Call me for more information about any of our fall Bible studies at 310 375 5254.



Sunday Mornings

8:45 & 10:30 AM
 Children's Classes
 Youth Bible Classes
 Adult Bible Classes
 Nursery

Peninsula Community Church

"Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." Romans 12:4-5

Come early, stay late - Coffee on the "patio" at 10:00 am

SEPTEMBER 2011						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 9:00 AM Sunday School & Worship Service 10:30 AM Sunday School & Worship Service 5:00 PM Quest Musical	29 8:45 & 10:30 AM Worship Service Children's Church Nursery	30 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast	31	1 Prime Timers Trip to Getty Villa 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 6:00 PM PCCA Orientation Meeting	2	3 8:00 AM Shepherd Meeting
4 8:45 AM Sunday School & Communion Worship Service 10:30 AM Sunday School & Combined Communion Worship Service w/SBECC	5  LABOR DAY Office Closed	6 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 10:00 AM ABC Cafe Workday 7:00 PM Praxis	7 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study 6:30 PM Refuge	8 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM Worship Team Rehearsal	9 11:00 AM Preschool Play Day 7:00 PM College/Career	10  9:15 AM Living Proof Live Simulcast
11 9:00 AM Sunday School & Worship Service 10:30 AM Sunday School & Worship Service	12 9:00 AM First day of Preschool 9:15 AM Preschool Parent Orientation 9:30 AM PCCA Co-op	13 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 9:00 AM Preschool 9:15 AM Preschool Parent Orientation 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study - Daniel 7:00 PM Israel Tour Meeting 7:00 PM Praxis	14 9:00 AM Preschool 9:30 AM Mom's Bible Study 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study 6:30 PM Breakout Leaders Meeting 6:30 PM Refuge	15 9:00 AM Preschool 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM Worship Team Rehearsal	16 9:00 AM Preschool 7:00 PM College/Career	17
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| 2 | Myra Awad | 23 | Max Yeh |
| 3 | Diana McGregor | 24 | Meryl Konrad |
| 3 | Joshua Brunnenmeyer | | Joan Rogers |
| | Loren Pearson | 25 | Susan Mathis |
| 4 | Mary Jeanne Buttrey | 26 | Elise Posey |
| | Jonathan Hagen | 27 | Fred Lewis |
| | Melissa Rogers | 30 | Michelle Lu |
| 7 | Jason An | | |
| 8 | Sophia Yeh | | |
| 9 | Esther Joystone | | |
| 10 | Kathleen Lo | | |
| 13 | Ken Garland | | |
| 14 | Sharon Wickline | | |
| 15 | Jesse Cordova | | |
| | Joanne Oden | | |
| 17 | Jacob Nicoletto | | |
| 21 | Andre Yu | | |



OCTOBER 2011 BIRTHDAYS



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| 3 | Rick & Debi Klingsporn |
| 6 | Michel & Yolla Medawar |
| 11 | Les & Joei Sheckman |
| 17 | Jesse & Gloria Cordova |
| 25 | David & Marcia Dixon |
| | Roger & Phyllis Miller |
| 31 | Bruce & Roxanne Ellison |

OCTOBER 2011 ANNIVERSARIES

HARVEST



FESTIVAL

OCTOBER 31
FROM 6:30-8 PM

This is a **FREE** event for the whole family. Children are encouraged to wear costumes with good attitudes. Bags for candy will be supplied.

Special area just for **PRESCHOOLERS!**

**GAMES * POPCORN * JUMPERS * SUPER SLIDE *
ROCK WALL * CANDY * FOOD
LIVE MUSIC**

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS!

Sunday Mornings

8:45 & 10:30 AM
 Children's Classes
 Youth Bible Classes
 Adult Bible Classes
 Nursery

"Finally, brothers, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things." **Philippians 4:8**

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LIVING WATER WELL PROJECT TRIP: HONDURAS



PCC has partnered with Living Water International for a few years now to provide clean water to communities where it is not accessible. We have funded several wells; now we desire to become more hands-on and actually participate in the building of a well. As a church staff, there has been a desire to provide different mission opportunities for our church members to serve cross-culturally. This is one opportunity we are making available to our church family to serve in a relevant, compassionate, and significant way in the name of Christ.

There are a maximum of 12 spaces for this trip. In the event that interest for the trip exceeds that number, the staff will evaluate and decide who will attend this trip based upon spiritual readiness, even mix of team members, and other considerations.

If you are interested in this mission trip, visit the church website for more information or contact the church office.

JR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

REFUGE & PRAXIS IN SEPTEMBER

JUNIOR HIGH

Refuge starts back up Wednesday, September 7 with free stuff night! 6:30 – 8:15 pm.

Refuge meets every Wednesday night throughout the year unless otherwise noted on the calendar.

Also new this year – Refuge registration forms (similar to Breakout). Pick one up in the church office or download it off the church website if your student plans to be involved in Refuge at all during the school year.

HIGH SCHOOL

Praxis starts back up on Tuesday, September 6 with our Praxis fall kickoff! 7:00 – 8:45 pm.

Praxis meets every Tuesday night throughout the year unless otherwise noted on the calendar.

Praxis small groups starting back up – Sunday mornings beginning Sunday, September 25. Sign up sheets are available at Praxis or on the church website under the high school section.

WEDNESDAYS STARTING SEPT 28

WE NEED YOU AT BREAKOUT!

by Pastor Bruce



Imagine over 100 children each Wednesday evening here at PCC wanting to learn about God and grow in their walk with the Lord. Imagine worship streaming from hearts of enthusiastic young people. Imagine the beautiful energy of little lives eager to talk about what they've learned from spending time in God's Word. And imagine being a part of this exciting ministry, mentoring young hearts for Christ-like living. Yes, you can do it. All you need is a willing heart, a

desire to grow in your own walk with the Lord, and a yielding to God's Spirit as He works through you.

God can do tremendous things to simple, every day, ordinary people like you and me if we would be open to His leading. Now I know most of you reading this wouldn't give this a second thought because your kids have grown and you have "put in your time." May I simply say to you, "I still need you and the kids still

need you." Would you consider leading a small group of children for 26 weeks or so? Would you think about it?

I'm super-excited about Breakout and the impact it is having on our children. And I would love to share the joy of ministry with you. Let me know if you are interested or have any questions at bruce@pccpv.org.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS FALL



by Pastor Bruce

Our fall curriculum starts September 11 with some very exciting classes.

9 AM HOUR

Grades 1-5: Firm Foundations - Creation to Christ

Children gain an overall understanding of the Bible and its key themes as they learn whom God is and what He has done, as presented in His Word. It is a great way to get the big picture of what

God is doing and to become conformed to His image.

10:30 AM HOUR

K through Grade 1: Jesus, What a Savior

We were created to enjoy the glory of God. But as sinners, we fail to treasure Him as we should. Our hearts are full of sin and we stand in need of a Savior. This chronological study on redemption explores the incomparable greatness and worth of God, the desperate condition of helpless sinners, and the all-sufficient work of Jesus Christ to redeem sinful people.

Grade 2-3: Faithful To His Promises

God's promises are gifts to the believer. The challenge of the Christian life is not to simply know the promises of God, but to place unshakable confidence in them. This study teaches children that God's

character is trustworthy; therefore, His promises are true and reliable.

Grade 4-5: To Be Like Jesus

What is salvation? How does someone become a Christian? What does it mean to become like Jesus? This curriculum helps answer these important questions by explaining elements of the Gospel message, its purpose, and promise. A major portion of this study focuses on the doctrine of sanctification - the process by which a Christian becomes more and more conformed to the likeness of Jesus.

I could use your help in all grades including nursery. Please consider helping or teaching once a month in our Sunday school ministry.

PCC PRESCHOOL Now OPEN FOR REGISTRATION



by Ivy Goh

The Peninsula Community Church Preschool is dedicated to providing a well-planned, holistic and fun program for preschoolers in a secure Christian environment. We seek to meet the social, emotional, spiritual and educational needs of the children and develop each child to his or her full potential.

Our school is now open for registration of children between the ages of 2- to 5-years old.

Formal classes will begin on September 12, 2011. Do register early to ensure a place for your child!

If you are interested in getting more information, do call or leave a message at 310 377 4391 or visit our website at www.pccpv.org. Click on "preschool."

BETH MOORE LIVE SIMULCAST



**SEPT 10, SAT
9 AM**

**INVITE FRIENDS
AND NEIGHBORS!**

**TICKETS AVAILABLE
IN THE CHURCH
OFFICE AND AT
WWW.PCCPV.ORG**

**FOR MORE
INFORMATION,
CONTACT
JOEI SHECKMAN
AT 310 375 5254**





PENINSULA COMMUNITY CHURCH
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**College and Career
study starts back up on
Friday, September 9 at
7 pm. At the Jambas.**

Call the church office for more info.



Change of Address?
Contact the church
office, and let us
know!

call:
310-377-4661

e-mail:
contact@pccpv.org