

Sheryl Milliken

From: on behalf of Sheryl Milliken
To: The Branch
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From the Pastor.....

Church Family,

Do you know today that God has given you a unique, one-of-a-kind ability to make Him known? No one reveals Jesus in the way that you do but you. Jesus in you is powerful. Jesus in you is alive. Jesus in you is God's expression of Himself through you to those around you. The Apostle Paul talks about this in 1 Corinthians 12. He teaches us about spiritual gifts. He says in verse 7, "*But to each one is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.*" **The Spirit of God lives inside every one who calls on the name of Jesus.** And the Spirit of God manifests Himself in every one of us. That means the Spirit of God works in each of us in unique ways. Specifically, He equips every one of us to be and do in certain ways that only we can do. And Paul says these are given to us for the common good. The Spirit manifests Himself in us for the benefit of every one in the body. When you exercise the "only you" abilities God has given – every one benefits. There may be others who can do what you do – but no one can do it how you do it. And, when you do it, you express God in a way that no one else can express.

Take GREAT joy today in that God has given you the unique ability to express Him. Ask the Lord to make what He has given you real clear. Take that ability and live it strong. It is God in you and through you for the glory of Jesus! Do not let the evil one convince you that you can do nothing and have nothing to offer. He is lying to you and deceiving you. Choose today, in this moment, to accept and believe God and His word whether you feel like it is real/true or not. Let God's Word stand in your life.

It is AWESOME to be in the Lord,

Pastor Jim

Men's Ministry.....

Men's Breakfast this Saturday at 8:00 in the CLC. We eat from 8:00-9:00 and then do work around the church till 10:00. Properties would like for you to bring the following this week - #2 Philips screwdriver, a household iron, and brown paper bags.

Women's Ministry.....

Come get connected!
 The Titus II PGBC Women's Ministry invites you...

New Member's Coffee
 Saturday, February 14, 2009
 9:00AM
 PGBC Chapel
 Breakfast will be provided

Our special guest will be all the women who have joined PGBC during the last year

"Let us not give up meeting together....but let us encourage one another...."
 Hebrews 10:25

Worship Ministry.....

Pecan Grove is growing and one area you can be involved is our **Worship Band**. If you play an instrument and want to be a part of a group who loves the Lord and loves worship, please let Pastor Randy know. Get your instrument out of mothballs and come join us on **Wednesday evenings at 6:30** in the choir room. For more information, please see Pastor Randy.

Youth Ministry.....

It is week 4 of True Love Waits. Tonight we will be splitting up guys and girls for a second week and discussing strategies we can employ to help our brothers or sisters in Christ in their fight against lust. Also, we will spend time looking at the importance of accountability and a practical way to implement it.

Disciple Now '09 is coming up quick. It is March 6-8 and 6th-12th graders are invited and encouraged to come.

Our theme is "Here and Now" and it will, Lord willing, help our students see the great work the Lord has called them to Here and Now! Often, Youth Ministry is forward looking and preparatory (as well it should be) but we also do not want to lose sight of our work that we are called to today. The cost is \$30 and this covers the whole weekend and a t-shirt. If you have not already done so, please turn in your registration envelopes and Medical Release forms A.S.A.P.

Specifically for tonight:

Pray that the students would commit to be a Christian brother or sister with all that it entails. Pray, also, that our students would have the courage to seek accountability for their struggles and that, when they do, they will experience the freedom and joy of a life lived in the light.

PGK Ministry.....

Baby Dedication

We have moved Baby Dedication to Sunday, March 29th. If you need to register, please email Pastor Jim at jstern@pecangrovebaptist.org.

Extended Care

Team #3 is up this week. You all have done a fantastic job of transitioning to this new format

PGBS.....

In-house registration for Pecan Grove Baptist School is going on through the month of February for current students and church members. Make sure to turn in your registration form soon, because open registration begins March 2nd. If you have any questions or if you would like to set up a time for a tour, please contact Barbara at 281-342-2060.

Nicaragua 1.....

"The mission team is still looking for people to attend our next missions trip to Jinotega, Nicaragua. The dates of the trip are from March 16th-20th. These dates represent the Spring Break dates for both Fort Bend and Lamar school districts and would be a wonderful time for you to bring along your children. What better way to teach your children values such as gratefulness, service, compassion, sacrifice, and the love of Jesus than showing them in a tangible way. Or maybe you just need to be refreshed. Maybe the weight of deadlines, commitments, and other burdens are pulling your heart into complacency, and you want to get back to the simplicity of "just Jesus." This trip is for everyone young and old. Contact Doug Jeffrey if you have any interest in going or any questions regarding the trip, or the Lord's purpose for us in Nicaragua."

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