

Sheryl Milliken

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

Church Family,

In Mark 3, Jesus is in someone's house teaching on spiritual warfare. His mother and brothers show up. Someone calls to Jesus, "Your mother and Your brothers are outside looking for You." He responds in verses 33-35, "Who are My mother and My brothers?" Looking about at those who were sitting around Him, He said, 'Behold My mother and My brothers! For whoever does the will of God is My brother and sister and mother.'" God has a great vision for your life – an incredible work of Him moving in you and through you. His individual will for your life is the day-to-day outworking of that vision. And Jesus teaches that those who love the Lord and pursue His will for their lives are true family. Family is not blood – but connection in Jesus for life mutually living out His will for our lives.

In addition to His vision and will for your life, God has a vision and a will for Pecan Grove Baptist Church. It is faithfulness to His calling that fills us with His presence and endows us with the movement of the Holy Spirit in love, joy, peace and life!

I am assembling a Vision Team to discern God's foundational elements – His vision, mission, and core values – for Pecan Grove Baptist Church. Will you consider being a part of it? The team is filling out wonderfully with people that have a good variety of gifts that will serve our task very well.

Know today that God loves you.
 He has an awesome vision for your life that lifts life above the fray.
 Mutually living out His will binds us together.

Rest in Him. Wait on His revelation. Then follow as He leads.

It is so good.

Walking together,

Pastor Jim

Missions.....

Our Fall Nicaragua trip is October 6-11th. Registration deadline is August 30th. We will be helping Pastor Oscar move houses, building roofs, working with children, and much more. DO NOT LET MONEY STOP YOU FROM GOING. If God is calling you to go – you need to go. Please email Doug Jeffrey at djeffrey@pecangrovebaptist.org if you are interested.

Baby Dedication.....

God has given our fellowship so many babies we have to do two baby dedications a year now! Praise the Lord. We are going to have a Fall Baby Dedication on Sunday, September 13th. If you would like to have your baby (ies) dedicated, please email Lee Ann Haglin at lhaglin@gmail.com. (We also need more nursery workers!!!)

Fall University.....

NEW!!! We are offering a U class on Wednesday nights! Registration begins this Sunday. There will be an insert in your worship guide. Check which class(es) you would like to be involved in and put your registration in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Jim!

Women's Ministry.....

Women's Fall Bible Studies

Living Words Weekly Bible Study
 Tuesday Mornings 9:30-10:30 am
 Childcare Provided
 Taught by Whitney Larson
Begins Tuesday, September 15

"Anointed, Transformed, Redeemed: A Study of David" written by Priscilla Shirer, Beth Moore, Kay Arthur
 Monday evenings 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
 Childcare Provided
 Led by Bonnie Walker
Begins Monday, September 14

SAVE THE DATE:

October 16 - 18th
 PGBC Women's Retreat

Youth Ministry.....

First of all I would like to thank everyone who has helped or is planning on helping with the Chapel renovations. The progress is outstanding but there is still a lot to do. I'm looking forward to having the painting finished for Church on Sunday and starting the carpet install shortly after. For the carpet removal and installation, we will need as many strong helpers as we can get. If that is you, please contact Chad Haglin or Paul Faseler to let them know you are willing to help.
 (If you are celebrating the fact that you are not a "strong" helper, after we remove the carpet there will be plenty of dusting and vacuuming to do, so your services will be required for that.)

Checkpoint is off campus this evening. We will be enjoying the last of our summer with a pool fellowship at the Hiergesell's home (110 Rivercove Ln.). All 6th-12th graders are invited to come and bring friends, especially those who may be looking to plug into a church group for the upcoming school year. Remember, our primary purpose for all we do is to reach people for Jesus, whether through worship and preaching or hot dogs and swimming!
Just a reminder, boys bring chips/desserts, girls bring drinks.

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 reply to this e-mail requesting to be removed.