

The Proclaimer

Pierce Park Baptist Church

OCTOBER

2015

Dear Pierce Park Family,

The Bible teaches us, "Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms" 1 Peter 4:10. We have many different ministries at Pierce Park; men's ministers, women's ministers, fellowship team and so many more. "Ministry" is from the Greek word meaning "to serve." What is church ministry? What is the purpose of it? And is it something we are biblically "called" to do? The answer is Yes "The Goal of Pierce Park Baptist Church is to share the Name of Jesus Christ through our preaching, our worship, our Bible studies, our ministries, our outreach, to families, and others in our community." Do we have to do "ministry" in order to fulfill that lofty goal? The answer is "YES!" We can only accomplish this goal through our work in the ministries of our church, individually and collectively. The work only gets done through the sacrificial efforts of each member. "For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life as a ransom for many." Mark 10:45. The work of the Church is done by the people of the Church, and we really need your active participation. We cannot grow as a body without it. All members and regular attenders of PPBC are needed to serve,

We can do this individually and can also join with other believers to do so corporately. We are clearly called to this in the Bible. Jesus said that the greatest commandment is "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind" and also "You shall love your neighbor as yourself" (Matthew 22:37, 39). Love requires action, and it must be shown through our service to our Lord and each other. Jesus gave us the Great Commission: "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:19-20). We do this most effectively through the ministries of our church. We minister to others out of our devotion to Christ as well as our love for others. God has gifted each of us with gifts to serve Him. According to Romans 12:4-8, each of us is a member of the Body of Christ and we have different gifts, according to the grace given to us. 1 Corinthians 12 shows examples of the different kinds of spiritual gifts distributed to us by the Holy Spirit. Everyone has at least one gift, and we are expected to use our gift in service/ministry. Both new disciples and seasoned disciples are expected to use the gifts you have received to help serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace

Think about this. If spiritual gifts are God's primary means of administering grace to His people, what does that say about believers who refuse to exercise their gifts for the good of the body? Four things come to mind: 1. They are robbing the body of Christ. 2. They are forcing other members of the body to carry their load. 3. They are dead weight on the body, dysfunctional limbs. 4. They are out of touch with the Spirit of God. "Everybody is somebody in the Body. Set up in the foyer are many info boards on the varied ways to serve in ministry at PPBC. You can view information about each ministry and sign up. Are you ready to serve? Have you committed yourself to regular participation in any of the church's ministries? God is waiting for you to use your gifts to support His vision and mission for our Church. Commit to fully using your spiritual gifts in the ministries of this Body of Christ. "Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others". Philippians 2:3-4

In Christ's Service,

Pastor Bill

The Prayer Team
meets on Wednesday
at 5:30 p.m.
Everyone is welcome
to join us.

PRAYER TEAM

Pierce Park is blessed with an awesome Prayer Team! If you would like to be added to the email prayer list, Lori Young needs your email address. We would also love to have you join the group that meets on Wednesday evening at 5:30 p.m. You are welcome to pray in silence or out loud over the requests that are submitted and other known needs. If you have a prayer concern and would like to have the team pray for you, please contact:

- John Hotchkiss** 208-336-5620 w7cnl@yahoo.com
Lori Young 208-863-7382 lyoung9463@hotmail.com

LADIES BRUNCH



Date: October 3rd
 Time: 9:30 a.m.
 Place: Joe Momma's Eatery
 600 S. Rivershore Lane, Eagle.
 For more information contact Laura Johnson, Gail Mullin or Amy Hardy.

KITCHEN DISH TOWELS



If you have taken dish towels from the kitchen to clean, please return them. We are running low.

TRUNK N' TREAT

Date: Saturday, October 31st
 Time: 5:00p.m. — 9:00 p.m..

- * Pie tasting contest (gift card for winner)
- * Inflatable wave slide
- * Star Wars themed maze
- * Hotdogs & drinks!

Candy donations needed (Individually wrapped candy).
 Candy collection bins will be in the main hallway.
 Volunteers are needed, please sign up at the Welcome Center.



CHRISTMAS CHOIR



Christmas Choir practice will begin Sunday, October 18th.
 We will be practicing from 12:45-1:45 p.m.
 Bring your sack lunch and join the rest of the choir for a time of fellowship with practice to follow.

THE AMAZING RACE

Thanks to all who have been giving. God will bless you for it. The balance of our church loan was \$89,239.11 on September 28^h. If you have a question as to which team you are on or if you aren't on a team and would like to be included, please see Shirley Tinstman, Fred O'Brien or Chris Johnson. The teams are also posted in the office hallway.

MEN'S BREAKFAST & WORK DAY



Date: Saturday, October 10th
 Time: 8:30 a.m.
 Sign up at the Welcome Center.
 We will be working outside after breakfast.

The September business meeting will be on Sunday, October 18th following the morning worship service.

IRONMEN-MEN'S GROUP



IronMen-Men's Group meets every other Tuesday morning at 6:30 a.m. Join us at The Original Pancake House 5900 W. Fairview Ave., Boise. Mark your calendar for the October dates: 10/13 & 10/27. We meet for a devotional, fellowship and breakfast.

OCTOBER POTLUCK



Sunday, October 25th following the worship service.
 Last names beginning with A - H, please bring a main dish.
 Last names beginning with I - P, please bring a side dish or salad.
 Last names beginning with Q - Z, please bring a dessert.
 Volunteers needed for set-up and clean up. Please contact Kevin Chipman.

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS



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| 10/2 | Terri Hanson | 10/26 | Chris Walters |
| 10/4 | Jeffrey Johnson | 10/28 | Andy Anderson |
| 10/16 | Donna Scholler | 10/28 | Nickolas Gibson |
| 10/23 | Marv Powell | 10/29 | Melissa Powers |
| 10/26 | Adeline Inzer | | |

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“Bringing the Joy Within to the World Without”

PPBC WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday

9:00 am Worship Team
9:30 am Fellowship Time
9:45 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service

Tuesday

6:30 am IronMen-Men’s Group
Every other week we meet at:
The Original Pancake House
5900 W. Fairview Ave., Boise

Wednesday

5:00 pm Dinner
5:30 pm Prayer Time
6:15 pm Pioneer Clubs (K-6th Grade)
6:15 pm Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)
6:30 pm Groundwork with Pastor Bill

Thursday

10:30 am Ladies-”Coffee & Conversation”