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Providence Ponderings

Learn to protect yourself from fraud at the next Double Nickel meeting

The operation of scams today is increasingly more sophisticated, causing millions of Americans and thousands of Hoosiers to fall victim to fraud every year. Don't let yourself become a victim!

Double Nickel will host a special fraud protection educational program on Wednesday, Aug. 17, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

Barb Miller, outreach specialist from the Indiana Attorney General's Consumer Protection Division and Hopewell-area resident, will speak about how to avoid phone scams, credit card fraud, and other ways people may try to take advantage of you and your finances.

The entire church family is invited to attend this important presentation. Mike & Connie Clark and Barry & Susan Lutzke will host the meeting.



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Missions - Serving His world

Krista Goff

Greetings from Thessaloniki! What a mighty and miracle-working God we serve! What normally would take more than six months to raise, God has done in weeks! We now have raised \$1,395 per month!

Now we are truly in the home stretch with just \$305 per month left to go. That's a little more than six people committed to giving \$50 per month. If you'd like to help us finish raising this last little bit of support, visit <http://onehope.net/goff/>.

Thank you for your prayers and faithful support. Together we have the true joy of sharing God's Word with children, youth, and refugees in Greece!

Dr. Mary Ruth Wise

Apparently, Satan hasn't given up on trying to obstruct the translation of the Old Testament into Yanesha'. Today I received a note from a missionary couple who work in the area saying that Ricardo and Hermelinda are going around trying to recruit lots of people to attend the Bible Society courses on trans-

lation. They told one of the very fine pastors who was selected to be one of the translators that he must attend the courses. The courses are good; that's not the problem. The problem is that neither Ricardo nor



Hermelinda have any right to tell anyone they must attend them or any other training for the translation project. It's causing confusion; so please pray against this latest attack from the enemy.

Yon Chesy Suarez Chavez

Yon has reached the midway point of his training! He has reached 612 people with the Gospel, and he now disciples 105 people who are new believers. He also has trained nine people to lead small group Bible

studies. Now more than ever, our prayers are critical. Please lift up these prayer requests for Yon:

- Perseverance as he disciples new believers.
- Godly friendships and strong relationships with his mother church mentors.
- Wisdom for Yon and for new believers to grow in wisdom.

Interchurch Food Pantry of Johnson County

Your support through the generous donation of \$1,500 is greatly appreciated! Your generosity goes far in serving the hungry in Johnson County.

We continue to serve more families than ever before. In May 2016, we served 1,660 households, our highest monthly total ever. In the first five months of 2016, we served 36 percent more than in the same time period in 2015.

Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you!

Carol Phipps
Pantry Manager

Providence Christian Church Mission Partners

Silvia Balcazar - Ecuador
Samuel Chung - China
Mike Ginter - CSI
Krista Goff - Greece
Marggy Hensley - CSI
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Yon Chesy Suarez Chavez - Peru
Dr. Mary Ruth Wise - Peru
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CWF makes plans for an exciting year

Christian Women's Fellowship (CWF) is a group for all ladies of Providence Christian Church. Our purpose is to support the life and work of PCC through worship, fellowship, and outreach.

Our past service projects include sponsoring families in need at Christmas, taking cookies and gifts

to shut-ins, making dresses for women and girls in Jamaica, and making clothing cover-ups and blankets for residents in area health and rehab facilities.

We also sponsor the Mothers and Others Banquet in May, the Craft Fair and Bake Sale in October, and the Christmas Tea in December.

We meet the second Monday of each month at 7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall for brief business, devotions, refreshments, and fellowship. We hope you will save the calendar below and join us for our monthly meetings and special events during the upcoming year.

Christian Women's Fellowship

2016-2017 Officers

Connie Clark – President

Judy Eldridge – Vice President

Jamie Zeilinga – Secretary

Alice Sutton – Treasurer

2016-2017 Events

Monday, Aug. 8 – Meeting (Judy Eldridge will host and present the devotions)

Monday, Sept. 12 – Meeting (Judy Smith will host, and Deb Wise will present the devotions)

Saturday, Oct. 1 – Craft Fair and Bake Sale from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Monday, Oct. 10 – Meeting (Charlene Legan will host, and Alice Sutton will present the devotions)

Monday, Nov. 14 – Meeting (Katrina Vollmer will host and present the devotions)

Friday, Dec. 2 – Christmas Tea at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Monday, Jan. 9 – Meeting (hostess and devotions leader to be announced)

Monday, Feb. 13 – Meeting (Susan Lutzke will host and present the devotions)

Monday, March 13 – Meeting (Karen Morrison will host, and Cathy Sledge will present the devotions)

Monday, April 10 – Meeting (Jamie Zeilinga will host and present the devotions)

May – Mothers and Others Banquet (date to be announced)

Monday, June 12 – Meeting (Linda Sandlin will host, and Connie Clark will present the devotions)

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News from the congregation

Baptisms

Congratulations to Jimmy and Mickey Rodriguez who were baptized during a private service on Sunday, June 19.



Sympathy

PCC extends our sympathy to Edna Eldridge and family upon the death of her granddaughter Melissa Shaw.

PCC extends our sympathy to Roy Deer, Carol Gehrs, and Glenn Deer and their families upon the death of their father, Noble Deer. Noble was an active member of PCC for 85 years, 8 months, and 18 days, making him PCC's longest member.

Thank you

Thank you to the Trustees and the other volunteers who worked on the new septic system connection and assisted with the new parking lot!

Thank you to Roger Plummer who made several activities for our recent Carnival. We appreciate your craftsmanship!

Thank you to Becky Bolin who has given 96 volunteer hours in her first six months as our Christian Education Coordinator. This preceded her volunteer time during VBS and the recent summer activities.

Births

Congratulations to Kyle and Chelsea Bradley who welcomed their son, Baylor Dean, on June 10, at 4:06 p.m. He weighed 8 lbs., 3 oz. and was 20 inches long. Baylor joined his 2-year-old sister, Kennedy. Baylor's grandparents are Ken and Lisa Bradley, his great-grandparents are Eddy and Judy Smith, and his great-great-grandmother is Ina Lou Smith.

Congratulations to Roger and Mandy Stark who welcomed their daughter, Skylar Rae, on June 10. She weighed 7 lbs., 11 oz. and was 20 inches long. Skylar's grandmother is Shari Stark, and her great-grandfather is Frank Marshall. Skylar's cousins are Jaxon Stark and Hunter White.



Marriages

Congratulations to Andrew Barr and Danielle Baxter who were married on Saturday, July 16.

Congratulations to Andrew Berman and Sarah Brown who were married on Friday, July 22.

Electric organ available

Lowrey Starlet electric wooden organ with upper and lower keyboards and pedals. Measures 35" high, 41" long, and 23" wide. Age is unknown. Includes matching wooden bench, owner's manual, instruction booklet, and sheet music. Free to a good home. If interested, call Alice Sutton at (317) 422-1284.

Drama presentation

On Sunday, July 3, Tori Brock, Taylor Burt, and Alethia Spear performed a patriotic liturgical dance in honor of Independence Day.

Memorial contributions

Noble Deer

Memorial Fund Gifts

Jason and Carol Gehrs
John and Jane Beam
George and Julie Burton
Mike and Connie Clark
Ted and Judy Clark
Norma Deer
Kenny and Judy Eldridge
Andy Findley
Bruce and Brook Findley
William Hatchett

Carma Kipfer
Dave and Karen Morrison
Roger and Mary Plummer
Steven and LaVonne Sorensen
M. Louise Spicer
Shari Stark
Alice Sutton
Joan Thompson
Katrina Vollmer
John and Jamie Zeilinga

This is in memory of Noble Deer.
He was my father's co-pilot in
World War II and one of his dearest
friends. Our family sends their love
and prayers.

John and Jane Beam
Ted and Judy Clark



**A 4.5-cubic foot refrigerator has been added to the kitchen of the Shelter House.
The refrigerator was provided through the
Stanley Shuler Memorial Fund and the
Molly Legan Troyer Fund.**

P.E.A.C.E. Group for parents begins soon

Parenting is hard! That's why we're offering a community group to help make it a little easier! We want to help you raise happy, healthy kids and teenagers by providing a monthly education group led by professional counselors. Topics may

include boundaries for kids, behavioral concerns, kids and technology, and more.

P.E.A.C.E. (Patience. Education. Action. Confidence. Encouragement.) Group for parents meets on

the fourth Tuesday of every month from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Southside Pastoral Counseling Offices, 48 N. Emerson Ave., Suite 650. This group is free and open to the public. For more information, visit www.sspastoralcounseling.com or call (317) 903-7913.

Playground project completed

Recently, the Memorial Committee directed a new playground project.

The playground has been expanded to approximately 55 feet by 55 feet. We retained the Margaret Miller Playground equipment, removed the older section of equipment, and purchased and installed a new Gorilla brand playground set.

The new playground set includes:

- Two levels
- Two covered play areas
- One wave slide
- One tube slide
- One rope ladder
- One rock wall
- One slide ladder
- Two swings
- One trapeze bar
- One pair of play binoculars
- One play telescope
- One play telephone
- One chalkboard



- One picnic table
- One tic-tac-toe game.

Also included in the playground project was a new border and 35 cubic yards of playground mulch. Trevor Hunter of Hunter Installation will install a protective fence between the new parking lot and the new playground.

The playground was financed through a special offering of \$4,405

plus monies from the following memorial funds: Georgina Barr, Jackie Kurtz, Sally Marshall, Lois Middleton, and Stanley Shuler.

The Memorial Committee would like to thank George Burton, Kenny & Judy Eldridge, Brad Reed, Jim Wise, and Pastor Steve Sorensen for their work on the new playground. The committee also thanks everyone who helped remove the old playground equipment.

Pastors attend international banquet

The Pastors Banquet hosted by Gideons International is always an important event for the Gideons and their guests.

This international event takes place in various nations during the organization's international convention. The 2016 Banquet was held at the Indianapolis Marriott Downtown on Friday, July 22.

Gideons from around the world attended the event. Pastor Steve Sorensen and Pastor Hunter Chadwell attended as guests. Ned Barr has been faithful in seeing to it that our local pastors and wives have tickets to Johnson County Camp banquets, state banquets, national banquets, and now the international banquet.

Gideons distribute the Scriptures throughout the world using 100 percent of donations they receive to cover Scripture costs. Gideons fund their own administrative expenses.

A museum display of ancient Bibles was featured at the banquet.

Thank you notes

Providence Christina Church,

Thank you so much for allowing us to use the beautiful shelter house and facilities. Everyone talked about how nice it was. Thank you for your hospitality.

Paul, Jennifer, Sydney, and Savannah Ponsler

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Pastor Steve and the Providence Christian Church family,

I just wanted to say thanks for letting us use the shelter house this past Saturday evening. It was a lovely night, and everyone had so much fun. The shelter house is lovely. What a nice facility with nice amenities. What a gift to be able to provide! Thank you for all of your assistance. And a thanks from our entire Spicer family!

Tina Tracy

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Dear Pastor Steve and the Women of Providence Christian Church,

Thank you for the loving care extended to our family this past year and especially these past few days. Dad enjoyed the visits from his church family and was only a little disappointed they wouldn't take him home to the farm. The cards, gifts, and prayers were greatly appreciated! We praise God Dad was able to serve alongside the extraordinary disciples of Christ at Providence. There is no place like home at Providence or Heaven. Thank you for your ministry and especially for your comforting words at the funeral. There was a lot of live, laughter, and life lived in that dash between 1917 and 2016. We rejoice in the victory found only through Christ.

P.S. The enclosed check is for Christian Women's Fellowship. The funeral luncheon had all of Dad's favorite foods. It was a much needed time for the family to share stories and reconnect with those we see so infrequently. Thank you for the love and hospitality shown to us. You are loved!

The Noble Deer Family (Roy, Glenn, and Susan Deer; Jason and Carol Gehrs)

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Dear Pastor Steve and Brothers and Sisters at Providence,

Thank you for all you did for Dad these past months, especially the past few days. Your love and care for our family are greatly appreciated. We continue to feel your love surrounding each of us. The throw is a beautiful reminder of our victory in Christ. We look forward to a wonderful reunion one day.

Roy, Glenn, and Carol

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Double Nickel Group,

Chad, Hailee, and I all send you the largest thank you for the very generous gas and grocery gift cards! That was very thoughtful and has helped us out tremendously. Thank you, thank you, thank you. God bless you all! We will definitely pay it forward one day.

Chad and Sheri Smith and Hailee Robbins

VBS recap

This year, Jamie Zeilinga and Becky Bolin had the pleasure of planning VBS for Providence Christian Church. "Deep Sea Adventure" was the theme. The children enjoyed games and snacks all pertaining to the sea theme.

Pastor Steve Sorensen and Pastor Hunter Chadwell delivered wonderful lessons each night, teaching

the kids how God knows us, hears us, strengthens us, and loves us. Barb Mickler led the music with, as always, tons of energy that the kids loved.

The kids brought money for a friendly competition between the boys and the girls. The girls won! A total of \$118.38 was collected and presented to Holly Zeilinga on the

last night for her to give to Riley Children's Hospital.

This year's VBS was a great success and would not have been possible without the help of about 18 wonderful volunteers! A huge thanks to Becky and all who were involved with making VBS 2016 such a great event!



Prayer concerns

- Maggie (Michaela Smith's teammate) – Car accident
- Laura Beck – Leukemia
- Heather Boyle – Cancer remission
- Jerry Burch – Brain injury
- Courtney Burton – Hodgkin's lymphoma
- Pauline Clem – Neurological
- Linda Coller – Knees
- David Deer – Recuperation
- Pam Deer – Seizures
- Ed Denman – Cancer
- Brad Dillion – Cancer
- Christopher Eldridge – Heart
- Norman Findley – Homeview
- Gary Francis (Barr) – Heart
- Bill Hatchett – Cancer
- Bob Hoagland – Cancer, stroke
- Donald Julian – Stroke rehab
- Doris Leslie – Recuperation
- Frank Marshall – Heart
- Elizabeth McDonald – Seizures
- Sandra McNicholas – Infection
- Michael Parkhurst – Remission
- Julie Pottorff – Seizures
- Cindy Quevdo – Dialysis, kidney infection
- Nicole Richards – Cancer
- Teena Scruggs – Accident
- Betty Sedam – Recuperation
- Susan Sloop – Cancer remission
- Chad Smith – Dirt bike accident
- Michaela Smith – Bulging disc
- Josh Speidel – Brain injury
- Pam Spicer – Cancer
- Brian Squier – Stroke
- Tim Stearns – Vision
- Garvin Stewart – Home
- Judy Stewart – Esophageal surgery
- Kelli Street – Multiple sclerosis
- Emma Stumpf – Brain tumor
- Connor Tomlinson – Recuperation
- Vickie Varner (Missouri Valley College) – Car accident
- Don White – Cancer
- Hunter White – Recovery from surgery
- Max Wise – Juvenile diabetes
- Eddy Yount – Lung cancer

Happy birthday!

August 1
Elexie New

August 3
Samantha Andros
Mandy Bullman
Todd Jones

August 4
Steve Shaul
Joan Thompson
Caleb Yount

August 5
Kyan Beau Baker
Marty Heldman

August 6
Stacy Hendrickson
Roger Plummer

August 8
Jesse Stearns

August 9
Rhonda Brown
Oliver Burton Ort

August 10
Ronnie Shepard

August 12
Cady Tabeling

August 14
Jacob Jones

August 16
Linda Hubbard
Sharon Stearns

August 17
Anna Rose

August 19
Jared Kipfer
Jordan Kipfer
Orene Stewart

August 20
Mindy Allen

August 21
Matt Burton
Michelle David
Conner New

August 22
Pam Deer

August 24
Donna Lucas

August 26
Dale Donahue

August 28
Tina (Spicer) Tracey

August 29
Mike A. Boyd
Jesse Stubbeman

August 31
Ronnie Eastham
Keri Vaught

September 1
Jacob Spicer

September 2
Jeremy Deer

September 3
Ashley (Clem) Boner

September 4
Lily Pfaehler

September 5
J.R. New

September 6
Vicki Byrns
Adam Johnson

September 7
Sammy Hoagland
Ashley Thompson

September 9
Izabella Gallagher
Karen Thompson

September 10
Billy Mickler
Kate Ort

September 11
Scott Clark

September 12
Vic Spicer
Shari Stark

September 13
Lauren Ficko

September 16
Eddy Smith

September 17
Mabel Zeilinga

September 20
Ian Briskey
Hayden Chadwell
Magan Short

September 21
Lindsey Abercrombie
Frank Marshall
Vince Spicer
Garvin Stewart
Kevin Thompson

September 23
Jackie Jones

September 24
Dee Parker

September 27
David Sandlin
Michaela Smith

September 28
Kathy Cragen
Steven Sorensen

September 30
Gayle Massey
Jeff Spicer



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Providence Christian Church calendar

Friday, July 29

Celebration of Life for L. Eugene Brown
5 p.m. at Downey Avenue Christian
Church, 111 S. Downey Ave. in Indi-
anapolis

Sunday, Aug. 7

Preteen Youth Group Pool Party
At Barry and Susan Lutzke's house

Sunday, Aug. 7

Board Meeting
6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Monday, Aug. 8

Christian Women's Fellowship
7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Wednesday, Aug. 17

Double Nickel
6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

**Keep track
of upcoming events
with our online
church calendar at
[www.pccbargersville.org/
calendar!](http://www.pccbargersville.org/calendar!)**

Sundays

**9 a.m. – Sunday School
10 a.m. – Worship**

Tuesdays

**Zumba classes resume
on June 14 at 6 p.m.**

Wednesdays

3:30 p.m. – Bible study