

February 2017

Providence Ponderings



Church Board meeting highlights

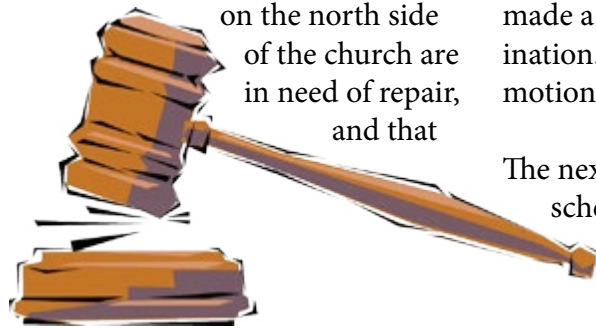
Thirty-one people attended the Church Board's first meeting of 2017 on Sunday, Jan. 8.

Jim Wise presented the Stewardship Committee report.

The Membership Committee is making plans for several exciting events in 2017. Chair Mary Plummer reported that the committee plans to host birthday parties on the first Sundays of March, June, September, and December. Committee members will make cupcakes to distribute after church. The committee will begin the Secret Angel program in March. The committee is considering hosting a

Providence Community Parade and BBQ in the Shelter House in June. The committee also is considering taking a congregational photo in the spring.

As the Trustees Chair, John Zeilinga reported that there are some remaining updates to be completed in the upstairs ladies restroom. Sandy Hoagland reported that the steps on the north side of the church are in need of repair, and that



the exterior trim on the windows in the sanctuary have peeling paint. Jamie Zeilinga reported that the screen in the kitchen's backdoor needs to be replaced.

Julie Burton reported that the Nominating Committee met on Dec. 29, 2016, and unanimously nominated John Zeilinga to be Board Vice Chair. Julie Burton made a motion to accept the nomination. Jim Wise seconded the motion. The motion passed.

The next Church Board meeting is scheduled for Sunday, April 2, at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

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Becky Bolin
Christian Education Director

Missions - Serving His world

Krista Goff

In January 2016, I sat down to write goals for distributing the four Books of Hope for Greek children and youth. Our annual goal was to share God's Word with 76,900 children. This goal felt lofty, and I had no idea how it could happen.

In the first half of the year, we hit a few of our goals but we were falling behind. Countless days of prayer, seeking God for wisdom until the last quarter of the year when everything took off! Not only did we meet our goal, glory to God, we actually shared God's Word with 81,000 children and youth!

I can't wait to see what doors God will open for us this year as we partner together in prayer and reaching out in love.

Pray for:

- Creative ways to regularly connect with children and youth.
- Like-hearted people to join the team.
- Wisdom as we share the Gospel.

Dr. Mary Ruth Wise

Mary Ruth recently arrived safely in Lima. She is attending a retreat there with her Peru co-workers.

She also finished a linguistic field-work autobiography she was asked to write for a volume being organized by a linguist in Australia. The authors are supposed to be those who have done long-term field work. She couldn't make it primarily



ly a testimony of her faith in Christ, but there were several places where she could refer to it. Pray this will be a good testimony.

Yon Chesy Suarez Chavez

Recently Yon completed his training! His church celebrates a nucleus of 14 people in small groups. Pray that this group of believers will be faithful in its community. And continue to pray for Yon as he begins his full-time ministry.

Luis Duran Buendia

The Outreach Committee recently committed to supporting Luis Duran Buendia. He currently is training to become a church planter in Peru.

Here is Luis' testimony: "Before I met Christ, I was living a rampant life, but God transformed me and gave me a life with His peace. Praise God! I want to plant a new church so I can share the Good News of God's Gospel with others." Pray for Luis as he continues his training.

KIC-IT

We here at KIC-IT are deeply grateful for your recent gift. Thank you for your financial support of KIC-IT in our efforts to achieve positive and impactful measurable outcomes in our services to at-risk and homeless youth in Johnson County.

Your donation signifies the depth of your personal commitment and will make a difference that counts in the lives of homeless youth in Johnson County.

Most sincerely,
Kimberly Spurling, M.S.W.
Executive Director

Providence Christian Church Mission Partners

Silvia Balcazar - Ecuador
Samuel Chung - China
Mike Ginter - CSI
Krista Goff - Greece
Marggy Hensley - CSI
Sovann Keo - Cambodia
Ricardo Marquez - Ecuador

Duyen Nguyen - Vietnam
Elva Novillo Quito - Ecuador
Elizabeth Nyakudanga - Zimbabwe
Leonor Solis - Ecuador
Yon Chesy Suarez Chavez - Peru
Dr. Mary Ruth Wise - Peru
Florentino Zarate - Peru

Christ Youth Bible Clubs
Food 4 Souls
Interchurch Food Pantry
of Johnson County
KIC-IT
Multiplication Network
Ministries
St. Thomas Free Clinic

Spend your summer at church camp!

Church camp is a great way to grow closer to God while having lots of fun! Check out these local church camps this summer:

Camp Allendale – Trafalgar, Ind.

- June 17, June 24, July 8, July 15 – 1st Grade Camp (day camp)
- June 16-17, June 23-24, July 7-8, July 14-15 – 2nd Grade Camp
- June 18-23, June 25-30, July 2-7, July 9-14 – 3rd and 4th Grade Camp
- June 18-23, June 25-30, July 2-7, July 9-14 (5th grade only) – 5th and 6th Grade Camp
- June 18-23, July 9-14 – 7th and 8th Grade Camp

- June 4-9 – High School Camp

Bedford Christian Camp – Bedford, Ind.

- June 19 to 24 – High School Camp (grades 9 to 12)
- June 23 to July 1 – Middle School Camp (grades 6 to 8)
- July 5 to 7 – You and Me Camp (age 5 and older with an adult)
- July 13 to 15 – New Beginnings Camp (grades 1 to 3)
- July 17 to 22 – Explorer Camp (grades 4 and 5)

Geneva Center – Rochester, Ind.

- June 12 to 17 – High School Camp (grades 9 to 12)

- June 13 to 15 – You and Me Camp (age 5 and older with an adult)
- June 19 to 24 – Middle School Camp (grades 6 to 8)
- June 23 to 25 – You and Me Camp (age 5 and older with an adult)
- June 26 to July 1 – Explorer Camp (grades 4 and 5)
- June 26 to July 1 – Leadership Camp (age 16 to grade 12)
- June 27 to 29 – New Beginnings Camp (grades 1 to 3)
- June 29 to July 1 – You and Me Camp (age 5 and older with an adult)

Memorial contributions

The money collected in the Mabel Zeilinga Memorial Fund was used to purchase 160 new hymnals. The hymnals will be dedicated during the Worship Service on Sunday, Feb. 12.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Mabel Zeilinga Memorial Fund:

John and Marilyn Baker
Vicki Baker
Richard and Sherri Burton
Mark and Lisa Campbell
Mike and Connie Clark
Norma Deer
Kenny and Judy Eldridge
Mark and Holly Evans
Margaret Falconbury
Andy Findley
Bruce and Brook Findley
Norman and Martha Ann Findley

Marie Fogler
The Franklin Bank Women
Jason and Carol Gehrs
William Hatchett
John and Sheila Heidenreich
Sam and Sandy Hoagland
Carma Kipfer
Brenda Lippert
Joanne Miller
Dave and Karen Morrison

Donald and Vicki Ort
Roger and Mary Plummer
PCC Educators Class
Richard and Becky Ritter
William Ruch
Phylis Sewell
Deb Shuta
Cathy Sledge
Lorene Sloop
Eddy and Judy Smith
Ina Lou Smith
Dr. Steven and LaVonne Sorensen
M. Louise Spicer
Shari Stark
Alice Sutton
Joan Thompson
Katrina Vollmer
Paula Williams
Carla Windisch
Jim and Deb Wise
Gretchen Wood
Minna Fred and Kathleen Zeilinga



News from the congregation

Sympathy

PCC extends our sympathy to Deanna Burton and family upon the death of Deanna's Grandma Lofton.

PCC extends our sympathy to Patty Gillett and family upon the death of Phyllis (Miller) Ray, Patty's sister.

PCC extends our sympathy to Shelly Smith and family upon the death of Matt Strack, Shelly's cousin.

PCC extends our sympathy to the friends and family of Nancy (Vandivier) Johnson, who passed away in December.

Thank you!

Christian Women's Fellowship thanks everyone who donated to the recent craft projects. Twenty

people helped make 120 sock snowmen, which were donated to local assisted living facilities. CWF also donated 113 pairs of socks and 33 pounds of rice to local homeless ministries.

Thank you notes

PCC Family,

Thank you for your cards, thoughts, and prayers during Mom's illness. Thank you, Pastor Steve, for the service that shared her life story with others as well as her family. Thank you for the dinner afterwards so we could all eat together and catch up. Thank you for being such a loving, caring church family.

Mabel's family

Julie, John, Jan, Jane, Joe, and William



We appreciate all who came out and supported Carrie's dinner/scholarship. Love you all and God bless.

John and Sheila; and Chris, Jenny, and Boys

Thinking of you and praying that God's blessings will be showered upon you throughout the coming year.

I thank my God every time I remember you. Philippians 1:3

Love and prayers,
Ken and Joyce Potter

Prayer concerns

- Maggie (Michaela Smith's teammate) – Car accident
- Kevin Albright – Burns
- Laura Beck – Leukemia
- Pauline Clem – Neurological
- 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
- Barry Lutzke – Hearing loss
- Frank Marshall – Heart
- Elizabeth McDonald – Seizures
- Sandra McNicholas – Infection
- Tristan Oren – Infection
- Michael Parkhurst – Remission
- Andrea Parsley – Health concerns
- Julie Pottorff – Seizures
- Cindy Quevdo – Dialysis, kidney infection
- Nicole Richards – Cancer
- Becky Ritter – Cancer
- Betty Sedam – Recuperation
- Susan Sloop – Cancer remission
- Chad Smith – Dirt bike accident
- Josh Speidel – Brain injury
- Pam Spicer – Cancer
- Jaxon Stark – Tingling in right arm
- Tim Stearns – Vision
- Garvin Stewart – Home
- Judy Stewart – Esophageal surgery
- Kelli Street – Multiple sclerosis
- Emma Stumpf – Brain tumor
- Jona Wainscott – Mass on left lung
- Mike Ward – Broken femur
- Don White – Cancer
- Melanie Williams Sublett – Cancer
- Max Wise – Juvenile diabetes

Happy birthday!

February 4

Alison Mathena
Tim Rinehold

February 5

Teena Findley

February 6

Jack Hubbard

February 7

Judy Eldridge
Evan Fruits
Stephanie Hunter

February 10

Keegan Briskey
Bruce Findley
Linda Torrance

February 11

Andrew Barr

February 12

Julie Eastham

February 15

Jamie Zeilinga

February 16

Deann Tomlinson

February 17

Mildred Herron

February 18

Zachary Bradley

February 19

A.J. Barr
Denise Callahan
Mark Smith

February 21

Charlie Byrns
Avery Clark
Adam Shaul

February 23

Daniel Corthell

February 24

Allison Harris
Blake Legan
Jonathan Ward

February 25

Alyssa Barr

February 26

Patty Gillett

February 28

Kason Vaught

March 1

Ryan Bledsoe Jr.
Curtis Brown

March 3

Garrett Bolin
Michelle Clark

March 4

Margaret Corthell

March 5

Shin-ya Hamada (Clark)
Rhonda Rund

March 6

Lorene Sloop

March 7

Brian Tomlinson

March 10

Bob Morris

March 12

Emilee Abercrombie
Yvette Oren

March 13

Madison Binder

March 14

Janet Parkhurst

March 15

Erica Bolin
Karen Morrison

March 18

Brodie Rinehold
Sheri Spicer Gilcrest

March 19

Ashlynn Hendrickson
Tammy Sorensen

March 23

Sharon Clem
Dan Riley
Katrina Vollmer

March 24

Helena Hunter

March 25

Mary Kay Shepherd

March 26

Nancy Shoffner

March 27

Jimmy Jones
Phil Parkhurst

March 28

Dominique Brown
Lucy Buck

March 29

Stephanie Davis
Bill Hatchett
Hannah Vornehm

March 30

David Glendy
Sophie Rinehold



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Providence Christian Church calendar

Sunday, Feb. 5

Preteen Youth Group Game Night
3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Sunday, Feb. 12

Children's Valentine's Day Party
3 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Monday, Feb. 13

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

Wednesday, Feb. 15

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

Sunday, March 5

PCC Leads Worship at Christina House
2 p.m. at Christina House in Franklin

Sunday, March 5

Preteen Youth Group Movie Night
3 p.m. at Barry and Susan Lutzke's
house

Sunday, March 12

*PCC Hosts Johnson County Ministerial
Association Meeting*
In the Fellowship Hall

Monday, March 13

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

Wednesday, March 15

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

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

Tuesdays
6 p.m. – Zumba

Wednesdays
3:30 p.m. – Bible study