

The Broadcaster



FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Pembroke Pines, FL
Rev. Michel D. Yonts, Pastor
JULY 2013

"If My people who are called by My name humble themselves, pray, seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and heal their land." 2 Chronicles 7:14

We hear a lot about "separation of church and state" in our nation, but we need to recognize that there is a big difference between religious freedom, which our Constitution guarantees, and separation of church and state, which is not to be found there. Consider these quotations from our nations past – including some founding "fathers."

The only assurance of our nation's safety is to lay our foundation in morality and religion." --Abraham Lincoln

"God who gave us life gave us liberty. Can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people, that these liberties are the gift of God?" --Thomas Jefferson

"We have staked the whole of our political institutions on the capacity of mankind to govern themselves according to the ten commandments of God." --James Madison

"America was not founded by religionists nor on any religion, but on the gospel of Jesus Christ." --Patrick Henry

To be sure, every person in this land of ours is free to worship or not as he or she sees fit. But it is an historical fact that the nation we hold dear was formed on Christian principles by people of faith, that prayer and the Bible were regular parts of the practice of government during those founding years, and that the world recognized the religious nature of America, as Alexis de Tocqueville wrote early in the 19th Century, "I do not know whether all Americans have a sincere faith in their religion--for who can know the human heart?--but I am certain that they hold it to be indispensable for the maintenance of republican institutions. This opinion is not peculiar to a class of citizens or to a party, but it belongs to the whole rank of society."

July 4th we celebrate the birth of our nation and our Declaration of Independence. It is appropriate as Christians that we invoke the name of God Almighty as the true founder of this nation – not to be a people who think they are better than others, but to be a nation that is dedicated to the Christian principles of morality, justice, and truth. As we celebrate Independence Day, let it not just be a false patriotic "Rah, rah for America." Rather let it be our proclamation that we as believers will be the first to confess our sin and seek God's guidance and Spirit for America. Let our celebrations be a call to this land to be a Godly people ruled by Godly leaders. And let our desire that "God bless America" start with our commitment to bless God for all He has already done for and through our great nation.



~ Pastor Michel

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL with Pastor Michel begins a new series on July 7 at 9:15 A.M. in the Library. We will be studying the book of 1 Thessalonians. Join us any Sunday.



WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY is looking at the book of Genesis. The class meets at 10:30 AM. We will resume classes on July 10 after a short break. We have great discussions of Biblical matters that relate to our lives, so come join us.

SUMMER WOMEN'S STUDY: A few ladies have requested a summer women's weekly daytime book study with Pauline Yonts on spiritual warfare. We plan to begin this *July 11th* at 4:00 PM.

FRIDAY NIGHT STUDY

The Adult Christian Growth Ministry is offering a Friday night study! The Friday night timeslot has been so successful, that we thought we'd keep up the momentum with a short summer offering. In August, we are going to start **Forgiveness: Finding Peace Through Letting Go** by Adam Hamilton. Hamilton says that forgiveness is a gift we give ourselves. Annette and Linda will be leading this study on four Friday nights starting on *August 2nd* at 6:30 for potluck dinner and 7:00 for class. We'll be wrapping up at 8:30. Come learn more about God's extravagant mercy and how we can practice it in our lives with spouses, family, friends and even strangers.

Please see Annette or Linda if you have questions about the study and let Marge know if you'd like to order a book.

FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



DINNER AND MOVIE NIGHT

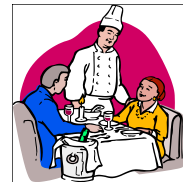
On *July 20th*, join us for dinner and a movie. This month, we will be watching "*Break Away*," based on actual events. The film takes place in South Africa, where a hard-working husband has lost his job. When none of his efforts to find a new job pan out, he is forced to use what he has, including an old bicycle. This film brings a message of hope, as well as practical and Biblical solutions to life's worries.



For dinner, we will be "breaking away" from our usual potluck, enjoying Chinese take-out. A small contribution will be requested for that.

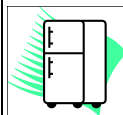
FRIDAY NIGHT WITH FRIENDS

On the 4th Friday of each month we visit different restaurants in the area. This month Friday Night With Friends takes place on *July 26th* at Voo Doo BBQ and Grill (151 N Hiatus Rd). The food is described as "New Orleans style BBQ" which sounds yummy. This is a new restaurant, and we hope you'll join us for fun and fellowship.



Let Judy Otto know if you will be attending.

SMALL FRIDGE NEEDED



The little refrigerator that we had in the office died a couple months ago. If anyone has a little "personal fridge" you are looking to get rid of, we could definitely use it.

Our sympathy goes to Judy Rodgers and her family. Her husband Tom died on Sunday, June 23rd.



A Loss
in the Church
Family

Sympathy also to Cathy Musser and her family. Her beloved mother Marian Musser died on June 26th. Marian has been a member of Faith for 13 years. A service will be held at Faith on a date to be determined.

PRAYER GROUP

Prayer Group meets twice a month on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 6:30 PM. For July, Prayer Group meetings will be the 14th and 28th. Join us for these times of prayer with your brothers and sisters in Christ.



SECRET SISTERS

Ladies of Faith, the Secret Sister Program is collecting "All About Me" sign-up forms to start the 2013 second session. The drawing of names is scheduled for Sunday, *July 28th*, following worship services. If you are interested in joining the program, please take an "All About Me" sign-up form from the Secret Sister Box, located in the left corner of the Narthex; fill it out and put it in the same Box. Thank you!!!



~Ethel Thomas

THE CHANCEL CHOIR



The Chancel Choir is taking a summer break. Please start planning now to be a part of this great ministry starting in August. You do not have to read music, just enjoying singing praises to our God. We would love to have you join us!

GENERAL ASSEMBLY UPDATE

General Assembly in Denver, CO was inspirational, informative, and encouraging. The way that people of differing opinions within the boundaries of Biblical faithfulness got along was uplifting. There were some sessions in which the Assembly discussed at length the inclusion of certain words and phrases in both the preliminary and final reports. Details do matter in this denomination dedicated to proclaiming truth. One such report was an update of the denomination's position paper on abortion, which added sections on stem cell and medical research on fetuses, the church's duty to address the fathers involved in unplanned pregnancies, and specified an exception in the case of a threat to the mother's physical life. Our Presbytery's own Matt Everhard gave that report.

~Pastor Michel

FLOWER BED SIGN UP POSTER

Check out the poster on the wall going down the hall.



There are a variety of opportunities for you to pick a flower bed and maintain it. There are various sizes and degrees of difficulty. This chart was created by Jean Dumford—thanks Jean!

Thank you to Ward Casterton & Richard Brown, Richard & Clara Brown, Hyacinth Babb & Millicent McLarty and Jacqueline Tenn who have already selected a flower bed to maintain—they are looking good.

KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK

Don't let the summer slow-down your faithful giving to Faith Church. We have been doing well this year financially, so don't stop now!

~Pastor Michel

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

What an incredible week we had for Vacation Bible School!! We even had our own sweet June Glasel travel here from Wisconsin to be the VBS Director!! I wonder how many churches have a Director come that far?? We also had our dear Paula Anderson come from Citrus Springs, FL (near Ocala) to lead the music. Kathy Nicholson who moved to Tampa, FL earlier this year even cut out some of the crafts and shipped them to us. What a blessing. Thank you to all of them so much!! In addition to June and Paula who were here all week, there were a variety of workers who made it possible to minister to 130 children. A big thank you to:



Registration	Denise Calderon	
Pre-Kindergarten	Jillian Shaffer	Matt Clavijo
	Jennifer Hendricks	Dennis Hendricks, Gabriel Acevedo
	Chandra Nabi	Abigail Kanchan
Kindergarten	Mirta Flavell	Ashley Walaschek
	Stacy Bennett	Carole McLoughlin
First Grade	Marilyn Acevedo	Jane Bodden, Ronique Hurst
First & Second Grade	Margaret Flavell	Leilani Morales
Second Grade	Cindy Vanderlaan	Lindsey Adams, Kaleb Minoo
Third Grade	Natalie Lichtman	Dennis Morales
	Keziah Minoo	
Fourth Grade	Luz Porter	Allison Glasel, Cheyanne Porter
Fifth Grade	Sandy Venema	Jessica Brown, Brandon Dear
Sixth Grade	Pastor Michel	Betty Lusardi
Recreation	Kyle Writt	Kevin Writt
	Kristen Lichtman	James Mack
Music	Paula Anderson	Lauren Ramirez
Refreshments	Janet Writt and Sean Calderon	
Tech Support	Allison Glasel	
Photographer:	June Glasel	
Slide Show:	Allison Glasel	
Amazing pew signs	Carole McLoughlin	

IN ADDITION—we also had a variety of helpers who came on Saturday mornings and some Wednesday afternoons to paint the murals decorating the sides of the church. They are so pretty we hate to take them down. Thanks to:


Marge Bennett	George Bennett
Mary Ann Radler	DeDe Lichtman
Nancy Bailey	Alan Lichtman
Sandy Venema	Liz Martis
Janet McGahee	Dennis Morales
Mary Beth Northrup	Jasmine Saldana
Chandra Nabi	Kevin Writt
Jean Dumford	
Jessica Brown	



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!



July 1, 1994 Jeff & June Glasel
 July 1, 2000 Eric & Cindy Vanderlaan
 July 4 Richard & Clara Brown
 July 25, 2009 Jesse & Sarah Walaschek

COIN CONTAINERS to benefit the hungry are on the table in the Narthex. The cans are labeled "Food for the Famished". Please pick up a container today, take it home, put your coins/bills in it and bring it back the end of the month. Funds will stay locally and will help a variety of different needs. 

PASTOR SAEED ABEDINI is an American citizen who was arrested while on an Iranian government approved visit to establish an orphanage. He is in prison for converting to Christianity. You can support and work for the freedom of Pastor Abedini by going on line to www.savesaeed.com and signing the petition for his release. Please help today and tell your friends.

EXTRA PACKAGES OF COOKIES— Do you ever get a coupon for buy one get one free packages of cookies? Please consider sharing your free one with the church Fellowship Ministry. One Sundays when there is no one signed up for Fellowship, it helps having some bags of cookies to pull out.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

July 2 Kristin Camacho
 Marc Ramrattan
 July 4 Harry Zitnick
 July 5 Eric Vanderlaan
 Jeanne Zitnick
 July 6 Frank Agate
 Steve Nash
 July 7 George Bennett
 Margaret Flavell
 July 11 Scott Nicholson
 July 14 Annette Adams
 Jean Dumford
 July 15 Sarah Walaschek
 July 24 Abigail Archie
 June Glasel

WORSHIP CDS

Did you know that each Sunday's worship service is available on CD in the church library for members to borrow? There are CD file boxes just to the right of the door in from the sanctuary. The most current services are in the top box in the front.

If you miss a Sunday, or just want to hear the service again, check out this ministry of the church – but please remember to bring the CDs back!

If you want to purchase a CD to keep or send to a friend, you can request one from Pastor Michel or Winston Seepersaud. The cost is just \$3.

RECYCLING FUNDRAISER

There is a container in the Narthex where you can place your old cell phones, ink jet cartridges, digital cameras, working or non-working laptop computers, or ipods, portable DVD players, MP3 players, GPS devices, digital frames etc. This is a great way to help recycle unwanted items and a way for the church to make a little extra funds.

~Peg Royle



SCHEDULE FOR JULY 2013



LITURGIST:

July 7 Cheryl Fernandez
 July 14 Linda Purrington
 July 21 Luz Porter
 July 28 Mary Beth Northrup

COMMUNION-ELDERS/DEACONS:

1. Cindy Vanderlaan	5. Sandy Venema
2. Marge Bennett	6. Gary Venema
3. Jane Bodden	7. Mary Ann Radler
4. Steve Minikus	8. Luz Porter

FINANCIAL COUNTING TEAMS:

July 7 Stacy Bennett & Helpers
 July 14 Stacy Bennett & Ward Casterton
 July 21 Cheryl Fernandez/Cyril Williamson
 July 28 Stacy Bennett & Helpers

FLOWERS:

July 7 Millicent McLarty
 July 14 Jean Dumford
 July 21 OPEN
 July 28 OPEN

FELLOWSHIP HOUR:

July 7 OPEN
 July 14 Brijanand & Kondiah Family
 July 21 Sandy Venema & Mary Ann Radler
 July 28 OPEN

CLOSER:

July 7-21 Ward Casterton
 July 28 Mary Beth Northrup

USHERS:

July 7 Jane Bodden, Hyacinth Babb
 Carole McLoughlin, Elvet Rhoden,
 Ed Gariboldi
 July 14 Annette Adams, Judy Rodgers,
 Betty Lusardi, Cindy Vanderlaan,
 Gary Venema, Jesse Walaschek,
 Sarah Walaschek
 July 21 Peg Royle, Cheryl Fernandez,
 Ken Stutz, Janet Stutz,
 Ali Saladeen, Molly Saladeen,
 Andre Khan, Angie Ebarle
 July 28 Bob Bailey, Anna Levy,
 Jennifer Hurst, Marlene Allen,
 Dennis Morales

MEMBER/STAFF PRAYER FAMILIES:

Families of:

July 7 Rick & Joyce Sackett
 Ali & Molly Saladeen
 July 14 Steve & Robin Secrest
 Winston & Deborah Seepersaud
 July 21 Marie Slaughter-Brown
 Jeff & Betty Steel
 July 28 Oswald & Jackie Tenn
 Ethel Thomas

It is our desire to specifically pray for the families of the members and staff of Faith. Families are listed (2 at a time) in alphabetical order through the year. Please include these families in your prayers each week.

ITEMS FOR JULY BROWARD OUTREACH

new & used ties for men

CHURCH WEBSITE AND E-MAILS:

www.faithpembrokepines.com Check it out for upcoming events, the Pastor's sermon notes, and information about the church.

e-mail addresses for the church:

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1. 7:30 Administration Meeting	2. 8:30 A.A. Meeting	3. NO Bible Study	4. church office closed	5.	6. 5:00 Wedding (Haitian Church)
7 9:15 Pastor's Class 10:30 Worship - Summer Sun School	8. 7:30 Youth Christian Growth Meeting	9. 7:30 Mission/ Stewardship Mtg. 8:30 A.A. Meeting	10. 10:30 Bible Study	11. 4:00 Women's Study 7:30 Outreach Mtg.	12.	13. 5:00 Wedding (Haitian Church)
14. 9:15 Pastor's Class 10:30 Worship- Summer Sun School 6:30 Prayer Group	15. Children's Corner 7:00 Fellowship Hall (Haitian Church) 7:30 Adult Christian Growth Meeting	24. Children's Corner 7:00 Fellowship Hall (Haitian Church) 8:30 A.A. Meeting	17. 10:30 Bible Study Children's Corner 7:00 Fellowship Hall (Haitian Church) 7:30 Session Mtg	18. 4:00 Women's Study Children's Corner 7:00 Fellowship Hall (Haitian Church)	19. Children's Corner 7:00 Fellowship Hall (Haitian Church)	20. 9:00 Prayer Time (Haitian Church) 6:00 Dinner & Movie Night (order Chinese food)
21. 9:15 Pastor's Class 10:30 Worship- Summer Sun School 12:00 Video	22.	23. 8:30 A.A. Meeting	24. 10:30 Bible Study	25. 4:00 Women's Study	26. 6:30 Friday Night With Friends-Voo Doo BBQ & Grill	27. 10:00-12:00 Fasting Service (Haitian Church)
28. 9:15 Pastor's Class 10:30 Worship- Summer Sun School 6:30 Prayer Group	29 7:30 Fellowship Mtg	30 8:30 A.A. Meeting	31. 10:30 Bible Study			