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*P*rovoking Love & Good Works *Be a Truth Teacher!*

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Dennis Folks

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Our Deacons

Glenn Duncan

Tom Hargis

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Ministers

All members

Preacher

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Worship Times

Sunday

Singing 9:45 AM

Bible Study 10 AM

Worship 11 AM

Worship 6:30 PM

Wednesdays

Services 7:30 PM

I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, eager to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
(Eph 4:1-3)

If you want to stop error, you have got to live truth. It is a brief statement, but a bold one that really encompasses the entirety of the New Testament. Perhaps you are unaware of it, but the vast majority of letters of the New Testament were written to repel a lot of false ideas that were either circulated about Christianity or were perversions of it. Paul especially warns Christians over and over that **"troublesome times" will come and falsehood will be taught and many will be deceived.** Yet, Paul is also joined by John, who wrote not only the gospel of John, but 1-3 John and Revelation.

These men, and others like Peter and Jude and James, wrote about false ideas **concerning Christ's return, whether Christ was God, Gnosticism, church conflicts over false interpretations of scripture, Jewish teachers who tried to pull Christians back to Judaism and much more.** Paul and others even name the names of some of them.

Yet, I want each and all of us to realize that while they indeed sought to give understanding of these issues and expose the error of them, the bulk of the material they wrote had to do with living the Christian life. Why? There are several reasons.

First, fixating and constantly dwelling on

the error, draws attention and time away from teaching and living truth. It focuses on the negative rather than the positive. Some folks seem to want to beat the dead horse, thinking it will make him live, when all it really does is waste time. If we simply **teach "truth in love," won't folks have a clear sense of the wrong anyhow?**

Second, it is not enough to simply teach truth, but live it. If we could just get more **folks to live more truth then we wouldn't have so much error.** Sure it is good to offer correction, but at some point they have to know how they are supposed to live correctly. We must remember that the scripture is not just profitable for rebuke, **but for "correction," which means to "set on one's feet" (2 Timothy 3:16).**

Finally, even the child grows up and no longer desires the hobby horse. The more mature we are from Christian living, the less we need to affirm the wrong of others, but simply live truth. Ever notice how children are constantly pointing out the flaws of others or how they can be harsh? Some Christians never get past that point and such childish behavior in an adult is not only unbecoming, but wins no one to Christ.

Is there falsehood? Sure there is and we need to correct it when we see it. However, we are no judge and jury and the best method is still the method of the New Testament letters – teach people how to live righteous lives.

In this day, start with yourself and correct **your error by using God's Word and "walk" in righteousness.** Then, teach others how to live, setting them on their feet having taken them out of the path of error.



Study Opportunities

Sermon A.M./P.M.

- **An Offer U Can't Refuse!**
- *What Up with Song of Solomon?*

Sunday Adult Class
Walk Through The Bible

Wednesday Adult Class
Teachable Moments

Wednesday Teen Class
The Me I Want To Be
Classes available for all ages during each service

Young Adults
Sun. - *Walk Through Bible*
Weds. - *James' Wisdom*

Sunday Morning Ladies Class, Raising Girls—TBA please see C. Benesh

Connecting With God
The Preacher's Blog
edbenesh.blogspot.com

Online Worship Services
access to live video feed at
www.pinellasparkcoc.org

Daily EDifications
To receive daily devotion from Ed please sign up at
edbenesh@gmail.com.



Pinellas Park Potpourri

Marching for the Masters

MFTM is an outreach group of the Pinellas Park Church of Christ meets on the 2nd and 4th Sundays in the church library following morning services. They have also set up a table in the foyer to greet visitors, invite them to return and give them valuable information about the church. Tim and Beth are visitation leaders. See them to help out.

Ideas Needed

Our new bus is ready to roll for the summer, but currently lacks graphics that advertise the church and our mission. If you have ideas or suggestions please see Phil Martin.

Where are the DVDs?

DVDs are available on the media center door. Please pick your up.

Spiritual Classifieds

Transportation

We are looking for those artistic people who can help by giving their suggestions for graphics for our new bus.

WWCC Camp Time

All those planning on attending or helping out at WWCC the first week should get their applications in ASAP. The week is expected to fill fast.

Mission minded Givers

We are continuing to collect money for our mission work by using the collection containers in our classrooms. Give and your money will help others less fortunate, in need of hearing the gospel and will find its way back to you in the blessings of God.



June

- **5th - Potluck dinner**
- **19th - Elders Deacon Meeting**
- **21 - Men's Meeting**



Our Family Prayer Requests

- Paul Brown, friend of Kathy R. brain cancer.
- Audrey Young, ongoing health issues
- Brian Stover, Needing prayers
- Charlie B., Ongoing health issues
- Marion Brule, In assisted living
- Violet (D. Lampe friend) very ill
- Rick Woods, back problems
- **Connie Woods'** Recovering from surgery at home
- Homer and Lou Johnson Nephews, are both ill
- Timothy Hicks, cancer in remission
- Bob Martin, is doing much better and is home now.
- Co-worker of Beth Martin Asks for prayers for premature twins
- Audrey Young, declining health
- Tom Horis, friend of the Gentry's, has had surgery for recurring cancer.
- Larry Poteet, cancer
- Alex, **Madison's friend, has cancer**
- Vitinia Bonelli, stomach problems
- **Dana And Bobbie Faulkner's** relative in Iraq, along with other soldiers
- Donna Lampe, stomach problems
- Caroline Schlemmer, testing for stomach problems
- Del Hollingsworth, at the loss of his beloved Betty
- Darryl Flints Aunt, cancer
- Erin McKinney, is cancer free
- Pam G. had surgery after breaking her foot and is now at rehab.
- Dawn Ricketts, daughter of Jeanne Peterman, had her baby and all is well. Congratulations Jeanne
- Nancy Hefner, former member here, had back surgery in Colorado - is home
- The Dahlstroms, whose daughter was accidentally shot
- All who are getting ready for the ministry at our week of camp.

Weekly Bible Reading

- Sunday Pr. 4-6
- Monday Pr. 7-9
- Tuesday Pr. 10-12
- Wed. Pr. 13-15
- Thursday Pr. 16-18
- Friday Pr. 19-21
- Saturday Pr. 22-24

Remember, there will be no new questions and answers given for June 12-19. It is catch up week. Questions and answers for the weekly Bible reading plan are available online at www.pinellasparkcoc.org

Men to serve

Song Leaders

Sunday am: Tom Hargis
 Sunday pm: Phillip Martin
 Wednesday: Tom Hargis

Lord's Supper

Bread: Harold Gentry
 Cup: Timmy Martin
 Assisting:
 Bryan Martin
 Chris Bell

Opening prayer

Sunday am: Tim Martin
 Sunday pm: Glenn Duncan
 Wednesday: Chad Nash

Closing prayer

Sunday am: Dennis Folks
 Sunday pm: Todd Walden
 Wednesday: Bud Stover

Sermons

Sunday Am: Ed Benesh
 Sunday pm: Ed Benesh
 Wednesday: Dennis Folks

Bringing People to Jesus

"One of the rulers of the synagogue whose name was Jairus fell at the feet of Jesus and said, **"Please come to my daughter who is dying. Come and lay your hands on her so that she will be healed and live"** (Luke 8:40-56; Mark 5: 35-43).

The twelve year old girl was not able to come to Jesus, she was too sick. So her father went on her behalf. He brought Jesus to her.



When Jesus, Peter, John and James neared the house, there was loud weeping and wailing. The little girl had died. The situation **looked hopeless to all but Jesus. He walked up to the girl's bed, grasped her hand and said, "Little girl, I say to you, get up."** Instantly her spirit returned and she stood up and walked around. Then Jesus told her parents to give her something to eat.

Some of our children and friends are like that little girl. They cannot come to Jesus on their own. Maybe they are too hurt, too mired in false doctrine and unbelief. They are spiritually dead.

That's where our prayers come in—we can bring Jesus to them. He understands the problem completely and he's the one who can help them. He can open blind eyes and deaf ears. He can cause the spiritually dead to come to new life. "With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible" (Matthew 19:26, NIV).

So, let's keep praying for them. Let's keep bringing Jesus to them.

Dear Jesus, I pray that you will come to (include name) in a very personal and profound way so that he/she will know that you are real and that you care. May they come to new life in Christ.

Amen.

Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
 (Mat 28:19)

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help? For directions to our
building, roadside assis-
tance , finding points of
interest in our community
or for emergencies please
call: 727-647-6758.

Vital Statistics

Attendance Sunday
Bible Class— 55
A.M.— 92
P.M. - 59
Wednesday - 49
Weekly contribution
\$1702
Contribution Goal
\$2500

Looking Ahead

This is our extended calen-
dar for 2011. If you need
to put items on it, see Ed.

- WWCC week one -
June 12-18 **“American
Idols”**
- WWCC week two -
July 10-16 **“iAM”**
- Zorilla Mission -
July 11-16
- VBS - August 7-11

Put these items on your
calendar now and plan to
come or support these
events any way you can!

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Our Ministries

Preaching Programs

- P. Martin, E. Benesh

Missions

- C. Axe, T. Hargis, M. Drake, K.
Sabiell

Sonshine Day camp

- T. Martin

WWCC

- G. Duncan, P. Martin

Youth Ministry

D. Folks

Young At Heart

- B. Perry

Worship Coordination

- T. Hargis, D. Folks

Weds. Eve. Speaking

- W. Robinson

Benevolence

- D. Folks, H. Gentry,
W. Robinson

Transportation

- T. Martin

Bldgs. and Grounds

- H. Gentry, K. Sabiell, T. Walden

Education

- B. Perry, D. Folks

Women's Studies Ministry

- N. Gentry, A. Jucknath

Financial

- H. Gentry, P. Martin

Dear Visitor...

Welcome! It is hard for us to express in this small space just how blessed we feel by having you visit with us today. You will, no doubt, find that this small welcome address will be followed up by loving conversation with our members, as they introduce themselves and personally welcome you. We are a friendly group who cherish our time together and are always looking to adopt new folks into our family. We want you to feel welcomed and yet, we realize that visiting a church can be overwhelming.

You can expect us to not only make you feel at home and a part of what we do, but also find a willingness on our part to help you understand what we do and why we do it. Some things that are part of our worship may be different than what you are used to, just as some of the things you hear may be different than what you are used to. Rest assured, we welcome all your questions and will be more than happy to explain our reasoning and love for God. We do hope you have enjoyed being with us and come back again soon.

Edward Benesh, Minister

I will sing to the LORD, because he
has dealt bountifully with me.
(Psa 13:6)

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