

This Weeks Events

Morning Church Schedule

Sunday Bible Study 10:00 AM
Morning Service 11:00 AM

Nursing Home

Appledorn (John Jenkerson) 3:00 PM
RestHaven (Chuck Rich)

Evening Church Schedule

Evening Service 6:00 PM
Children's Sunday School Teacher Mtg. Following Service

Tuesday

Prayer Shawl Ministry 10:00 AM
Teen Visitation 6:30-8:30 PM
Visitation 7:00 PM

Wednesday

Midweek Service 7:00 PM
Teens 7:00 PM
Kids Summer Event 7:15 PM

Saturday

Teen Summer Bash 5:30-8:30 PM

Upcoming Events & Seminars

Creation Museum Trip

August 11–13 are the dates for our Family Creation Museum Trip. Details are available at the Welcome Desk. Families are invited and we can receive group prices for the Museum as well as the motel if we have enough folks who want to go. Deposit for the tickets is due on July 20. Also, many of our young people would like to go but need help financially. If you are able to help with scholarship money it would be greatly appreciated as we help them understand creation from a Biblical standpoint.

Financial Peace University

This tremendous class by Dave Ramsey will be offered here at RPBC beginning September 8th. A few scholarships and partial scholarships will be offered. Please see Jeff or Tami Parks for more information.

Information

Audio Ministry

If you are interested in an audio CD recording of either our Sunday morning service or evening service, please fill out an Audio Request Envelope and hand it to the sound technician. Be sure to fill out all of the information and insert four dollars before handing in the request envelope. DVD videos are also available for all Sunday morning services.

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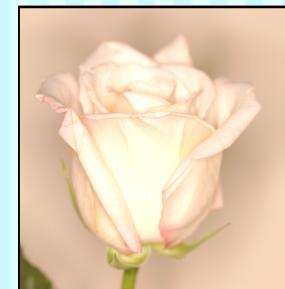
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Giving Update

Category	Needed	Received
General Fund	7083.89	5376.14
Missions		905.77 <small>(Weekly amount deducted from the total)</small>
Designated		359.08
NOTE: Principal paid from monthly building fund offerings thus far.		81617.56
Original Loan		650,000.00
Principal balance		428709.21

More of Jesus

Worship Bulletin



We would like to welcome you to our services today! We trust you will find God's presence, power and love in this place. You have honored us with your choice to worship with us and we trust you will be blessed by the people, the music, the message and the spirit of God in this place.

Rose Park Baptist Church is all about Jesus! We strive to love Him, serve Him, and tell everyone about Him. He is the only One who can save us from our sins and satisfy us in our lives. So our services are not centered on "meeting felt needs" or honoring people, but they are all about Jesus. He is the Reason for our Being!

If you have any questions about our church, we would be glad to answer them. Please feel free to call the church or check with one of the pastors after a service, or ask any of our people. We would be glad to help you any way we can.

Please pray that the Lord's Spirit moves in a special way in our services and that each of us is receptive and willing to follow His leading.

Again, we are thrilled that you are here and look forward to this time of worship together! May the Lord both bless and speak to you during our services.

Pastor David T. Smith
Senior Pastor

He must increase, but I must decrease.

John 3:30

Pastor's Corner



July 17, 2011

Do you have troubles? Now, that might seem like a dumb question to many of you. "Of course I have troubles. Doesn't everybody?" you might say. Well, I would like to point out to you today that it is not the problems that kill you but how we react to the problems.

You may be like some hunters I read about that were trying to cash in on a bounty of \$5,000 for capturing wolves alive. This turned Sam and Jed into fortune hunters. Day and night they scoured the mountains and forests looking for their valuable prey. Exhausted one night, they fell asleep dreaming of their potential fortune. Suddenly, Sam awoke to see that they were surrounded by about fifty wolves with flaming eyes and bared teeth. He nudged his friend and said, "Jed, wake up! We're rich!"

OK, I admit that most of us are not that optimistic when it comes to facing trials. However, it is true that our response to the trials that come into our lives is what will either make us bitter or better.

I like what Warren Wiersbe writes:

"Our values determine our evaluations. If we value comfort more than character, then trials will upset us. If we value the material and physical more than the spiritual, we will not be able to 'count it all joy!' If we live only for the present and forget about the future, the trials will make us bitter, not better."

Friends, we need to recognize why we are here. It is not for our pleasure but for His purposes. It is not for our happiness, but for our holiness. The life of a true Christian is all about displaying the superiority of the life lived in God. Whatever you're facing today, whether it's a health situation or money problem or prodigal child or relational rupture or depression, right here, right now, in that situation, you have the opportunity to shine for Christ.

Trials come our way for several different reasons. But, according to James 1, all trials ought to be considered as a source of "joy". Let me point out why:

1. Trials produce patience (James 1:3). The Greek word comes from two words - one means to "remain" and the other means "under." The testing of your faith produces the ability to remain under. This is counter to how most of us react to a trial because we just want out and not to be "under." He wants us to stick with it, to hang in there, to not bail on our marriage or our child. Quitting short-circuits the good that God wants to bring from the bad.

2. Trials lead to life transformation (James 1:4). Once we persevere, our trials can lead to transformation. If we are patient under pressure, we will grow as God desires us to. If staying put was easy and if submitting to what God allows was simple, everyone would be doing it. The fact is, most Christians are going round and round with God about the very same things because they change scenery or marriage or job or church rather than remaining under the trial and letting God change them.

3. God gives us wisdom to understand (James 1:5). We need wisdom so we will not waste our trials and miss out on what God has for us in them.

Here are some questions you can ask when going through trials: What happened to me? Write down exactly what is going on in your life.

- Why am I here on earth? What is the purpose of my life according to God's Word?
- How can this trial advance that purpose? What can I do today to advance the purpose of displaying the fact that life in Christ is better than what the world has to offer?

Remember, you can profit from trials!

Coming Events & Notes

Today

Bridal Shower for Jodi Cook and Jared Koeinga following the evening service.

July 18

Ladies Bible Study at 9:30 AM at the church or 7:00 PM at the Stowe's home.

Ministry Schedule

Nursery Ministry

THIS WEEK

Sunday School
Jennifer S.

Evening Service
Erin G.
Beth J.

Morning Service

Jennifer S.
Deb K.
Kelly F.

Midweek Service
Shiree H.
Beth J.

NEXT WEEK

Sunday School
Jennifer S.

Evening Service
Carrie M.
Brooke C.

Morning Service

Jennifer S.
Kristi S.
Providence M.

Midweek Service
Shiree H.
Shirley M.

Usher Ministry

THIS WEEK

Morning Schedule

Door A
Door B
Door C
Door D
Door E
Door F

Mark M.
Jack B.
Luke M.
Don R.
Jeff P.
Curt S.

Evening Schedule

Door A
Door B
Door C
Door D
Door E
Door F

Chris C.
Mark M.
Gary J.
Wayne O.
Herb H.
John M.

NEXT WEEK

Morning Schedule

Door A
Door B
Door C
Door D
Door E
Door F

Don R.
Rich O.
Ross K.
John M.
Herb H.
Mark M.

Evening Schedule

Door A
Door B
Door C
Door D
Door E
Door F

Cisco G.
Wayne O.
Gary J.
Chris C.
John M.
Roger P.

July 19

Trip to Shippshewanna will be leaving at 9:00 in the morning and returning by 8:00 in the evening. Sign up if you would like to go! Gas money (\$5.00) must be in by tonight!

July 25-30

Ottawa County Fair and Amazing Grace Mission. Plan now to help Brother and Mrs. Wolters man the booth and win souls! Sign up at the Welcome Desk.