

From the Pastor's Pen...

June 12, 2019

I'm praying for you. I'm praying that you are genuinely born again. I wouldn't want anyone to leave this earth believing they were saved only to stand before God and find out they weren't. So, I pray that your conversion is genuine and that there is spiritual fruit in your life that gives evidence of genuine salvation. I pray that you would see the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in your life and walk in assurance.

I'm praying that God would awaken your affections for Him. I don't want you to believe the truth of the gospel intellectually, but be unmoved by it in your heart and soul. I pray that God would stir your emotions that you might feel a passion for Him. I pray that you would experience love, joy, and delight in God. I pray that you would be regularly moved to weep and rejoice over the goodness of God in your life. I pray that your desire for Him would blossom.

I'm praying that you would hunger and thirst for righteousness. I want each of us to long for holiness. I want each of us to give ourselves to the pursuit of holiness. I want us to crave Christlikeness more than we crave food or sleep. Would you join me in praying for these things?

For the Gospel and the Glory of God!

Bro. Paul

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Caleb's Connections...

Acts 15:9-11

"He made no distinction between us and them, cleansing their hearts by faith. Now then, why are you testing God by putting a yoke on the disciples' necks that neither our ancestors nor we have been able to bear? On the contrary, we believe that we are saved through the grace of the Lord Jesus in the same way they are."

These verses should offer a great deal of comfort to all of us. Just prior to these verses, a dispute had broken out over the salvation of Gentiles. Some believed that they had to adhere to Jewish customs first before being saved, some argued the opposite. Here Peter defends the Gospel and makes the bold claim that no one (Jew or Gentile) is saved by any other means but faith in Christ alone! These verses should provide comfort because they discuss how we are all saved. Thank God that we are able to be a part of His people. Not by anything that we could do, but solely by what He has already done on the cross. Because of these verses, we know that everybody (no matter of cultural background) can be saved through the finished work of Jesus Christ!

Prayer Requests

- Pray for our students, chaperones, and myself as we travel to Crossings camp this week

- Pray that our students will use their schools as the mission field that God has given them

From what's on my heart,

Caleb

♪♪ Cory's Column...

Thank you, church family, for your generous expressions and gifts of love and support for Wyatt – and all our graduates. Our family is and always has been so thankful for our supportive Christian family here at Parkway Baptist.

¹ And when I came to you, brethren, I did not come with superiority of speech or of wisdom, proclaiming to you the testimony of God. ² For I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified.

I Corinthians 2:1-2 - NASB

The simplicity and supremacy of the Gospel: Here in 1Corinthians 2, Paul is reminding us that the Gospel of Jesus is not complicated. We are sinners, and our sin has eternally separated us from God. But God gave His only begotten Son, Jesus, to suffer death and the wrath of God in our place. If we believe this, seek God's forgiveness through Jesus, and trust Him, God not only forgives our sins but also restores our relationship with Himself.

And, as Paul is saying, there is nothing of greater importance than this Gospel. It is of the highest importance.

Lord, may we never over-complicate Your Gospel. And may we hold it in highest regard as to "know nothing among [our community] except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified. Amen.

Always singing His praises!
Bro. Cory

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Katey's Korner...

Family Bible Challenge
52 Verses Every Christian Should Know

June 2-8 Psalm 33:3
June 9-15 James 1:17
June 16-22 Psalm 128:1
June 23-29 John 10:11
June 30- July 6 1 Peter 3:9

Thank you so much for supporting our meal fundraisers for camp. Because of your generosity and with what you gave for our rummage sale, we have over \$6,000 to help us pay for camps!!

OCC June Donations:

Toys for Boys
(A donation container is in the glass hallway.)

Camp Reminder

Parents, please make sure you register your child for camp (and yourself if you are a chaperone). Also, please make sure your child's balance of \$125 is paid by the end of June.

Kid University

During the months of July and August, we will again be doing Kid University with our PreK-6th grade. I am looking for adults/youth who have hobbies, talents, gifts, etc. that you would be willing to share with our children. Please let me know if you'd be willing to take 1 or 2 of these Wednesday nights.

Love in Christ,

Katey

The Record Speaks

June 9, 2019

Sunday School Attendance	104
Guests	4
May Sunday School Avg. Attendance	99
May Income	\$27,012.72
May Expense	\$26,610.69
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The Lord's Additions	
<u>September 1, 2018 – August 31, 2019</u>	
By Letter	8
By Baptism	3
By Statement	
Total	11
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June Food Pantry Needs

Dishwashing Liquid, Toilet Paper, Canned Vegetables, Microwave Meals (mashed potatoes, Dinty Moore, Ravioli, spaghetti, etc.), Individual Fruit Juices, Individual Cereal Packs, Individual Pudding Packs (sugar free is nice)

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Operation Christmas Child June Donations:  
Toys for Boys (no guns or war related items)  
A donation container is in the glass hallway.

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Youth Camp
June 16-21
Please be in prayer for our youth.

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3rd Sunday Ushers

David Moore, Norman Bowen, Billy Lowry,  
David Cox, Bobby Wages, Greg Smith

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