

NEWS-N-NOTES

Preston Meadow Lutheran Church

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April 10, 2011—April 17, 2011

Interested in joining PMLC?

All who are interested in joining the membership of Preston Meadow Lutheran are invited to join us for our Spring New Partners process. This is your opportunity to hear more about the ministry of PMLC and begin to make long-lasting connections with others. We'll meet together with Pastor Paul at the New Partners Seminar, TODAY, April 10, during the Sunday School hour (9:45-10:45). All new partners to the church (transfers from other congregations and new) will be formally received into the membership during the 11:00 worship on Palm Sunday, April 17. To RSVP for these seminars, or to ask questions, please contact Linda Bland in the office (linda.bland@pmlc.org).

GOD'S WORD GUIDES US: ADULT FAITH FORMATION

The development and preservation of the Bible: Ever wonder why there are differences among Bible translations? Just how close is our English Bible to the original anyway? Together we'll learn how God inspired and preserved His Word for us over thousands of years. Join Lisa Casimir on April 10, and 17 in Room 28 to discover the amazing fabric of how our Bible is put together.

Holy Week – Ushers Needed! We need Ushers for Maundy Thursday, April 21 at 7pm; Good Friday, April 22 at 7pm and Easter Sunday, April 24 at 8:00 & 9:15 am. Please sign up on the sheet at the kiosk.

EASTER LILIES: To enhance the beauty of our sanctuary for Easter, all PMLC members and friends are invited to join in donating lilies used to decorate for our 3 Easter Worship services. Please fill out the yellow form on the kiosk and return it with a check to the church office so that we may order one or more plants for you. The cost of each plant is \$8.50. The deadline to order and pay for plants is Sunday, April 17th. You may take home your plant(s) after the 11:00 worship on Easter. Call Linda in the church office (972) 618-2233 ext. 224 with questions.

Child Care is available for children ages 0—3 years old. We are glad that you and your family are worshipping with us! The nursery is staffed with paid workers that have been carefully screened and have passed a full background check and trained in first aid and CPR.

IN ALL THINGS, WE PRAY

Prayers: **Debbie Ernst**, **Leah Whitaker** (Team-mate of Peyton Thompson), **Dolores Bratcher** (friend of Sonja Jasper), **Sara Blomquist** (sister-in-law of Jim & Ruth Blomquist), **Pat McKee** (friend of Jan Pierret), **John Wilson** (friend of Selman family), **Charlie Rhodes** (cousin of Linda Miller), **Car & Yoko** (Drew Caudell's family in Japan), **Mary Bohr** (friend of Bob & Nancy Ahnemann), **Bob Kiernan** (Tim's dad), **Mother of Susan Williams** (director at Journey of Hope), **Emily Miller** (daughter of Kathy Miller), **Sean Ratliff** (son of Mike & Kelly Ratliff), **Jenny Crossland** (friend of Morgan Johnson), **John Overling** (father of Lynn Thompson), **Mark Valiani** (Kiernan's neighbor), **William Tabor** (friend of Denny Stephens)

Family members & Friends serving abroad in the Military: Travis Cook, Zack Stewart, Blake Garner, Jordan Munk

The flowers on the altar are given by:

Patty & Chris Henry in celebration of Alice & Ken Henry's 66th Anniversary.

The Falco Family in celebration of Fran's birthday.

Richard & Lauren Sheehan in celebration of their 10th Anniversary.

We continue praying for: **Don Glossop**, **Ron Jansen**, **Donna Dawson**, **Ray Herrmann** (friend of Nettie Schwarz), **Andrew Small** (nephew of Kirsten Bradshaw), **Isabel Thon** (Becky Shuman's mom), **Betty Darrow**, **Samvel Muradayan** (KDO Student— Son of Gloria & Grigorio), **Brenda Larson** (friend of Russ & Anne Abercrombie), **Mike Farmer** (Jeff Wiseman's step-dad), **Ron Perry** (friend of Don Glossop), **Betty Gimenez** (sister-in-law of Fern Gimenez), **Tracy Fitzgerald** (Margie March-KDO staff member's niece), **Johnny Ellsworth** (brother-in-law of Wallace Welch)

Please let us know how your family & friends are doing and if there are any changes.

**Portals of Prayer for April through June 2011
are available this morning on the kiosk in the Atrium.**

YOUTH & FAMILY MINISTRY

Summer Mission Trips – The middle school spots are filling up fast make sure you have yours **TODAY!** Fill out a sign up form which is located on the mission trip handouts in the Atrium. Give the sign up form and \$50 deposit to me, Philip Johnson, and get ready for a life changing summer trip or even better Trips! THIS IS A CAN'T MISS EXPERIENCE! High School students, this is your last chance to get a friend on the trip I need to know by this Wednesday!

NEXT MISSION TRIP MEETING IS...

TODAY FOR THE MIDDLE SCHOOL TRIP

MAY 22nd FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL TRIP

Da'Light Group - The Da'Light group will meet next on Wednesday April 13th after Lent worship in the Agape room. Come check in with us and we will talk about what we learned from the Lent worship! The group will return to host homes May 4th. We need a host home for this!! Please let me know if you are willing to host this high school small group. Da'Light Groups are for high school students only.

Flamingos – Have been spotted near Denton and are expected to make their first landing tonight! I hope your lawns are prepared for the invasion! Youth and Parent Drivers will meet in the youth room at 6pm after Choir on Sundays, and at 6:30pm on Thursdays!

Easter Breakfast – Easter Sunday is coming up fast and we have a bunch of needs to fill in order to plan appropriately! Youth who plan on working and serving the breakfast, there is a signup sheet in the atrium for which shifts you can work. Parents who are able to help supply the breakfast, there is a signup sheet in the atrium as well for what food and other supplies we need you guys to help us provide! All of this is critical to a successful Easter Breakfast Fundraiser so sign up TODAY!



Help us rebuild lives in Haiti *** On Wed, April 6, we witnessed the powerful passion and joy of the Resurrection Dance Theater of Haiti, and head of their great need to rebuild two homes that were demolished in the January 2010 earthquake. Construction is already underway to rebuild the first home in Port au Prince, and once built they will be able to get back to their mission to change the lives of children in Haiti. You can help by making a contribution to their mission through the work of the Haitian Timoun Foundation. Make your contribution payable to PMLC, with HTF in the memo, and 100% of your donation will go to Haiti. Totals as of 4-10-11, **\$6,700.**

Don't forget Haitian Metal Art – You can also purchase Haitian Metal art in the atrium, and all proceeds go to the RDTH.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



Easter Celebration – Saturday, April 23, 9:30-11am

In just 3 weeks we will have our youngest children searching for eggs and making crosses to celebrate the RESURRECTION...the single most important event in history!!! This is the only event designed solely for our youngest children, so please join us in making this an exciting reality for our kids. Here is how you can help.

1. Adults, teens and tweens...PLEASE volunteer for one of the stations
AND/OR
2. Donate individually wrapped Easter candy.

Sign-up sheets and donation basket are on the children's ministry table in the atrium.
We appreciate your help. THANKS!

VBS UPDATES - PRE-REGISTRATION ENDS TODAY!!!!



Just 63 more days until we turn this building into a Pandamania wonderland!
Preregistration ends TODAY. Sign up now to save your \$5.

**VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED IN ALL AREAS.
PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY**

Adult volunteer training is TODAY after the 11 am worship service in Rooms 27-28.

Set decorating is April 17 at 3:30pm – wear your “paint” clothes.

Teen/tween training is May 1 after the 11 am worship in Rooms 27-28. If you cannot attend, you must contact Corky.

WORLD HUNGER AND LENTEN DEVOTIONS



Parents- we hope you are finding ways to use the Lenten calendar. We are about half way through Lent, so please help your kids keep collecting for their banks. They will be brought up during the offertory on Palm Sunday. Buck-A-Chick donations are still being collected at the children's ministry table.

"OWLS" SENIOR MINISTRY

The PMLC OWLS (Older Wiser Lutherans) is a ministry for mature adults 55+. OWLS are active in fellowship, prayer, evangelism and spiritual/educational activities. For information about OWLS activities or projects at any time, contact Jane Booras, janeb2u@tx.rr.com (972-608-9730), or Joyce Baumbach, jkb Baum@verizon.net (972-618-3555), Visit the OWLS table in the atrium for interesting and helpful brochures and signup sheets.

Saturday, May 14 (1:30/4:30 pm) the OWLS will flock at the **Biblical Arts Museum** for a guided tour. Following the guided tour with a museum docent, you're welcome to continue to browse, go to the giftshop or meditate in the garden. The museum is located at 7500 Park Lane in Dallas (just west of Central Expressway at Northpark). Maps will be provided.

Following a devastating fire in 2005, the museum was rebuilt to its current grandeur with over 30,000 square feet of art galleries and exhibits representing various styles of biblical art from contemporary to renaissance. Pick up complete information on the OWLS table in the atrium and **sign up by May 8 to attend**. Cost is \$12 per person. **Checks should be made payable to Alex Booras** who is handling arrangements with the museum. We will be meeting at the museum, and transportation will be arranged for those who do not want to drive. Simply indicate your preference on the signup sheet.

To learn more about the museum and its glorious art and artifacts, go to www.biblicalarts.org. **Save the date: Saturday, June 25 (7:00/9:30 pm)** for a wine tasting with appetizers at **Vintner's Cellar** in Plano.

At King of Glory Lutheran Church, Dallas: The Essential Eisenhower: A GUSTO! Series will run for four Monday mornings starting April 11, when three Eisenhower scholars will bring to GUSTO! Four perspectives on the life and accomplishments of the nation's 34th president. The four discussions with Q&A will be April 11, 18, 25, and May 2, all at 10 a.m. The public is invited. There are brochures on the OWLS table in the atrium containing complete information or go to www.kingofglory.com/gusto.

Are you receiving OWLS emails (Prayer Chain and event notices)? If you are not, we would like to keep in touch with you – Partner or visitor, it doesn't matter. Please send your email address or phone number to Carol McGrane at cbl123@aol.com.

OWLS Prayer Chain. Let the OWLS lift up your needs and concerns in prayer through our prayer chain. To add your family or friends to our prayer list, email **Carol McGrane** at cbl123@aol.com. Prayer requests go out to over 150 people who will add their voices to yours to ask God for grace, peace and healing. If you have submitted a prayer concern, we would welcome a follow-up message from you or a family member allowing us to rejoice and respond as necessary.



CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

Help celebrate our Purpose and PMLC -- VOTE Today for our Preston Meadow Lutheran Church 'Purpose' T-Shirt Design.

** Special prizes awarded to top vote getters!

** Congregation will vote for winning design (one vote per person per Sunday during voting period)

Attention Dessert makers!

On Maundy Thursday, April 21, our 5th graders will celebrate their 1st Communion Milestone. We want to provide a dessert reception following worship to celebrate with them. If you can volunteer to make a dessert, please sign up on the counter in the atrium. They will really appreciate it! If you have any questions, please contact Corky. 214-682-2233 Ext 222

WE NEED YOUR HELP! Bless students and have a fantastic Saturday! Quilts for Seniors will meet in the Youth Room on Saturday, April 16 from 10 am to 2 pm. A Delicious Lunch will be provided. **We don't just need quilters!** We need volunteers to **cut** fabric strips, **iron** pieces of material and **pin** pieces of material together for the seamstresses. **IF YOU have a SEWING MACHINE Bring it!!** (simple stitches) It will be a production line once we get started. If you have questions regarding the quilting, please contact Teresa Daniels td6@att.net or 214-535-2858 to RSVP or if you have questions regarding the quilting. **Come have fun and bless our graduates!**



Men's Thursday Night Softball—April 14th @8:00 pm PMLC Blue vs Our Lady of Angels to be held at the Heritage Yards at Plano field 8.

20/30's Group Events! A group for those in their 20's/30's—kids, no kids, married, not married. JOIN US! Stay tuned to emails for further details or email susan0726@aol.com for more information.

Save the dates!

April 16—Habitat for Humanity Service Event

May 1—1st Sunday Lunch at Campisi's Plano, following 11 worship, approx 12:30-12:45

May 21—Allen Wranglers Arena Football Game

Wall of Remembrance

The south wall in the Prayer Garden has been designated as the site for the PMLC Memorial Wall of Remembrance. Brass plaques may be placed on the wall (around a base plaque containing scripture) to memorialize current and former partners, and those who have had a significant presence in our mission, who have passed away. A brochure containing complete details for this project, along with a participation form are available on the revolving oak literature rack next to the Welcome kiosk in the Narthex. Contacts: Roger Toney (214) 383-0250 or Alex Booras (972) 608-9730.

MISSIONS



Build with Habitat of South Collin County- Saturday, April 16 & May 14! Join us for our next build day to give a Wylie family an affordable home through Habitat of Humanity. Visit the Habitat table in the atrium to sign up. Hammering starts promptly at 7:30 - 8am. Builders must be ages 18 for this build. Contact Nick Hultgren -nickhultgren@hotmail.com for more information.

JOH Dinner

A very special thank you to all who helped make last week's Journey of Hope dinner a success. The families and counselors always have great things to say about the wonderful food that we bring for the dinner. A total of 19 members of PMLC took time out of their busy schedule to do Christ's work in God's world. Our next opportunity to provide the meal is Thursday, June 23.

2011
THE QUESTIONS OF JESUS
CELTIC WORSHIP NIGHT

Please join us
Wednesday, April 13 @7:00 pm

We will search our Scriptures
to find out how Jesus questions
us to challenge,
form, and shape us.

"Do you love me?"
John 21:15-19

Last Soup Supper of the Season
at 6pm

KIDS DAY OUT NEWS



Wine Tasting Party

A special Thank You goes to all who attended The Wine Tasting Party. What a night full of great wine, delicious food and wonderful company. KDO appreciates all the support. Special thanks to Bill & Denise Lindquist for hosting the event once again, to Russ and Anne Abercrombie for the delicious food and to Steve Holland for coordinating the event.

California Pizza Kitchen

PMLC staff enjoyed a lunch together as they supported the KDO program. The food was delicious. I thank all of you who had an opportunity to attend and enjoy the great food of California Pizza kitchen. Your support is so appreciated. see you at the next event.

KDO Garage Sale

Many thanks for all the donations. Special thanks to Patty Goldhammer...for leading this successful fundraiser. Thanks to Margie and Luciana (KDO Staff) for all their help and support... WHAT A TEAM!



2011-2012 Preschool registration

Our program provides fulltime care for children 6 weeks to 4 years old. Our hours are 7:00 am to 5:30 pm, Monday – Friday. If you wish to attend only the 9:00 – 2:00 pm program, it is also an option. Call us for more details, 972.208.2424. You may also visit our website for more detailed information, www.pmlc.org then click KDO.