

CHASE PARK MESSENGER

Too Busy For God?

Have you ever felt like you were too busy for God? Oh, we probably wouldn't admit it or say it out loud, but most of us may have felt, at some point in our lives, that we just didn't have enough time in our schedules for all of the things that normally go along with a faithful Christian life (worship, Bible study, prayer, service, acts of kindness, etc.) In fact, right now and over the next few months might be one of those times. You see, for those of us who have children who are in school and active in extra-curricular activities, the beginning of a new school year brings with it a huge number of new responsibilities and obligations to our lives. Getting them ready for school each morning, homework, practices, meetings, volunteering at the school, and on and on they go. In these hectic times, it can be very easy to let things like the midweek Bible study, personal Bible study and prayer time, active involvement with the church, or even the Sunday services slip. We have what we feel are very good and legitimate reasons and justifications for "backing off of church-related things for a while until we can get our lives under control again," but how acceptable to the Lord are these excuses?

Take a moment to read the parable told by Jesus in *Luke 14:16-24*. It is made clear by this story that God has very little tolerance or patience for the neglecting of our relationship with Him because of earthly endeavors. That's not to say that God does not allow us to be involved in those activities (we can have a great deal of positive influence for Christ through our participation in those areas of life), but we must never allow this life and its busyness to interfere with our devotion to the Lord or with those times and activities that are important to our relationship with Him. As this new school year begins, and as our schedules and calendars begin to fill with appointments and obligations, may we never forget that our first and most important commitment is always to God, and may that commitment be seen in the way that we spend our time and in the choices that we make.

Rusty

Welcome, Guests

We are honored that you have chosen to visit with us today! Our time of worship together on the Lord's Day is one of the highlights of each week and we are thrilled to be able to share this special time with you.

As we worship, our desire is to do so according to the New Testament pattern and in a way that is pleasing and acceptable to God. It is also our prayer that our time together is uplifting to those who are here including you, our guests. If you have any questions about anything that you see or hear today, please feel free to ask. We would love to speak with you about those things and help you in any way that we can.



Ministers

Rusty Hills Pulpit
Pat Cowden Evangelism

Elders

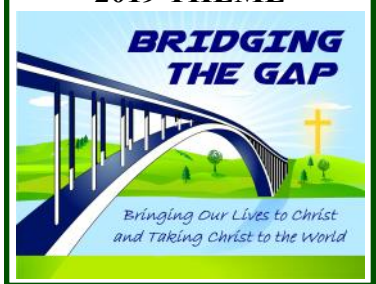
Curtis Hill Dennis Lawson
Sam Kachelman Greg Parker
Barry Todd

Missionaries

Jaime Mendoza Chalco, Mexico
Liborio Encarnacion. Ecatepec, Mexico
Slava Savkovsky Ukraine
Barton Kizer.....North Carolina
Dewayne Tapscott..... Southwest

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2019 THEME



Youth News

Children's Ministry (Little Lights-6th Grade)

Aug. 11 **Big Sis/L'il Sis
Lunch & Service Project**

Aug. 25 **CM Devo**

Youth Group (7th-12th Grade)

Every Monday @7:00 a.m. **M4**
(begins August 12)

Every Wednesday **Hang Time**
@ 5:30 p.m.

Aug. 11 **Big Sis/L'il Sis
Lunch & Service Project**

Aug. 14 **Vittles w/Friends**
(3:30—6:00 p.m.)

Aug. 18 **Youth Group Devo**
@ Blankenship's

Sep. 20-22 **CPYG Fall Retreat**
@ Camp Joy

Lads to Leaders

*Thank you to everyone who
helped to make this year's
program and convention a great
success!*

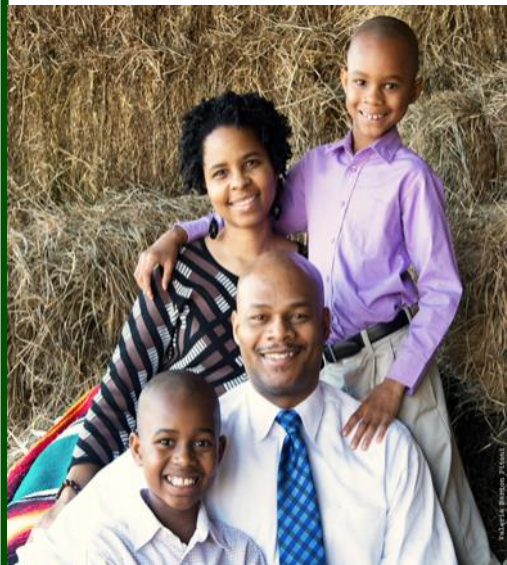
Coming Soon:

L2L 2020

Theme: LOST!

*Stay tuned for more details on these events or see
Joel Heady, Wes McDonald, or Stephen Trammell for more information.*

Outreach—Pat Cowden



Melvin L. Otey has served as an Associate Professor of Law at Faulkner University, Jones School of Law, since August 2014. Prior to this, he worked for the US Department of Justice in Washington, DC, as a trial lawyer (2000-2003, 2007-2014) and preached for the Georgia Avenue church of Christ in DC (2006-2014). Among other things, he writes for Christian publications; conducts Gospel meetings, lectures, and seminars; and serves as a board member for Lads 2 Leaders and the Gospel Journal. He received formal education from St. Louis University (BSBA, 1997), Howard University School of Law (JD, 2000), Amridge University (BS in Ministry/Bible, 2008; MDiv in Ministerial Leadership, 2014). He and his wife, Jania, have two sons, Caleb and Christian. They worship and work with the Dalraida congregation in Montgomery, AL.

Special Emphasis Weekend
September 27, 28, 29

Christ-Like, Counter-Cultural Living

Friday	6:30-7:30	Abortion	Q&A	Sunday	10:30-11:15	Marriage in Modern American Culture
Saturday	10:00-11:00	Transgenderism				
	11:00-12:00	Homosexuality	Q&A		11:30-12:30	Fellowship Meal
	12:00-1:00	Lunch (BBQ)				
	6:30-7:30	Evangelizing in the Workplace	Q&A			

News Of Interest

Pantry Item: Chef Boyardee

Sick

Madison Hospital

Becky Powell (B)

Home: Martha Row (A), Lena Rosenblum (E), Pat Steele (I), Fred King (H), Sheila Emperley (F), Carolyn Trammell (A), Bill Zlatovich (G)

OHM Meeting Team 9-Hill

Saturday, August 24, 6:00 p.m., at the home of Pat and Maria Cowden. Members age 60-69, names A-I.



Ladies' Breakfast

Saturday, August 24, 2019

9:00 a.m., Fellowship Hall

Speaker: **Cathy Maples**; Lesson: **"Bridging the Gap"**

Today and Upcoming at Chase Park

Regency Retirement Service

Today, 1:30 p.m.

Speaker: **Michael Sims**

Song Leader: **Jon Rosenblum**

****Payment—NASA Recognition Dinner****

Janet Jenkins will be at the **Hospitality Desk Sunday, August 11 and 18**, to take payment for the meal. \$5 adult, \$3 children

Family Care Group Meeting

Groups **F** and **G** are scheduled to meet today for potluck lunch.

Groups **I** and **J** are scheduled to meet Sunday, August 18. **I** leaders: **Adams, Peacock, Pond**; **J** leader: **Cothren**.

Hospital Visitation

Team (2) **Crowden** please pick up your assignments after p.m. service.

Balance Class

Tuesday, Thursday, August 13, 15, 1:30 p.m.

Super Seniors

Wednesday, August 14, 10:00 a.m. No meal.

Regency Retirement Village Singing

Thursday, August 15, 6:00 p.m.

Worship Participants

SUNDAY AM AUGUST 18	
READING	Jim MacLean
F PRAYER.....	Greg Emerson
LS PRAYER.....	Bill Brothers
C PRAYER.....	Jerry Smelser

SUNDAY PM AUGUST 18	
READING	Drew Blankenship
F PRAYER.....	Jeff Husband
C PRAYER.....	Donnie Sharp

Thank you

"Mac and I would like to thank Chase Park for all the cards, calls, prayers ,texts and food during Mac's accident and my recent surgery. We are so blessed to be part of the Chase Park family and we love each and every one of you. Thank you again for everything that you have done for us. Please continue to keep us in your thoughts and prayers always. In Christian Love,"

The Landman family

"My Chase Park family, Thanks to all. I'm sorry I'm so long thanking everyone for all the prayers, calls, and food. I'm a charter member since Memorial Parkway and Chase Park now and I love all of you. Keep me in your prayers."

Mary Bradford



***Begins TOMORROW
at 7:00 a.m. in the Dining Room***

What is M4?

M4 is an opportunity for our young people to begin each new school week with a time of fellowship, devotion, and prayer. It helps them to get their weeks started in a good and positive way while building closer friendships with other Christians.



Wednesday, August 14th

“Being A Light In A Dark World”

Speaker:

Pat Cowden

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Statistics

Sunday, August 4, 2019

AM Worship	378
Month Average	378
Bible Class	290
PM Worship	267
Wed., Aug 7 Bible Classes.....	257
Regency Ret. Worship	36
Offering.....	\$23,860.00
Budget.....	\$19,000
Average '19	\$19,710
Over Budget for year	+\$22,009
Building Fund	\$195.00

Services

Sunday

Worship.....	9:00 a.m.
Bible Class	10:15 a.m.
Worship.....	5:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Super Seniors	10:00 a.m.
Bible Class	6:30 p.m.

Web Site Home Bible Studies

<https://www.epcofc.org/home-bible-studies>

(Lesson 1 Link)

The Bible—God’s Holy Word