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The Pastor's Letter



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Motto for Mission 2019: Pray for Breakthrough

Mission Statement

The Mission of Parkview Baptist Church is to lift up Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, and to obey His Great Commission.
 Matthew 28:18-20

Our Purpose Statement

The purpose of Parkview Baptist Church is raising the family of Jesus Christ by leading every member to:

-MAGNIFY HIS LORDSHIP IN WORSHIP
 -MULTIPLY HIS FAMILY THROUGH EVANGELISM/MISSIONS
 -MATURE HIS CHILDREN THROUGH DISCIPLESHIP
 -MODEL HIS LIFE THROUGH SERVICE/MINISTRY
 -MINISTER HIS LOVE THROUGH FLOWSHIP
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| SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY | 9:30 A.M. |
| SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP | 10:45 A.M. |
| SUNDAY MORNING CHILDRENS SERVICE 2ND & 4 | 10:45 A.M. |
| WED CHILDREN'S BLAST, PRAYER, BIBLE STUDY | 6:30 P.M. |

Family Sunday
 October 27
 5 pm - 7



Fall Festival
 Free for all!

Bounce House, Cake Walk, Balloon art, Games,
 Candy, Pop Corn, Hot Dogs ,Hay Rides

FOR ALL AGES!
 Join us for a great night of fun !
 come dressed up in a fun,
 friendly costume!
 (No Horror Stuff)

THE JOURNEY

Welcome to our
HOMECOMING
 Sunday
 November 3rd



Anniversary



Celebration!

Harvest Time 2019

When Joshua was near death he reassembled the people of Israel to reaffirm Israel's commitment to God and to renew the covenant between God and his people. Joshua reviewed the history of Israel from Abraham's call to the exodus from Egypt to the conquest of Canaan (Josh 24:1-14). Then he made this startling statement, "But if serving the LORD seems undesirable to you, then choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve . . . But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD" (Josh 24:15 NIV). The people responded and affirmed their commitment to God. Then Joshua renewed the covenant between Israel and God and set up a stone of remembrance as a witness to the covenant (Josh 24:16-27).

Every generation of believers must make a commitment to God and renew its covenant with God. The Book of Judges is built around this premise. The narrative shows how the people forget God and fall into sin and distress. God raised up a judge to deliver them and bring them back to himself. This cycle continued in Israel for generations. The lesson is clear: every covenant community must continually reaffirm its commitment to God and renew its covenant with God.

This process of renewal is written into the flow of human activity and worship. Sabbath laws, prophetic calls for renewal, and covenant commitment mark this process. The Bible presents Israel's relationship with God over many generations. The flow of salvation history reveals a continual process of covenant, rejection of God's covenant, and renewal of the covenant relationship. Jesus has brought a new covenant to God's people and his Spirit has empowered the church to carry on his mission. Faithfulness to the new covenant and the mission of Christ is an on-going process for each generation of Christianity.

Local churches go through a similar process of renewal. Churches begin with energy and enthusiasm but often stagnate or decline as the first generation moves on. Churches must find ways to reaffirm their commitment to Christ and to renew their covenant relationship as a people in touch with God. Parkview Baptist Church has been in a pruning process this past year. We have changed staff, adjusted programs and sought a new vision for our community. We continue to seek ways to renew spiritual growth as we also grow numerically. The best way to be in on this renewal process is to participate in the vision and activities of the church.

During September we have encouraged renewal in the Sunday School. We have also asked the church to open its eyes to the harvest field by promoting various mission opportunities we can participate in as a church.

October is Harvest Time. It is a time to bring in the harvest of souls that God wants us to reach in our community. We cannot do it without workers in the fields and threshers in the mill. It is time for God's people to bring in the produce so we can celebrate the harvest.

Sunday, October 6, kicks off our month-long focus on "Who's Your One?" We need you to select the one person or family that you will reach out to in the month of October. We want you to invite them to be in Sunday School and worship and we need you to bring them with you. We have our regular classes in place. We are ready for you to bring in the people!

We also want to emphasize our Mission 2019 theme Pray for Breakthrough! We have a 30 day devotional that you can use during the month of October that will prepare you spiritually for reaching out to your one! You will need to stay close to Jesus in order to have the power to lead others to him. Make it your goal in October to spend time with Jesus.

We also have our annual Fall Festival coming up Sunday, October 27 from 5-7 PM. This is not only a fun time but a great outreach to our neighbors and community. We need every worker to be ready to work this festival so we can bring in a harvest of souls. The classes are preparing their booths for a fun time and we are adding a hayride to the festivities this year! You can invite your one to come to the Fall Festival.

Finally, we will culminate our harvest time with a big Homecoming on November 3, 2019. We are celebrating our 60 year anniversary at Parkview and want to invite not only former members and current members, but new potential members to come join us for the celebration! Bring your one to Homecoming 2019. They will enjoy good music, good preaching, and dinner on the grounds.

We have many opportunities for you to bring your friends and neighbors to hear the Good News of Jesus Christ. I am looking forward to a great harvest this month. What about you? Who's your one? Bring in the harvest! Pastor Greg

