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**Fall Festival, October 25, 5:30—7 p.m.**



Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>  
5:30 pm – 7:00 pm

Please make plans now to enjoy an evening of fun at MPC's Fall Festival. A hot dog dinner will be served at 5:30 p.m., followed by tons of games and prizes (and lots of candy!). If you would like to help with games, decorations, or cakes/cupcakes for the cake walk, please let Tanya Costa or Sheila McKee know. Candy donations and small items for prizes may be placed in the box in the Fellowship Hall. Youth will meet from 5—5:30 p.m. and then help with the Fall Festival.

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**The Pastor's Pen**



Privacy is the catchword we hear every week. It has become a great concern for many in this digital age.

Companies that excel in cyber security tell us that a person may obtain our name and Social Security number (SS#), and they have access to all our personal stuff. Identity theft has increased with the use of the Internet and the dozens of websites that people visit for online bank and shopping.

It isn't just the Googlers who have to watch out. Gutenbergers may think they are immune to privacy piracy, but they can easily be tricked into giving away vital information. The "old school" ways of stealing information still exist via phone calls and letters. A person allegedly representing our bank or credit card could call about an immediate concern with our services, and connive us into sharing our personal info. Last year I had questions about my health insurance, and I called a phone number that I thought was legitimate. As the conversation went on, I felt increasingly uncomfortable about what I was saying. It sounded as though the other person was in her kitchen taking my call. I couldn't hear all the activity in the background that I normally hear when speaking to custom service personnel. She asked for my SS#, and I hung up right quick. The conversation was officially terminated. Privacy is an issue, which we need to stay on top of.

Even in our digital age, it is always best to speak to a person face-to-face if at all possible. We can still go to a bank to speak with a representative, and insurance companies provide agents to do business with. Apparently you may go to your town's city hall to pay your utilities! But if we have to use a phone or computer to share information, just be extra mindful. Not speaking face-to-face with another person puts anyone at a disadvantage, since we do not get the fullness of communication with another person. It isn't just words but also facial expressions, body language, and tone of voice that allow people to understand each other fully (I'll have to write a Pastor's Pen on that later).

Be that as it may, we should be extra careful when dealing with people over the phone or Internet. Make sure your password is recognizable only to you. Don't use home address or phone numbers, which anyone could find. Change up the password, such as using a zero for O and a four for A or P (yes, a 4 could be a backwards P). Use characters such as / and \$ and ^, if you are able. When asked to submit a security answer to a question ("Where were you married?" for example), don't give the actual place. Type in "BBQchicken" or "toothdecay." They don't answer the questions directly, so nobody could figure them out easily.

And here's another idea: If you don't have to set up an account on a certain website, don't. Some sites allow for people to purchase items as a guest, and they have to type in all their information every time they use it (name, address, credit card number, etc.). That might get old over time, but the good thing is we don't store info out there in the ether for later use. If we don't have a standing account, we have one less username and password to remember. I don't know about you, but I have over a dozen accounts out there in the world, and if I can get by with one less, I'm happy.

"Be shrewd as a serpent, but as innocent as a dove" (Matthew 10:16) is a Scripture passage that could apply to many situations, other than evangelism. Remember that we live in a digital world with loads of information passing from millions to millions of people every second. Be on guard. Be safe when putting yourself out there. Be prayerful about how you may keep your privacy solidly concealed.

Peace in Christ,

Rev. Dr. John

## Prayer Requests

**PRAYING FOR OUR MEMBERS, FAMILIES, & FRIENDS** Charles Campbell (Ken's brother), Family of Nancy Sneed (Mike's grandmother), Craig Coleman and Janis Cone (requested by Sharon Goza), Betty & Joe Spier, Ruby Avery, Jennifer Barber, Ruth Batchelor, Jo Bevil, Esther Bland, Allie Brandon, Mary Bridges, Allene Brown, Dr. Todd Bruno, Mary Butler, Floyd Chambers, Betty Colwell, Donald Dyche, Ndifseke Essien, Sherrie Esquivel, Will Felt, Idorenyim Etuk-Akpan, Foss Family, Connie Funk, Jessica Giddens, Penny Gordon, David Hadler, Erin Harkens, Beth Harper, John Henrickson, Paula Hewitt, Rev. Penny Hill, Jim Jenkins, Vickie Loper, Ron Lukat, Noli Luna, Carillon Marsh, Marcia McCord, Glenda McCray, Richard McCray, Julia McLeod, Grandma Moriles, David & Faye Moss, Nan Norton, Nuss Family, Sara Ruth Owens, Shanti Paramanandam, Bernie Pascual, Gwen Pearce, Rick Peel, Beverly Pruett, Wendy Ray, Gordon & Shirley Richardson, Lacita Robinson, Isabel Sierra, Keith Stanley, Carolyn Sterns, Kim Stonecash, Margaret Strelsky, Angel Thomas, Ann Thornton, Eddy Wheeler, Terry & Margie Williams, Allen Wilson. **OUR MISSIONARIES:** Rev. Al **Tinio** & family in the Philippines; Dan & Elizabeth **Turk** – Mission Haven. **OUR MILITARY:** Scott **Bland** - Navy, Virginia; SPC Kevin & Jaime **Brown**—Army—Fort Riley, KS; Jeremy **Butler** – Marines; Joshua Easter—Navy, IL; PFC Najee **Hall**, Army, CA; Kevin **Krebs**, AK; SSG Richard **Venzelos** – Air Force, CO.; SPC Justin **Warlick** – Army, TX.

## Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes—Deadline: Nov 15



**Samaritan's Purse – Operation Christmas Child Boxes.** Don't forget that the entire congregation will be donating items to go into their Operation Christmas Child Box that you can get from the church office or Marcia Cartledge. The boxes are free. Included will be info on what to include and not include. OCC is a branch of Franklin Graham's ministry, and, so far, they have delivered millions of boxes to children all over the world. Places you couldn't imagine. The children are thankful for anything, most have never received a gift from anybody. Be sure to pray over this box and ask God to show you what is needed for the child that will receive it. **Deadline: November 15.** On Sunday, November 15, we will bring our boxes down to the altar for Pastor John to pray over. You may bring them to the church earlier if you are unable to attend worship on the 15th.

## Presbyterian Women



**Virginia Dews Circle, No October Meeting**—The Virginia Dews Circle will not meet in October due to the General Meeting on October 11. They encourage all women to attend the General Meeting.

**Dorcas Circle—October 13, 10 a.m.** The Dorcas Circle will meet at the church on October 13 at 10:00 a.m. Hostesses: Marcia Cartledge, Kathy Prince, Emily Starr; Devotion: Tricia Koehler; Bible Study: Suzanne Lukat - Women of the Bible—Sarah.

**Morning Glory Circle— October 25, 9:45 a.m.** The Morning Glory Circle will continue in their Bible study using the book, *"The Best Yes,"* by Lysa TerKeurst.

**A HUGE THANK YOU!!!** to the all of our ladies who helped with the Greater Atlanta PW Fall Workshop Saturday, September 19. Thanks to our 3 Circles, we had plenty of fruit, juices and pastry items for the breakfast. The table was lovely with a lot of variety. There were over 80 women in attendance and I heard nothing but praise and appreciation for MPC in hosting the event. The workshops were informative and ideas were shared with a lot of fellowship sprinkled in...the makings of a day well spent. A special thank you to Deborah Venzelos for being our go-between and all of her efforts in making it a success. Also thanks go to Jo Calhoun, Anne Fordham, Mary Dyche, Roxie Romine, Tamara Callahan, Tricia Koehler, Shirley Thrailkill and Sara Gore for helping set up and or attending the event! Another feather in our caps, ladies! *Stephanie Lozel, PW Moderator*

**PW OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING** will be held on **Sunday, October 11** after the Worship Service. All women of the church are invited to attend. We are planning a salad luncheon, so please bring a salad to share. Tea and dessert will be provided by the PWCT. We will be approving the 2016 Budget, presenting the new slate of Officers & Chairs for 2016, and receiving the annual Thank Offering. Please make plans to attend. *"For it is God who is at work in you enabling you both to will and to work for God's good pleasure."* Philippians 2:13

## Young at Heart, Apple Trip, October 28, 8:30 a.m.



Be sure to mark this date on your calendars...**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2015!!!** That's the day for our **SPECIAL TRIP...APPLE DAY!** We will depart at 8:30 AM for Mercier's Apple Barn and a good shopping day. Return about 4:00 PM. As usual we will enjoy our lunch at the LAST CATCH, in Jasper, Georgia. Cost will be \$20.00 plus lunch. We need reservations, so please get in touch with Ken Campbell, 770-961-2272.

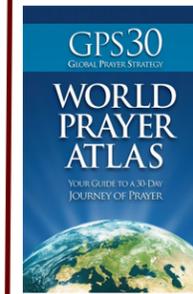
## Welcome Emmeline Marie



**Congratulations to Jonathan & Kelley-Marie Sierra** on the birth of their baby girl, **Emmeline Marie Sierra**, who was born on September 10, 2015, weighing 7 lbs. 7 oz. and was 20 inches long. Her proud grandparents are Pauline Buchanan and Marco & Penny Sierra. A rosebud and cradle cross will be on the pulpit this Sunday and are provided by the Presbyterian Women in Emmeline's honor.

Welcome little Emmeline!

## The GPS30 World Prayer Atlas



### Your Map for an Extraordinary Journey of Prayer

The Discipleship Ministry Team is very excited about the upcoming opportunity to pray for our world. **Beginning on World Communion Sunday, October 4<sup>th</sup>,** we will commit as a church to this 30-day journey of prayer. Each person/family will receive the *World Prayer Atlas*. It's a unique resource with an easy-to-follow, day-by-day itinerary. Each participant uses the Atlas for just a few minutes every day, praying for that day's requests. There are only a few requests per day, but even though it won't take much time it will make a huge impact. By the end of the 30 days, participants in *GPS30* will have prayed around the world — interceding for unreached people and mission workers in every nation. Please join your church family on this spiritually enriching experience!

## Thank You Notes

**From MPC Congregation** ...Many thanks to the Dorcas Circle for buying the new Fall silk flower arrangement for the sanctuary. This arrangement will be used when live flowers are not scheduled.

**From Joe & Betty Spier** ...Thank you, congregation, for all the food, cards, and especially the prayers, while we are recuperating from Joe's fall.

## Pumpkin Patch, October 4



**Kids Club : 4—6 p.m.**

**Youth : 5:30—8 p.m.**



## Tithing? Why not JOIN IN!



**Tithing is Part of the Christian Life.** God makes it clear that we are to give back to our Creator, Lord and Savior from the first fruits of the blessings that have come to us. His expectation is that we will provide ten percent of our time, talents, and treasure to Him as an expression of our appreciation for all that He has placed under our stewardship.

By placing God first in your considerations and decision making, life takes on a simplicity because God takes control of the uncertainty we anguish over about the unknown future.

Consider placing your future in the loving hands of the God who created you and this world, the God who loves you as His child and heir, the God who knows you better than you know yourself, the God who is the author of your life, the God who controls your very life.

*Our Lord, You bless those who join in the festival and walk in the brightness of your presence.*

*Psalms 89:15*

## International Covered Dish Luncheon, October 4, 12:15 p.m.



**International Potluck Lunch – October 4, 12:15 p.m.** The Fellowship and Congregational Care Ministry is inviting you to wear your traditional attire on October 4, 2015 in celebration of World Communion Sunday. Our Family Luncheon will follow after church services, so please bring a specialty dish from your country to share. Enjoy the fellowship and international food from 17 different countries represented in our church. Please plan to come and enjoy the food and Christian fellowship in our church. Teas and lemonade will be provided by the Elder Care Groups of Dock Gammage and H.R. Tuttle.