



**January 21, 2018**

**HONDURAS TEAM UPDATE** - In recent conversations with Honduran nationals and WGO Executive Director, Mike Ferguson, it was determined that the potential political unrest in Honduras warranted the cancelling of the January 20 - 27<sup>th</sup> trip to Tegucigalpa. This was not an easy decision but the safety of the teams we send must be paramount in any short term missions project we endorse. We are looking for appropriate dates for rescheduling. As you can imagine the logistics of airfare, donations, supplies and personal vacations are immense and will require some time to sort out. In the meantime, please be assured that your support and donations will be managed with the utmost care and integrity. Please pray for Honduras and for the details of future trips.

**THE 11<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL CHILI COOK-OFF IS COMING Sunday, February 4!** You won't want to miss the Annual Park Hills Chili Cook-Off - hosted in the gym. This event is a fundraiser for our student ministries Myrtle Beach Spring Break trip and Challenge Missions Conference trip. You will enjoy (and judge) the best chili/soup in town! If you would like to enter the chili cook-off contest - please sign up at the Welcome Center or on-line at [parkhillsefc.org/ministries/park-hills-teens](http://parkhillsefc.org/ministries/park-hills-teens)

**HEARTFELT THANKS** - Thank you to our Park Hills Church Family for your prayers at the time of my surgery. A praise, the surgery was successful! Thank you for the visits, cards and calls. God is so good!  
In Christ's Love - Hattie Aebly

**ALL AWANA VOLUNTEERS BREAKFAST** - Enjoy a yummy breakfast on us, Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, from 8:30 - 11:00 am in the Chapel. This will be a time to fellowship with your team members and to also meet some new friends from other clubs, outside of the action of club night. If you have been interested in volunteering for AWANA, join us this morning to learn more about ways to serve and meet the team! Please let us know that you will be coming. SIGN UP at the Welcome Center on Sunday mornings or by Connie on Wednesday nights.

**SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE SUNDAY** - Today, January 21<sup>st</sup>, we recognize the sanctity of human life. This date commemorates the anniversary of the Supreme Court's decision in Roe vs Wade (January 22, 1973) which legalized abortion in the United States. Since then, approximately 57 million lives have been lost to abortion. Informational fliers are available at the Welcome Center.

**SENIOR RESOURCE CENTER** - Want to learn more about your prescription medications? Come to "Ask the Pharmacist" from 2 to 3 pm, Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, at the Senior Activity Center, 216 E. Stephenson St. Please register early for this free event by calling Monroe Clinic at 877/865-1462 or emailing [monroeclinic.org](mailto:monroeclinic.org).

**GALENA BIBLE CHURCH** - On Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>, Galena Bible Church will be hosting the 25<sup>th</sup> annual No Regrets Men's Conference. For more information on this event visit [www.galenabiblechurch.org](http://www.galenabiblechurch.org) or pick up a flier from the Welcome Center.

**THE OUTDOOR PURSUIT SPORTSMAN'S BANQUET** - On Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>, some 200+ men will be treated to an evening of great food, a sportsman's raffle and will hear nationally known author, outdoor writer and pastor, Zeke Pipher, speak on "How to be Good at Being a Man." Limited tickets on sale **TODAY** in the Lobby for \$20/person or online at [parkhillsefc.org/ministries/mens-ministry](http://parkhillsefc.org/ministries/mens-ministry)

**LIFE & DEATH MATTERS:** We are planning a "mini-seminar" on Saturday, February 17, from 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM in the Chapel. Get some expert advice in the areas of legal, medical, spiritual and end of life care issues. Sessions led by: Dr. Rebecca Pedersen, FHN Hospice Medical Director; Peter J. McClanathan, Attorney at Law, Fishburn, Whiton, Thruman Ltd.; PH pastoral panel on "Christian Perspectives on Death"; and "Choices in Senior Living" Fair. If you or a family member need help in any of these areas this is your chance to be informed by local professionals in a relaxed, comfortable, no pressure setting. Don't miss out!! **Registration Required!!** Sign up at the Welcome Center or online at [parkhillsefc.org/ministries/adult-ministries](http://parkhillsefc.org/ministries/adult-ministries)

**CHECK OUT MONDAY NIGHT CHURCH** 6:30 pm in the Chapel!

**PLEASE WELCOME GRAHAM BOLL** to the pastoral team! Graham has moved from pastoral intern to associate pastor. He has been assisting at East Campus and will continue to help Pastor Chris lead there while helping to grow the church. Pray for Graham and Kayla as they transition and settle in!

**PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY** – We will have the next meeting on Wednesday, January 31, at 9:00AM in the Elevator Room. We will be working on the Pocket Prayer Squares for Pearl Pavillion. Please join us, new members are always welcome. Questions? Call Linda Long 815/369-4895 or Dianne Statdfield 815/238-6629.

**SAVE THE DATE!** - SpringHill Day Camp is coming back to Park Hills Church this summer, July 30th - August 3rd, 2018! REGISTRATION opens February 14<sup>th</sup>. Register early to save ([www.springhilldaycamps.com](http://www.springhilldaycamps.com)).

**MISSION TRIP** – There is a 10-day mission trip being planned to Belarus in May of 2018. The purpose will be to add a sanctuary to an existing building. For more information, contact Warren Stultz at 815/520-6506.

**FAITH COMMUNITY NURSE (FCN)** – FCN's will be doing free blood pressure screenings again NEXT SUNDAY, January 28<sup>th</sup> between services (9:45 – 10:30 am) in the Music Room Annex.

**GREAT LAKES DISTRICT HURRICANE CRISIS TRIPS** – EFCA regional superintendent, Daniel Grell is organizing and leading two district trips which individuals can join. The first trip will leave on Saturday, March 3rd, with a return on Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. The team will travel to and assist with hurricane recovery in the Corpus Christi area alongside Bayshore Bible Church (EFCA). The second trip will leave on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, with a return on Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup>. The team will travel to and assist with hurricane recovery in the Houston area. If you are interested in joining one of the GLD hurricane recovery trips alongside other individuals from churches across the GLD, please contact Daniel Grell at [dgrell49@gmail.com](mailto:dgrell49@gmail.com) for further details.

**FACC** (Freeport Area Church Cooperative) is asking for donations of spaghetti sauce, canned tomato products, shampoo, toothpaste, deodorant and body wash for the month of January. Donations may be left in the bin in the Lobby. Thank you for your continued generosity!

**DID YOU KNOW?** – NOW you can view and/or listen to the weekly sermons on our PH mobile app ([parkhillchurch](http://parkhillchurch.com)) and website ([www.parkhillchurch.com](http://www.parkhillchurch.com)). You can also download a copy to your computer or mobile device for listening offline! You will also find the Sermon Based Small Group Questions (SBSG) and the weekly bulletin in electronic form on the mobile app each Sunday morning.

**CONNECT CARD** – If you are new to our church, have an address or phone number change, have a prayer concern, or would like more information about Park Hills, please fill out one of the connect cards found in the chair pockets and drop it in the offering plate.

**READING PLANS FOR OUR LUKE SERIES ARE AVAILABLE** at the Welcome Center, the church website ([www.parkhillchurch.com](http://www.parkhillchurch.com)) and the church app.

**SMALL GROUP/BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES:**

- **TUESDAY MORNING MOMS' BIBLE STUDY** meets in the Music room from 9:30 – 11:00 am, studying [What Women Fear: Walking in Faith That Transforms](#) by Angie Smith. Childcare is provided. If you have questions, please contact Heidie at 815/541-8011 or Carol at 815/232-6495.
- **WEDNESDAY MORNING WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY** - We will resume our Gospel of John study, **THIS WEEK**, Wednesday, January 17, at 10am. Anyone interested may join us in Room 202. This session will be taught by Diane Dawson. Questions, call Diane at 815/275-3082.
- **THURSDAY EVENING MEN'S SMALL GROUP** - This group will begin **THIS WEEK**, Thursday, January 18, from 6:30 – 8:00 pm, in the Elevator Room. We will be studying "Manhood Restored" by Eric Mason. If interested, please sign up at the Welcome Center. Questions?, contact Kurt Bales 815/238-8541.
- **FRIDAY EVENING SINGLE LADIES STUDY** – February 2 – April 20 we will be studying 12 More Women of the Bible: (cost of the book is \$7). We will be meeting in Room 301 from 6:00 – 8:30 pm. Please sign up at the Welcome Center. If you have questions, contact Carol Mehlhausen at 815/291-9478.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES:**

- **RAY VANDER LAAN DVD SERIES ON THE HOLY LAND** - taught by Dale Miner & Bill Kuhlemeier, 9:00 - 10:00 am in the Library.
- **HEBREWS** - taught by Pastor Cliff, 10:00 - 11:15 am in the Chapel.

**PARK HILLS EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH**  
2525 W STEPHENSON ST - FREEPORT, IL 61032 815-232-6159  
Office Hours: M-Th 9 am - 4 pm & Fri 9 am - 12 pm

**SUNDAY MORNINGS for KIDS:**

Parents and families, following are your children's Sunday morning options, designed to give your children a deeper experience in God's word, no matter which service they attend.

- 8:45 a.m. one combined nursery (ages birth through 3 years), staffed with volunteers who really love caring for your little ones.
- 8:45 a.m. one combined class (ages 3 years through 5th grade) that follows the same topic as the sermon to allow for families to have meaningful conversations throughout the week on what we are all learning.
- 10:30 a.m. two age-appropriate nursery options. (Parents decide when it is suitable for their three-year-olds to move up to the next class).
- 10:30 a.m. three age-appropriate (ages 3 years through 5th grade) classes, that make use of the entire service time. You are able to drop off your children with their teachers in their classrooms starting at 10:15 a.m.

We support your decision as families to attend service together. Children are always welcome in the service.

**MEAL MINISTRY** – If you would be willing to make a meal for someone recovering from an illness or surgery, please contact Wendy 815/541-5204 or Charmaine 815/821-5211.

**“SECOND HALF”** is a ministry at Park Hills composed of retired and semi-retired individuals who have a heart for serving within our church family. The members of Second Half recognize their God-given talents and this ministry is one of the ways they continue to use those gifts. In the short time of our existence, multiple projects have been completed with more being planned. These opportunities have been a blessing to those who have worked together. Please contact the church office with any questions about this ministry.

**MIDWEEK OPTIONS FOR CHILDREN AND STUDENTS— Something for everyone in your family!****WEDNESDAY NIGHTS for 18months thru 6<sup>th</sup> grade**

Check out AWANA 6:30 to 8:00 pm

[www.parkhillskids.com](http://www.parkhillskids.com)

Puggles (18 months thru 3 years)

Cubbies (3 and 4 years)

Sparks (K thru 2nd grade)

T&T (3rd through 6th grade)

**WEDNESDAY NIGHTS for MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade**

Check out CORE 6:30 to 8:00 pm

[www.parkhillsyouth.com/CORE](http://www.parkhillsyouth.com/CORE)

**TUESDAY NIGHTS for HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS**

Check out Frontline 6:30 to 8:00 pm

[www.parkhillsyouth.com/frontline](http://www.parkhillsyouth.com/frontline)