



# PARKWOOD ECHOES

## Community Services / Dorcas

By Mary Ann Green & Shellie Vasquez

Dorcas resumes September 3, 2014. We are open 9am to noon each Wednesday. If anyone is interested, please join us Wednesdays.

We are also planning on starting a quilting class in the evenings. Contact one of the Dorcas leaders if you are interested in participating in that class.

We have an abundance of material, so unless you have a particular pattern in mind you can learn to make yourself a quilt or help us make quilts for the needy and for people in shelters. We will help you learn the proper techniques for sewing and quilting.



## From the Pastor

He said to Simon, 'Launch out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.' ~ Luke 5:4 (NKJV)

If we're not careful, shallow waters can be dangerous. Spending many summer hours as a child in and around a swimming pool, I discovered that the shallow end was a safe place for someone who was not very tall or for those who were timid and tired. But for the more adventurous and active, for those who like to jump and dive, staying in the shallow can be dangerous...even deadly.

In Luke 5, Jesus requests the use of Simon Peter's boat in the shallow waters of the Lake of Gennesaret. After teaching the gathered multitudes, however, the Savior turns to Peter with an invitation move out of the shallow waters and "launch out into the deep" (Luke 5:4). It was out in the deep that Jesus would have Peter's individual attention. It was out in the deep that Jesus would call Peter to a radically new life of discipleship.

I believe that Jesus still calls us today with the same invitation: Launch out into the deep. Remaining close to shore may be our tendency, but it must not be our residency. Remember, shallow waters can be dangerous and even deadly:



All kids & teens ages 3-17 who want to sing for Jesus are welcome to join this exciting ministry!

- Fall session: Sept - Dec, 2014
- Rehearsals: Sabbaths from 2:00-2:45pm, starting 9/6/14 in the Youth Chapel
- Performances: once or twice a month (to be announced)

For more information, contact Debbie Miranda (661.203.5767 or dakmiranda@hotmail.com).

## Audio Recordings

Did you know you can pick up CD audio recordings of each Sabbath service in the lobby every week? You can also listen to past messages preached at Parkwood online. Just go to [www.parkwood.adventistfaith.org](http://www.parkwood.adventistfaith.org) and click on the "Multimedia" tab.



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"There is always a danger of being satisfied with a **superficial work**; there is always danger that souls will not anchor themselves in God, but be content to drift hither and thither, the sport of Satan's temptations" (*Our High Calling*, 330).

Will you launch out into deep waters with Jesus and anchor yourselves in God? It is my prayer that the experience of Peter will be repeated in our lives, and that as we launch into a deeper experience with Jesus we will be called to a radically new life of discipleship. May we heed the Savior's to call to be disciples and make disciples with renewed fervor and perspective.

Pastor Godfrey Miranda

## OshKosh Bound!

by Peggy Herman

After 5 years of working and planning the Pathfinders and staff met at 5:45am, August 5, 2014 to start their journey to the Forever Faithful Camporee in Oshkosh Wisconsin. Several church members were present to see us off. So with much excitement, following a prayer by our Pastor, we loaded into our three motor homes, and headed for the freeway.

Mr. Gomez drove one vehicle with Norman as shotgun. Peggy was shotgun for John Herman and Mike Herman drove the Third vehicle with his wife and anyone that wanted riding has shotgun.





## Adventurers

By Elda Martinez

Our Adventurer Club will resume on Sabbath, September 13<sup>th</sup>. We will meet on Sabbath from 3:00-5:00pm twice a month.

If you have kids between ages 3-9 and would like them to be part club, please attend our first meeting on September 13<sup>th</sup>. The Adventurers are divided into classes based on their grade level and age. This year we have four different classes, **and we are looking for teachers and volunteers to help out.**

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Francisco or Elda (209.534.3626 or 209.543.2026).

“Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it.”  
Proverbs 22:6



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Often that was Jacob Gansel, but he was often found sleeping, this is not really in the job description for shotgun.

Our first stop was to fill the gas tanks at Flying J at Jack Tone Road then on to Gold Run above Sacramento just this side of the boarder to Nevada. We pulled in just as Waterford Club was preparing to leave to continue their trip. We got out the bagels, fruit, and orange juice for some light refreshments and then off we went again.

Fernley, Nevada was our next stop to gas the vehicles. Then back on the road, traveling was good and traffic was not an issue. The rest stops where we had planned to stop for lunch were closed so we eventually stopped at a truck stop where we pulled a table out of the back of a motor home and served lunch. At this time Karen told me Marge had sprained her arm and Karen had put a support on it but asked me to

look at it and then we decided to wrap it with an ace bandage which John got out of his first-aid kit.



From there we continued on to our planned stop for the evenings the Shady Rest Resort in Wells, Nevada. We parked our three vehicles and while the Pathfinders took

showers and explored the area we prepared dinner for the group. While preparing the meal Karen asked me to check Marge’s arm again. By this time she told us that she had fallen that morning. She had a black eye and bruised knee and her arm was now quite bruised and swelling. Thanks to our Garmin we found that the nearest emergency room was about an hour back down the road from where we were.

So rearranging the sleeping plans, Mike and Karen and their two girls, Mikeala and Kaitlyn headed back down the road to take Marge to emergency. John, Mr. Gomez, Carlos, Brian, Dante, Jonah and Jacob were put to bed in Mr. Gomez’s vehicle. The Herman vehicle had to squeeze in a few extra girls for the night. We ended up with Nicole, Lodi and Sharon sharing the overhead bed, Becky and Candyse sharing the couch. Eleanor was on the table which makes into a bed and Kelli was on the floor between the couch and table. Mr. and Mrs. Herman had the suite at the back.

At the emergency room they said that Margie’s arm was broken and they would splint it until the swelling went down, but Karen informed them that we would not be back for two weeks. They decided that she should have a cast. Fortunately the nephew of the doctor who ran the ER was an intern and was able to put a cast on her arm.

They arrived back at camp at 11:15pm. The rest of us were already in bed asleep and this ended our first day. To be continued...



## Upcoming Events

- September 10, 10am - Grandparents Day Tea party
- September 11, 10am - Dental Screening
- September 23 - First Day of Autumn
- September 24, 12-6pm - Preschool Open House and Book Fair

## Happy Birthday's

- September 21 - Elliott & Jack B
- September 23 - Jehu & Joas S.
- September 23 - Xariah H.
- September 24 - Jeilliane B.



Emma, Javier, Kinsley,  
Leiloni, Naomi, Pierce, Tyce



# Parkwood Christian Preschool

A NEW BEGINNING  
FOCUS ON TIME

*And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.*

Revelation 21:1

A new school year has begun at Parkwood Christian Preschool. We have new friends to get to know, new ways to learn old things, new and special ways to learn and experience new academic concepts, new classroom arrangements along with new and exciting materials to explore.

Our focus for the month of September will include language, time self-awareness and active learning. Special activities will include, All About Me books exploring with all senses, visual discrimination, and relationship between objects, building vocabulary through oral/written languages speaking, reading, writing, manipulating, combining and transforming materials, practicing good manners using magic words and much more.

Our visit to the garden led us until a new experience of the good gifts that God has given us. The children were able to see how corn grow. After an exciting observation, the corn was plucked. Taken to the kitchen annex to be shucked, the silk taken off and washed, cut and placed on the lunch plates for good eating raw. It was one of the first and best experiences we ever had.

Song of Praise — Response to Jesus:

Thank you Jesus, thank you, thank you Jesus, thank you Jesus,  
Thank you for our food.

HAPPY NEW SCHOOL YEAR

Yours in service for Christ

Ms.Margie, Ms Irene, Ms.Mary, Ms.Eva

## Fellowship Luncheon Ministry

Please remember if you are attending potluck you should also be bringing an entree and a salad, vegetable or dessert. Because we value everyone's contribution, it is not the assigned Luncheon Group's responsibility to supply all the food for the luncheon.

If cooking isn't your area of giftedness you can still help by bringing condiments, breads, vegetables or fruit trays, fruits in season or pre-made desserts found in most stores. The assigned group is responsible for warming and serving the food and cleaning up afterwards, but your help is always appreciated.