

PARKWOOD ECHOES



"And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth...The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the coming of the greatand awesome day of the LORD." (Joel 2:30-31, NKJV)

From Pastor

This past Sunday night, our little family took an evening stroll to search the night sky for a glimpse of the rare supermoon total lunar eclipse that some term a "blood moon." Aside from being a novelty for our kids, the occurrence of the blood moon stirred our hearts with a sense of divine activity.

With the calculations of modern astronomy at our disposal, it is easy to view such celestial events as nothing more than the universe clicking along like clockwork. But in the framework of biblical prophecy (cf. Joel 2:30-31; Mk. 13:24; Lk. 21:25), God Himself is portrayed as the active agent initiating these heavenly wonders as signs lighting the world's darkened path prior to His return.

Of course, we shouldn't ascribe more meaning to last Sunday's blood moon than Scripture allows, but I believe it was more than mere coincidence that this heavenly sign occurred the same day that Pope Francis concluded his historic US tour during which he was received with standing ovations from both Congress and the United Nations General Assembly. (Indeed, the essential trajectory of Revelation 13 is taking shape right before our eyes!)

While the recent blood moon and papal visit may not fulfill a specific time prophecy, we <u>do</u> know that signs like this reveal that Jesus' return "is near, right at the door!" (Mt. 24:33). Jesus is clear: the signs — whether in the natural realm, the socio-political realm, or the religious world — are all divine invitations to keep watch (Mt. 24:42; Lk. 21:34-36).

So are we watching? And are we encouraging others to watch? Last Sunday, there were a few other moongazers out, but the eclipse didn't draw any teeming crowds. Others may not discern God's invitation, but I pray that God would use us to amplify His appeal. Coming again, coming again, Jesus is coming again!

PARKWOOD-CALENDAR

Highlights

- 10/2-24 Archaeology Prophecy Seminar Friday's, Saturday's & Sunday's at 6:30pm - in CVCA Gymnasium (2020 Academy Pl.,)
- 10/18 Parkwood 5k Walk/Run Location & Time TBA
- 10/31 6:30pm Fall Festival in Bellaman Hall



COMMUNITY

SERVICE by MaryAnn Green

Dorcas has been busy this month giving out food baskets, blankets, dishes and furniture. Anyone wanting to assist us can come out on Wednesday mornings from 9noon. We've also been busy making quilts we have a Quilting Class every Monday's at 6:00pm. We're also accepting food now for our Thanksgiving Baskets.

Thank you for all of your support!

ARTICLES

Church Family

All are welcome to submit articles, photos, etc for publication in the Echoes. Please share by email at: <u>myparkwoodchurch@gmail.com</u> or drop it off at the Office's mailbox.

THE DEADLINE is the 21st of every month. Submissions received after the 21st will be printed for the following month.

We truly appreciate your cooperation in helping to continue to bring to our Church Family all of the exciting Ministry events that God has blessed us with and allowing us to be able to share with each other through our Echoes Newsletter.

> May our Lord continue to bless our Parkwood Church

GLOW-A-THON

by Anita Watson

Keeping GLOW on the Go for the Area-wide GLOW-a-thon!

During the 26 days of the Area-wide GLOW-a-thon, Parkwood distributed over 20 thousand personalized GLOW tracts in preparation for the Archeology Bible & Prophecy Seminar. A group of determined congregates met each Sabbath at 2:30pm and for 4 Sabbaths distributed these tracts in steaming hot parking lots, laundry mats, businesses, and door to door.

Many gave their inspiring outreach testimonies, stories and demonstrations during worship service. Lloyd Kendrick surprised everyone by distributing over 300 GLOW all alone in one week.

United in effort and prayer, on September 12th, Parkwood joined Central Church for a GLOW distribution, and also with Ceres Church on Sabbath, September 26th.

As this Area-wide GLOW-a-thon comes to an end we all agree we're praying for the Lord to touch the hearts of the people and to bring them from far and near to hear the wonderful words of Life from our Lord's servant.



May the Lord Bless our efforts!

THANKSGIVING DINNER

by Samantha Rush-Dalton

All are invited to our Annual Thanksgiving Church Family Dinner.

We will have a sign-up sheet in the loddy about 2 weeks prior for a food list and a head count. Last year we had such a wonderful time.

Richard Dalton, and Joann Marie helped out in the kitchen preparing food for our church family. The young children even helped set all of the tables with Ken Dalton.

We were happy to have the Gomez Family, William & Carol Ray, the Wellman's , and White family too.

We had a great time eating our Turkey & Chicken logs, mashed potatoes, sweet potatoes, salad, and so many salads. Oh and don't forget about the pies. So we look forward to seeing you all this year! Bring

your family, friends, or just by yourself all are welcome.

See you there on Thursday, November 26th "Thanksgiving Day" at 12:00pm bring your appetite.

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PARKWOOD LIBRARY

Library hours are between Sabbath School and 15-20 minutes after Church Service is dismissed.

*Library is looking for someone that can share their spare time by volunteering in helping to arrange shelves by their corresponding colors.

If you would like to help out in volunteering for our Churches Library, please contact our Librarian Gwen Barnett at (209) 576–0217.

SAMPLE BOOK SUBJECTS

Jesus-God: Holy Spirit Angels and New Age & Occult

Science-Nature: Creation, Science relating to Religion

Witnessing-Bible Studies: Women's Interest, Devotionals, Inspiration, Spirtitual Growth & Prayer

Prophecy-End of Time: Events & Second Coming

Christian History: Reformation, Seventh Day Adventist

Leadership: Resources, Sabbath School, meetings

Practical Christianity: Emotional Dating & Courtship, Family, Marriage, Budgeting Money, Parenting, Emotional Health

CHURCH FAMILY WORSHIP

The Sabbath School Council would like to start a "church family" worship time in which we would have some special choruses (for all ages) and prayer time. This would be just before Sabbath School and all divisions would be included. So <u>starting October 31</u> we will begin this church family worship time in the main sanctuary at 9:15 am and go to our divisions at 9:30.



PARKING LOT RENOVATION

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by Pastor Miranda

Under the careful eye of our Building & Grounds Committee over the last several years, we now have plans and bids to move forward with more than just a resurfacing of our parking lot but an entire overhaul to install new drainage, new lighting, and new pavement.

Cost & Value - This renovation will likely cost \$381,000, a goal that we are already more than halfway toward reaching. Yes, it's an expensive project, but it's a much needed project that will prove to be of eternal value. More than upgrading the aesthetic value of our facility, the new parking lot will enable all our ministries to move forward with greater ease and excellence. What's more, it will ensure that all our members (God's most valuable resource) can literally move with greater safety and security. This project directly impacts how our ministries and our members can more effectively reveal Jesus Christ to the world now in preparation for His soon return.

What Now? - Pray.

- I) Pray that God will now provide the means.
- 2) Pray for the application we've submitted to the Pacific Union for available funding to schools and churches who are making their facilities safer.
- 3) Pray about how you can contribute to our financial goal. And as we pray, may we keep in mind that we're giving not just for pavement...but for <u>people</u>.

Parking Lot Renovation

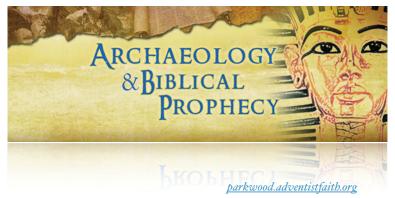
Received: \$213,476

Goal: \$381,000

ARCHAEOLOGY & BIBLICAL PROPHECY

Our long- anticipated area- wide prophecy Seminar "Archaeology and Biblical Prophecy" began yesterday Friday, and will continue every Friday, Saturday, and Sunday through October 24th at 6:30pm in the CVCA Gymnasium (2020 Academy Pl, Ceres).

DONT MISS IT!



"May the Lord *bless*" you and *protect*" you. may the Lord smile on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord show you his *fayrs*, and give you his *pence*."

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1st	Irmi Lue
1st	Harold Reeve
3rd	Jon Bennett
5th	Virginia Mathews
6th	Lucille Fluence
7th	Leoma May
10th	Donna Perry
11th	Bea Cowan
12th	Ei Lavea
13th	Judy Suzuki
13th	Diana Vazquez
14th	Shaina Herman
14th	Carol Ray
16th	Janell Ko
16th	Mark Lavea
16th	Bill Ray
17th	Gali Gomez
17th	Maria Vasquez
18th	Jhanae Bowen
18th	Jerry Messner
19th	Rosemary Musino
28th	Craig Cravey
29th	Maureen Bautista
29th	Judi Correia
30th	Ken Dalton
30th	Emily Ruiz
30th	Corey Watts
31st	Mario Vasquez

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Magdalena & Donald Eggink	9th - 33 yrs
Shellie & Richard Vasquez	10th - 33 yrs
Sandy & Bruce Baumbach	14th - 38 yrs
Kim & Gary Rheinor	20th - 36 yrs
Nina & Frank Herman	22nd -27 yrs
Samantha & Ken Dalton	27th - 2 yrs

Parkwood's Family Angel Tree

by Samantha Rush-Dalton

This year I would like to introduce a new holiday tradition. Everyone has heard about the Angel Tree Project. I would like to try one in our church for our Church Family.

We will include everyone on the list. All can participate no one is excluded young and old are to enjoy the project. Some of our elderly members are in a nursing homes or shut-ins and their families are too far to visit for the Holiday's.

The idea is to have a tree set up in the lobby with tags that will represent our members so that we can all participate in making their holiday just as happy and wonderful as ours. How it works is to get a standard shoe box and inside the shoe box we can provide gifts of clothing, toiletries, candies, books, etc.

If you would like to help or have suggestions on names of anyone that you feel need this type of help please let me know. Thank you for all your support and love to make this a warm holiday season.

Any suggestions can be sent by email: sbr7998@yahoo.com or call: Samantha Rush-Dalton (209) 735-2756

Women's Ministry Get Acquainted Party

by January Bautista

It was a blessing to have our ladies close the Sabbath on Sept 12,2015. I would like to thank everyone that helped to make this possible. Truly God provides everything that we need in His own time as the verse says in Philippians 4:6, "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving make your requests be known to God." Miracles happen everyday big and small. May we be humbled everyday with the love of Jesus!



October 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	Friday	SABBATH
				-	2 6:30pm Archaeology & Bible Prophecy Seminar Begins CVCA Gymnasium (Weekend's through Oct. 24 th) SUNSET: 6:47	 3 Speaker: Pastor Miranda SS. Nina Herman Offering-Church Budget Fellowship Luncheon Grp#i Watson & Verde 6:30pm ABP Seminar CVCA - Gym Gym SUNSET: 6:46
4 6:3opm ABP Seminar in CVCA-Gymnasium nam Tolbert's Wedding Dessert Reception Collowing	5 6pm Quilting Class	6 6pm Pathfinder	7 gam noon Community Service 7pm "House of Prayer"	8 10am Ladies Bible & Prayer group-Virginia's Home 7pm Ladies Bible Prayer group-Barneti's Home	9 6:30pm ABP Seminar CVCA -Gym	10 Speaker: Pastor Miranda SS. Ei Lavea Offering-Voice of Prophecy Fellowship Luncheon Grp#2 Lavea & Todd 6:30pm ABP Seminar CVCA Gym
SHIWOHOL					SUNSET: 6:37	SUNSET: 6:35
11 6:30pm ABP Seminar in CVCA-Gymnasium	12 6pm Quilting Class 6pm Preschool Board Mtg. 7pm Church Board Mtg.	13 6pm Pathfinder	14 gam noon Community Service 7pm "House of Prayer"	15 10am Ladies Bible & Prayer group-Virginia's Home 7pm Ladies Bible Prayer group-Barnett's Home	16 63opm ABP Seminar CVCA -Gym SUNSET: 6:27	 Speaker: Chad Kreuzer SS. Elma (Toadie) Barker Offering-Church Budget Fellowship Luncheon Grp#3 Hill & Barnett 6:30pm ABP Seminar GVCA Gym SUNSET: 6:26
18 6:3opm ABP Seminar in CVCA-Gymnasium Parkwood 5k walk/Run Location & Time TBA	19 6pm Quilting Class	20 6pm Pathfinders	21 gam noon Community Service 7pm "House of Prayer"	22 10am Ladies Bible & Prayer group-Virginia's Home 7pm Ladies Bible Prayer group-Barnett's Home	23 6.3opm ABP Seminar CVCA -Gym	 24 Speaker: Pastor Miranda SS. Youth Ministry Offering-Conference Faith Adv. Fellowship Luncheon Grp#4 Reeve & Gomez (Bday's & Anniversaries) 6:3opm ABP Seminar- Ends
					SUNSET: 6:18	SUNSET: 6:16
25 10am Communication Meeting in Committee Room	26 6pm Quilting Class	27 6pm Pathfinders	28 gam noon Community Service 7pm "House of Prayer"	29 10am Ladies Bible & Prayer group-Virginia's Home 7pm Ladies Bible Prayer group-Barnett's Home	08	 31 Speaker: Pastor Miranda SS. Harold Barnett Offering- NAD Evangelism Fellowship Luncheon All Church (Soup & Salad) 6:3opm Parkwood "Fall Festival" in Bellaman Hall
					SUNSET: 6:09	SUNSET: 6:08

VEGAN - RECIPES

Cashew Nut Crusted Tofu

Ingredients

2- 14 oz containers water packed tofu, sliced (see note)

2 Tablespoons olive oil

 $\frac{1}{2}$ cup cashews, raw

1/3 cup yeast flakes

1 tsp McKay's chicken style seasoning, vegan special

1 Tbsp. parsley flakes

 $\frac{1}{2}$ tsp salt

2 Tbsp. Earth Balance margarine

 $2\frac{1}{2}$ cups bread crumbs, (see note)

Directions

Preheat oven to 350°

Line a cookie sheet with aluminum foil. Spray the foil with non stick spray. Place the slices of tofu on the foiled pan and bake in oven for 15-20 minutes. Remove and leave sit.

In a food processor add; cashews, yeast flakes, chicken style seasoning, and salt, process for 2-3 minutes. Add to bread crumbs and parsley and mix well. Brush both sides of tofu with olive oil, place one spoonful of nut crumb mixture over one side of the tofu, place face down on the covered cookie sheet and place another spoonful of nut crumb mix over the top. Pat mixture down onto the tofu and continue until all mixture is on both bottom and top of all the tofu. Place back in oven and bake for an additional 15-20 minutes, until golden brown. Let cool for a few minutes and place onto plate. Add a spoonful of Almondaise tartar sauce to the top and serve.

Note:

Bread crumbs: I place 3-4 slices of bread in the food processor and blend until fine. Place on a cookie sheet for 1-2 hours to dry. Tofu: I slice tofu in 3 slices to make a 3x4 inch slice. Recipe by: Melody Prettyman

Apricot Spice Cake

Ingredients 2 cups whole wheat flour 2 tsp. baking powder 1 tsp. baking soda 1/4 tsp. salt 1 1/4 cups water 1 cup Apricots, chopped 1/2 cup dried cherries, chopped 1 cup raisins 2 tsp. cinnamon 1 tsp. ground ginger 1/4 tsp. ground cloves 1/2 tsp. ground nutmeg 1/2 cup carrot, shredded 1/2 cup chopped walnuts 2 cups orange juice

Lightly oil a 9-inch spring-form pan and set aside. In a small bowl, sift together the flour, baking powder, baking soda, and salt, and set aside. In a small saucepan, combine the water, apricots, cherries, raisins, cinnamon, ginger, cloves, and nutmeg and shredded carrots. Bring to a boil, and allow to cool for 5 minutes, add orange juice and cool completely. Add the dry ingredients to the wet ingredients and stir well to combine. Pour the batter into the prepared spring-form pan.

Bake at 350 degrees for 45 minutes or until an inserted toothpick comes out clean. Serve plain or frost with Tofu Cream Cheese Frosting, or Lemon Frosting, or Vanilla Butter Cream Frosting, or other frosting of choice. Yield: One 9-inch cake or split between 2 pans to make a layer cake.

Tofu Cream Cheese Frosting 8 oz. tofu cream cheese, softened 1/3 cup vegan margarine 3 cups Powdered Sugar 2 tsp. vanilla 1 tsp. almond extract

Using an electric mixer or in a large bowl with a hand held mixer, place the tofu cream cheese, and cream them together. Add the sugar, vanilla, and almond extract, and continue to beat the mixture until light and fluffy. Yield: 2 1/2 cups or enough for two 9-inch layers or a 9x13-inch cake