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WHO IS JOINING YOU IN THE FIGHT?

When Paul encourages Timothy to "Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus," he is setting a context that puts life into perspective. He is saying, "Timothy, being a disciple of Jesus is a fight...this is normal. We are at war! A spiritual battlefield is the context of our growth and mission." We have an enemy. There is an evil force opposed to your growth and until it is removed, this world will remain a battlefield. We must learn to fight in community and on mission. Growth is a community project. Don't go it alone! We must remind each other of Jesus and of his victory. "Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead. Jesus has overcome! Let us endure with him knowing that we will also reign with him." Who are you fighting alongside? What's your next step? Baptism? A commit to gathering each Sunday? Connecting to a growth group? Taking the new members class? Find a place of service? During the My Church campaign, consider your next step of faith. Join us!

MY CHURCH

PRAY • SERVE • GIVE



FEATURED LEADERS



Together, they have ten children, six biological, four adopted - and have fostered seven. Fred and Karleen were married during the summer before their junior year of college, unsure what God had for their future. Fred served in the Army for two years and taught at Metropolitan University for 35 years as Professor of Chemistry. Karleen received a BA in Childhood Development and an MA in Biblical Counseling from CCU. While a professor, they had the opportunity to take sabbaticals. On one of these trips, Fred and Karleen were living in Manila and were encountered with the vast poverty. One day, they went to visit an orphanage next to the "Smokey Mountain" - a dump servicing the multitude. The dump is habituated by multi-generational families, finding their sustenance by foraging. The orphanage built next to the dump took the worse of the children to revive them if possible, and many were unable to ever leave, some of which they met while they were visiting would not survive the night. When Fred and Karleen returned to the States, they had the conviction that God would have them do more than just raise the family he's given them. After nearly a year of prayer with close friends, they made the commitment to found Mercy Ministries, began to take in foster children, and work with pregnant teens and young single moms. Read more of their story in their book, *The Place of the Mourning Doves*, available at the Mission Wall.

WAYS TO PRAY

-Please be praying for BPC Growth Groups, for the leaders and members to get to know each other better and to support each other through their Christian walk. Also, for new groups to be formed and for people to be part of a growth group if they haven't yet.

-Please pray for the EFCA Reach Global program. Pray for the children in the program who are in great need of a sponsor and for people to be drawn to be sponsors.

MAY NEWS

-If you missed any of the weeks' presentation of the My Church campaign, be sure to stop at the connect center to get caught up, or email Brian at brian.petry@bergenparkchurch.org.

-Thank you, Tech Team, Rob Davis, Jonathan McNally, Gary George, Krista Choate, Brian Douglass, David Schroeder, Jonathan Schroeder, Bob Male, and Rob Montgomery, for your time and expertise in providing an excellent Sunday Gathering experience each and every week. You are appreciated.

-There is still time to sign up your kids for Eagle Lake Day Camp! Sign up today by visiting our website. Scholarships are available.

-From Mother's Day to Father's Day, collect your extra change for the largest fundraiser of the year for Life's Option Pregnancy Center. On Father's Day, bring your filled baby bottle's back to the mission wall for collection.

-Online reviews are more relevant than ever in today's world. If you have a minute, like us on Facebook and leave us a review on Google. Thanks!

-Thank you, teachers, for your service and care for the kids in our community during this past 2017-18 school year. We pray that this summer will be a time of rejuvenation for you and your families.

FINANCIAL UPDATE

	MARCH	MAY - MAR.
CONTRIBUTIONS	\$53,305	\$482,393
EXPENSES	\$35,295	\$390,578
NET	\$18,010	\$91,815

MARCH CONTRIBUTIONS:
130% OF BUDGETED
\$41,080

YEAR-TO-DATE
CONTRIBUTIONS: 107% OF
BUDGETED \$451,880

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BPC EVENT CALENDAR

MAY 2018

All events are at Bergen Park Church unless noted otherwise.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3 Prayer Scarf Ministry 2pm Life's Options Fundraiser, @ Christie's of Genesee 6pm Prayer Gathering 6pm	4 BSF Women's Study 9am	5 Clothing Swap 8am High School Night 6pm @ Petry's
6 Adult Bible Study 8:15am Community Giveback Sunday Elevate 6:00pm	7 BSF Men's Study 6:45pm Piecemakers Quilting 1pm	8	9	10 Prayer Scarf Ministry 2pm	11 Echo Stone Soup 8am BSF Women's Study 9am	12 High School Night 6pm @ Petry's
13 Adult Bible Study 8:15am Mother's Day Change for Life	14 BSF Men's Study 6:45pm	15	16	17 Prayer Scarf Ministry 2pm	18 BSF Women's Study 9am Women's Game Night 6pm	19 High School Night 6pm @ Petry's
20 Adult Bible Study 8:15am Change for Life Missions Moment – Reach Global Elevate 6:00pm	21 Piecemakers Quilting 1pm	22	23	24 Prayer Scarf Ministry 2pm Last Day of School (Jeffco)	25	26 High School Night 6pm @ Petry's
27 Adult Bible Study 8:15am Change for Life Elevate 6:00pm	28	29	30	31 Prayer Scarf Ministry 2pm		