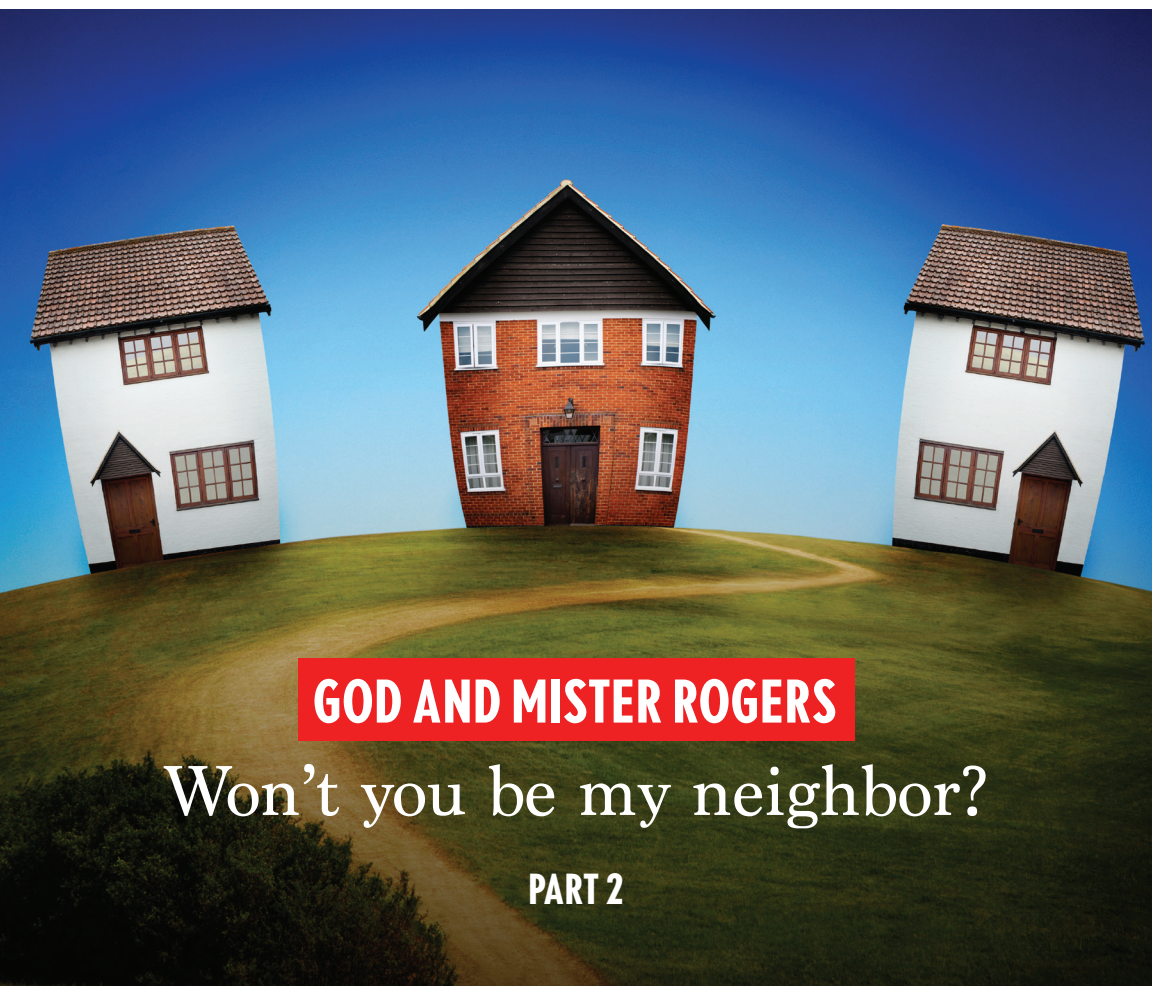


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JULY 2, 2016



GOD AND MISTER ROGERS

Won't you be my neighbor?

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WELCOME

to Pioneers

Happy Independence Day! You are correct; our nation will celebrate Independence Day in just 48 hours. However, Christ's followers can celebrate a daily independence! Check out this line from one of my favorite books, "There must be a power working from within, a new life from above, before men can be changed from sin to holiness. That power is Christ" (*Steps to Christ*, page 19).

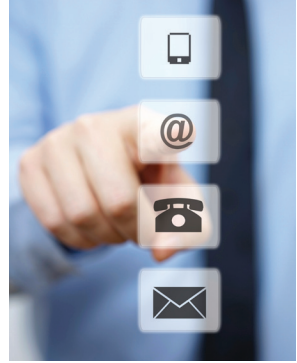
Jesus put it another way, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free" (John 8:31-32). Accepting Jesus into your life brings freedom from things that weigh you down, cloud your vision of the future, and hinder healthy relationships. This morning may you hear Christ's invitation to experience a new kind of freedom. Welcome to your Independence Day!

—José Bourget

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7 STEPS TO BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR

BY FELECIA DATUS

Sometimes, we want to be better neighbors but are not quite sure how to go about it. Here are a few ideas to help you in getting to know your neighbors.

1 MOVE IN NEXT DOOR

Too often, we equate moving into a neighborhood as a physical placement but we neglect the other aspects. We fail to move into our neighborhood, or dorm, or workplace in the emotional, spiritual, or mental sense. We are in the environment physically but we have left our hearts in another location. Because of this, we fail to connect to the person down the street or across the hall or in the next office. If you desire to be a better neighbor, move into your environment in all facets. This will help you forge a deeper connection with those around you.

2 USE THE MASON JAR SURPRISE

Many persons feel uncomfortable walking up the driveway, ringing the doorbell and introducing themselves to their neighbors, especially if they have lived in their home for a while. This is where a mason jar helps. You can fill it with a cool drink, strawberries, cherries, orange slices, granola, multi-colored sand, healthy snacks, or jam. There are countless ways that a mason jar can be used and this is a heart-felt way to



break the ice with a neighbor. Share your name, contact, and be sure to let them know that your home and heart are open to them.

3 CROSS THE PROPERTY LINE

The next time you are mowing your lawn, raking leaves, or working in your garden, consider crossing property lines and doing the same for your neighbor. Speak with your neighbor and offer to lend a helping hand. Some persons may decline due to previous lawn care plans or particulars, but you never know who will be sincerely blessed by the selfless gesture.

4 BE THE GOOD SAMARITAN

We have all passed a stranded vehicle on the side of the road and kept driving while comforting ourselves with the assumption that the driver has everything under



control. Other times, we drive by without stopping because of fear that we may be harmed. There have also been instances when we hesitated to pick up someone walking in the rain, snow, or blistering heat. For whatever reason we did not stop, we may have missed an opportunity to entertain an angel. The next time you encounter such a situation, consider doing things differently. If a driver is stranded, as far as possible, slow down and ask if they are in need of help. In the areas around the university, offer to give students a lift especially during grueling weather. While persons are not encouraged to put themselves in danger, we should not let fear stop us from being a Good Samaritan.

5 SIT OUTSIDE

Often, our schedules topped with the way that our homes are built do not allow us

the luxury of sitting outside. We enter our garages and we rarely get to slow down long enough to look at our neighborhood from our front porches. During the summer, consider sitting on your porch for half an hour each week. It may surprise you to see the persons who walk or drive past your home. In addition to this, wave and smile and watch barriers fall apart as others engage you in conversation. The Holy Spirit may very well use the time to set up a divine appointment.

6 LIKE A GOOD NEIGHBOR

It is fairly easy to like the neighbors who are good to us, but what about those who are not so nice? Consider going the extra mile for the neighbor who is not as friendly to you. A basket of fruits, a card during the least expected time, or a simple hello may be what it takes for an unkind neighbor to share the pain that is causing them to lash out at you.

7 CLOSE YOUR EYES

All our efforts are in vain if not powered by the Spirit of the Holy One. Love should be what drives us to care for each other and that love comes from God. Seek God's guidance in prayer for without Him we can do nothing. With God's help, we can lovingly obey the command to love our neighbor as ourselves. ■

Felecia Datus is the Copy Editor here at Pioneer Memorial Church.



ANSWERING THE CALL TO SERVE

BY LAURA MEYER

For over one hundred years, Neighbor To Neighbor has been serving the community and we anticipate helping others until the coming of our Lord. We are guided by our values which include helping, empathizing, leading, providing, and serving. Although many have testified to being greatly blessed by the work done at Neighbor to Neighbor, this ministry would not function without the aid of our volunteers.

Serving at N2N not only helps contribute to an abundant life, but there are heavenly rewards in choosing to give one's time, energy, and resources in order to see others make a decision for Christ.

Mr. Harry Show is one of the eldest serving volunteers at N2N and has been a regular help since 1983. Having once served as an internal auditor at Andrews University, Mr. Show hails from Illinois and recently celebrated his 97th birthday

with his N2N family. As a result of volunteering, he has noticed growth in every aspect of his own life including spiritual, mental and emotional. He admits that there are many things he cannot do at his age, but serving at N2N is one way he can still help others and being able to do so brings him much joy.

For Harry, helping others at N2N creates an outlet for spreading the blessing of knowing Christ. It is an evangelistic tool and he envisions many persons receiving Bible studies as a result of the volunteer work going on at the center. He testifies that a sense of satisfaction comes when we serve each other and it for this reason that he encourages individuals to serve at the community service center in whatever way possible.

OUR SAVIOR LIVED AND DIED THEN ROSE AGAIN, ALL IN AN EFFORT TO SHOW US HOW TO LOVE OUR NEIGHBORS.

Some of his responsibilities at N2N include checking donations that are electrical and performing small furniture repairs. Not only do others who work alongside him find joy working with Harry, but he is also an inspiration and his great sense of humor keeps the atmosphere light and joyful. We appreciate Mr. Show and are sincerely grateful for his service and unwavering dedication to our ministry.

We emphasize the importance of the numerous men, women and children who selflessly give their time to this far-reaching ministry. Presently, we have 107 volunteers and we are in need of many more. Some come in weekly for three or four hours a week, while others are here from three to six hours almost every day.

In addition, there are those who give the equivalent of a regular work week in the time they spend completing tasks at the center and at home. We appreciate them all as they answer the call to serve.

Our Savior lived and died then rose again, all in an effort to show us how to love our neighbors. He reminded his followers that He did not come to be served but to serve, then commanded them that they do likewise. There is a work that each individual can do as we seek to reach and love our neighbors. A mother with an extra hour per week, a professor or student who is on summer break or someone who is currently seeking ways to serve God, all are welcomed to serve in an effort to live out the great commandment: love thy neighbor as thyself. ■

Laura Meyer is the Executive Director at Neighbor to Neighbor.

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WE WORSHIP

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Opening Voluntary

Voluntary No. 9 • John Stanley

Introit

What a Friend We Have in Jesus • Charles Converse

Call to Worship

José Bourget

We are people of God, created to love.

We will love our neighbors and treat them as we would be treated.

By this, people will know that we are his disciples: if we have love for one another.

Come, let us turn to the Lord, whose very heart is compassion and hope. Let us be partners in caring for all who are in need.

Doxology

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Invocation

Ben Martin

Hymn of Praise

Praise to the Lord • 1

Congregational Prayer

José Bourget
Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee • st. 1 of 241

Worship in Music

The Gift of Love • Brant Adams

Tithes & Offerings

PMC Operating Expense
Rejoice, the Lord Is King • arr. Alfred Fedak

Children's Story

Nick Hausted

Scripture

Luke 19:1-6 NRSV • Joffre St. Hilaire & Mary Opuni-Mensah

He entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature.

So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way.

When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today."

So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him.

Hymn of Preparation

What a Fellowship, What a Joy Divine • 469

Sermon

"God and Mister Rogers: Won't You Be My Neighbor?"—Part 2
Ben Martin

Connect Card

Hymn of Commitment

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners! • 187

Benediction

Closing Voluntary

Allegro assai • *Alexandre Guilmant*

PRESIDING PASTOR: José Bourget; ORGANIST: Brenton Offenback
WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Sebastian Serrano, alto saxophone

MUSIC ALIVE

STRENGTH WITNESSES TO FRIENDSHIP

With the sturdy vibrancy of many an early nineteenth-century American settler, today's closing hymn has a so-called "gapped scale" melody: that is, they do not use all seven different scale notes, but leave gaps, in this case using only five scale notes. This "pentatonic" scale is common to music in many indigenous or "folk" cultures on many continents.

The hymn tune for "Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners" may well have been sung typically in early America with more vigor than skill, probably at a pace of two beats per second! Elsewhere, another traditional melody appears in the Worship in Music, here with the adopted title that goes with words with which this melody often is sung, words adapted from I Corinthians 13. ■

WE STUDY

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Song Service

Vladimir Slavujevic

Prayer

Dale Walton

Welcome

Sinegugu Katenga

Scripture

Ginger Ebanks

Special Feature

Felecia Datus

Offertory

Intermezzo Op. 117 No. 1 • Johannes Brahms

Bible Study

"The 'Restoration of All Things'" • Classes

Theme Song

Make Me a Blessing

Make me a blessing; make me a blessing.
Out of my life may Jesus shine.
Make me a blessing; O Savior, I pray.
Make me a blessing; to someone today.

"Make Me a Blessing," Ira Bishop Wilson
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Benediction

Vladimir Slavujevic

ORGANIST: Brenton Offenback
OFFERTORY: Analiz Lozano, piano

WE PRAISE

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As We Begin

Voluntary No. 9 • John Stanley

Praise

Leaning on the Everlasting Arms • 469
Mighty to Save • Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)

Prayer

Adrian Marston

Tithes & Offerings

Rejoice, the Lord Is King • arr. Alfred Fedak

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The Gift of Love • Brant Adams

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Ben Martin

Connect Card

Hymn

Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners! • 187

As We Depart

Allegro assai • Alexandre Guilmant

WORSHIP COORDINATOR: José Bourget; ORGANIST: Brenton Offenback
PIANO: Jonathan Dominique; VOCALS: Ev Millner, Jamila Sylvester
WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Sebastian Serrano, alto saxophone

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World Budget

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SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY • 9:23

PIONEER PULPIT

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SABINE VATEL

God and Mister Rogers:
Won't You Be My Neighbor?—Part 3

| 07 • 16 |

JOSÉ BOURGET

God and Mister Rogers:
Won't You Be My Neighbor?—Part 4

FINANCIAL FEATURE

PMC OPERATING BUDGET

Today's offering is for the Pioneer Memorial Budget. How swiftly things can change. The 2008 stock market crash destroyed the value of many peoples' savings and possessions in mere months. The aftershock of that crash affected the whole world. It is important to know what lasts forever and what has temporary value, regardless of how much people are willing to pay for something in the present. Let's consider where the real value lies and be wise in our dealings with matters that can change quickly, and value that doesn't last in the eyes of God.

Visitors' Dinner

Join us today after second service in the PMC Commons (downstairs) for a home-cooked vegetarian meal.

Family Vespers

We will not have Vespers this evening. Join us next week for a Hymn Fest.

The Journey to Wholeness

Are you looking for a non-judgmental, Christ-centered, 12-step meeting, "a safe place" for healing? This weekly program is all about breaking the bondage of addiction. Share as much or as little as is comfortable for you. There is hope—please join us. For meeting time and location call 269.313.1677.

RMES Annual Garage Sale

TOMORROW • 8:00 AM TO 6:00 PM

Help support our school by stopping by our annual garage sale! The proceeds from the sale will go to support the Worthy Student Fund. For questions call 269.471.3220.

PMC Office Closed

Our office will be closed on Monday, July 4. We will be happy to serve you on Tuesday, July 5, at 8:30 AM. Happy 4th of July!

Adventist Retirees

JULY 10 • 1:00 PM
VILLAGE SDA CHURCH

Come to the monthly ARM potluck and see "A New Birth of Freedom" by Nathan Greene. All are welcome. Bring your food and enjoy some fellowship! For questions, contact Cleon or Sandra White by calling 269.471.5553.

Lebanon PMC Mission Trip

PMC Youth Missions is partnering with the Physical Therapy department on a mission trip to Beirut, Lebanon. The team will provide physical therapy and other services to refugees and those in need from July 14-29. Your prayers are requested/financial support can be made through donations to PMC Youth Missions Lebanon. For further information contact Glenn Russell (glenn@andrews.edu).

Healthy Families: Building a Strong Foundation

JULY 21-23

Join the 4th annual Adventist Conference on Family Research & Practice. The conference is geared towards Family Life Professionals and those wanting to further their knowledge and practical application of family ministry. Register at www.andrews.edu/familyconference. Questions, email acfrp@andrews.edu.

Sun, Fun, & Faith

TUESDAYS • 6:00 PM
LOCATION VARIES EACH WEEK

All high-school-aged students are invited to join us for fun water activities this summer! Each young person needs a signed permission slip. For more information call Janna Quetz at 269.471.3133.

We Mourn

Today we mourn with the following families that have lost loved ones. The family of Cyril Grosse, who passed away on Friday, June 24, 2016. A funeral service will be held in the PMC Youth Chapel on Sunday, July 3 at 4 PM. And the family of Mary Potter, who passed away on Sunday, June 26. A graveside service will be held at the Rose Hill Cemetery on Wednesday, July 6, at 1:00 PM. With both of these families we look forward to the resurrection morning. "Even so, come Lord Jesus."

FLAG Camp

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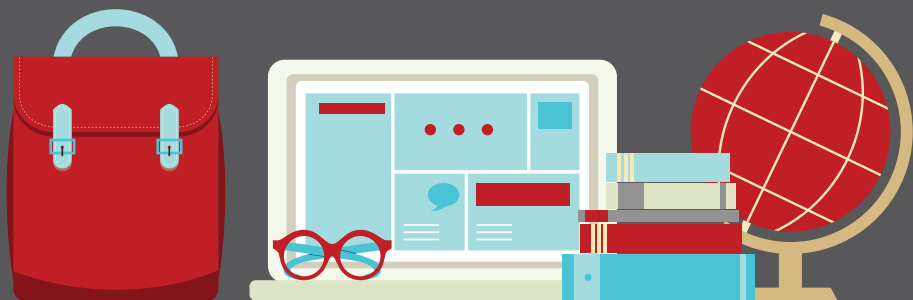
If you are looking for a fun, safe and wholesome summer experience for your child, look no further! FLAG Camp is a Christian day camp where children grades K-8 enjoy quality programs. Whether you plan to send your child every day, or just a day here and there throughout the summer, FLAG Camp is a great choice when it comes to affordable childcare. For registration and more information please visit www.pmchurch.org/flagcamp.

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