



THE SHEPHERD'S VOICE

I am the Good Shepherd. I know my sheep and my sheep know Me."
John 10:14

FROM THE PASTOR'S STUDY

ARE YOU A VESSEL FOR JESUS?

Do you remember what you were doing on the evening of July 6, 1986? (If you were not born yet, please keep it to yourself!) I can remember exactly what Jeanne and I were doing. That weekend was the rededication of the newly restored Statue of Liberty. We were sitting in front of the television watching the closing ceremonies. We were watching ABC with Peter Jennings when he announced that the ceremonies were closing with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner. This voice began singing and Jeanne and I were listening intently as it caught our attention. As we listened, we appreciated that voice more and more. When it was almost the end of the anthem, this voice went higher and higher. When it was over, and Jeanne and I were sitting in amazement, Peter Jennings came back on and said ABC's switchboard was lit up with people wanting to know who it was that sang the National Anthem. He said it was a gospel singer from Anderson Indiana named Sandi Patty. Jeanne and I went to the Christian bookstore and found some of her cassette tapes. (Yes, I said cassette tapes.) Three years later, Sandi was in Baltimore at the then called Baltimore Civic Center as part of her tour. Jeanne very much wanted to go but I was somewhat reluctant. Being a good husband, however, we went along with our daughter Kollynn. We wound up with front row seats right at stage level. I can't begin to tell you what happened to me that night. The Lord spoke to me like I had never heard him speak to me before. Sandi was His vessel. The music and the message in her songs had an effect on me that changed Jeanne's and my life like never before.

I went back to our church at the time and asked if I could start a Contemporary Christian Choir. I did and that choir is still in existence today I believe. After a few years, that wasn't enough. We left that church and I became the Director of Music at another church. That still wasn't enough. After leaving that church, we started our singing group Witnessing. That has been a wonderful ministry over the last 22 years, but it still wasn't enough. I was still searching for God's plan for us when I was hired as the Assistant Pastor here at Jenkins in 2003, eventually becoming the Senior Pastor.

It's hard to believe that this journey began watching television in 1986. Since then we have been to many of Sandi's concerts, (getting refilled every time), and been on more than a few cruises with her and other Christian artists. In fact, this past March, a few of us from church went on her last cruise and experienced her last concert as she has now retired from touring.

Has there been anyone in your life that the Lord has used to speak to you about your walk with Him. If so, take time to thank them for being willing to be His vessel for you. Perhaps you have been a vessel for someone else. If so, you have been a true blessing for them.

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MARK YOU CALENDARS CHANGES AT JENKINS FOR SPRING AND SUMMER

For the **four (4) Sundays in May: 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th** we will still have a 9AM and 11AM worship service, but the music will be shared by the choir and the praise team. The 9AM service music will be provided by the choir; the 11AM service music will be provided by the praise team.

On **June 4th (the first Sunday in June)** we will begin the summer schedule of **ONE 10AM worship service**. On June 4th, we will have music from the newly, almost formed, STAFF Family Choir. Come check it out and worship with us.

On **June 11th, Soul Searchers** will be bringing worship at the 10AM service. On **June 18th, Father's Day**, the men of the church will be leading worship. The last Sunday in June, **June 25th**, the praise team will lead the music portion of the service.

The 10AM service will continue throughout the summer months.



Women in God's Service ~ We invite all women of all ages to come and fellowship and grow in the Lord! We meet in the fellowship hall or youth room here at Jenkins Memorial Church every third Saturday.

May 20th - winGs Devotional and Brunch 10am-11:30am

June 27th - winGs Summer Bible Study begins on Tuesdays at 6:30pm

This Summer we will dive into a book written by best selling author and phenomenal speaker Priscilla Shirer - Discerning the Voice of God - How to recognize when God speaks. This is a six week study, and we look forward to having you join us!

If you have any questions, ideas or comments please call:

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OPERATION PAPERBACK

I would guess that many of you have wondered what happened to all of the books that Dan and Debi McDowell have collected over time. Well, the document on the following page is a letter sent by 1st Lieutenant Peter Y. Lee, US Army to Debi and Dan to express his (and his men's) appreciation and thanks for the many paperback books received while deployed to protect our country in a country so foreign to us.

Once again the people of Jenkins Memorial Church have extended their kindness and given support to others and in this instance people unknown to us. A special thank you to Dan and Debi for their efforts in this ministry.

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Dear Dan & Debi McDowell,

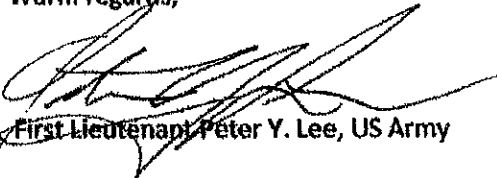
Greetings from the desert country of Qatar! I wanted to take a moment to thank you on behalf of my Soldiers for the package of books that you sent us. First, let me tell you our story so I can explain how much of a difference your books have made. We are four months into a twelve-month deployment. We are a PATRIOT unit and our mission is to defend American and Coalition lives and assets from the threat of possible aerial attack by enemy planes and more importantly tactical ballistic missiles in the case that war breaks out with Iran. We spend our days on 24-hour shifts, rotating through three crews. Our sites are fully manned and ready to engage enemy threats within a moment's notice with surface-to-air missiles. When not at war, however, life at site can become somewhat...boring. That's why I reached out to organizations such as yours to provide my Soldiers with productive ways to entertain themselves and occupy their minds while on shift. There's nothing quite like getting absorbed in a good book, whether it be a novel, biography, historical account, or self-help guide. Many of my Soldiers did not consider themselves readers before I started to receive books from generous donors such as yourself and built a display of interesting books in plain sight where they could see them and pick up whichever book caught their interest. At first the Soldiers were puzzled. "Sir, where are you getting these books from?" they would ask. I told them that nice people who cared about us donated these books so that we would have something productive and entertaining to do instead of sitting around playing on our phones. "I haven't read a book since high school," some retorted. "I don't read," others said. I didn't admonish or judge them. I just kept putting books on display, rotating themes every week.

It didn't take long to catch on. Every time I brought in a new package of books Soldiers would gather around curiously to see what kinds of books were inside. Nearly every day I'd notice a Soldier with a new book in his hand that I had unpacked from a box I'd received recently. Some asked if it would be okay for them to take the books back to their rooms, to which I agreed wholeheartedly. Before long, our unit became known for our "library," and even Commanders from other units would come by and ask if they could pick up a book or two! Our Battalion Commander applauded us for taking such an active interest in maintaining our Soldiers' morale and encouraging self-education. I didn't do it to get his attention, but I guess when you do good things, people notice.

None of this would have been possible without people like you. I'm stunned and beyond touched that a total stranger would take the time out of his or her day to acquire, package and mail books using their own money so that people they've never met before could have something in their hands while on this long and lonely deployment and get away in their minds. People like me are told "thank you for your service" quite often, especially when we're in uniform. My response is always the same, and it is always sincere:

Thank you for your support.

Warm regards,



First Lieutenant Peter Y. Lee, US Army

COMMUNITY UNITY AWARENESS (CUA)

Jenkins has a new ministry called Community Unity Awareness (CUA). Our goal is to work alongside the civic association in making Riviera Beach a better community. We want to actively participate in community programs such as cleaning up the beach, helping with the monthly movie night to let them know that Jenkins Church is a community outreach church; a church that is aware of their needs and is available to support them in any way we can. We have begun ringing the church bells before each service to let the community hear our commitment to them and to know that Jenkins is available as their community spiritual home.

A group walks every Saturday, weather permitting, throughout the community talking with the people, getting to know them and let them get to know Jenkins.

We attended the memorial service for a fallen firefighter. We provided hot coffee on a cold wet day. The community was very receptive and appreciative.

Several CUA members attended the monthly civic association meeting to keep informed for their specific projects.

We will be available for clean up day at the beach.

Future projects:

Visiting Locust Lodge to interact with the clients by making crafts, reading to them, bringing flowers, playing games and listening with patient ears.

Sponsoring a blood drive this spring.

Planning an information day with police, fire department, attorneys and hospice personnel to provide information on safety measures, wills, advance directives, estate planning, long term care planning, emergency action plans and other organizations to keep Jenkins and Riviera Beach up to date and informed on current data.

Participating in a survey being sent to the community that will give us information concerning the needs and concerns of the community at large.

Toiletries will be placed in the shower for homeless individuals or families that need to shower or do laundry. This will be a well supervised and managed program that will keep our church safe and still provide for our community's needs.

Anyone that would like to participate in this outreach or would like more information please contact the church office, the pastors or Karen Tressler (443-474-8761). Current members are: Todd and Lisa Dickard, Sherry and Bob Kruger, Nancy Brockmeyer, and Ken Kretsinger.

PARISH NURSE

3 John 2: Beloved, I wish above all things that thou mayst prosper and be in good health, even as thy soul prospereth.

The Parish Nurses continue to perform blood pressure screening on the second Sunday of each month. We have successfully diagnosed several individuals with new onset hypertension. The Med Star Parish Nurse program at Harbor Hospital follows up with these elevated pressures to assist in continuity of care. The nurses also provide information concerning medications and symptoms.

I Corinthians 6:19 says our bodies are a temple of the Holy Spirit so we are required to take care of our temple by eating healthy, adhering to portion control, exercising daily and getting enough rest to maintain our optimum level of wellness.

Our Daily Nutritional Requirements:

Protein – for average man .86 grams and for an average woman .46 grams.

0.36 grams per pound of body weight.

Sugar – Men 150 calories a day (37.5 grams or 9 teaspoons)

Women 100 calories a day (25 grams or 6 teaspoons)

Sodium – 2,000 milligrams a day or less

Saturated fat – 16 grams or 140 calories.

Carbohydrates – 45 to 66% of total calorie intake and divide that by 4.

CPR/AED—We will be certifying people in CPR/AED annually.

The parish nurses are open to suggestions on how we can better serve our church family. You can contact the church office with suggestions or call Karen Tressler (443-474-8761).

Karen Tressler

DON'T STOP PRAYING!

When a farmer goes out to plant a seed, there is only so much he can do that day. He certainly doesn't expect to go out in the morning to plant seeds, and then come home that evening with a load of vegetables. It takes time for seed to grow. He does what he can to give the seed every chance to germinate and develop, and then trusts God to do what he can't do – like providing rain and sunshine. We plant the seed, God makes it grow and He gets all the glory.

Perhaps you know someone you have started to wonder if God could ever reach. Maybe you have a family member or friend you have been praying would move toward God for a long time, and you're just about ready to give up. You need to know He can reach even the person you think is the most unlikely candidate to ever change or want anything to do with God. So don't stop praying! Keep on asking in faith. Elijah had prayed seven different times that God would make it rain, until He finally did. Elijah didn't interpret God's initial delay as a denial. He persisted and kept praying. We have access to the same God!

Evangelizing begins when the love of Christ compels us to share the Gospel. It begins with a burden for the lost. Ask the Lord to rekindle your burden for souls and don't stop praying. Ezekiel 36:26 (NKJV); "I will give you a new heart and put a new spirit within you; I will take the heart of stone out of your flesh and give you a heart of flesh."

A Servant Evangelism Workshop will be presented by our Jenkins Memorial Church deacons this summer. Practical ways to connect with unbelievers to help them know Jesus will be discussed.

The date will be announced from the pulpit and listed in future bulletins. We look forward to sharing exciting new outreach programs to serve our community with you.

In His Service,

Bob, Todd, Don, Beverly, Ken and John

MAY 2017

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