

# News & Notes

## January 8–14, 2012

Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free Church  
763-391-6140

### ALL-CHURCH CORNER

#### Numbered Offering Envelopes

Your envelopes will be available soon. There was a mix-up with the company that provides the envelopes. We apologize that they are not available yet. Thanks for understanding. For the time-being, you can use the envelope enclosed in the bulletin.

#### 2012 Calendars For Sale

The Student Ministries is selling beautiful calendars for just \$6.00. Be sure to stop by the Kiosk in the Foyer to purchase yours today. Support our youth!

#### Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers are caring people who have received training to walk alongside you in a confidential way during your time of crisis. If you are experiencing grief, job loss, difficult family/work relationships, depression or other tough issues, you may request a Stephen Minister. Call the Church Office at 763-391-6140 to talk with Pastor Dan (ext. 12) or Theron Fraser (ext. 26).

#### Remembering Our Military Family

A bulletin board is posted in the church to remind us to pray for our service men and women. If you know of someone to include, please contact Laurel Jenson at 763-424-5685 or [laurelaj@comcast.net](mailto:laurelaj@comcast.net).

#### Cancellation Information

If the Worship Services or church activities are cancelled, information will be available through KTIS Radio (98.5 FM or [www.ktis.fm](http://www.ktis.fm)), the church's web site ([www.BrooklynParkChurch.org](http://www.BrooklynParkChurch.org)) and the church's voicemail system.

#### Extra Offering Envelopes?

If you don't use the offering envelope found in the Bulletin, please drop it off in the basket at the Information Desk—we'll reuse it! Thanks.

#### Please Let Us Know

Please fill out a Prayer Card or notify someone in the Church Office if there is a birth/death in your family, if someone is hospitalized, or if someone is having surgery.



#### CARE MINISTRIES

Parish Nurse, Judy Petersen  
Ext. 30, [jpetersen@bpefc.org](mailto:jpetersen@bpefc.org)

#### Support Groups

New sessions begin soon: Tuesday, January 24, 7:00 PM

- **First Place** (weight-loss and healthy living)  
Newcomer Orientation: Tuesday, January 17, 7:00 PM
- **Divorce Care** (for those divorced or separated)
- **Encouragement Group** (for those living with chronic pain/illness) 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month
- **Grief Share** (for those who have lost a loved one)  
**NOT** meeting this winter session at our church, but St. Matthews in Columbia Heights will begin a group on January 11.

#### Volunteer Opportunities for Nurses

Would you be interested in helping with monthly blood pressure screenings on Sunday mornings or at the Second Harvest Food Giveaways? If so, contact Parish Nurse Judy Petersen at the Office.

#### Volunteers Needed to Distribute Gifts

Please stop by the Care Ministries Kiosk and pick up a gift to deliver to someone in our church who is homebound or has a chronic illness. With this small act of kindness, you can be a real blessing to someone else. Thank you!



#### WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Pastor David Durey, Ext. 13  
Barbara Sweany, Leader

#### New Women's Bible Study

Join us on Wednesdays at 6:30 PM for a new study by Beth Moore, *Stepping Up: A Journey Through the Psalms of Ascent*. Group meets in the Upper Prayer Room. See you there!





**LIVING PROOF**  
Student Ministries Pastor  
Nate Miller, Ext. 15



**MISSIONARY  
OF THE WEEK**

### Weekly Events

**Living Proof**—Sundays, 10:30 AM, Youth Room

**Small Groups**—Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, Youth Room

### Upcoming Special Events

**1/13-14 All Youth Lock-In:** 9:00 PM—6:00 AM.  
Comedy, Inflatables, Games, Food, Friends &  
FUN! Who can you invite? Cost: \$20.

**1/29 Snow Tubing at Elm Creek**

**2/17-19 Grades 10—12 Winter Retreat:** Have fun  
at Camp Lebanon.

### Lock-In Donations Needed

Don't want to stay up all night and run around with 100  
teens? You can still help by donating food items and large  
cardboard boxes. Stop by the Student Ministries Kiosk to  
see a list of items needed. Thanks!

### Challenge 2012: July 1—6

Sign-up is now open. There are 12 spots available for  
students Grades 9—12. Hold your spot with a \$50 deposit,  
due NOW.

**For the current Youth Events, see a Calendar or  
[www.BrooklynParkChurch.org/youth](http://www.BrooklynParkChurch.org/youth).**



Pastor Leane Gondek, Ext. 27  
Leanne Klein,  
Assistant Director, Ext. 38

### Awana Calendar

January 11 — Mismatch Night

January 18 — Inside-Out Night

### Upward Sports Has Begun!

Kids — It's not too late to register!

Youth & Adults — We still have volunteer positions  
available, i.e. greeters, concession stand, host families,  
referees. We're also still taking scholarships!

See Leane Gondek at the Route 252 Kiosk or contact her  
at the Church Office for details.

**Jerry Skifstad**  
SEND International

**Working with youth and church-planting  
in Poland**

**On Home Assignment until February 29**

#### Praise God:

- Abigail is back to health after a successful surgery.
- Our church in Poland received a portion of land from the local government for 1% of its value so we can now construct a building.
- For Renee's safe arrival and ministry in Uganda.
- For providing me with a car to use while in Minnesota.

#### Pray For:

- Healthy deliveries for Michelle (daughter) and Angie (daughter-in-law) in February.
- My financial support. I'm in need of \$1,259 in additional monthly support in order to return to Poland by February 29. I have committed to 2 ½ more years of working in Lubin, Poland. Pray that the Lord provides what is needed so that I can return on schedule.
- God's continued blessings upon my family, especially while we're separated.
- Two projects in Poland that I'm working on. First: For a work team to come to Lubin, Poland to put a balcony and a roof on an outbuilding at a women's shelter in Scinawa. Second: We're in need of about \$3,200 so we can purchase a much-needed PA System for our church ministry in Lubin.
- Me as I will be speaking at two churches up North on Sunday, January 15, at 9:00 and 11:00 AM.
- Strength against attacks from the enemy that I have been sensing.
- Health issues: I'm battling a bad cold and have an eye appointment Monday regarding vision problems.



**ADULT BIBLE  
FELLOWSHIPS**

**Mosaic:** Singles/Marrieds, All Ages. Meets at 9:00 AM,  
Room 112/113.

**Salt:** Parents of pre-teens through young adults. Meets at  
10:30 AM, Room 114.

**In-Betweeners:** Singles/Marrieds, 55+. Meets at 10:30 AM,  
Room 112/113.

**Prime Timers:** Singles/Marrieds, 70+. Meets at 10:30 AM,  
Room 108/109.

