

# **News & Notes**

## **May 15—21, 2011**

Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free Church  
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### **ALL-CHURCH CORNER**

#### **Attention 2011 Graduates!**

On Sunday, May 22, we will be recognizing high school and college graduates during the services. We are collecting the following information: graduate name, school, future plans, degree, open house plans. Email info to Jena at [jpietari@bpefc.org](mailto:jpietari@bpefc.org), by THIS Wednesday, May 18.

#### **Weekend Fishing Adventure**

Need a weekend away to fish? Join the group heading to Camp Lebanon June 3—5. Everyone is welcome; kids must be accompanied by an adult. For more details, pick up a registration form at the Information Desk.

#### **EFCA Night with the MN Twins**

On Tuesday, June 14, local Free Churches are heading to Target Field. The church has purchased some tickets. If you are interested in going, please sign up at the Info Desk. Two options are available: Home Run Porch \$19, or Skyline Deck \$28 (very limited number). PAYMENT reserves your tickets. Questions? Talk with Amanda in the Church Office.

#### **Imagine Yourself Debt-Free!**

Our winter *Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University* class members cut \$56,500 in personal debt and saved over \$24,000! You are invited to attend our next session on Wednesdays from 6:30—8:30 PM, beginning June 8. If you're in debt, you'll learn how to get out and stay out for the rest of your life. But whether you have tons of debt or none at all, this class has something for you.

- **June 1:** Free Class Preview—Learn more about what topics will be discussed.
- **June 8:** Free Lesson #1 "Super Saving" Class

It's not just a money class. It's about learning to manage everything God has given you—His way. Sign up on our church website: [www.BrooklynParkChurch.org](http://www.BrooklynParkChurch.org) or at the Information Desk. It's going to be a blast!

#### **Second Harvest Donations**

Each month, we hand out over 35,000 pounds of food to hurting people in our community. With more funds, we could provide better quality food in larger amounts. Please consider giving a donation. Your \$1 gift purchases \$9 worth of food! That means a \$100 gift is like a \$900 gift! On your check memo line, be sure to designate "Second Harvest." Thank you!

#### **Need a Gift?**

If you're looking for a graduation or wedding gift, purchase a BPEFC cookbook for just \$10. Stop by the Information Desk today.

#### **Women's Ministry Leadership Change**

Please read the letter in your church mailbox. Cheryl Southard has stepped down from leadership and passed the baton to Barbara Sweany. The letter details Cheryl's decision, thankfulness for her time as the leader, and hope for a continued bright future for Women's Ministry. We thank Cheryl for her faithful leadership and pray for God's best for her and Jeff (as they have moved). We're excited for Barbara as she begins her new role.

#### **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)

#### **First Place 4 Health**

This all-new Christ-centered healthy-living program focuses on the four essentials of health and well-being: the mind, emotions, body and spirit. Learn how God calls Christians to be physically fit. Understand the positive effects good nutrition and exercise have on our emotions and spirit. Weekly meetings begin on May 17 at 7:00 PM.

#### **Autism**

What is it? How is it treated? How can we welcome persons with autism to our church? Go to Redeemer Covenant Church (7801 Brooklyn Blvd.), in the Youth Room, on Thursday, May 19, at 7:00 PM. There will be a presentation by a panel of professionals that will help you gain a better understanding of autism.

#### **May is National Nurses Month**

Take this opportunity to pray for nurses/nursing students—that they will experience God's encouragement as they face challenges and opportunities in caring for others in the name of Jesus. Pray that God would equip and empower them to be Jesus' representatives to those who are experiencing illness.



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



**MISSIONARIES  
OF THE WEEK**

## Weekly Events

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

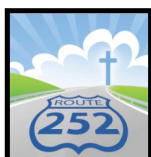
## Upcoming Special Events

- 5/18 Youth Sunday Practice:** Band & Drama.  
6:30—8:00 PM in the Sanctuary.
- 5/22 Youth Sunday:** Youth will lead worship services in the Sanctuary. *No Living Proof in the YR.* Graduates will be recognized during the services.
- 6/1 Youth Missions Teams Meeting:** 7:00—8:30 PM. Youth Room
- 6/8 No Youth Group**
- 6/15 Relays at Elm Creek Park:** 6:30—8:00 PM. Meet there.

## Summer 2011 Brochures

Pick up a brochure and find out what's going on this summer! You won't want to miss out! Return the registration form to save your spot.

**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

## Summer is Right Around the Corner!

Even though many ministries take a break over the summer, Children's Ministry does not! We need YOUR HELP in teaching our kids, Ages 2—Grade 6, while the regular school-year teachers take some much deserved time off. Please sign up by the Fellowship Hall. Questions? Contact Leanne Klein (pre-school) or Leane Gondek (elementary).

## Vacation Bible School is Coming Soon!

It runs from June 13—17, from 9:30 AM—12:30 PM. Cost is only \$15. Bring your friends and neighbors! Sign up today at the Route 252 Kiosk before all the spots are filled.



**Jim and Janice Dahl  
Allison and Lauren**

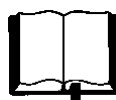
**World Venture  
Romania**

### Praise God For:

- All He has provided for us: a new home here in Romania, a place to live with our nephew and his wife in Battle Creek, MI, a car for the U.S., and a very generous financial aid package for the girls.
- The newly married couple that will stay in our home in Romania while we are in the U.S. on home assignment.

### Pray For:

- Our travel back to the U.S. on May 31—for safety, good health, and that we and our baggage will make all the connections without problems.
- All the doctor appointments to go well when we return.
- The girls as they start Drivers Education.
- Good transition back to the U.S.
- Us to have a good ministry in the churches that we visit, and for our preparation for that.



**ADULT BIBLE  
FELLOWSHIPS**

**20—30 Somethings:** Meets at 9:00 AM, Room 112/113.

**Mosaic:** Multi-ethnic, multi-generational, for singles and couples. Meets at 9:00 AM, Room 108/109.

**Salt:** Those raising elementary-age children and students Grades 7—12. Meets at 10:30 AM, Room 114.

**In-Betweeners:** Singles and couples, 50's and up. Meets at 10:30 AM, Room 112/113.

**Prime Timers:** Senior adults. Meets at 10:30 AM, Room 108/109.