

# **News & Notes**

## **May 22—28, 2011**

Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free Church  
763-391-6140

### **ALL-CHURCH CORNER**

#### **It's Official . . .**

Nate Miller is our permanent Student Ministries Pastor. After a great interim three months, the youth, youth parents, staff and elders affirmed that Nate and Angela were the right fit for our church! Be sure to give them a special "official" welcome today during Youth Sunday.

#### **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.

#### **Stephen Ministry Summer Training**

Stephen ministers are caring people who receive training to walk alongside others, in a confidential way, during times of crisis. There will be a new training session beginning June 3. If you are interested, please stop by the Care Ministry Kiosk and sign up or call Carla Peterson (763-537-4599) for details.

#### **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!

#### **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.

#### **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).

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

If you're looking for a graduation or wedding gift, purchase a BPEFC cookbook for just \$10 at the Info Desk.

#### **A Note of Thanks**

"Thank you for your prayers and donations for my family since the passing of my brother and father. May God bless you." —Nicky Ward

#### **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)

#### **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. Join us Tuesdays at 7:00 PM. It's not too late to join us. Questions? Call Dorothy at 763-535-4618.

#### **Encouragement Group**

At 7:00 PM on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of every month, a group of men and women of all ages meet together to be a support to each other through life experiences, using Scriptural encouragement and prayer. We walk together through the daily suffering of chronic illnesses/disabilities.

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

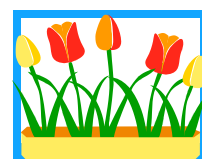
Take this opportunity to pray for nurses/nursing students—that they will experience God's encouragement as they face challenges and opportunities in caring for others in the name of Jesus. Pray that God would equip and empower them to be Jesus' representatives to those who are experiencing illness.

#### **Counseling Services Through BPEFC**

If you are in need of counseling services, please know that we're here to help. (counselor/specialties)

- Linda Gale—adults, couples, adolescents, marriage, abuse, anxiety, loss. Call 612-501-9515.
- Dave Harthan—marriage, depression, anger, grief. Call 763-425-3625.

For more information, visit [www.BrooklynParkChurch.org](http://www.BrooklynParkChurch.org).





**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

**TODAY** *No Living Proof in the YR.* Youth Sunday in the Sanctuary. Graduates will be recognized.

**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.

## Upcoming Open Houses

**Josh Olson**

Sunday, May 22, 1-4 PM, 1961 Jerrold Ave, Arden Hills

**Hannah Huisinga**

Saturday, May 28, 2-4 PM, 820 117<sup>th</sup> Ln NW, Coon Rapids

**Lana Eberhart**

Sunday, May 29, 12-4 PM, 9665 Thomas Ave N, BP

## 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).

## Nursery Need

We are looking for help in the Nursery for one Sunday a month at 10:30 AM. Would you be willing to cuddle and care for our special kids? Contact Leanne Klein to help.

## 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.



## Kermit and Jan Sutherland

Prayer Breakfast Network

**Kermit organizes Prayer Breakfasts for cities nationwide.**

### Praise God For:

- Answered prayer for God's healing in our health issues. God has brought healing through surgery for Kermit's hip and back. He is getting around much better.
- Outstanding results in, through, and from those Prayer Breakfasts that were held for the National Day of Prayer on May 5.

### Pray For:

- Those finding themselves in dire physical condition because of natural weather hazards (fire, tornadoes, and/or flooding).
- God's leading in the 2011 August Golf Tournament—for donations from businesses, for golfers, and for the details to come together—that God would be glorified throughout the whole day.
- The PBN Board Members to trust God with every area of their lives.
- The 2011 Fall Prayer Breakfasts. PBN will assist in contacting and confirming a speaker for the over 40 events. Also pray for the committees of each of these events—that they will seek God's direction with their plans.
- Our children and spouses to trust God with each detail of their lives and keep short accounts in their relationship with God.



## 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.

## BPEFC Staff Phone Extensions:

Amanda Fluth	VM 32	Judy Petersen	30
Carol Carlson	28	Leane Gondek	27
Connie Hafar	24	Leanne Klein	38
Dan Carlson	12	Luke Turner	37
David Durey	13	Nate Miller	15
Jeff Gagnon	22	Receptionist	10
Josh Major	14	Rick Ensrud	11
Joyce Vagle	35	Shannon Trunk	VM 31
Judy Kadlac	23	Theron Fraser	26

*"Cast your cares on the Lord  
and He will sustain you;  
He will never let the righteous fall."*

Psalm 55:22