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Keynote Speaker: JD Schwartz Friday, May 5 7:00-9:30 p.m.

<u>Saturday, May 6</u> 9:30 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Other Speakers Include: Jared Gaines (Stuart) James Mayo (Jupiter) Chris Radcliff (West Broward) Bill Weaver (Pompano Beach)



## Let Me Be a Peg

There are verses in the Bible which seem so strange to us because we do not understand the culture when they were written. For example, Peter going "up on the housetop to pray" (Acts 10:9) seems so strange until we learn that the roofs of the houses were flat and a vital part of the lives

of people in the first century. The same is true when we read about "pegs" in the house of those in Bible times.

described by God as being "pegs." What possible meaning could this have? To understand this, consider that many of the homes and buildings in ancient times had nothing like we have, when we use closets and cabinets to store our possessions. Their possessions were placed on pieces of wood embedded in

the walls of buildings as they were built. Clothing was not strewn on the floor (like we find in some rooms of teenagers today) but were hung on these pegs. Ezekiel 15:3 shows that these pegs were used as a place to hang vessels. They were a vital part of the lives of the Jews but could seem so insignificant and be easily undervalued.

There was an important person named Shebna in the kingdom of King Hezekiah (he is called a steward, a treasurer), who was so evil that God sent Isaiah to deliver a personal rebuke for the evil he had done. He had an important place, but he had failed to fulfill his responsibility. God said of him, "The peg that is fastened in the secure place will be removed and cut down and fall, and the burden that was on it will be cut off" (Isa. 22:25). The peg had failed to fulfill his purpose.

Isaiah then described the godly man who was to replace Shebna. God said He would clothe this man, Eliakim, with the robe which had belonged to Shebna and give him great

authority. "The key of the house of David I will lay on In Isaiah 22, we read of two men who are We are so wrong his shoulder; so he shall open, and no one shall shut; and he shall shut, and no one shall open" (22:22). Then, he added, "I will fasten him as a peg in a secure place, and he will become a glorious throne to his father's house."

What can we learn from this imagery? Far

too many think that unless the service they render to God is visible and appears important, then there is little they can do for God. Nothing can be farther from the truth. There were important men in that day-the great prophet Isaiah and the godly king, Hezekiah-yet God looked at "pegs" and saw how important their "insignificant" roles were in the big picture.

The world may think that only those who are decorated "pillars and columns" are important. It is wrong. God sees the worth of "pegs." God help us to be His "pegs."



# "Does Your Church?" (Part 6)—The Lord's Supper on His Day

if we think that

only those who

are "important"

matter...

On the night before Jesus was crucified, He gathered with His disciples and instituted what the early church called "the Lord's Supper" (1 Cor. 11:20) or "the communion" (1 Cor. 10:16). This is the most sacred of all feasts, for it commemorates the "body" and the "blood" of Jesus, which He

willingly sacrificed on the cross for our sins (Matt. 26:26-28).

Is this feast supposed to still be practiced by the church today? If so, when? How often? To what end? "Christendom" is not in agreement on the answers to those questions, as evidenced by the diversity of practice among various groups. But, what does the Bible say? Since the Bible is our sole au- every first day of gan, "they continued steadfastly...in the breaking of thority in all religious matters, what instruction does it provide for us to follow today?

The early church assembled on the first day of the week. The first day of the week held great significance to early Christians. It was the day on which Jesus was raised from the dead (Mark 16:9), the day that Jesus met with His disciples (John 20:19, 26), and the day that the church was established with the coming of the Holy Spirit and the preaching of the gospel (Acts 2). Paul tarried in Troas for seven days, so that he could meet with the church when they assembled "on the first day of the week" (Acts 20:6-7). This was their practice.

The early church observed the Lord's Supper the week.

The Lord's Supper was a central purpose of the firstday-of-the-week assembly. Acts 20:7 teaches, "Now on the first day of the week, when the disciples came together to break bread..." "To break bread" is an infinitive of purpose, indicating their reason for gathering. When Paul wrote to the church at Corinth, he rebuked them for straying from this purpose—"When you come together in one place, it is not to eat the Lord's Supper" (1 Cor. 11:20). This was their purpose.

> The early church observed the Lord's Supper every first day of the week. Knowing that it was a central purpose of their first-day-of-the-week assembly reveals that they observed it every Sunday, for every week has a first day. When the church bebread" (Acts 2:42). There was a regular pattern to their observance, for Paul said, "For as often as you

eat this bread and drink this cup..." (1 Cor. 11:26).

The Bible teaches: (1) The early church gathered *every* first day of the week (1 Cor. 16:1-2). (2) A central purpose of that gathering was the Lord's Supper (Acts 20:7; 1 Cor. 11:20). (3) Therefore, the early church observed the Lord's Supper every first day of the week. This was their pattern. And, this pattern was to continue "until He comes" (1 Cor. 11:26).

The church of Christ observes the *Lord's* Supper every Sunday ("the Lord's Day," Rev. 1:10). Does your church?





Have you ever cried out for someone, and there was no answer? In that moment when you needed them most, they were nowhere to be found. Anxiety, despair and the feeling of misplaced trust wash over you as you continue your fruitless efforts of communication with the one who was sup-

posed to help.

A similar display took place on Mt. Carmel in 1 Kings chapter eighteen. Elijah had thrown down the gauntlet, and there was to be a duel. Whose god would answer the call? The false prophets of Baal and Asherah went first as they prepared the ox and waited for their god to respond with fire. "They called on the name of Baal from morning until noon saying, 'O Baal, answer us.' But there was no voice

We serve a living God who cares about His creation.

and no one answered" (18:26). They began to leap about, dance, rave and cut themselves trying to solicit a response from a god that they trusted. The text tells us, "but there was no voice, no one answered, and no one paid attention" (18:29). It was evident to those prophets that their god was no god and would never respond to their pleas.

In stark contrast, Elijah prepared the altar and the sacrifice and drenched it in water. So much so that there was a trench of water around the altar. After a prayer that didn't last

one minute, fire came down and consumed not only the sacrifice but the water and the rocks also. It was clear that Someone was listening and that Someone was paying attention.

That same Someone continues to hear today. How important is it to you that someone listens? The Bible has many passages that provide us with the confidence that God is listening. In the days of the prophet Malachi, there were many who were unfaithful to God, but "then those who feared the

LORD spoke to one another, and the LORD gave attention and heard it..." (3:16). The Psalmist wrote, "The LORD is near to all who call upon Him, to all who call upon Him in truth" (Psa. 145:18); "He has regarded the prayer of the destitute and has not despised their prayer" (Psa. 102:17); "The eyes of the LORD are toward the righteous and His ears are open to their cry" (Psa. 34:15). In Proverbs, "The LORD is

far from the wicked, But He hears the prayer of the righteous" (15:29). Jesus said, "If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your Father who is in heaven give what is good to those who ask Him" (Matt. 7:11). Please continue to be fervent in prayer. God is listening. God sees the struggle and the joys of your life. We serve a living God who cares about His creation. Be assured that when you approach His throne, He is listening. "This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us" (1 John 5:14).

## Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

#### **Clothed with humility**

Do you have some clothes that...well...just don't fit like they once did? Sometimes clothes just don't fit right anymore. Have you ever borrowed someone else's shoes and realized how very different feet are? Sometimes certain clothes fit other people better than they fit us.

There is a piece of "clothing" that God tells every Christian, with urgency, to put on. It is a "one-size-fits-all" garment, but it requires a conscious effort to put it on and to keep it on.

The Lord instructs us, "All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another" (1 Pet. 5:5). The word comes from the Greek word for "knot," and came to refer to a slave who tied on an apron. When others look at you, do they see someone who has tied on a spirit of humility and is ready to serve the needs of others? Or do they see someone who is all wrapped up in a silk blanket of self and pride? When you get up every morning, don't get out of bed and for sure don't leave the house without clothing yourself...with humility! God wants it to fit you! – DS

#### Being satisfied—is that a good thing?

Are you satisfied? Are you satisfied with where you are in life? Are you satisfied with your relationship with God? And, if you are satisfied, is that good thing? Or is that a bag thing? Be careful how you answer.

Proverbs 14:14 states, "The backslider in heart will be filled

with his own ways." What does that mean? A heart that is inclined to drift away from God and fall back into his old ways will be fully satisfied with that and will "be filled with the fruit of his ways." He won't think anything is wrong.

But one who has changed his heart and is no longer interested in those old ways (called "a good man" in the second part of this verse) "will be satisfied from above" or "from above himself" or "with the fruit of his ways." He has adjusted his heart to find satisfaction in heavenly things.

What brings you satisfaction? Is your satisfaction from your wants or from heaven's? – DS



# Keep in Your Prayers

# **Pray for These PBL Members**

Dan Johnson	Gardens Court, recovering from knee replacement
Deltom Lequernaqué	undergoing medical tests
Ruth Milton	suffering with a lot of pain in her leg
Harriet Morris	Victoria Gardens Nursing Home in Riviera Beach
<b>Charles Norton</b>	recovering at home from pneumonia
Janice Osborne	awaiting results from medical tests
Joyce Parker	undergoing more medical tests
Jerry Pittman	chemo treatment last week, ongoing cancer issues
Mary Reeves	severe back pain, undergoing medical tests

#### **Long-Term Health Issues**

Lillian Bankston	dialysis treatments
Silas Moses	dialysis treatments
Charles Norton	dialysis treatments
Norm Smedley	breathing problems
Patricia Ventress	dialysis treatments

## **Pray for Our Shut-Ins**

Millie Ames	Shelton Howell
Sandra Daniels	Daniel Johnson
Cora Lee Dennis	Don & Betty Matter
Annie Faison	Deidra Miley
Helen Gardner	Ruth Milton
Margie Hardin	Godfrey Pratt
Janet Hickerson	Leigh Puckett
Loretta Holaday	Ricky Smedley



Carol Adkinson	Patricia Harrington's sister, recovering from broken hip	
Dione Bates	Carole Graff's daughter, two hearts stents inserted	
Angela Blackmer	Josh Blackmer's mother, testing for neurological issues	
Karen Brennan	Julie Trujillo's sister, diagnosed with Graves' Disease	
Patricia Buonadonna	Ed Buonadonna's mother, home from hospital	
Luke Cousins	Jeff & Sharon Feeney's grandson, testing for seizures	
Bonnye Cox	Connye Plouffe's sister, Lou Gehrig's disease	
Shirley Franklin	Kay Richardson's sister, cancer and other health issues	
Ann Freseman	Nicole Freseman's mother, recovering from shoulder surg.	
Pat Pittman	Jerry Pittman's brother, under Hospice Care, broken hip	

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# Church Family **Calendar of Events**

#### Sunday, April 30

- "Fortifying Your Faith" Class at 5:00 p.m.
- Fifth Sunday Night Cook Off after evening worship.
  Bring your favorite (and best) Mac and Cheese. Or bring other finger foods, drinks and desserts to share.

#### Monday, May 1

 Monday Night Bible Study at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Room.

#### Tuesday, May 2

• **Tuesday Morning Bible Study** at 10:30 a.m. in the Family Room.

#### Friday-Saturday, May 5-6

• Evangelism Training for Youth Volunteers Needed. Volunteers are needed to provide housing for boys & girls and to bring cookies & drinks. Sign up on the bulletin board if you can help.

#### Sunday, May 7

• Renova/North Lake Nursing Home Visit at 2:30 p.m.

#### <u>Thursday, May 11</u>

• Family Group 1 Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Josh & Cara Blackmer.

#### Sunday, May 14

- "Fortifying Your Faith" Class at 5:00 p.m.
- Youth & Family Singing after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

#### Tuesday, May 16

- Family Group 2 Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the home of David & Traci Sproule.
- Family Group 3 Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Barbara King.

#### Friday, May 19

• Family Group 4 Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Lance & Brenda Collier.

#### Saturday, May 20

 PBL Ladies' Prayer Meeting at 1:00 p.m. in the Family Room. All ladies are welcome. See Maria Hackshaw for more details.

# Young Adults

#### <u>Monday, May 1</u>

• Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Cindy Nelson. Bring toppings for baked potatoes or a dessert.

#### Saturday, May 6

• Young Adult Devo at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Keila McLeod.

#### Friday, May 12

• Sr. High & Young Adult Guys' Movie Night at Downtown at the Gardens. See Shea Brown for more details.

#### Friday, May 19

• Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Rachel Fuller. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible.

#### Saturday, May 20

 Young Adult Kayaking. Location TBD. See Shea Brown or Ivan Villard for details.



#### Friday-Saturday, May 5-6

• Evangelism Training for Youth with J.D. Schwartz beginning Friday at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday at 9:30 a.m. Please sign up on the bulletin board to help with housing or to bring cookies and drinks.

#### Friday, May 12

• Sr. High & Young Adult Guys' Movie Night at Downtown at the Gardens. See Shea Brown for more details.

#### Saturday, May 13

• Jr. High Family Picnic at 10:30 a.m. at Royal Palm Beach Commons. Bring food and games. See Ivan, Amber or Sarah for more details.

#### Sunday, May 14

• Youth & Family Singing after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

#### Friday, May 19

Sr. High & Young Adult Ladies' Hangout at 7:30 p.m.

# PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

Men's Worship Service Assignments - May, 2017

		May 7	May 14	May 21	May 28	
Morning \	Worship Serv	vice				
Song Lead		Jerry Hopkins	Bobbo Lupo	Gary Friedly	Jerry Hopkins	
Opening F	Prayer	Bob Higbee	Richard Watson	Novel Brown	Shea Brown	
Scripture I	Reading	Chris Thompson	Jim Rogers	Nate Nelson	Eugene Williams	
Presiding	at Table	Gary Jenkins	Freddie Gadson	Stephen Beliech	Tim Fry	
Serving at Table:		Jordan Beasley	Andy Anderson	Josiah Blackmer	Henry Bass	
		Chuck Clark	David Brown	Josue Charles	Cam Crotts	
		Charles Hayes	Marvin Dozier	Victor Colage	Mike Damron	
		Scott Lewis	Joe Maloney	Eddie Gooden	Glen Dawson	
		Chuck Reeves, Sr.	Rick Price	Errol Gower-Winter	Ken Long	
		Jacade Reynolds	Scott Studer	Lynn Parker	L.H. Richardson	
		Nahum Villard	David Thorpe	Simon Tyson	Vincent Rogers	
		Marty Williams	Clayton Trujillo	Lawrence Williams	Shaun Tyson	
Closing Pr	rayer	Morris McDaniel	Richard Lerro	Tom Martens	Taylor Reeves	
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-	Vorship Serv	1				
Song Lead		Ken Tipton	Jerry Pittman	Dan McLeod	Stephen Beliech	
Opening F		Dirk Summerlot	Dick Kelley	Jim Davis	Micah Trujillo	
Scripture I		Rick Hall	Ivan Villard, Jr.	Mike Erickson	Ken Tipton	
Presiding at Table		Dan Fuller	Jeff Goodale	Kevin Weeks	Justin Maloney	
Serving at	Table:	Jeremy Maloney	Gorman Erickson	Harrison Crotts	Kane Campbell	
		Daniel Swayne	Nick Pietro	Tim Mahlbacher	Jeff Leslie	
		Mike Trujillo	Carmen Ruckmen	Leonard Williams	Austin Williams	
Closing Pr	rayer	Jimmie Banks	Gary Seames	Johnny Davis	Dan McLeod	
Alternate	s:			-		
		David Lord	Bobby Ingraham	Tim Cox	Kirk Crews	
		Phil Porter	Darin Summerlot	John Loftis	Namdidie Ikon	
Taabaiaal	Assignment	1 2				
Morning:	Computer	Shea Brown	Nate Nelson	Bob Higbee	Ivan Villard, Jr.	
worning.	Audio	Buzz Nelson	Kirk Crews	Daniel Swayne	David Brown	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
		Cam Crotts	Dan McLeod	Scott Studer	Darin Summerlot	
Fuening	Video					
Evening:	Computer	David Sproule	Nate Nelson Kirk Crews	Bob Higbee	Ivan Villard, Jr.	
	Audio	Buzz Nelson		Daniel Swayne	David Brown	
	Video	Cam Crotts	Dan McLeod	Scott Studer	Darin Summerlot	
Ushers - I	Morning & Ev	vening Services (Sund	ay & Wednesday)			
		May 7 & 10	May 14 & 17	May 21 & 24	May 28 & 31	
Head Ush	er	Lance Collier				
		Deltom Lequernaque	Ed Gager	Andres Fernandez	Brett Lau	
		Brent Leslie	Wallace Jones	Paul Metzkes	Jerry Pittman	

• Sunday Morning - Meet in classroom (Grade 7-8) at 9:45 A.M.

• Sunday Evening - Meet at front of auditorium before 5:50 P.M.

• Scripture Reader - Announce the pew Bible page number and read from the New King James translation.

- · Please consider this opportunity to serve as special and dress accordingly.
- Please call 775-3533 (Mike Ellis), if you can not serve at the time indicated.

#### "...always abounding in the work of the Lord..." (1 Cor. 15:58)



**Congratulations to Aaron & Tonya Ross** who were married on Saturday, April 15.



Sunday April 23

LOCAL VISITORS: Mr. & Mrs. Larry & Judy Beard; Ms. Taylor Caster; Mr. Jean Charles; Mrs. Susan Crosswhite; Ms. Sylvia Goldie; Mrs. Maxine Griggs; Janet & Sean MacDonald; Dennis & Sharon Mann; Ms. Pat Patterson; and Miss Jaena Smith.

**OUT OF TOWN VISITORS:** Mr. Heath Johnson, Deerfield Beach, FL; Mr. Chad Morgan, Port St. Lucie, FL; Mr. Raymond Pedigo, Woodbury, TN; Ms. Jeanne Remson, Magnolia, DE; Mike & Lisa Stenbeck; and Ms. Jan Todd, Woodbury, TN.



Thank you so much for the beautiful flowers and prayers during this time. Your expression of sympathy will always be remembered.

> Love, Rick, Lynn, & Cody Slone (The family of Betty Sanders' brother)



<u>Monday (May 1st)</u> Charles & Rhona Hayes (Ann.)

<u>Wednesday (May 3rd)</u> Julio Aristy Bill Ingram, Sr.

<u>Thursday (May 4th)</u> Dan Johnson

<u>Friday (May 5th)</u> Taylor & Natalie Reeves (Ann.) <u>Friday (May 5th) cont.</u> Willie Wilkins Trina Wright

Saturday (May 6th) Rachel Fuller Johnnie Green Nick Pietro Marie Thorpe

#### Those to Serve

If you cannot serve, please call Mike Ellis at 775-3533. If you are scheduled to serve on <u>Sunday morning</u>, please meet in the Grades 6-8 classroom at <u>9:50 a.m.</u> If you are scheduled to serve on <u>Sunday evening</u>, please meet at the front of the auditorium at <u>5:50 p.m.</u>

#### Sunday Morning, April 30

Lead Singing	Gary Friedly		
Opening Prayer	Freddie Gadson		
Scripture Reading	Kevin Weeks		
Presiding at Table	Jerry Hopkins		
Serve at Table:			
Shea Brown	Tim Mahlbacher		
Cam Crotts	Vincent rogers		
Brett Lau	Carmen Ruckman		
Kenneth Long	Richard Watson		
Alternates			
Mike Damron	Paul Metzkes		
Closing Prayer	Henry Williams		
Ushers for the week of April 30:			
Head Usher: Novel Brown			
Kane Campbell	Dan Mcleod		

#### Sunday Evening, April 30

Sunday Evening, April 50
Lead SingingHarrison Crotts
Prayer 1 Josiah Blackmer
Prayer 2Daniel Lord
Scripture Reading 1 Simon Tyson
Scripture Reading 2Carmen Ruckman
Presiding at Table Austin Williams
Kinney Dozier
Simon Tyson
Tyler Williams
Sermons Clayton & Micah Trujillo
Closing Prayer Tyler Williams
Wednesday Evening, May 3
Lead Singing Robert Lupo
InvitationKane Campbell
Family Prayer Bill Ingram, Jr.

#### **Our Record**

Attendance	<u>Apr. 23</u>	<u>Mar. Avg.</u>		
Sun. Bible Study	237	248		
Sun. A.M. Worshi	p 394	373		
Sun. P.M. Worshi	p 149	198		
Wed. Bible Study	177	204		
Contribution \$	513,857	\$16,290		
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Service Schedule	
Sunday:	
Bible Classes9:00 a.m.	
Worship 10:00 a.m.	
Worship6:00 p.m.	
Wednesday:	
Bible classes7:00 p.m.	

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New Bible Classes for Adults, Sr. High & Jr. High (Begin <u>May 7</u> )				
SUNDAY MORNINGS at 9:00 A.M. (May 7-July 9)				
Auditorium	Acts 2: The Hub of the Bible	David Sproule		
Adult 1	Archaeology & the Bible	Josh Blackmer		
Adult 3	Young Adults: Renewing Your Spiritual Life (Deuteronomy)	Rick Hall		
Sr. High	Sr. High: Old Testament: History	Bobbo Lupo		
Jr. High	Jr. High: Acts 13-28: Paul's Journeys	David Lord		
WEDNESDAY EVENINGS at 7:00 P.M. (May 10-July 12)				
Auditorium	2 Kings	Josh Blackmer		
Adult 1	Between the Testaments	Bill Ingram, Jr.		
Adult 3	The Doctrine of the Godhead	Douglas Alvarenga		
Adult 2	Ladies: Reaching Your Spiritual Potential	Inell Ingram & Judie Jenkins		
Sr. High	Sr. High: Scheme of Redemption	Dan Jenkins		
Jr. High	Jr. High: Survey of the Old Testament	Cam Crotts		