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 David Sproule..... 301-2230  
 Josh Blackmer ..... 319-1418

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 Novel Brown ..... 848-6988  
 Chuck Clark ..... 627-4132  
 Victor Colage..... 719-1490  
 Lance Collier..... 793-2718  
 Kirk Crews ..... 339-9283  
 Cam Crotts ..... 214-3114  
 Mike Erickson..... 310-9916  
 Tim Fry ..... 373-9121  
 Jeff Goodale ..... 261-1188  
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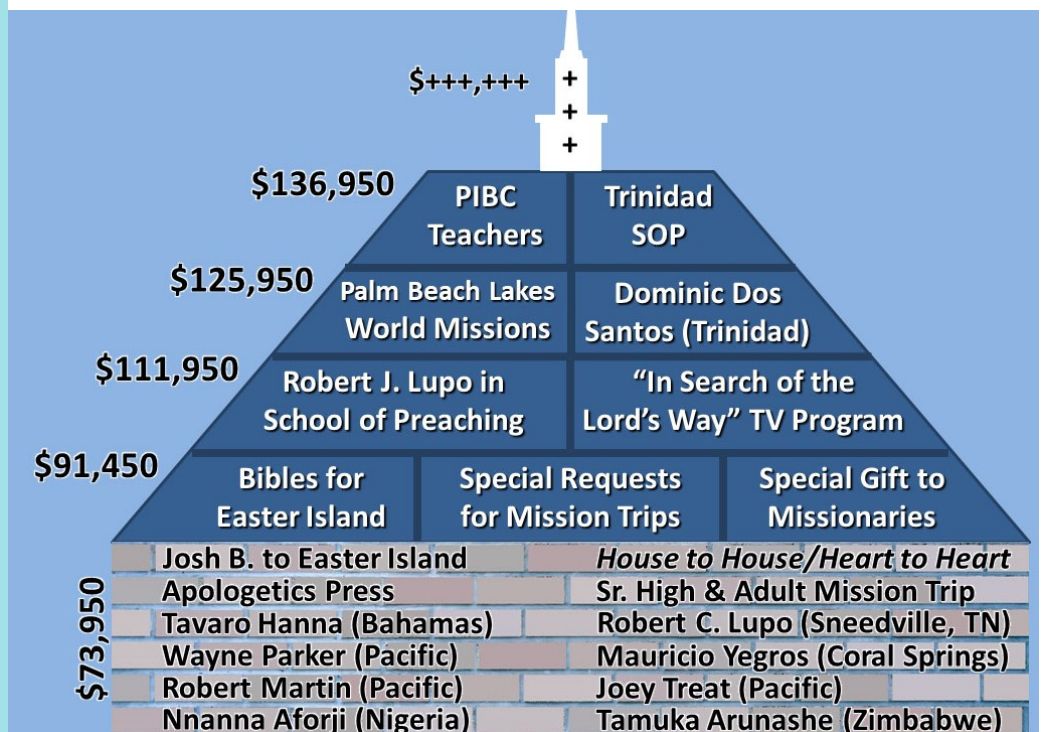
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# MISSION SUNDAY 2021

## January 31

**Every dollar given will be used  
for PBL Mission Work.**



**May God bless us,  
use us & be glorified in us!**





By Dan Jenkins

## If You Could Ask God One Question

The name Larry King may not be well known among younger people, but for decades he hosted a nighttime talk show on CNN. He was born in Brooklyn to Orthodox Jewish parents who had immigrated to America. He died Saturday, January 23, and left an estate of over 140 million dollars. He truly was an icon of broadcasting on radio and television, conducting over 50,000 interviews.

Recently, I saw a clip where someone asked Larry King an interesting question. "If you could talk to God, what one question would you ask Him?" Before giving his amazing answer, let me ask you the same question. If you could ask God just one question, what would you ask Him? Probably a lot depends on your background and what is happening in your life right now. Think about it for a moment and before reading the next paragraph decide what it would be.

Larry's answer? I doubt that you would ever guess what he said but think about his background. His parents were Orthodox Jews, who believed that a Messiah would come someday. There is every chance that this was a vital part of his upbringing. When asked what his one question to God would be, he answered without any hesitation. "I would ask God did He have a son?"

**If you could talk to God and ask Him just one question, what would it be?**

Wow! Do you see how important this question is? It strikes at the heart of the relationship everyone should have with God. The question reaches far beyond Orthodox Judaism. The answer to this question strikes at the foundation of all religions in all ages.

If God had a Son, then the way to God is not through Judaism of any sort. If God had a Son, the way to God is not through Buddha or Mohammed. If God had a Son, the way to God is not through "Christian" religions started by mortals who rejected the church that Son built on this earth. One cannot acknowledge that God had a Son and then reject in any way what He said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me" (John 14:6).

How would God answer the question? He has already given it. Centuries ago, those who stood beside the Jordan River would have heard that voice from heaven. "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased" (Matt. 3:17). Then, on a mountain in Galilee that same voice was heard by men when He said, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased. Hear Him!"

Do you know the answer to the question? Have you honestly looked at the evidence? What was it that God said on the mountain? "Hear Him!" There is no single question more important. Are you listening to the Son of God?



By David Sproule

## Great Days Ahead for Palm Beach Lakes

What a blessing it is to be a part of the Palm Beach Lakes congregation! The heart of this church and the heart of this eldership is such a tremendous encouragement! The announcements made this past Sunday were thrilling to hear, as we continue to see great vision from our elders!

Even in the midst of a difficult 2020, our elders were still vigilant in seeking ways to fulfill the Great Commission. Did you hear their hearts this past Sunday when they said, "Last year, the elders spent a lot of time discussing how we could increase the mission work of Palm Beach Lakes. How can we do more? What can Palm Beach Lakes do to reach more lost souls?" What vision! What motivation! That is when they introduced to the congregation a new initiative to evangelize America and the world that they are calling, "**Palm Beach Lakes World Missions.**" The elders' design for this effort is to: (1) reach out to and work with congregations in Florida and around the United States, (2) assist mission works on foreign soils, and (3) plant congregations in due course. The intent is to start small and to let the work gradually and naturally develop and expand.

I am excited to see how **Josh Blackmer** and **Dan Jenkins** will work with the elders to achieve these goals. These

two men are diligent and vigilant workers in the kingdom, with a keen awareness and concern for lost souls around the world. They will be working together to assist smaller congregations and then looking for ways to take the gospel into fields yearning for truth and redemption. As the work progresses, you will hear of various efforts in which they are engaged, and you will hear of opportunities where you can get involved. (Be sure to read Josh's article for more details about this new program.)

**May the Lord be glorified in all that we do!**

Equally as exciting was the second part of the elders' announcement on Sunday about the future of our **Family/Youth Work**. Again, the elders are looking at the needs of this church and looking down the road at how to best meet those needs. How wonderful to know that the elders have been in discussions with our own **Robert Lupo**, and to hear that Robert will be attending the Southeast Institute of Biblical Studies in Knoxville, Tennessee this August and, upon completion of their two-year program, will return to work at PBL in Summer 2023. This church loves Robert! Our young people love him! He will do a tremendous work for the Lord and His church here, in his home congregation!

Great things are in store for Palm Beach Lakes! Thank God for our elders! Pray for our elders, for Josh, for Dan and for Robert! May the Lord keep us humble! May He use us for His cause! May the Lord be glorified in all that we do!



By Josh Blackmer

## Palm Beach Lakes World Missions

What an exciting announcement this past Sunday! Robert and Reanna Lupo are going to preaching school and will then come back and work with the youth and family work. The elders initiated Palm Beach Lakes World Missions. All of that on top of so many other great works we get to be a part of. It is such a blessing to be a member of a congregation that takes the Great Commission to heart. So much potential lies ahead of us as we look toward what God can do with us in 2021.

With the announcement, I gave a brief explanation of what Palm Beach Lakes World Missions (PBLWM) is and plans to be. I would like to give you some more information of its potential and your involvement. The mission statement provides a framework of what we would like to achieve. Our mission is to labor with existing congregations and new works of the Lord's church in evangelizing, edifying, and equipping the saints for greater service in domestic and foreign fields. What we are wanting to do is be a resource and help to congregations and mission efforts. In the area of evangelism, it would involve sending people or groups for specific needs. It could be doing Gospel Meetings or door-knocking campaigns. With edification, we could be involved in teaching personal work or lessons on developing church leadership. Equipping would involve

getting people in touch with the many powerful resources that are available in the brotherhood that people aren't familiar with. We can also help in getting needed resources to mission points like Bibles or tracts. Eventually, this could grow to starting new mission points or planting new congregations. PBLWM will be starting off slow and gradually building to what it needs to be, all the while striving to do all we can both domestically and in the foreign fields. PBLWM does not replace anything that Palm Beach Lakes is already doing. We are seeking to add to what is already happening and be a resource to other works.

**This concept will not be a reality without your support.**

As was mentioned Sunday, this concept will not be a reality without your support. This congregation has responded so well to Mission Sunday that it has opened doors of opportunity to PBL and other mission points that were not previously attainable.

This is one of those areas. With the leadership and vision of the eldership, PBLWM was presented to me as an idea on paper. On that paper was this line, "The eldership desires that you involve PBL members at every available opportunity." It is to that end that there will be an effort to keep you informed about the things that are happening and the opportunities for you to be involved. The first thing you can be doing is praying for this effort. It will involve all of us working together, but it should start there. Be ready to help in any way you can. We all have a part we can play.

## Articles Published in PBL Family News Emails Last Week

### I'm responsible for where I drop those blocks

"I've got a right to do what I want to do!" How many have ever said that? How many Christians have ever said that? But, give this some thought. Even if something is not necessarily a sin, does that mean I've got a "right" to do it? One question I must always ask myself is: "What impact will this decision have on others, especially upon my fellow Christians?"

In the first-century church, something as simple as whether to eat certain meats was causing a rift in the church. Christians were certainly at "liberty" (1 Cor. 8:9) to eat any meat provided by God (1 Tim. 4:3-5)—it was their "right." But they needed to be aware of how their actions looked to others. Paul said, "Do not destroy with your food the one for whom Christ died...nor do anything by which your brother stumbles" (Rom. 14:15, 21).

Fellow Christian, the choices we make are seen by and affect each other. Let us "resolve...not to put a stumbling block or a cause to fall in our brother's way" (Rom. 14:13). — DS



### The deeper you go, the higher you'll go

As Paul was encouraging the church in Colosse in "the steadfastness of [their] faith in Christ" (Col. 2:5), he urged them to focus intently on what they had "received" (2:6)—i.e., "been taught" (2:7)—regarding "Christ Jesus our Lord" and to "so walk in Him" (2:6). He did not want their faith to waver, so he appealed to them to have their faith "firmly rooted" in Christ (2:7). They needed to work to grow their faith deeper and deeper in Christ. Superficial faith wasn't enough. Because Paul knew that the deeper and more firmly their faith was "rooted" in Christ and in His Word, the stronger and the higher they would be "built up in Him" (2:7).

There is a direct correlation between one's depth in God's Word and one's height in faith and service.

Have you leveled off in your faith and service? Are you not any higher today than you were last year or even a few years ago? Your height in faith and service is tied directly to your depth in His Word. The deeper you go and the longer you stay there, the stronger and higher you'll go in serving Him! — DS



# Keep in Your Prayers



## Pray for These PBL Members

<b>Marie Y. Achille</b>	discharged from the hospital
<b>Mike &amp; Jean Archer</b>	still recovering from their accident and in a lot of pain
<b>Dee Catanzaro</b>	recovering from a biopsy
<b>Gorman Ericksen</b>	undergoing therapy on his fractured shoulder
<b>Annie Faison</b>	under Hospice Care at her daughter's home in Miami
<b>Charles Hayes</b>	recovering at home
<b>Joan Holloway</b>	in Jupiter Rehabilitation (room 109B), pneumonia
<b>Dan Johnson</b>	back at home, after being treated for an infection
<b>John Loftis</b>	still dealing with severe back pain and weakness
<b>Betty Matter</b>	has been discharged from the hospital
<b>Don Matter</b>	in Gardens Medical Center with COVID-19
<b>Cheryl Milton</b>	dealing with some medical issues
<b>Willie Smith</b>	having back surgery on February 2

## Ongoing Health Issues

<b>Lillian Bankston</b>	dialysis treatments
<b>Terri Hahn</b>	leukemia
<b>Inell Ingram</b>	Courtyard Gardens (Jupiter)
<b>Joel Ramirez</b>	dialysis treatments

## Pray for Our Shut-Ins

Millie Ames	Daniel Johnson
Josie Dawson	Don & Betty Matter
Annie Faison	Leigh Puckett
Dianne Frye	Les Sawyer
Margie Hardin	Ricky Smedley
Loretta Holaday	Patricia Ventress
Joe Holland	



**Ally Alberga**, upon the passing of her sister, Shelley Dayman, on Friday, January 22.

## Pray for These Relatives of PBL Members

<b>Russell Beliech</b>	Stephen Beliech's brother, recovering from a back proc.
<b>Barbara Coe</b>	Linda Coe's mother, dealing with health issues
<b>Ronald Fernander</b>	Turkessa Staley's father, back at Lakeside Health Center
<b>Clara Medina</b>	Carolina Alvarenga's sister, having severe health issues
<b>Rocky Meess</b>	Micky Affron's father, recovering from a skin graft

## Remember Our Mission Works

### Pacific Islands

**Robert & Mary Martin**  
**Wayne & Kristi Parker**  
**Joey & Tammy Treat**

### Africa

**Tamuka Arunashe**  
**Nnanna Aforji**

### Montgomery, Alabama

**Apologetics Press**

### Coral Springs, Florida

**Mauricio Yegros**

### Bahamas

**Tavaro & Shameika Hanna**



# Church Family Calendar of Events

## Sunday, January 31

- ♦ **Mission Sunday.** Every dollar given will be used for mission work. Be preparing for it! Be praying about it!
- ♦ **EDP Meeting** at 4:30 p.m. in the Family Room.

## Monday, February 1

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

## Tuesday, February 2

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

## Friday-Sunday, February 5-7

- ♦ **Mother-Daughter Retreat at CFBC.** Cost is \$40 per person. Register online at [www.cfbiblecamp.org](http://www.cfbiblecamp.org).

## Sunday, February 7

- ♦ **House-to-House/Heart-to-Heart Labeling** at 4:45 p.m. in the Family Room. Everyone is encouraged to come and help out.

## Saturday, February 13

- ♦ **CANCELLED: Sweetheart Banquet.**

## Sunday, February 14

- ♦ **PBL Family Photos Updated.** If you've never had your photo taken in the Family Room, if your photo needs to be updated, or if you have been personally contacted, please have your photo taken **after morning services or before evening services** by Mike Erickson in the Family Room.
- ♦ **Youth & Family Singing** after evening worship in the Family Room. Every member is invited to stay and sing for about 35 minutes.

## Monday, March 1

- ♦ **Men Meet Monday Night** at 7:00 p.m. on the church property. All PBL men in Grades 9 and up are invited. Bring your Bible, a chair, some meat to grill, a drink and your own plate/utensils.

## Wednesday, March 3

- ♦ **Prayer Meeting** to prepare for the Gospel Meeting. Jr. High, Sr. High and adults will meet together in the auditorium after the devotional. Children in Grade 5 and under will have their regular classes.

## Palm Beach Lakes church of Christ Young Adults

## Tuesday, February 2

- ♦ **Young Adult Ladies' Prayer Night** at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Jacqui Jenkins. Dinner will be provided. Please bring desserts. See Cindy Nelson for more details.

## Friday-Monday, February 5-8

- ♦ **Youth & Young Adult Family Camping Trip** at Highlands Hammock State Park. Cost is \$25 per person. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Lobby by January 24. See Josh Blackmer or Ivan Villard for more details.

## Friday, February 12

- ♦ **Sr. High & YA Ladies' Hangout** at 7:00 p.m. Bring snacks, drinks and your Bible. See Michelle Franck for more details.

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## Palm Beach Lakes Youth

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## Thursday-Sunday, February 25-28

- ♦ **Challenge Youth Conference** for Grades 8-12 in Pigeon Forge, TN. Cost is \$75. Meet at the building on Thursday at 4:00 p.m. See Josh Blackmer for more details.

## Sunday, February 28

- ♦ **Jr. High Family Devo** after evening worship. Please bring a drink, dessert or chips.

# PALM BEACH LAKES CHURCH OF CHRIST

## Men's Worship Service Assignments - February, 2021

February 7

February 14

February 21

February 28

Morning Worship Service					
Song Leader	Bobbo Lupo	Gary Friedly	Bobbo Lupo	Gary Friedly	
Opening Prayer	Gary Seames	Eugene Williams	Robert Mariano	Nate Nelson	
Scripture Reading	Jeff Goodale	Phil Porter	Lawrence Williams	Johnny Davis	
Presiding at Table	Ivan Villard, Jr.	Dirk Summerlot	Richard Watson	Novel Brown	
Closing Prayer	David Brown	Cam Crotts	Bill Ingram, Jr.	Josiah Blackmer	

Evening Worship Service					
Song Leader	Stephen Beliech	Jerry Pittman	Dion Hayes	Dan McLeod	
Opening Prayer	Rick Hall	Ricky Smith	Dan Fuller	Jimmie Banks	
Scripture Reading	Paul Metzkes	Daniel Wagner	Jerry Pittman	Darin Summerlot	
Presiding at Table	Andy Anderson	Bob Higbee	Joe Maloney	Stephen Beliech	
Closing Prayer	David Brown	James Green	Harrison Crotts	Dion Hayes	

Technical Assignments					
Morning:	Computer	Nate Nelson	TBD	Bob Higbee	Ivan Villard, Jr.
	Audio	Buzz Nelson	David Brown	James Green	David Brown
	Video	Scott Studer	TBD	Scott Studer	Jerry Pittman
Evening:	Computer	David Sproule	TBD	Bob Higbee	Ivan Villard, Jr.
	Audio	Buzz Nelson	David Brown	James Green	David Brown
	Video	Scott Studer	TBD	Scott Studer	Jerry Pittman

Ushers - Morning & Evening Services (Sunday & Wednesday)					
Ushers:	<b>Feb. 7 &amp; 10</b>	<b>Feb. 14 &amp; 17</b>	<b>Feb. 21 &amp; 24</b>	<b>Feb. 28 &amp; Mar. 3</b>	
	Dan McLeod	Vince Rogers	Victor Colage	Bob Higbee	
	Robert Mariano	Lawrence Williams	Andy Fernandez	Gary Jenkins	
Safety Team	Mike Damron	Darin Summerlot	Jimmie Banks	Seth Watson	

Please consider this opportunity to serve as special and dress accordingly.

Sunday Morning - Meet at front of auditorium at 9:45 A.M. Sunday Evening - Meet at front of auditorium before 5:50 P.M.

Call 775-3533 (Mike Ellis), if you can not serve at the time indicated.

# PALM BEACH LAKES WORLD MISSIONS

## Mission Statement

Our mission is to labor with existing congregations and new works of the Lord's church in evangelizing, edifying, and equipping the saints for greater service in domestic and foreign fields.

Please pray for this new PBL effort to reach lost souls.

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

**Members Traveling**  
this week



**Thank You**  
for worshiping with us

Sunday,  
January 24

## Birthdays & Anniversaries This Week

### Sunday (January 31st)

Tom & Sharon Masciarelli (Ann.)  
Charles Hayes  
Mary A. Jackson

### Tuesday (February 2nd)

Gai Ingram

### Wednesday (February 3rd)

Jennifer Goodale

### Thursday (February 4th)

Novel & Mary Brown (Ann.)  
Errol & Jessie Gower-Winter (Ann.)

### Thursday (February 4th) cont.

Rashana Green  
Lilly Lolo

### Friday (February 5th)

Glen & Josie Dawson (Ann.)  
Mike & Tasha Ellis (Ann.)  
Joel & Jessica Ramirez (Ann.)  
Maurine Reed

### Saturday (February 6th)

Kenneth Long  
Sherrie Tibbetts



# Labeling Night

**Sunday, February 7**

Begins at 4:45 p.m. in the  
Family Room. Everyone is  
encouraged to stay and help out.

## Those to Serve

*If you cannot serve, please call Mike Ellis at 775-3533.*

*If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday morning, please meet at the front of the auditorium at 9:50 a.m.*

*If you are scheduled to serve on Sunday evening, please meet at the front of the auditorium at 5:50 p.m.*

### **Sunday Morning, January 31**

Lead Singing ..... Gary Friedly  
Opening Prayer ..... Bob Higbee  
Scripture Reading ..... Andy Fernandez  
Presiding at Table ..... Cam Crotts  
Serve at Table ..... TBD  
Closing Prayer ..... Kane Campbell

### **Sunday Evening, January 31**

Lead Singing ..... Young Men  
Opening Prayer ..... Young Men  
Scripture Reading ..... Young Men  
Presiding at Table ..... Young Men  
Serve at Table ..... Young Men  
Closing Prayer ..... Young Men

### **Wednesday Evening, February 3**

Lead Singing ..... Graysen Hayes  
Invitation ..... Harrison Crotts  
Family Prayer ..... Jeff Goodale

## Our Record

Attendance	Jan. 24	Dec. Avg
Sun. Bible Study	162	144
Sun. AM Worship	180	197
Sun. PM Worship	108	118
Wed. Bible Study	133	121
Contribution	\$16,683	\$15,792

2021 Weekly Budget: TBA

Y-T-D Contribution-to-Budget: TBA

Ushers for this week: Rick Hall (Head Usher); Namdidie Ikon

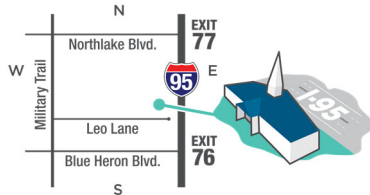
Safety Team for this week: Lawrence Williams



# Palm Beach Lakes CHURCH OF CHRIST

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*Speaking where the **Bible** speaks, Silent where the **Bible** is silent.*



## Service Schedule

### Sunday:

Bible Classes..... 9:00 a.m.

Worship ..... 10:00 a.m.

Worship ..... 6:00 p.m.

### Wednesday:

Bible classes ..... 7:00 p.m.



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## What Must I Do to Be Saved?

### The Bible says...

#### 1. Believe that Jesus is the Son of God

"Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved" (Acts 16:31).

#### 2. Repent of your sinful ways

"Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out" (Acts 3:19).

#### 3. Confess your faith in Jesus

"If you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus...you will be saved" (Rom. 10:9).

#### 4. Be immersed in water

"He who believes and is baptized will be saved" (Mark 16:16).

#### 5. Commit to a lifetime of faithful service

"Be faithful until death, and I will give you the crown of life" (Rev. 2:10).

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