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Welcome . . .

If you are our guest today, please know that you are welcome. We are here to honor Almighty God and His son, Jesus Christ. It is His desire that people of every tribe, tongue, people, and nation gather around HIS throne...which is greater than all others!

Would you like a short Bible Study? Ask one of our greeters for the "Discovering Christ" material. You can complete it at home in about 30 minutes. Then bring it back for a personal session to examine the message from God's Word.

Sunday Morning Adult Class

The adult Bible class has begun a series based on a Daily Bible Reading Plan. The goal is to read the entire Bible in a year. You can use your own Bible and the schedule provided; it covers the entire year. Pick up a schedule at the back of the auditorium. For more information, see Sam King or Chris St. James.

Parkway promotes

***Godly Men,
Godly Women,
Godly Husbands,
Godly Wives,
Godly Children,
Godly Families.***

Mark Your Calendar

May 17

Mandatory Teachers Meeting today for those considering teaching during the summer quarter. Lunch will be provided. Curriculum will be available. See Cecil Houston.

May 20

Our Daily Bread ministry team will meet at 6:15 p.m. See Carmen Matthews

May 28

Q Karmue leaves for Liberia

May 30 - date change

Sisters 4 Sisters 1:00 p.m.

Jun 6

Fashion Show and Luncheon at Valley View church of Christ (Stockton), 12:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Jun 7

Graduation Sunday

June 13-20

Sierra Bible Camp is coming. Pick up registration forms in the lobby.

Jun 20

Ladies Day at Diane Avenue in Pittsburg, 9:00 a.m.

June 27

Spanish Ladies Day at Parkway

Aug 23-27, 2015

Crusade for Christ, San Antonio, Texas.

The Riches of Obedience

I have rejoiced in Your laws as much as in riches.

Psalm 119:14 NLT

Over 100 countries around the world have state-run lotteries. In a recent year, lottery ticket sales totaled more than \$85 billion in the US and Canada, just a fraction of the total sales worldwide. The lure of huge jackpots has created a mind set among many that all of life's problems would be solved "if I just won the lottery."

There's nothing wrong with wealth itself, but it has the power to deceive us into thinking that money is the answer to all our needs. The psalmist, expressing a different point of view, wrote: "*I have rejoiced in your laws as much as in riches. . . . I will delight in your decrees and not forget your word*" (PS. 119:14,16 NLT). This concept of spiritual treasure is focused on obedience to God and walking "in the path of [His] commandments" (V.35).

What if we were more excited about following the Lord's Word than about winning a jackpot worth millions? With the psalmist we might pray, "*Incline my heart to Your testimonies, and not to covetousness. Turn away my eyes from looking at worthless things, and revive me in Your way*" (VV.36-37).

The riches of obedience--true riches--belong to all who walk with the Lord.
--David McCasland

Dear Lord, may I commit each day to standing on the unchanging truth of Your Word and to growing in my relationship with You, the only measure of success in this life and in eternity.

Success is knowing and loving God.

Sierra Bible Camp is Coming

Sierra Bible Camp is coming June 13-20.

Turn in all registration forms to Margaret Houston by Sunday, May 24.

Children may still enroll for \$170 up to May 24. After that, the fee will go up to \$250.

Transportation: Parents will need to drive their children to and from camp. We don't have enough drivers to provide rides to all campers. If your child needs a ride, check with other parents as soon as possible to find someone who may have space.

Scholarships: Members willing to help provide a scholarship for campers, please see Cecil or Margaret for information about how you can help.

Laptop Needed

If you would like to help with the purchase of a laptop computer for Jose Bello, the preacher we help support in Venezuela, please make your check to Parkway Church of Christ and write "Missions-Venezuela" in the memo space. It will help him in his work.

Delighting in God

A new series called "Delighting in God" starts in Sunday evening services for about six weeks. We will take a more in-depth look at the Living God. We will discover that He is an infinite, self-existent spirit who acts in amazing ways with delightful consequences for you. Don't miss going deeper in your understanding and joy in God. God calls us to delight in Him (Psalm 37:4) and live an abundant life in Him (John 10:10).

Sign Up to Teach

Please sign up to teach on the sheets in the lobby for the summer quarter. We really appreciate all who help teach the Bible to our children and youth! Your ministry is so important to the mission of the church. Need more information about how you can help? See Cecil Houston.

And don't forget the teachers' meeting **today** for all teachers, teacher assistants, or would-be teachers. Lunch will be provided. See Cecil Houston.

Do you believe (trust) God enough to obey Him?

Order of Worship

Call to Worship

John H. King

589 Leaning on the Everlasting Arms

Corey Morton

Welcome and Announcements

James Sharp

869 Come We That Love the Lord

Prayer of Praise and Thanksgiving

Aaron Braziel

480 Blessed Assurance

313 The Old Rugged Cross

Communion

Offering

800 What a Friend We Have in Jesus (song during offering)

Scripture Reading: Genesis 11:1-9

Jarrett Brinkley

3 Hallelujah, Praise Jehovah

Sermon: When Babel Is In Your Back Pocket

Chris Brinkley

973 Everybody Will Be Happy Over There

Responses to the Invitation

Parkway Shepherds

In Service Today

Greeters: *LaVern Lott, Andrew Davis*

Leading at the Table: *Daryl Evans*

Communion Preparation: *Betty Conley*

Baptistry Host: *Patricia King*

Children's Bible Hour: *Carolyn Lewis*

Audio/Visual: *Isaiah Evans*

Through the Bible in 2015

Are you reading through the Bible in 2015? Here's the schedule for this coming week to read for discussion *next Sunday* morning at 9:30 a.m.

Sun	2 Corinthians 11-13
Mon	Exodus 29-32
Tues	2 Samuel 20-24
Wed	Psalms 60-62
Thurs	Job 41-42
Fri	Jeremiah 42-46
Sat	Luke 5-6

Help for Christians in Nepal

The Himalayan country of Nepal has suffered from another round of terrible earthquakes in the past several weeks with over 5,000 lives lost. If you would like to help earthquake victims in Nepal, there are several churches and Christian organizations to which you can donate:

- **Highland Park church of Christ**, Earthquake Relief, PO Box 2216, Muscle Shoals, AL 35662. Contact Michael Brooks, (256) 335-7247
- **Healing Hands International**: www.hhi.org/blog/earthquake-nepal
- **Christian Relief Fund**: christianrelieffund.org/disaster
- **White's Ferry Road Relief**: wfrchurch.org/relief/

BBQ Cookoff

There will be a BBQ Cook-Off and Family Festival to benefit Agape Villages Foster Family Agency on Saturday, May 30, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. at Village Green Park in Rancho Cordova. There will be food vendors, arts and craft vendors, and children's activities including a jump house, face painting, and games. Vendor and sponsorship opportunities are available. Contact Agape Villages at 643-5031.

The Family Project

Many Parkway members benefitted from the message of ***The Family Project*** seeing in a new way God's presence in the family. God created man in His own image. He also created the family in the image of the godhead. Man is the only part of God's creation that He formed with His own hands. Then God breathed His Spirit into man, something that He did not do with any other thing he created. He made us to bear His image, as fathers, as mothers, as children, and to love each other in a spirit of unity just as the godhead is in unity. By adopting us into His family, he shows us what real family is about: love, forgiveness, and redemption

Parkway's Prayer List

*Requesting prayer let us know the prayers were answered,
call (916) 427-7443 and leave a message or e-mail parkwaycofc@sbcglobal.net
E-mail the elders: Parkway.Elders@sbcglobal.net*

Prayer Requests

Lisa Ortiz-Brown & Ruben Brown—thanking everyone for their marriage on 5/9/15 and safe travel.
Alin Patania—patience for his wife Brandy, and for their children to be returned home.
The Winters Family—for Elijah's health, and for God's care for the whole family.
Sukhwinder Pal of India—requests prayers for his family.
Kerry Chandler—for her son Kyle to come to the Lord before it's too late.
Lynn Wagner—her aunt Jean Anderson passed away 4/6/15. Prayers for the family.
Gloria West—her sister's mother-in-law, Manuela, is very ill. Thanking those who helped with packing and moving.
Audrey Watkins—for her eldest son Russell to find employment and for his back problem.
Mindy Steinert—received an encouraging report from her doctor. Praying for complete recovery and thanking those who are praying for her healing.
Brenda Clark—Pearl Smith, for her health. Andre thanking God for his employment.
Ruth & Meredith King—for safe travel.
Aaron Braziel—for safe travel.
Alexis Evans—for safe travel to Argentina for school.
Tamara—flying, for safe travel.
George Williams—for his granddaughter's friend Aleshia, safe travel to CA for Aaron and Quinn.
Larry Cooley—his mother passed away 5/13/15. Prayers for the family.
Pat King—for a smooth adjustment to a new medication and that the doctor find the correct dosage.
Levearn Walker—for her and her family as they honor the memory of her daughter.
Gloria West—has been ill, and she is also moving to a new place.
Michaela Robinson—for God to remove hatred from her heart, and for her family.
The King family—for their family after the passing of a niece.
Carolyn Lewis—her car didn't pass smog, for better work relations, and that God lift her spirits.
Brenda Clark—for her grandson, Bobby, and cousin, Bernard, to turn their lives around.
Mary Robinson—for her friend, Sally, who is grieving the loss of her husband and her health is deteriorating.
Eleanor Francis—gives thanks for the prayers on her behalf and that she is getting better.
Carmen Matthews—for continued prayers for her health as she returns to work on a light schedule.
George Williams—for his granddaughter's friend, Brienna.
Sonny Davey—is thankful that Judy Johnson's surgery went well and she is recovering.
Caylene Davis—for her mother's health and for her visit with her.
Eleanor Francis—for Doug Clark in Indianapolis who had a stroke. Also for her son, Marcus Brummer.
Anika Johnson—for her friend Andrea's marital issues.
Yvette Evans—for a job for Lydia. Also for wisdom for the Supreme Court and their decision on Marriages.
Carolyn Lewis—for the situation in Baltimore.
Bahkari Carter—is leaving for the Army very soon.

Please Pray for these Newest Christians

Ambrose Nmah 03/31/15
K'Mischa Ramirez 02/22/15
Savanna Karmue 02/22/15

George Chandler 01/25/15
Nathan Evans 01/14/15
Joel Ramirez 12/31/14

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Study 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.
Evenings..... 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

En Español domingo

estudio bíblico..... 9:30 a.m.
culto de adoración 10:45 a.m.

miércoles

estudio bíblico..... 7:00 p.m.

Lao

Sunday Worship 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Elders:

Carlos Abello Chris Brinkley
John King Sam King
George Steinert Stanley Winters
Parkway.Elders@sbcglobal.net

Elders' Office Hours by Appointment

Tuesdays 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Deacons:

Mike Conley: Worship
Daryl Evans: Benevolence
Cecil Houston: Youth and Education
Archie Morish: Maintenance
Keith Ward: New Converts

Stanley Winters, Minister
Chris Brinkley, Assoc. Minister
Keith Ward, Assoc. Minister
Carlos Abello, Assoc. Minister

Counseling By Appointment

Call Dr. Harry Washington (Woodland area)
at (916) 628-5473.

Parkway's Missions:

Antonio Granera -- Somoto, Nicaragua
Wilfredo Gutierrez -- Esteli, Nicaragua
Sidar Perez -- Las Brisas, Nicaragua
José Bello - Caracas, Venezuela
Paul Siviengkham, Lao Ministry at Parkway
Bob Brown - Latin American Mission Base
Worldwide Spanish Literature Ministry
City of Children (Ensenada, Mexico)

Contribution from Last Week

English.....\$3667
EFT (On-line Giving).....\$762
Spanish.....\$605
Missions.....\$199
Total for Week.....\$5223
Target for Week\$6922
Average for 2014\$7491

Attendance Last Week:

English 306
Spanish AM 38
Lao..... 4
Total AM Worship..... 348
Sunday PM.....
Wednesday..... 138

Bible CryptoQuote

Here's a quote from the Holy Bible made into a CryptoQuote. Can you solve it? Hint: K = T

RC BQL FDMK KQ TS D CURSMG
QC KOS FQUVG, BQL IDWS
BQLUPSVC DM SMSIB QC HQG

Answer to Last Week's Cryptoquote:

IF ANYONE LOVES ME, HE
WILL KEEP MY WORD, AND MY
FATHER WILL LOVE HIM, AND
WE WILL COME TO HIM AND
MAKE OUR HOME WITH HIM
JOHN 14:23 ESV