

# 2009 Annual Report

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# The State of the Church

## A Reflection of 2009

M. Dean Hammond, Lead Minister

An objective observation reminds us that *anything* living is going through continual change – sometimes rapid, sometimes barely detectable, but ever in change. We must be living! 2009 brought significant change to our church family and staff.

- Our “face” has changed. The PCC assembly of believers has changed in size and in appearance, significantly. We have been blessed with wonderful new individuals and families of all age groups who have become a part of our regular gathering. And sadly, we have lost some wonderful families, and that has caused us to grieve and feel the pain of loss. Our prayer has been that those who have become a part of PCC will grow in the Lord along side of us, and that those who have departed will find growth in Christ as well.
- Our staff has changed. Our beloved **Marilyn Nisius** joined her husband, Tom, in retirement. Marilyn was a fixture in the office for many years, a delight to be around and an outstanding manager of the office. She did a wonderful job serving as the church’s financial secretary as well. We are grateful that she and Tom remain active members at PCC lessening the loss to some degree.

The transition to our new office administrator was seamless and as painless as we could possibly imagine. **Carrie Hawkins** who had served 19 years at Christian Children’s Home of Ohio, and served us as a volunteer office worker at PCC for several years, has stepped into the role vacated by Marilyn and has done a yeoman’s job! She is efficient, conscientious, meticulous and very pleasant to work with, day after day. God is good!

**Adam Granger**, our Youth Minister tendered his resignation in November and concluded his 5-year ministry with PCC the last day of the year. We are grateful for the good he brought to PCC and grateful for the growth we have witnessed in a number of our outstanding youth. Our prayer is that God will continue to lead and bless Adam and his family as they forge the next stage of their lives. In the absence of Adam, the sponsors have picked up the slack and are doing a terrific job of continuing the ministry to our youth. We are blessed to have a fine group of outstanding individuals to move forward in the work. **Tracy** and **LuAnn Holtz**, **Bryan** and **Melissa Hall**, **Kasey Walton**, **Vic Smith**, **Bob Jackson**, **Jon Zeltman** and **Jon Cole** are not missing a beat and doing a wonderful job with the youth.

- With Adam’s departure from Parkview we lost our worship leader and chairperson of the Worship Ministry as well, Adam’s wife **Angie**. We are much appreciative of her amazing vocal talent and the contributions she made to the worship service at Parkview the past couple of years. In her absence, two familiar faces have stepped up to co-chair the Worship Ministry and share in the leading of worship. We are grateful to **Melody Workman** and **Steve Kitchen** and the outstanding praise team they have

assembled. Our worship remains meaningful and inspirational as we continue to gather and lift our hearts and voices to the Lord.

- Other less noticeable and yet absolutely essential changes have taken place as well. Through the change Parkview has risen to the occasion. An elder of the congregation recently expressed, “I don’t know when I have ever seen Parkview more happy, content and unified than she is right now.” God is good.

The one blessing to our lower attendance (that is painful for me to say) is the return to a single worship service; our people have *loved* it! Many have commented that it feels so good to be one church again, and enjoy the company of many with whom they had never sat and stood in worship. I guess there is a silver lining in every disappointment in life if we look for it; in this case we did not have to look very hard. The single service has been received with a great favorable response.

I remind the readers that a healthy follower of Christ – and a healthy church family – is always in transition. Change is inevitable; it is the most reliable constant in the world environment. To be alive, relevant and effective, our attitudes and ministry must be in constant transformation - As the apostle Paul encouraged, “***be transformed by the renewing of your mind.***” (Romans 12:2).

I am pleased to report that Parkview Church of Christ is healthy, strong, and alive through effectual transformation. New faces are an every-week blessing. New classes have filled the gaps – every age group is now being specifically disciplined in weekly study and fellowship. Our young adult “**Roaring Twenties**” (and some beyond their 20’s!) have their own Wednesday evening gathering each week and join the “**Romans 12**” class on Sunday mornings. This is an energized group of mostly younger adults who have been able to spread that energy to other areas of our church family. We are very proud of their fervor, godly passion, and mutual bond.

The senior adult ministry – “**S.A.G.**” – under the leadership of **Judy Christian** has been a great blessing and has grown in its number of participants. An excellent **Woman’s Winter Retreat**, orchestrated by our outstanding **Women’s Ministry** under the leadership of **Becky Hammond** and a great supportive team, brought tears and laughter to all who attended – not to mention the great food served! The Youth **Mission Trip** was a blessing to all involved in service and the families that were helped in northern New Orleans. An outstanding **VBS** program in the summer, and so many other outstanding events and happenings made it a great year in many respects. We have so many reasons to be proud as we see the continued transformation into the *missional* mindset taking form at Parkview.

The Leadership of the church is exemplary! The elders genuinely have the church family at heart, collectively and individually. Their leading is healthy, effectual, and Christ-driven. A healthy Eldership wonderfully supported by a number of servant-minded Deacons/Deaconess/Ministry Chairpersons leading effectual Ministry Teams, provides efficient, smooth-running governance necessary to lead this congregation through the challenges ahead.

I feel very blessed and privileged to work every day with a superb staff, under a competent leadership, and with a marvelous church family. I could not be more pleased with the morale and wonderful working relationship I have with these precious people.

In summary, The State of the Church is this: A healthy condition prevails, in spite of some painful transitions and losses.

- Our family continues to grow in spiritual maturity.
- Our financial health is very good, in fact, exemplary in the midst of a crippling economy.
- Our outreach to the community and church family through our **Benevolence Ministry** under the leadership of **Gale Wilcox** has grown to new never-before-reached dimensions and significance.
- A loving and happy spirit permeates the church family.
- Our leadership (elders, deacons, ministry chairs & staff) is focused and harmonious.
- Our reputation in the community is strong and admired.

The future year looks promising and very exciting!

An outstanding search team has been selected to fill a new staff position called the **Youth and Family Ministry**. They are actively involved in the pursuit and acquisition of the right person to fill this new expanded ministry. Please be in continued prayer as we await the Lord's leading that person to us.

As we face the beginning of a new era with our name change to **Parkview Christian Church**, we are confident that the best years of PCC are ahead of us. We have work to do, and we joyfully look forward to that. Our confidence is centered in the greatness of Christ who leads his church!

I am grateful to God and all of you for allowing me the privilege to work with a church family that has won my love, has accepted my contribution, and with whom I desire to give the rest of my professional life in service. Thank you.

M. Dean Hammond  
Lead Minister

## **Elders Annual Report for 2009**

Dorn Frame, Chairman of the Elders

We have stayed strong as a congregation and held each other up through economic difficulty and the break down in our financial system as a country. As a congregation we met our financial obligations and actually received more than we spent, receiving more than our budget called for. The excellent response to the Dave Ramsey Financial Peace University course, which many stated was of great help to them, resulted in being a great blessing to the church as well.

We have had many people serve in areas of ministry, knowing as they served each other and the community they were also serving God. We, as elders, appreciate the willingness of everyone working together to show others the love of Christ. We have had to work through some times of difficulty: the loss of some families and a drop in attendance. Yet, the decision to go back to one hour of worship has been a blessing, appreciated by virtually everyone. Encouragement has come as well; new families have become a part of our gatherings and we appreciate the spirit in which you have welcomed them.

We have made some changes in the upkeep of the building such as windows, bathrooms, and the security of the building. We also saw some changes in our office staff and leadership team. Transition was smoothly made with Marilyn's retirement, the hiring of Carrie, and Adam's resignation. As we approached the end of the year the congregation strongly affirmed the selection of Jon Zeltman as a new elder and the reaffirmation of Steve Workman to that same position. Additionally, the congregation affirmed the changing of our name from Parkview Church of Christ to Parkview Christian Church. The paperwork has been filed with the state and we are awaiting formal acceptance of that change.

Looking forward, we are delighted to witness the excellent work of our established youth sponsors, other individuals and families who have assumed the role of helping our youth with their walk in Christ following Adam's resignation. Rather than a lull, we are observing growth in our youth programming and a great spirit among the students and workers alike. A competent team has been appointed to begin the search for a new Youth and Family Minister. Please support them in prayer asking God to lead us to His choice of one to serve in this capacity.

As you can see, we have a lot to do, and we need your continued help. We thank you for the contributions you have made in the past and are grateful for your continuance. We ask you to lift up both the eldership and our congregation in prayer.

We are humbled to have been selected to lead this congregation and serve as Elders. We encourage your communication! We want your input and feedback. If you have anything that you would like to share or discuss with us, or if you desire to meet with the Eldership in a confidential way, please contact any Elder. We meet at 5:30 pm the second Tuesday of every month.

May God bless and keep you.

2009 Eldership: Bob Conn, Dorn Frame (chairman), Gale Wilcox (secretary) and Steve Workman

## 2009 Leadership Team

M. Dean Hammond, Lead Minister  
Adam Granger, Youth Minister  
Melanie Wharton, Children's Director  
Marilyn Nisius/Carrie Hawkins, Office Administrator  
Jody Duncan, Secretary  
Cinda Piatt, Custodian

### ELDERSHIP:

Bob Conn (10)  
Dorn Frame (10)  
Gale Wilcox (10)  
Steve Workman (09)

### OFFICERS:

Financial Secretary:	Marilyn Nisius/Carrie Hawkins
Treasurer:	Carrie Hawkins/Deb Rauschenberg
Chairman of Elders:	Dorn Frame
Secretary of Elders:	Gale Wilcox

### MINISTRY CONTACTS:

Adult Education	Dean Hammond
Benevolence	Gale Wilcox
Building & Grounds	Don Boreman
Children's	Mel Wharton
First Impressions	Vic & Angie Smith
Health & Wellness	Deb Miller
Hospitality	Bob Conn
Jail Ministry	Peter Hall
Library	Andy Green
Men	Ron Maxwell
Missions	Miriam Davisson
Prayer	Jim Shie
Sports & Recreation (Pistol Club)	Ben Kaufman
Women's Ministries	Becky Hammond
Worship & Music	Angie Granger
Youth	Adam Granger

## **Benevolence Ministry**

Gale Wilcox, Ministry Leader

Our purpose: In the New Testament, church benevolence became an early and significant involvement of the disciples identifying with Christ. The teachings of Christ make it very clear that the church is to have compassion on the poor and disadvantaged, making provision for their needs. It is the heart of Parkview Church of Christ to be like-minded, seeking to minister to the needs of others in times of distress and difficulty.

Our Benevolence Ministry members include Dean Hammond, Jack Kane, Colette Mosier, Barb Pattin, Gale & Deb Wilcox, Sandy Zeltman and the office staff. We are striving to meet the immediate needs of the hurting and disadvantaged, as well as educating and motivating those assisted to become responsible, effective disciples of Christ.

During 2009, we received many requests for assistance and tried to make the most responsible decisions when considering the requests. Each person who requests help is asked to complete a benevolence request form. Once the form is completed and submitted, the specific need is researched to determine the most appropriate means of helping the applicant. Of the 70 requests for financial help this past year, we were able to help with 50 of the requests (rent, utility bills, gasoline, car repairs, etc.), and assist 185 families from the food pantry. Just over \$7000.00 was dispersed to meet these requests. The 2009 benevolence budget was \$5000 and was supplemented with designated gifts of \$2400 from the congregation. Thank you to those of you who contributed extra money to the Benevolence Ministry.

Colette Mosier and Sandy Zeltman agreed to coordinate the food pantry as a weekly ministry to the community every Thursday from 12-2 p.m. Contributions of \$3300.00 were given in 2009 to keep our food pantry stocked and we have a freezer that is kept stocked with beef. These items have helped us expand our ability to help both members of our congregation and our community. We appreciate your continued support.

We also have a counseling program to assist those individuals who need to establish a budget in order to improve the management of their finances. As the economy tightens, we encourage anyone who would like help setting up a workable budget, to contact us.

We ask for your continued prayers for guidance for our ministry because we are so involved in very personal situations that impact people's lives dramatically. We pray that we can continue to help others and minister to them as God brings them to us.

## **Building & Grounds Ministry**

Don Boreman, Facility Manager

As always the Building and Grounds Ministry had a very busy year. Some of the projects and jobs completed during the year include:

- New air conditioning for the front area of the Sanctuary
- New high efficiency windows in the entire church, window treatments & insulation for windows
- New boiler controls
- Boiler circulator pump repaired
- Repaired 4 zone valves in Room 203, Senior High classroom and 2 upstairs bathrooms
- Removed and replaced all toilets in building to decrease water usage and maintenance repair
- Repaired furnace in Fellowship Hall
- Changed light ballast in office back room and upstairs hallway
- Changed light bulbs in Sanctuary
- Installed new security system
- Cleaned carpets
- Cleaned and inspected 6 furnaces and 4 air conditioners
- Parking lot was sealed and repaired

Looking to 2010, projects being considered include:

- Gutter replacement or repair
- Replacement of furnace and air conditioners
- Upgrade of electrical system
- Replacement of leaky water heater
- Improvements to sound system
- Remodeling of Senior High room
- Installing new set back thermostats
- Replacement of lighting

## **Children's Ministry**

Melanie Wharton, Children's Director

The Children's Ministry continues to be active. I am thankful for the continued support of this ministry. This program is built expressly for God's children. The goal of the ministry is to meet the needs of children in a safe, loving environment so they can learn Biblical truths. Through this the children can grow and realize what their purpose is in God's Kingdom. We are stressing the importance of service to others. Anytime the kids are challenged with a special service project their enthusiasm is evident and inspirational to the adults working with them.

This ministry is dependent on many volunteers who are willing to commit time and energy to this endeavor. I am blessed to have people who understand this and I want to thank them for their service.

In February, the kids made Valentine bags and filled them with candy to hand out at Westview Manor. The people living at Westview really appreciated seeing the kids and talking with them. The kids enjoyed brightening the retirees' evening and giving them their specially decorated bags.

Our annual Easter egg hunt was a success. We hid approximately 800 eggs and let the kids loose to find them. It's always fun to watch them find and open the prize eggs. They enjoy claiming an extra special gift.

We hosted "Muffins with Mom", and "Donuts for Dad", during Mother's Day and Father's Day.

Vacation Bible School was great! Each of the five nights were well attended, and well over 40 staff members helped to run the program. Our theme was "Studio Go, Game Show". Once again, the program emphasized service. Our mission focus was for area therapy dogs. I feel our children did a great job and were extremely enthusiastic about the mission they were supporting that week. Overall, the week was a successful tool in reaching kids for Jesus!

The class for young girls called, "The Princess and the Kiss" was held in the fall and was attended by five girls and their moms. This purity class teaches the facts the girls need to know in order to make a strong stand for Christ when it comes to purity. Moms and daughters attended together and shared in hearing the truths taught. We also had break-out sessions where mother and daughter could share thoughts about this subject and what it means in their lives. What a great blessing this class was this fall for all involved. Our last session was a ceremony that formally solidified the girl's promise to stay pure in her life. This commitment is imperative in today's culture. We need to prepare our girls to stand strong for Jesus! This is a class offered annually to girls in grades 6-8.

We sent nine of our elementary kids to Church Camp at Round Lake Christian Assembly last summer. RLCA continues to be a place where parents can send their children for a week and know they are receiving maximum exposure to Biblical principles. I continue to encourage all our youth to sign up for a camp session and experience a place where Christ is near and friends are dear.

“Promisetown” is the name of our children’s worship hour on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. The program continues to be a great hour of learning and worship for our kids. I am very grateful to my Promisetown volunteers for their hard work and dedication to this service. Through drama, skits, art, songs, etc. the children are taught Biblical principles relevant to Christian living. Thank you to each small group leader for volunteering on a monthly basis to lead the children in their small group time. Small group time teaches how the Biblical principle being taught that day applies to the kids individually, and is vital to how they grow spiritually. Thank you to all teens participating in the large and small group time. I can’t do it without you!

Wednesday evenings are always a lot of fun for youth groups. We sing, pray, play games, study, have crafts, eat snacks and enjoy our time together. We invite you to come and join in the midweek fun.

We had our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual service project called “Ready-Set-Go” again this year. The “Ready-Set-Go” school supplies project got underway in February, and for six months we collected a variety of items for area children in need. Our goal was to collect 200 of each item and we came very close this year to meeting that goal. We loaded up a pickup truck and delivered it to People-to-People. We also had Parkview volunteers go and help with the distribution process. These people helped the children who came in to select new clothes, new backpacks and all their school supplies.

We had fun at our Fall Festival where the kids could dress up in their favorite costumes and get lots of candy! We had our annual donut eating contest and much more!

This year was a little different for the Christmas program. Instead of a live program we filmed our kids performing a skit and a poem. We were trying to “find” Christ in Christmas. The children did a good job and had fun filming.

I am looking forward to a wonderfully productive year in 2010. Thank you for the opportunity to serve.

In Christ,  
Melanie

Parkview Church of Christ  
2009 Income and Expenses

Income	Actual	Annual Budget	\$ Over/Under Budget To Date
Offering Income	\$393,111.60	\$380,467.00	\$12,644.60
Misc. Income	\$3,348.15		
<b>Total Income:</b>	<b>\$396,459.75</b>		
<b>Expenses:</b>			
Adult Education Ministry	\$2,625.99	\$2,500.00	(\$125.99)
Benevolence Ministry	\$5,229.59	\$5,000.00	(\$229.59)
Building & Grounds Ministry	\$9,438.11	\$7,500.00	(\$1,938.11)
Children's Ministry	\$4,577.39	\$6,825.00	\$2,247.61
First Impressions Ministry	\$985.25	\$1,825.00	\$839.75
Hospitality Ministry	\$2,745.90	\$2,800.00	\$54.10
Jail Ministry	\$0.00	\$710.00	\$710.00
Library Ministry	\$299.66	\$400.00	\$100.34
Men's Ministry	\$307.10	\$1,300.00	\$992.90
Missions Ministry	\$41,660.00	\$41,660.00	\$0.00
Non-Budgeted Expenses	\$479.17	\$1,000.00	\$520.83
Office Expenses	\$15,878.49	\$16,000.00	\$121.51
Operations Expense	\$43,002.11	\$41,050.00	(\$1,952.11)
Outreach Ministry	\$742.75	\$2,250.00	\$1,507.25
Personnel Expense	\$230,223.50	\$229,522.00	(\$701.50)
S.A.G.	\$0.00	\$150.00	\$150.00
Small Groups Ministry	\$15.50	\$250.00	\$234.50
Special Recognitions/Tributes	\$737.98	\$1,400.00	\$662.02
Sports & Recreation Ministry	\$700.00	\$700.00	\$0.00
Technology	\$2,767.38	\$3,000.00	\$232.62
Women's Ministry	\$2,142.73	\$3,075.00	\$932.27
Worship & Music Ministry	\$5,374.41	\$5,800.00	\$425.59
Youth Ministry	\$5,340.25	\$5,750.00	\$409.75
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>\$375,273.26</b>	<b>\$380,467.00</b>	<b>\$5,193.74</b>
<b>Total pd. toward window loan</b>	<b>\$14,258.86</b>		
<b>Net Income/Loss</b>	<b>\$6,927.63</b>		
<b>Designated Funds:</b>	<b>Balance 1/1/09</b>	<b>Balance 12/31/09</b>	
Library	\$509.31	\$256.15	
Music	\$0.00	\$95.00	
Wed. dinner	\$1,445.05	\$873.31	
Health Insurance	\$796.99	\$2,044.00	
Benevolence	\$1,621.16	(\$15.00)	
Food Pantry	\$631.00	\$1,116.00	
Youth	\$2,281.53	\$0.00	
Children's Sunday School	\$163.80	\$200.19	
Windows	\$1,785.00	\$40.00	
Weinman Fund (Money Market)	\$2,228.75	\$2,240.15	
Timothy Fund (Money Market)	\$411.27	\$2,321.06	
Church Development Fund	\$13,000.00	\$13,000.00	
Fair Finance	\$7,000.00	\$7,000.00	
NCB line of credit	\$90,035.82	\$72,236.68	

## 2010 Budget

Adult Education Ministry	\$2,500
Benevolence Ministry	\$5,000
Building & Grounds Ministry	\$7,500
Children's Ministry	\$6,825
First Impressions Ministry	\$1,825
Hospitality Ministry	\$2,800
Jail Ministry	\$700
Library Ministry	\$400
Men's Ministry	\$1,300
Missions Ministry	\$41,660
Publicity & Outreach Ministry	\$2,000
Seniors Activity Group (SAG)	\$150
Small Groups Ministry	\$250
Sports & Recreation Ministry	\$700
Women's Ministry	\$3,075
Worship & Music Ministry	\$5,800
Youth Ministry	\$5,750
Operations:	
Waste	\$1,500
Water	\$3,000
Electric	\$9,000
Gas	\$19,600
Phone	\$5,200
Property Insurance	\$4,800
Interest Expense	\$500
Professional Services	\$1,500
Office	\$16,000
Special Recognitions/Tributes	\$1,400
Technology	\$3,000
Payroll	\$168,673
Employer Payroll Tax Expense (SS & Medicare)	\$4,900
Pension	\$1,500
Health/Dental/Life	\$46,000
Workers Comp.	\$1,585
Convention/Ed., Lead Minister	\$2,500
Convention/Ed., Youth Minister	\$2,500
Convention/Ed., Children's Director	\$1,500
Convention/Ed., Staff	\$500
Minister's Fund	\$1,500
Mileage, Lead Minister	\$5,500
Misc. Expense	\$1,000
<b>Total General Fund</b>	<b>\$391,393</b>

## **First Impressions Ministry**

Vic & Angie Smith, Ministry Leaders

The Wayne County Fair booth was a big hit for the 5<sup>th</sup> consecutive year. PCC volunteers handed out nearly 8,000 popsicles and put a lot of smiles on a lot of faces! Many thanks to everyone who helped by volunteering your time at the booth, freezing popsicles & getting them to the fair, or any other help you provided. What a blessing. We are still looking for a team to head up this portion of our ministry in September. If you are interested, please call Angie or Vic at (330) 264-7196.

The gift basket program for first-time visitors is running smoothly. Angie does a great job keeping a ready supply of baskets for our visitors. If you are interested in taking over this role or helping out at *The Connection*, let us know.

We can ALWAYS use greeter help at the back door on Sunday mornings. This is a month-long commitment to greet at either 8:45 or 9:45, but once people try it, they realize it's actually fun!! ☺ There is a clipboard on the table in the upstairs hall across from the nursery. If you would like to volunteer, please sign up. For everyone who has helped greet in the past...THANK YOU!

Take care and God Bless,  
Vic and Angie

## **Health & Wellness Ministry**

Deb Miller, Ministry Leader

Blood pressures are monitored the first Sunday every month at 8:45 AM in room 206. An average of 8 BP's are monitored monthly. First Aid kits in both the kitchen and office are maintained with supplies. The Automated External Defibrillator is maintained for emergency use and is located at The Connection. Health and wellness information can be found on the bulletin board near the back entrance. Thanks to Donna Edington, Gail Stair, and Stairsteps to Wellness for their help in 2009.

## **Hospitality Ministry**

Bob Conn, Ministry Leader

In 2009, the Hospitality Ministry coordinated committees for the following events:

- February** Teacher Appreciation Dinner, served approximately 30 people.
- March** Easter Sunrise Breakfast, served approximately 210 people.
- June** Strawberry Social, served approximately 140 people.
- July** 4<sup>th</sup> of July Outreach Picnic, served hot dogs, hamburgers, pop and chips to people who parked in our parking lot and walked to the fireworks. We served approximately 300 people.
- August** Annual Corn Roast, served approximately 100 people.  
Annual Church Picnic Potluck supper served approximately 125 people.
- November** Annual Thanksgiving Dinner, served approximately 200.

Leadership Breakfasts, 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month.

Six funeral dinners prepared and served by two couples rotating every two months and assisted by Bob & Charlotte Conn.

Wednesday night dinners are prepared by individuals or groups of people who agree to prepare 2 or 3 meals per year. It was a great year. We have been serving between 75 and 110 meals each Wednesday. You and your family are invited to dinner and fellowship for only a \$3 donation per adult and \$2 per child. If you haven't gotten involved, please consider joining us for this time of great fellowship.

The Wednesday night meal money designated \$1000 towards the cost of a security system for the church building, \$700.00 for new Lifetime tables, and \$410.00 for paper supplies and utensils used for the dinner in 2009. My goal for the money raised in 2010 will be to purchase Lifetime chairs. Both the tables and chairs have a lifetime guarantee. The new chairs will be purchased as money is available from the dinners.

With God's blessings and the help of our church family, our ministry has been a success. This ministry takes a tremendous number of volunteers. I would like to thank all of you for your past service and to all who have agreed to serve in this ministry in 2010. Thank you.

Serving Him,  
Bob Conn

## **Jail Ministry**

Peter Hall, Ministry Leader

The Parkview Jail Ministry Team consists of Jim Zeiter, Pete Hall, Deb Miller, along with other individuals that help out on occasion.

During the 2009 calendar year we were scheduled to hold a worship service at the Wayne County Jail from 9:00am to 10:30am on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. The Jail service consists of but is not limited to singing hymns, special music, prayer, a message from God's word and of course an invitation. 2009 has been an unusual year for us. We have not been able to hold a service for the past 4 months for various reasons, mainly because of overcrowding at the Jail. When there are more inmates than can be housed in the regular cell blocks, they move the overflow into the gymnasium where we hold the jail service.

For the first 8 months of 2009 the attendance ranged between 35 to 40 inmates each Sunday. Jail rules limit inmate attendance to 40.

Hopefully we will be able to get back on track this year. If there is anyone who would like to be part of the jail ministry please feel free to contact me.

Pete Hall  
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## Men's Ministry

Ron Maxwell, Ministry Leader

**M.A.D. Men** (Men **M**aking **A** Difference) exists at Parkview Church of Christ to bring men, both members and non-members of the church, into a relationship with God. We will be servants of God by being shining examples of His love through outreach within the church and outside of our walls in our community. Through outreach and fellowship with men who love Jesus Christ, and with those who do not know Jesus, we will strive to make a difference in God's world.

Last year was the first full year for the **M.A.D. Men**. As you can imagine, starting something new can be a huge endeavor. We began 2009 laying the foundation for our ministry. As we continue to build **M.A.D. Men**, weekly meetings are held at the church on Wednesday nights after the family dinner at 6:30pm.

### ***Activities that took place in 2009 include the following:***

- \* Valentine's Day Carnations for Parkview's Women
- \* Men's Mushroom Hunt
- \* Family Canoe Trip
- \* **Men's PCC Night** (Pizza, Chips & Cards Night)
- \* **M.A.D. Men** preparing/serving 2 dinners at Zion Lutheran's "DZ @ 6" (Outreach dinner to serve people in our community)
- \* Consistent Wednesday night meetings for prayer, Christian fellowship, planning and brainstorming.

### ***Activities planned for 2010 include the following:***

- \* Consistent Wednesday night meetings that include prayer, devotions, Christian fellowship and planning for **M.A.D. Men** events.
- \* Quarterly "**Men's PCC Night**" (Pizza, Chips & Cards Night)
- \* 4 committed "DZ@6" dinners (Prepare/serve dinner at Zion Lutheran Church).
- \* Christian men life studies
- \* Many other activities/events based on our "Three S's" idea of focus: Spiritual, Service and Social

We invite ALL men to come to a meeting and see what the **M.A.D. Men** are up to. This year, with God's guidance, will be our breakout year!

If you're a man looking for Christian guy friends, Christian fellowship with men and Christian outreach with men - M.A.D. Men exists for you. If you're a guy looking to spend time in God's word with other men - M.A.D. Men exists for you. If you're a guy who gets lost sometimes - M.A.D. Men exists for you. And finally, if you're a guy who wants to grow in your love for Jesus Christ, and grow closer to God - M.A.D. Men exists for YOU! Won't you join us?

Thank you and God Bless!  
Ron Maxwell, Servant Leader  
330.601.1433

## **Missions Ministry**

### **Miriam Davisson, Ministry Leader**

Missions Team: Miriam Davisson, *Chair*; Carmen Bowman, Pete Hall,  
Ron Maxwell, Deb Rauschenberg, Gale Wilcox, Jon Zeltman

*"How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of the messenger bringing good news,  
breaking the news that all's well, proclaiming good times, announcing salvation, telling  
Zion, "Your God reigns!" - Isaiah 52:7*

The goals of the mission team are to continue to support missions that seek to reach the people of a wanting world, to present the Word of God, and to challenge a relationship with Him.

Our mission budget took a new direction for 2009 by establishing a partial Living Link for Stephen Wongratanamajcha and his ministry in Thailand and China with *Asians for Christ*. This has been an exciting outreach as Stephen has worked hard to evangelize and baptize new believers. Sending Bibles to the people of China by truck, motorcycle and donkey have been a courageous endeavor, and his tireless teaching to establish training centers for Christian leadership has been phenomenal. We liken Stephen's missions to that of Paul on his faith journeys in the beginning.

By taking on a living link, we eliminated some of our previously supported missions to facilitate that direction. We also added Stephen Fierbaugh with Pioneer Bible Translators to our mission support. Special mission support during the year went to buy goats in Haiti (Haitian Christian Outreach), mission support for David and Teresa Fittro (CMF International), and to Christian Children's Home of Ohio.

Featured speakers this year were Ron Maxwell who shared about Compassion and its ministry to personally support children throughout the world. Steve Fierbaugh also shared about his "behind the scenes" ministry of technical support for Pioneer Bible Translators administration and missionaries.

Mission allocations for 2010 remain almost the same as in 2009 but with added support for Bill and Chariece Fierbaugh with Pioneer Bible Translators.

Remember to check out the mission boards in the entrance hallway for updates and newsletters from Steve Wongratanamajcha and many other ministries we support.

Your mission giving has touched many lives and hearts in our local community and in countries around the world.

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*PCC ... Reaching the World*

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Pioneer Bible Translators (Steven Fierbaugh)	\$1,200	\$100
Round Lake Christian Assembly	\$5,040	\$420
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<b>ONE TIME GIFTS</b>		
Habitat For Humanity	\$600	
People to People	\$600	
American Rehabilitation Ministries (ARM)	\$600	
Kingdom Ambassadors -- Christian College of Manila	\$600	
Northeast Ohio Association of Helpers (NOAH)	\$600	
Reserve for PCC Youth Mission Trips (\$100 each)	\$1,000	
Transport for Christ (Truckers)	\$600	
Wayne United Chaplain Ministries	\$600	
Cincinnati Christian University	\$600	
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## **S.A.G.**

Judy Christian, Ministry Leader

Keep your eyes on our bulletin for announcements of upcoming activities, concerts, dinners and trips for our Senior Adult Group, affectionately called "S.A.G." Contact Judy if you have any suggestions for a fun activity for the group.

## **Sports & Recreation Ministry**

**- CROSSHAIRS PISTOL CLUB -**

Ben Kaufman, Program Director

Our CrossHairs Pistol Club has served as an outreach ministry for our Church and community serving over 100 people of all ages over the last three years. It teaches safety, sportsmanship, and responsibility and has been a blessing for fellowship in the community. The reason for our success has been a great program, great staff of instructors and range officers, and great people who came out to shoot and have fun. The fun starts the first Tuesday in June and ends the last Tuesday in August. Come join us for a great program in 2010.

In Christian Love,  
Ben Kaufman (330) 669-3002

## **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

Becky Hammond, Ministry Leader

Women's Ministry continues to evolve and explore new opportunities for the women in our church and community. The leadership team is always evaluating Bible study materials, support ministries, programming and special events that will benefit women. As women find a sense of foundation and security in Christ, the goal of our ministry is to provide interaction with other women, and occasions to use our giftedness in service in our community, the church and abroad.

### **Activities in 2009:**

Weekly Morning Prayer Group – Each Monday morning at 9:00 AM, a women's prayer group assembles at the home of Wanda Tracy.

Weekly Bible Studies – This Fall we changed our format a bit and six different groups met in homes and at the church for small group Bible studies. Teachers included: Amy Cline, Jody Duncan, Kandy Frame, Angie Granger, Angie Smith, Terry White and Sandy Zeltman.

ETC with TLC – Led by Melody Workman. This cooking group set up a series of cooking demonstrations with new recipes, tips, and hospitality ideas.

Hearts and Stamps – Led by Pennie Burns and Becky Hammond. A stamping group that met every other month to make cards, and also took their crafting to Every Woman's House, Smithville Western, CCHO Moms.

Lit 'n' Latte' – Led by Susan Mendenhall. A book club that meets periodically to discuss a book that a group of women are reading together for discussion. This group also schedules trips to larger bookstores and libraries in our area that any woman can attend. These outings are advertised in the church bulletin and also posted on the website.

PCC Quilters, ETC – Led by Sally Kitchen and Marilyn Nisius. Although quilting is the specialty, a variety of handcrafts (crocheting, knitting, stamping, and scrapbooking) are welcome in the group that meets at the church each month. This ministry also sponsors two exceptional retreats each year that are attended by women from across the state.

### **2009 Events sponsored by Women's Ministry**

February 28 - Winter's Elegance Tea

This was an opportunity for women young and old to come and enjoy a tea and brunch, featuring a string quartet, drama, a time of gracious fellowship, and honoring the women who have joined the fellowship at PCC the past year.

March 6-7 - Spring Quilting Retreat

This UFO (Unfinished Objects) weekend provided uninterrupted time for finishing projects, fun and fellowship with our group at PCC.

May 15-16 - Round Lake Women's Retreat

Round Lake Christian Assembly sponsors an annual overnight retreat for women where workshops, studies and speakers offer encouragement and spiritual insight.

July 17-18 – Women of Faith, our trip organized by Jen Hatfield

A Conference held at Quicken Loans Arena featuring nationally known speakers. This conference draws thousands of women in the area to a weekend of refreshment, laughter and spiritual encouragement.

October 24 – “Livin’ The Sweet Life!” Fall Fling Retreat

This one-day setting provided a day of workshops, testimonies, inspiration and fun!  
Guest Speaker: Jan Markowitz, WCRF Radio Host

November 6-7 – Fall Quilting Retreat at Round Lake Christian Assembly

December 2 – Soup-er Service, directed by Jen Hatfield

Several women made soup and cookies and delivered them on Wednesday evening to area shut-ins and friends.

December 17 – Christmas Mystery Trip, treated to tour of a historic home, fellowship, incredible food, carols on the accordion, crafts and even Santa!

Mission Outreach: On November 10-13, six women went on a mission trip to Charlotte, NC to pack boxes for Samaritan's Purse, an organization that sends boxes to needy children all over the world for Christmas.

### **Projects and events for 2010**

Weekly Prayer Group – locations listed in weekly bulletin

Weekly Women's Bible Studies – please check website for days, times and locations

Hearts and Stamps – Bi-monthly meetings posted on the website with locations and times.

PCC Quilters, ETC – Spring Retreat, April 30-May 1 at PCC. Fall Retreat Nov. 5-7 at RLCA, Lakeville, OH. Please see all monthly meeting dates on website, [www.pccwooster.org](http://www.pccwooster.org).

March 28 – Women's Progressive Dinner

Summer Event – "Rodeo Divas!" A western-style girls night out, with everything from BBQ, square dancing, hayrides, to best western get-up contest. Location and date to be announced.

October 9 – Fall Fling – A day of Retreat for all Women. Don't Miss this! Guest Speaker, Julie Gariss.

Daybreak – A ministry to single moms. This program would coincide with Wednesday night programming for single moms of any age.

Mission Trip Opportunities – We continue to pray and pursue short term mission trip opportunities for women. We will make every effort to post and announce these as soon as possible.

## **Worship Ministry**

Steve Kitchen/Melody Workman, Ministry Leaders

As a team, we have recently taken over the responsibility for the Morning Worship Ministry; so our report will look forward to the ministry before us. We thank you for the opportunity to lead this ministry and for putting your trust in us. In January we shared this scripture at one of our practices, and we think it is a fitting theme for our ministry going forward. Praise and worship was a very important part of King David's life and in Psalm 40:3 he writes:

“He has given me a new song to sing, a hymn of praise to our God.  
Many will see what he has done and be amazed.  
They will put their trust in the Lord.”

This Psalm certainly says what praise and worship should be about. It is our goal to have our praise and worship for our services fulfill the goal above: that believers will feel the Spirit of the Lord and will truly worship him, and that those who don't know him will be brought into his presence and saving grace.

## **Youth Ministry**

Adam Granger, Youth Minister

The year started off with Owlfest, the annual overnighter where kids come enjoy a night of games, devotions and fun. Each year it has grown in number of participants. In our Wednesday night study, we talked about dating, relationships, what the world says about sex and what God says about sex. In February, we travelled to Mansfield with a group of about 30 students to go snow tubing. It was freezing but we had a lot of fun. In March, Adam led the junior high retreat at Round Lake, where the kids learned about God's "Crazy Love" for them. Brad Hammond spoke and Jon Cole lead worship with the help of some of Parkview's own musicians. In Sunday school we looked at the life of Paul accompanied by videos of the places he went on his journeys. One of the topics included in the study was godly friendships.

Summer is a busy time with church camp, service projects, and the mission trip. Graduation Sunday kicked off the summer. We had several graduates from both college and high school. It is always good to see the students ready to embark on a new journey in life. In Sunday School we began with the Truth Project and then moved to "Demolishing Strongholds" - a series created by The Answers in Genesis ministry to help the students be able to discern truth and to engage in discussion about what they believe. Then came senior high week at RLCA, Adam was involved with teaching and leading a group. We had a great group of students from Parkview attend that week. As camp ended those of us going on the mission trip made breakfast for the Honda Gold Wing group, which was a great fundraiser and community relations event. They liked us so much they want to come back this year.

Wednesday nights were a little different through the summer. We met at various locations away from the church. We had a hot dog roast at Prairie Lane Lake, "Giant night" where we played giant kick ball, giant ultimate Frisbee, giant horse shoes and blew giant bubbles, and game night at the Hall's. We did some service projects where we helped at VBS, did some staining for Habitat for Humanity and helped a church family move. We had over 30 kids go to Cedar Point and it was a fun time of fellowship and getting to know each other.

As happens every year we try to take a group of students some place different than Wayne County. They almost all have experience serving close to home but to go some place and experience a different culture and environment, is a huge part of the experience. This year we went back to St. Bernard Parish near New Orleans, the hardest hit area during Hurricane Katrina. It was amazing to see the devastation that is still there and the progress that is being made as well as how much of that progress is being done by groups like the one from Parkview in the name of Jesus. Much of the parish's infrastructure is still missing but many churches have stepped in and filled some of those roles. We were able to help in the rebuilding process for people who had lost businesses, fallen victim to the bad Chinese drywall, were not physically able to do the labor, and those who could not afford the repairs. The people appreciate what is done and the sacrifices made. More than one student described it as a life changing event.

As school got back into session, on Wednesday nights, we began an in-depth study of the Sermon on the Mount in Matthew chapters 5 & 6. As we finished the "Demolishing Strongholds" series in Sunday School, we moved on to a series about choices. We talked about the choices the students will have to make in their lives, making sure they include God in them and the consequences of not including God in their choices. In October we had a paintball event followed by a hot dog roast at the Holtz's. The highlight of that evening was a presentation by Bobby Warren. He did his mentalist performance and again left us amazed and wondering how he did it. That was followed by a discussion of how people try to make it look like they have powers but Christ is the source of all real power.

At the end of October, Adam announced that he was resigning his position as youth minister. While this was a difficult decision, he was fully confident in the youth ministry at Parkview and the leaders who were in place. In November we had our annual rake and run where we raked the yards of 5 people in one afternoon. The students have really learned how to have a servant's heart and to help others.

We finished the year with our annual Christmas party. We had about 20 kids show up to eat pizza and decorate cookies. Then on Sunday we passed out the cookies we decorated to thank the congregation for their support though out the year. 2009 was an exciting year of growth and change. We have students leading prayer groups at their high schools, and we had several service projects in the Wooster area and beyond. Four students took their relationship with Christ to the next level and were baptized. Our students are bringing their friends to help them learn more about Christ and reach out to them. Because our youth leaders love Jesus and love our students the ministry to youth at PCC will continue to grow and change lives.