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# PNC NEWSLETTER

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**G**reetings from the Editor of the Pilgrim Nazarene Newsletter. This Conference year is off to a great start, and exciting things are taking place! We want to hear what the Lord is helping to accomplish with your labors in the vineyard. Below is information that has been forwarded for this Newsletter issue. This is to be a monthly Newsletter, so each church needs to assign a reporter and let us hear from you! Please send News information to [pilgrim.nazarene.news@gmail.com](mailto:pilgrim.nazarene.news@gmail.com). Thank you! ~ Larry Pettit

## NEWS FROM THE CHURCHES

### **Mt. Pleasant PNC – David Taylor, pastor**

This summer, the outside of the Mt. Pleasant PNC underwent a transformation, which included a steeple, windows, and siding. Bro. and Sis. Ross, Myron and Betty Brown, Bro. Scott Turner, Jeff Dodd, Cyril McKay, and Elliott McKay, all traveled to Mt. Pleasant to help with various aspects of the window and siding projects. Bro. and Sis. David Taylor continue to be such a blessing with their pastoral care, encouragement, and leadership.



### **Durant PNC – Stephen Snodgrass, pastor**

Hello from Durant, Oklahoma, where we are experiencing the blessings of the Lord! God has been so good to us and is continuing to honor us with His Presence in our services. Over the past few months we have had several visitors in our services. We were privilege to have Bro. Clayton Skiles and Bro. Ryan Green, from Hobe Sound Bible College, come and minister to us in the month of July. They both brought solid truths and encouraged our people. Our new converts are walking in the light and their testimonies ring

with a clear experience! God has been faithful and there have been victories around our altar this past month. We are looking forward to the arrival of our new assistant pastor, Bro. Clayton Skiles on September 1st. To God be the glory, great things He has done! We are looking up and reaching out in Durant, Oklahoma! May the Lord bless each of you.

### **Sherman PNC – Stephen Snodgrass, pastor**

Greetings from Sherman, Texas! I can report that we are still alive, and God is moving in our midst! The past few months have been a blur of activities and special events. The most important thing is God's Presence has been moving in our services, and our people are drawing closer to Him. It is so good to go to a church where everyone seems excited to get there and hesitant to leave. God has been so good to us!

In **April**, we witnessed Amanda Langstaff become Amanda Gardner, and she became a part of our church family. We wish Jered and Amanda a long and prosperous life together. This couple has already been a huge blessing to our church. We also were privileged to host Hobe Sound Bible College chapel choir on a Wednesday evening. We enjoyed their ministry!

The month of **May** was full of activity. We were privileged to host the first ever Texas State IHC with Bro. James Plank and the Marc Sankeys as our workers. It was such a refreshing time! Eight churches participated in the convention, and all went back to their field of labor encouraged and blessed. The next week, Aaron Griggs graduated with honors from Hobe Sound Bible College with a BA in Christian Ministries. We are proud of him and the wonderful work that he is doing in Mexico. On the 14th, Kara Elizabeth Moore was born to Max and Amber Moore. She was welcomed by her siblings, McKaylyn and Levi.

The week after that, Tara Snodgrass graduated from Liberty Christian Academy and is presently attending Hobe Sound Bible College. On Memorial Day, we took the church to the community park, and we are still reaping the blessings of contacts that were made that day! Also, in the month of May, we paid the last payment on the loan on our new parsonage and we are now...DEBT-FREE!

In **June**, Trent Dodd married Renee Beveridge. We welcome Renee to our church family. It was in June that we were challenged by our pastor to be more active in our community and he gave us tools to help us reach others. Because of these efforts we have seen many new faces in our services and many of our "visitors" are now "regulars!" (To date from May 1<sup>st</sup>, we have had 27 new people from our community!)

**July** was filled with excitement. We started it out with another church picnic in the park, which resulted in more contacts that ended up coming to our VBS. On the 6th, Brent and Tiffany Gardner welcomed little Hollie Grace into their family. Hollie weighed only 11lb 12ozs. Proud big brothers, Tommy and Travis are excited for the day when their sister can come home from the hospital in Dallas. (*Update*: Today, she weighed 4lbs 2ozs and her lungs are growing very slowly...please keep praying for Hollie and her mom and dad!) The next day, we had two Bible school students come to serve their internship under Pastor Snodgrass. It was good to have Ryan Green and Clayton Skiles with us for a month. They were a blessing and helped in so many ways. It was also good to have Emily Pearce (Clayton's girlfriend...*update*: *fiancé*!) come and spend a couple of weeks. Vacation Bible School was a success again this year. Our staff worked so hard and our youth learned about the

"full armor of God!) We had twelve new community youth join us this year in addition to those who have come in the past! This month also brought tears as the Gardner family said earthly goodbyes to their mom and grandmother, Jeanine Gardner. She will be greatly missed.

Well, **August** is here and so is the Texas heat. Twenty-three from our church family were able to go to PNC Camp in Dickson, TN, where our souls were fed, and we came home encouraged. We thank Bro. Chuck Dodd and Bro. Fred Griggs for filling in for our pastor as he travels and for "holding down the fort!" We are looking forward to great things in the future and desire to be found faithful until He returns!

#### **Westlake PNC – Rev. Ken Adamson, pastor**

We at Westlake are enjoying the presence of the Lord. The messages we received at camp were timely and stirring. We are looking forward to the IHC being here September 27 and 28 and praying for a mighty move of GOD. Everyone is welcome to come and join us for a holiness feast.

#### **From the Editor:**

Pastors, please ask or appoint a local Newsletter Reporter for your church. You may want to report church activities, revivals, events, etc. Pictures are welcome for publication. Let's keep our churches connected and informed on what is being done for God's kingdom in your local church by way of the Newsletter. Material for the Newsletter needs to be submitted to Larry Pettit, Editor at [pilgrim.nazarene.news@gmail.com](mailto:pilgrim.nazarene.news@gmail.com) by the last Monday of each month. The Newsletter is scheduled to go out electronically to the pastors the first week of each month.

## **PNC MISSIONS**

*Greetings from Sherman, Texas!*

There are so many exciting things happening right now in the PNC Missions department! At our recent general conference, the Missions committee met and discussed many different ways that we can be more effective, and we are excited to implement their recommendations. We are so thankful for God's help to our missions partners in India and one of our own, Sis. Shirley Fogleman, who serves in Papua New Guinea. Below you can read the most recent communication that I have had with each of them.

In the month of August, an anonymous donor gave toward our work in India. With this donation, Bro. Johnpaul was able to retire the old but trusty vehicle that was purchased years ago. It has served the ministry well, but it was time to be replaced. With this donation, Bro. Johnpaul purchased a 2012 Mahindra XUV 500 with low miles. We are thankful for the thoughtful donor and for God's provision for this much needed purchase.



A trip is being planned for November 28th - December 14th, to India and Papua New Guinea. The visit to India is routine; and we have been invited to speak at the graduation ceremony at the Bible College where Sis. Shirley Fogleman serves. I will be accompanied by Bro. Mike Covington and Bro. Chuck Dodd. Please remember us in your prayer as we make arrangements and begin the process of acquiring visas. May God bless you as continue to support missions with your prayers and finances.

- Stephen Snodgrass

## ~India~

*May I greet your good self in our Lord's ever sufficient grace.*

Here is the brief report of the support:

**Pastors \$1,800.00:** Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup> September-2016 at 11.00AM Pastoral get together was held in our church. Pastoral support was distributed as the excitement in them was measureless. May the Lord be richly praised for your great involvement for their present situation very productive. They praised and prayed for your good selves.

**Widows \$300.00:** Widows meeting was held at 4.00PM on Saturday. Respectively support was distributed, their happiness could not be measured. In such a way they praised the Lord Almighty and prayed for you all. Your good selves' great involvement made them to support their livelihood.

**Orphans \$ 900.00:** This support was able to meet the needs of the orphans of this month. By your loving support to them for their maintenance such as rice bags, cooking gas, cooking oil, eggs, milk, medicines, chicken, vegetables, fruits, provisions, electricity bill and other miscellaneous expenses were met through.

**Pinapati travel expense \$300.00:** May the Lord Almighty be richly praised for it helped me to visit the churches and strengthen the pastors and believers as well. It helped me to meet the cost of fuel so also met the salary of the driver.

**Lepers \$100.00:** \$100 was distributed to the lepers, their joy has no bounds after receiving the support.

Time and again we are thankful and grateful for all of your good selves love and cooperation towards His work over here.

*Bro. Johnpaul.*

## ~Papua New Guinea~

*Dear Pilgrim Nazarene Friends,*

With joy I greet you this beautiful PNG day. The sun is shining and the temp is about 75 degrees. While I'm waiting for the electricity and water to come back on; I'll jot you a few lines.

First of all, I want to thank you for the love offering you sent of \$40.00. You don't know what a blessing you are to me. The offering says you care and that you are praying.

These are exciting days as God is moving and answering prayer. Last week a man came to the pastor's house late at night asking for prayer. He said that for some time he has felt convicted and needing prayer but not sure where to go. He found the gate unlocked (very unusual as the mission gate is always locked at sundown, but someone forgot) and walked in. After prayer he said he felt such joy,

and he promised God he'd give up the habits of sin ... chewing betel nut and drinking. The rest of the story is that he is neighbor to one of our Christian families, and he could hear them having family devotions. Their singing and praying pierced his heart with conviction. This shows that Christ in our lives gives a light to a darkened world. Praise the Lord!

I have been enjoying a visit with Jesse Moke. In the early 80's his daddy was our station pastor at Walapape village where we lived. I remember the day he was born. He came to USA 12 years ago to attend God's Bible School. He graduated, married and lives in Indianapolis. His plan has always been to return to PNG as a missionary. This is his first time back thanks to friends who purchased a ticket. Now, he hopes to return home and finalize plans so he can return to PNG with his family and work permanently here as a missionary. Please pray for Jesse and Jennifer that all will go according to God's plan. We sure could use them here.

In three months we will have our second graduation from our Bible School. This time there are six graduates. There are empty pulpits waiting for these laborers.

God bless you dear people as you, too, labor wherever God places you.

*Sincerely,  
Shirley Fogleman*

## August 2016 Financial Report

Church	%s	India Total	Camp	Foreign Missions	General Funds	Shirley Fogleman	PNC Herald	Totals
DeRidder	\$ 186.00	\$ 138.83	\$ 25.00					\$ 349.83
Duncan	\$ 272.47	\$ 243.00	\$ 160.00		\$ 50.00	\$ 25.00		\$ 750.47
Durant	\$ 423.38	\$ 180.00						\$ 603.38
Houston			\$ 400.00					\$ 400.00
Indianapolis	\$ 348.02	\$ 75.00			\$ 249.27	\$ 58.00		\$ 730.29
Jasper	\$ 302.00	\$ 194.03						\$ 496.03
Millersburg		\$ 50.00	\$ 300.00		\$ 150.00			\$ 500.00
Mt. Pleasant	\$ 300.00	\$ 110.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 50.00	\$ 45.00			\$ 555.00
Muncie							\$ 200.00	\$ 200.00
Pell City		\$ 55.00	\$ 5.00	\$ 5.00				\$ 65.00
Sherman	\$ 719.00	\$ 783.02	\$ 180.00	\$ 40.00	\$ 120.00			\$ 1,842.02
Westlake	\$ 590.00	\$ 245.00	\$ 55.00	\$ 125.00	\$ 40.00			\$ 1,055.00
Whitehouse	\$ 417.41	\$ 211.02	\$ 50.00	\$ 150.00	\$ 40.00			\$ 868.43
Winchester	\$ 376.00		\$ 500.00					\$ 876.00
<b>Totals</b>	<b>\$ 3,934.28</b>	<b>\$ 2,284.90</b>	<b>\$ 1,725.00</b>	<b>\$ 370.00</b>	<b>\$ 694.27</b>	<b>\$ 83.00</b>	<b>\$ 200.00</b>	<b>\$ 9,291.45</b>

*Church treasurers:* Please send your percentages and other offerings to:

**Bro. Mike Covington**  
655 West Cherokee Rd.  
Duncan, OK 73533.

**PASTORS:**

- Please encourage your people to fulfill the commitments that they made at conference.
- Please pass this newsletter to your people and submit news for next month!

**PLEDGE REMINDERS!!!!****General Funds**

- Monthly pledges

**India Pastors' Support**

- Monthly pledges of \$55

**India Orphans Sponsorship Pledge**

- Monthly pledges of \$20

**Camp Pledges**

- Please remember to pay these!

## [PNC Herald Update](#)

Dear Pastors and people,

Camp and Conference for 2016 is now history. I am so glad and thankful to be a part of that History. I believe it was Leonard Ravenhill who said, "With all thy getting, get unction." Truly, Rev. Donald Myers had the unction of the Holy Spirit for each message that was preached. The ministry of the Holy Spirit was evidenced and there was truth to be gleaned if your heart was hungry and your ears were ready to hear. Revelation 3:13 says, "He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches."

Rev. Steve Snodgrass was re-elected as General Superintendent of the Pilgrim Nazarene Church. Rev. Mike Covington was elected as General Treasurer. James Dunegan was elected as General Secretary. These elders were elected to the General Board: Tony Ross, Dennis Cable, Scott Turner, and David Taylor. These laymen were also elected to the General Board: Dave Boardman, Todd Gardner, Mark Russell, and Jim Stafford.

It was an action of the General Conference to continue the *Pilgrim Nazarene Herald* as a four issue periodical for the conference year with no subscription cost. Pledges were taken to cover the cost of printing and mailing for the next conference year. Thank you for your pledges; please make these payments to your local church, marked *PNC Herald*.

Below is a contribution schedule for the *Herald: Pastors and Reporters*, contributions and material submitted for publication needs to be submitted to the editor, Larry Pettit. [pilgrim.nazarene.news@gmail.com](mailto:pilgrim.nazarene.news@gmail.com)

- by the end of November for the December issue
- by the end of February for the March issue
- by the end of May for the June issue.
- by the end of August for the September issue.

## **THANK YOU!!**

**I would like** to say thank you to all the lovely ladies that contributed to the gift you gave me at conference this year! My heart is so warmed by your generosity and love! May God bless you richly! I sincerely love you all! ~ *Connie Snodgrass*

**Our family was** so touched by the kindness you showed to us at conference. We were so humbled by the very gracious love offering you gave. We pray that God will grant you His favor in return as you labor in His kingdom! Thank you from the bottom of our hearts! ~ *The Snodgrass Family*