# GOOD TIDINGS ... behold, I bring you good tidings of

... behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy. - Luke 2:10

#### **TEEN VBS 2012**

One of the most fun annual events at PBC is Teen VBS (Vacation Bible School). It was held this year over three evenings, from June 30th-July 2nd. There was no cost to participate.

The focus was "The Hero Initiative: Discovering the Hero in You." It was thought-up and designed by Carolyn Holmes and some college-age friends, and inspired by recent hero-themed movies such as The Avengers.

A full dinner and dessert was provided to the teens by different volunteers from PBC. A giant water slide was built on the hill behind the church, and live music was performed each night.

Carolyn Holmes helped to organize Teen VBS. "It keeps me aware of what's happening with youth, and active in the world," she says. Carolyn points out that an important aspect of Teen VBS is the interaction between adult volunteers and the kids that attend. "We encourage youth and adult partnerships. We don't want them segregated."

"It was a good experience. There was a lot of laughter. No one was ever bored," said Rachelle Hanson. "And the water slide was amazing."

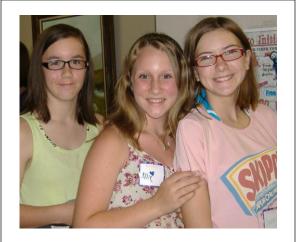
To find out more about this or other Youth Group activities, check out Pioneer Bible Youth United on Facebook.

# "YOU NAME IT, WE'VE PRAYED FOR IT!"

Prayer is something we can all use a little more of in our lives. Sunday Morning Prayer Time is the perfect opportunity to meet with an intimate group of other members of the church family and pray.

Sunday Morning Prayer Time is open to anyone who would like to be at the church from 7:30 - 8:00 am, before first service.

Pastor Rob Langford explains, "We are pretty prompt about starting and stopping on time. We meet in the Fellowship Hall in a few chairs in a circle. Some sit, some kneel. We have a very brief conversation time at 7:30, and just start praying about everything: our families, sick people in the congregation, missionaries, the pastors, the teachers, our ministries, programs that are coming in the future; you name it, we have prayed for it."



TAYLOR TURNBOO, ALLY STAFFORD, & BAILEY BERSCHENS ENJOY TEEN VBS

## SANDIE HANSON'S FAVORITE SCONES

2 cups flour

1 tsp baking soda

1 tsp cream of tartar

1/3 cup sugar

1 stick butter cut into 1/8" cubes

½ cup buttermilk or sour milk

1/4-1/2 cup cranberries

1/4 - 1/2 cup white chocolate chips

Preheat oven to 375. Mix flour, baking soda, cream of tartar and sugar. Cut half the butter mixture in to the mixture until the size of peas. Add the rest of the butter until chunks are coated with flour but still chunky, then add milk, cranberries & chocolate. Knead into a ball, pat to  $\frac{1}{2}$ " thick and cut with floured cookie cutter. Place on baking sheet and bake for 11-15 minutes, until just golden.

#### WORDS OF WISDOM:

"SYMPATHY IS NO SUBSTITUTE FOR ACTION." -DAVID LIVINGSTONE, MISSIONARY TO AFRICA

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#### MEET THE CONGREGATION

July is a great time to introduce Ryan Koban to anyone at PBC who hasn't already had the opportunity to meet this month's featured member of our church family, because Ryan is one of our summer missionaries.

Where were you born?

I was born at Folsom Mercy Hospital in June of 1995.

What are you doing in regards to school?

I just finished my junior year at Smith Flat Charter School, while taking the lead role in a play. I became school treasurer, and was named Prom Prince and Best Dressed for Prom.

What hobbies do you have?

I enjoy watching movies, hanging out with friends, playing basketball and water polo with my brother Andrew, and long walks on the beach.

How long have you been attending PBC?

Since I was 5!

What is your plan for the summer?

My plans are being a summer missionary at Forward Bible Camp, while growing a massive beard... and to do whatever God calls me to do.

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY, USA!



Taken by Jennifer Dobner in Jackson on July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2012.



### HOMEGROUPS UPDATE

This month's home-groups update features one of the larger meetings, led by Jay & Laurie Miser.

This group meets every two weeks, at the homes of different group members. It is attended by the Langfords, the Silvas, the Rootnesses, the Sadlers, the Manns, the Whittingtons, the Rineharts, Marj Tolles and Rae Belisle.

The discussion topic is: building a loving relationship with your adult children.

When asked what they'd like the congregation to know about home-groups, Jay and Laurie say: "It seems everybody is enjoying the group experience, and that we'd highly recommend joining a group if they haven't already."

Anyone with any questions may contact the Misers at jlmiser@hughes.net .



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