# **NEWS & NOTES**

#### Sympathy

Our sympathy is with **Amie Cruce** after the passing of her father, Sam Griffin. Services were held yesterday at Waldo Funeral Home.

#### Thank You

Thank you for the many prayers, cards, texts and phone calls after my recent heart surgery. All of you have been so attentive. I am really looking forward to a complete recovery. In Him, **Ralph Stone** 

#### Let's Get Acquainted

Today immediately after worship we will have a luncheon for new members and guests. This is a great opportunity for you to get to know our ministers, elders and their wives.

## **Youth Ministry**

- **January 22nd:** Connect will meet from 5:30-7:30pm in the Gym! Dinner is provided.
- **Sweetheart Banquet February 12th:** Students and Parents we need your help! There will be a signup sent out this week for volunteers!
- February 12th: Super Bowl Party! More Details to come!

#### **Grief Share**

Grief Share is a recovery and support group for those grieving the loss of a family member or friend. This is a **13 week program** that will take place on Saturdays beginning on **Saturday, February 11** from **10-12 noon** in Room D. The program will be lead by **Anthony Bryant.** The cost is \$20 to cover the workbook and video curriculum. Register on the app or at pacoc.net/grief

### Sweetheart Banquet

Mark your calendars for the sweetheart banquet scheduled **Sunday, Feb. 12.** Anyone over 60 is invited to stay after church that Sunday for a meal served by our youth group.

#### **Prayer List**—Steve Black, Ralph Stone

**Ongoing Needs**—Chris Reinsch, Shawn Landrum, Larry Long, Corky & Linda Armstrong, Sandra Aynes, Bobby & Peggy Slaughter, Kaile Williams (Norris), Jim Scroggins, Roy Galyon, Patrick Mullins, Vicki Ard, Joyce Henshaw

**Homebound**—JD Huffman, Dewey & Joyce Martin

**Expectant Mothers**—Alissa Cope, Lauren Claborn, Whitney Allison, Melanie Truxal

**Missions**—Hammer & Dela Afakule (Togo), Mario "Pepe" Torre (Monterrey, Mexico), Jimenez family (Cartagena, Colombia), Cristian & Ana Corrales (Bucaramanga, Colombia), Gonzalez family (Bogata, Colombia), Paraiso, Monterrey

**Friends of Park Avenue**—Rebekah Taylor (great niece of the Russell's), Becky Sanchez (wife of Gil Sanchez, Director of orphanage in Mexico), Greg Oliver (father of Karee Earnhart), Ray & Marsha Jones (former members), Robert Lawrence (coworker of David Pryor)

 $\textit{Please notify the church office at office@parkavenuechurch.com for updates} \; .$ 



#### Celebration of Marriage

On **Sunday February 12** we will have a special service where we will recognize couples who are celebrating special anniversaries this year. If your wedding year ends in '3' or '8' we would like to honor you for your commitment during this service. If you choose to participate, please submit two photographs to us (one from the time of your wedding and one recent) no later than February 6. You can drop those off at the office or email us at office@parkaveneuchurch.com.

## 2022 Giving Statements

Giving Statements for 2022 have now been mailed out. Statements reflect individual payments of \$250 or more and also includes payments of any amount made through the Tithely Giving system. You can access your giving at any time through your individual personal Tithely Giving account. If you have any questions please contact the church office.

#### **Ladies Retreat**

Mark your calendars for our annual ladies retreat that will be held at the Prothro Center from **April 21-23**. Registration will begin on February 19.



Join us this Wednesday for our PAWS meal at 5:15PM. We will be having a **Nepali Style Meal**, The meal will be prepared by **Cina Catteau** and her team.

After our meal we meet in our Discipleship Communities. Talk to Lantz about what communities are available. Classes for our children are also available for kids of all ages.

| For The Record—January 15, 2023  |          |
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| Worship  | 489      |
| Offering Goal  | \$19,464 |
| Received   | \$19,832 |
| You can give online at pacoc.net/give<br>Thanks for your ongoing financial support |          |



# The Messenger

January 22, 2023, Number 4

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## Todd's Take

Good morning and welcome to our worship service. What a blessing to be able to gather together in the name of Christ with our brothers and sisters. A special welcome to our guests.

Guests and new members are invited to out Let's Get Acquainted luncheon immediately after services in the Family Life Center. Hope you can make it.

As you've heard over the past several weeks, 2023 brings us to the three year cycle of elder selection. As we have done in the past, we are asking PACOC members to submit names to the current eldership of men you consider qualified to serve this church as elders. This morning and next Sunday I will be talking more about the significance of this important role in the church. The nomination period will begin today. You can submit your nominations via the app or website. Or, if you prefer, we have hard copies of the form at the welcome centers that you can complete and place in the offering boxes. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask any one of our elders. See the schedule below.

Our 2023 budget has been set and is available online. If you would like a paper copy please contact the church office. Thank you to everyone

Sunday Schedule
Adult Bible Class

9AM Room D **Worship** 10:00 AM

Children Dismissed to Bible Classes at

10:45-11:30AM 0 - 3 Year Olds—Nursery Area Pre K-6th Grade—Family Life Center

Youth Group Activities 5:30-7:30PM Discipleship Making Communities (DMC's)

Meet at various times and locations. Contact Lantz Howard for more information.

Scan the QR code below for links to the communication card, news, and giving.



for your generous support that enables the church to do the many good things being done in the name of the Lord. We are also blessed with so many volunteers using their gifts to serve in the various ministries of the church. If you are looking for a place to serve feel free to let one of the ministers know. May God continue to empower us through his Spirit to be the body of Christ we have been called to be. There is much work to be done!

Last week we had an incredible testimony from Paul Waggoner and Kirk Pendergrass. If you missed it go to our website or YouTube channel to watch or listen to it. What a beautiful example of two brothers in Christ bearing each other's burdens and building a faithful friendship that has blessed both of them in so many ways.

If you are not already following us on our social platforms I urge you to do so. So much content is shared through the church app, our Facebook pages, and YouTube channel. If you have any questions contact the church office.

I'm hoping all of you are in the word daily and devoting yourself to prayer. It's always a good time to start a reading plan. Check out the YouVersion Bible app for reading plans.

Glad you're here!

# 2023 Elder Selection Schedule

JAN 22 - FEB 5 NOMINATION PERIOD

JAN 22 & JAN 29 SERMONS ON ELDERSHIP

FEB 19 NOMINEES PRESENTED TO CONGREGATION

MAR 5 REAFFIRMATION

#### **SHEPHERDS**

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