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CONNECT, ABIDE, & EXTEND

FALL BIBLE STUDIES & CLASSES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 11-16

Register now for the fall semester! Join us as we abide in Christ and connect with other men and women through the study of God's Word. Pick up a Fall Guide in the Grand Hall or download it using the QR code below.

- New Member Class
- Men's & Women's Weekly Bible Studies
- Focus Men, Women, & Couple's Bible Study
- UNION Pre-marriage Class
- reengage Marriage Enrichment Class
- Middle & High School Small Groups
- Children & Youth Choirs
- DivorceCare

pcpc.org/events



FERVENT: A NIGHT OF WORSHIP & PRAYER

AUGUST 30 | 7:00 – 9:00 P.M. | PCPC CHAPEL

Join PCPC Women as we gather together to fervently pray for our church, city, and world and seek to ignite a movement of prayer among our church family.

pcpc.org/women

CARE & COUNSELING GROUPS

The mission of Care and Counseling is to provide deeply meaningful support to all who are hurting, broken, and/or grieving by being the hands and feet of Jesus to them and by pointing them to the great healer and comforter Himself. We have groups for men and women. Find out more at pcpc.org/care/.

PCPC KIDS PREGAME

SEPTEMBER 10 | 4:00 – 6:00 P.M. | PCPC KIDS AREA

Join PCPC Kids as they preview a new year of programming with a kick-off celebration packed with music, fun, and food (pizza for everyone) on Saturday, September 10, from 4:00-6:00 p.m. at PCPC! Contact kids@pcpc.org for more info.

ALL-CHURCH PRAYER

SEPTEMBER 11 | 4:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

We long to be a church that abides in Christ through prayer with and for each other. Whether you have a prayer of praise, request, emotional, relational, or spiritual need, come to be prayed with by one of our elders or pastors.

DSO ON THE GO

SEPTEMBER 25 | 7:00 P.M. | SANCTUARY

Providing a more personal setting than its traditional full orchestra concerts, DSO on the Go features Dallas Symphony Orchestra musicians performing in smaller ensembles. This concert offers a variety of music which will appeal to all. pcpcconcerts.org

MIDDLE SCHOOL FALL RETREAT

SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 2 | SKY RANCH

Our annual Fall Retreat will be held at Sky Ranch Camp in Van, Texas, from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon. This year, we will emphasize John 10:10 and the abundant life found in Christ. After each session, students will have time to discuss this further with their cabins. Sky Ranch offers ropes courses, zip line, hatchet throwing, a pool with water slides, and horseback riding!

pcpc.org/youth/middle-school



A GREAT STORY: FROM VISITOR TO PILLAR

Several years ago, the Lord led a couple to Dallas via a career move and placed them in a neighborhood close to Park Cities Presbyterian Church. Eventually, the husband, Thom, decided he would drop in the church on a Sunday morning to visit. During the worship service, there was a time when you greeted your neighbor. It just so happened that Thom was sitting a row behind a member named Bill Bogart. Bill invited Thom to join him at the Tuesday Morning Men's Bible Study and sit with him at his table. Thom accepted the invitation and joined Bill two days later.

That was the beginning of a great journey. Thom and Bill hit it off, and Thom became a very integral part of Bill's table. One morning Bill said to me, the support person for table leaders at the study, that he thought Thom would be a great table leader and that I should get to know him. Thom and I met, and Thom very openly shared his life story with me. Thom clearly had an incredible heart for the Lord and for His people. We developed a deeply meaningful friendship and became a support to each other.

At one point, Thom said he would like to learn more about the doctrine of the Presbyterian church. I connected Thom with one of PCPC's elders, Tim Jeffress, who has an incredible ability to clearly and concisely explain the



THOM MARYON
Care Ministries

"reformed faith." Thom and Tim hit it off, and Thom loved sitting and learning at the feet of Tim. That ultimately led Thom and his wife, Pam, to join the church.

As our friendship grew, so did Thom's involvement in ministry to men and the Care Ministries at the church. Thom eventually took on leadership of the Men's Care Groups, where there was a specific emphasis on sexual brokenness. This all came about at the same time that Thom took early retirement, which allowed him to invest a significant amount of time in walking alongside men. There is no telling how many lives Thom has touched while at the same time helping to lay a foundation in the church where it is okay to acknowledge brokenness. The ripple effects of that will go far and wide.

Recently Thom taught the young adult class at the church. You could quite easily hear Tim Jeffress's influence on Thom's teaching. You could hear a very caring and compassionate heart. You could hear a man who calls out sin but quickly points to a Savior. You could hear a man who was clearly an instrument in the Redeemer's hand.

There is no way that we can thank the Lord enough for His redemptive work in the lives of His children like Thom!

- Pat Hobin, Director of Care & Counseling



JACQUELINE & PHILIP
Marriage Ministries

As first time reengage participants, we didn't really know what to expect. We had no specific reason or difficult marital issue that led us to sign up, but we had heard positive reviews from a few couples who had participated and knew it would be a beneficial way to spend Wednesday evenings. What we discovered during our time in reengage is that every marriage can be grown and blessed.

For us, the biggest benefit to participating was learning useful methods and a vocabulary to improve our communication. Using these tools, we are now able to articulate our own needs, desires, and struggles while better understanding and responding to those of our spouse. A few of our other favorite parts of reengage were developing new relationships with our leaders and the couples in our group, deepening relationships with couples from our small group who also participated, and hearing the testimony of the Lord's faithfulness in marriages of couples within the PCPC body. Each week we walked away encouraged and inspired by the authenticity and wisdom displayed by the couples who courageously shared how the Lord has worked in their lives and transformed their marriages. Through reengage, you not only gain practical tools for marriage, but also develop relationships with wise, godly couples within the church who are eager to use their stories to encourage others.

A RE|ENGAGE STORY: ENCOURAGED & INSPIRED

No matter how easy or hard you would describe your marriage, we encourage every married couple to consider participating in reengage. You may be surprised by what you learn and how the Lord might shape you in the process!

- Jacqueline & Philip Carson

reengage is a marriage enrichment program. Marriages in any condition can benefit, whether you are struggling to get along, your marriage is broken, or you simply want to grow closer together as a couple. reengage examines God's design for marriage and applies principles from the Bible to guide couples towards growth in their relationship with each other.

UNION is a 9-week course for seriously dating, engaged, and newly married couples. We will cover topics such as the Biblical meaning of marriage, expectations, communication, in-laws, Biblical roles of husband and wife, money and stewardship, conflict management, forgiveness, and intimacy.

Small Groups – Newly Married couples are encouraged to join a small group community to study and discuss biblical marriage and the tools you need to be successful in your relationship. These groups are typically 5-6 couples and are facilitated by a seasoned married couple.



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MARRIAGE MINISTRY

The PCPC Marriage Ministry seeks to build vibrant marriages that are sustained and nourished through Christ and His Word. We offer opportunities to prepare nearly-weds, establish newlyweds and enrich and restore all marriages through spiritual encouragement, Biblical instruction, testimony and community. pcpc.org/marriage.