

Mayola Carlson — April 23, 2011, mother of Steven, Ronald, Janice Mason, and Sandra Williamson, brother of Raymond Carlson and Jean Gatzke.

Jerry Stafford — April 23, 2011, husband of Sandy, father of Mark, Cynthia Sandlund, step-father of Nathan Sheen and Elizabeth Hayes, brother of Donna Stocksiek.

Marie Johnson — April 24, 2011, mother of Tony Johnson and Gayla Gilhooly.

Donald Thornton — April 24, 2011, husband of Mardell, father of Mardona Shay and Donald.

MISSIONARY HIGHLIGHT



Mel and Amy Ellenwood Josiah Venture – Czech Republic

Mel is the Executive Vice President of Josiah Venture. He works alongside leaders in eleven eastern European countries to shepherd, train, and give direction as this movement takes on momentum. Mel and Amy lead the team who serves the Josiah Venture family by providing access to care, support and resources. They also teach and minister to families in Czech Republic and other neighboring countries. Amy teaches English in the local high school.

Prayer Requests:

- Pray that God would guide as they encourage and support their staff.
- Pray for their daughter Hannah as she starts college in the states this Fall.
- Pray for those who have been touched by the presentations by their son Noah when he participated in the Czech version of “American Idol”.

Notes To:

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STEWARDSHIP FINANCIAL UPDATE

Church Ministries

(10% is given to Missions)

| | <u>Goal</u> | <u>Received</u> |
|----------------|-------------|-----------------|
| April 24, 2011 | \$75,000 | \$50,440 |
| 10/1/10 thru | | |
| 4/24/11 | \$1,881,000 | \$1,596,867 |

| <u>Missions</u> | <u>Annual Goal</u> | <u>Recv'd as of 4/24/11</u> |
|------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| 10% from Church Ministries | \$312,338 | \$159,687 |
| Addtl. offerings to Missions | <u>156,300</u> | <u>96,725</u> |
| Totals | \$468,638 | \$256,412 |

Future Grace

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|----------------------------|--------------|
| Pledges needed | \$12,500,000 |
| Pledges made | \$11,437,502 |
| Donations received to date | \$10,716,386 |

GRACE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Presbyterian Church in America

8607 N. State Route 91, Peoria, IL 61615-9506

www.gracepres.org
(309) 693-3641

After hours **EMERGENCY** phone: (866) 228-6525

Sunday morning phone: (309) 589-6446

Sunday morning services: 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages: 9:45 a.m.

Welcome to Grace

Love God • Love Others • Make Disciples

May 1, 2011

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

a tour of the department, contact LeAnne Klopfenstein @ 263-3561 or lklopfenstein@gracepres.org.



Larissa Smith

A Well Versed Kid!

Larissa Smith, daughter of Jeff and Lori Smith, has memorized and recited all the 3rd grade verses. Let's praise the Lord for His work in Larissa's life.

YOUTH MINISTRIES

Jr. & Sr. High — Our Wednesday night ministries *The Way* (Jr. High) and *Crossed Out* (Sr. High) meet from 6:30 - 8 p.m. Contact John Vanne at ext. 421 or jvanne@gracepres.org.

Senior Procession — Graduating seniors meet in the Atrium at 10:30 a.m. Sunday, May 15 for the procession in the 11 a.m. service. Remember to bring your cap and gown and don't forget your camera for pictures with friends.

Senior Banquet — A special night of celebration for graduating seniors and their families. Join us Tuesday, May 24 in the Sr. High room at 6:30 p.m. for a catered dinner by Bernardi's. Final sign-up is Monday, May 16. For reservations call Barb Mahannah at ext. 433 or bmahannah@gracepres.org.

Summer Camp is June 13 - 18, and will be here before you know it. Make sure you grab a brochure for yourself and one for a friend and register today! Brochures are available at any Youth Ministries activity, the church office, or you may download from the website. Final sign-up is June 1.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

Life Groups — Join us tonight in the Atrium by the Café at 6 p.m. and we'll help you connect with a group of your own.

Volleyball — We only have a few more weeks of volleyball before we change

things up a bit for the summer. So, come play with us Thursday at 7 p.m. in our gym.

ADULT MINISTRIES

Fiesta Time at Girls Night Out — Ladies of all ages are invited to Fiesta Friday, May 6 from 7 - 11 p.m. in Assembly Room 116. Bring a friend, a game, a hobby, or all three! There may be a Zumba option for fun.

MUSIC MINISTRIES

Children's Musical — Join us tonight in the Sanctuary at 6 p.m. The Grace Kidz Choir will present "*Here We Are*" and the Junior Choir will present "*American Ideal*." Refreshments and fellowship in the Gym immediately follows. Both choirs break now for the summer and will resume in early September. If you are interested in having your child in a choir, contact the music department at ext. 434 for details.

2010 Grace Family Christmas "Love Came Down" DVDs and CDs are now available for sale. DVDs \$12 and CDs \$8. Call Pennie Crowley at ext. 434 or pcrowley@gracepres.org to secure your copies or you may purchase them in the Library on Sunday mornings.

CARING MINISTRIES

Nurse Appreciation — We want to acknowledge the special nurses who are serving the Lord and our church family as Congregational Care Nurses. They are: Jan Perkins, Linda Shults, and Lauren Tuttle.

IN REMEMBRANCE

Rosa Lee Maher — April 18, 2011, husband of Tom, mother of Deanna Kaufman, Tom and Lynne.

— UPCOMING EVENTS —

May 1

Children's Choirs Spring Musical
6 p.m.

May 5

National Day of Prayer
Peoria County Courthouse — Noon

May 6

Girls Night Out
7 - 11 p.m.

Dad / Lad Dinner
6:30 - 8 p.m.

May 7

Bill Ropp Memorial Golf Scramble
7:15 a.m.

May 11

Jr. & Sr. High
Mt. Hawley Castle Golf & Bowling
6 - 8 p.m.

May 13 - 15

Boys and Men Campout

May 14 - 15

Pioneer Girls Campout

May 15

High School Senior Processional
11 a.m.

June 13 - 18

Jr. / Sr. High Summer Camp

June 20 - 24

Vacation Bible School

— MIDWEEK GRACE —

Wednesday - 5:15 p.m.

Adult \$5.00, Child \$3.00 (10 & under)
or \$20.00 maximum per family.

This week's menu:

Hamburgers with Toppings
and Baked Beans

For more information go to
www.gracepres.org.

Midweek Grace continues Wednesdays with a meal at 5:15 p.m. and classes and programs for all ages at 6:30 p.m. The semester will conclude on May 11.

The 60th Annual National Day of Prayer will be Thursday, May 5 at noon at the Peoria County Courthouse. Join the millions who will unite in prayer at thousands of events across our country. This year's theme is "A Mighty Fortress is Our God" based on Psalm 91:2.

19th Annual Bill Ropp Memorial Golf Scramble is Saturday, May 7 at Quail Meadows Golf Course. Come and have fun supporting the Body of Christ through this wonderful opportunity to encourage a student to pursue a higher education. Sign up today at the Service Desk or download a brochure from our website.

CHILDREN AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

Dad/Lad Dinner — This event is for ALL lads! Bring your dad, uncle, grandpa, or a friend Friday, May 6 from 6:30 - 8p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Please RSVP to Brian Mann dwzkd@yahoo.com or 251-9541 by May 4. Though we request RSVP, feel free to join us Friday night if your plans change!

It's time for the Spring Campout! Boys 1st - 12th grade and their dad (or uncle or grandpa) come camp with us May 13 - 15. Transportation, tents and food will be provided, as well as the great outdoors and lots of fun.

Note: You do not need to be in Boys Brigade to attend. Contact Brian Mann at 251-9541 or dwzkd@yahoo.com.

Pioneer Girls Weekend Campout is May 14 - 15. Girls are to arrive at Camp Good News at 8:30 a.m. Saturday and should be picked up by noon Sunday. Sign-up forms are available at club or the Service Desk. Turn in registrations by Wednesday, May 11.

Have you considered serving in Children's Ministries but can't commit to a month-long position? The Toddler Nursery has openings during the 8:30 and 11 a.m. hours. The commitment is just one hour, one Sunday a month. If you have questions or would like