



# The Glades Gazette

May 2016

## From the Pastor's Porch:

Kristin and I have been reflecting recently on this past year of our lives. We seem to always do that each April, and this April, it has meant a lot more to us than it used to.

It's hard to believe, but a year has already passed since we arrived here at Glades! What a blessed year it has been! Coming here was a whirlwind. My last Sunday in South Carolina was Palm Sunday 2015, and my first Sunday at Glades was the next week on Easter. All of my friends and mentors encouraged me to take more time between the calls to reflect and transition. As you called me here and asked me to start Easter, I knew it was God saying, "GO... and hurry." Sometimes God calls us to wait, and sometimes God calls us to hurry. I heard God say, "Hurry, Easter Sunday it is!" I'm so glad that Easter 2016 was my second Easter service at Glades.

Genesis 12:2b "I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing."

This is my/our experience at Glades. You have been such a blessing to myself and to Kristin. It has been a fantastic year. Glades has blessed us through the very quick transition to move here. Glades has helped us transition and DECOMPRESS from living in SC and transition to being at Glades and in Florida. It was hard to leave our friends in South Carolina (as well as Kristin leaving a job and colleagues she loved), but the Church has blessed us much more than we could have imagined.

God has overwhelmed us with His showered blessings personally here at Glades, and we hope that you yourself have been blessed by being a part of Glades Presbyterian Church as well.

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Pastor's Porch continues...

Glades has been a blessing to us as a church family; let's now become a blessing to others.

What do I mean by this? How are we a blessing to others? The first things that probably come to your mind are: Boca Helping Hands, Easter Egg Hunt, Live Nativity, Guatemala, MY HOPE with Billy Graham, Financial Peace University, 2 cents a meal, Family Promise, Operation Christmas Child, and Small Groups ... which we do an awesome job serving in these areas!

As we are continuing our study of Joshua and living in the "Glory Days" or "Promised Land" right now, I'm willing to bet that we all know people who aren't living in the "Promise Land" right now. How great would it be to share some of our Joy that we have from the Hope of Jesus Christ with those people who might not have any hope, or who might be looking for the Promised Land in their lives? We have found that Promised Land in our relationship with Christ through the cross and at our Church...why not share that with others?

By sharing our love for Christ and for each other with others, we can continue to grow in serving others in our community and also worldwide!

God chose us, His chosen and redeemed people, to be a blessing to others. Each of you have been a blessing to Kristin and me. THANK YOU! Let's, as a church, be a blessing to the world, starting with those around us!

*Pastor Carter*

**Here's what is coming up in our  
Study in Joshua:**

May 1st — Glory Days Week 5 "Don't Trust Stuff" Joshua 7	May 22nd - Glory Days Week 7 "Pray Audacious Prayers" Joshua 9-10
May 8th — Glory Days Week 6 Mothers Day "No Failure is Fatal" Joshua 8	May 29 - Glory Days Week 8 "God Fights for You" Joshua 23 Sunday School Celebration

*We all know prayer can go a long way. Have you been praying for Glades? Our church leadership? Our congregants?*



If you haven't already, start following The Robinsons' Blog!  
<http://robinsonscostalcallings.blogspot.com>.

*Notes from Peggy:*  
*Love to make a joyful noise*  
*unto the Lord? If so, come*  
*join the choir!!!! We meet*  
*every Wednesday night at*  
*7:30 p.m. and then again*  
*Sunday morning at 10:00*  
*a.m. We want YOU!*



If we fail to sing in church, we are missing out on a major Component of worship. In a blog post titled, “**Why You Need to Sing Loudly in Church**,” composer Keith Getty writes that singing in church is on the decline (you may have heard of Getty, or at least know of his work. He wrote “In Christ Alone” with his wife, Kristyn). Christians come to church, pray in church and listen in church. And when it comes time to sing, some of us stand there awkwardly, mouthing the words, or busy ourselves getting a tissue out of our purse. What is up with that?

Getty gives three main reasons why we need to stop this nonsense, and sing to our God.

**1. We are commanded to sing.**

It is right there in the Bible. According to Getty, scripture commands us to sing over 250 times. “It’s not a choice. It’s not dependent on ‘feeling like it,’ he writes. Here it is in [Psalm 100:1-2 \(KJV\)](#): “Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands. Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing.” I suddenly feel very guilty. Refusing to sing in church is openly defying scripture. If that doesn’t motivate you to start singing praises, I do not know what will.

**2. Singing together completes our joy and expresses our solidarity.**

Getty compares singing in church to watching March Madness. Duke just beat Wisconsin in the final game of the NCAA. If Duke is your team, the win itself wasn’t enough. You wanted to share that excitement with family and friends (hopefully, without gloating). In the same way, singing in church completes our experience of worship. Getty says, “Singing together reminds us — not just intellectually, but experientially — that we are not slaves to the rugged individualism promoted by society. We’re actually responsible to one another.”

**3. Singing affects us emotionally and bears testimony to our faith.**

According to Getty, “We are what we sing.” Music affects us on a deeply emotional level, whether we are aware of it or not. Getty writes that in his grandfather’s final days, he did not remember his grandson’s name and could not accomplish ordinary tasks, but could still recite the line of the hymns that he studied every week for years. “When we are intentional about singing and the songs we sing, we build up a testimony that will travel with us through life,” Getty says. Singing praises is also a way of giving our testimony. Do we want to look like an “excited believer” or a “disinterested spectator” to those who see us in church? Remember, not everyone in church is a Christian. There are visitors and there are those who attend but do not truly believe. Your singing can inspire those around you to turn to the One for whom you sing praises. Getty said, “Ultimately, those who may feel they are on the outside looking in will, from the deepest part of themselves, respond to authentic and passionate singing to discover the truth held in the God songs we sing.”

**And that, brothers and sisters, is truly a reason to sing.**





# The Spring Tea



The Ladies Spring Tea was steeped with fun and fellowship! Twenty-seven women ranging in age from 4 to 80+ gathered together to enjoy delicious food and get to know one another better. We found out that Kimberly has had the worst job ever, Beverly has lived just about everywhere you can imagine, and Krupa has a heart for children around the world. Gretchen, accompanied by Beverly on the piano, sang an amazing song that had heads bobbing and feet tapping. Brenda, also accompanied by Beverly, read a beautiful poem about how God made women. Thanks to everyone who helped and all those who came!



*For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."*

*Matthew 18:20*



# Picnic in the Park



Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

1 Thessalonians 5:11



But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.

1 John 1:7





# Small Groups

## Tuesday Women's Group

There are two more sessions for the Study based on the movie "War Room". We have not decided what we are doing next but would welcome anyone who would like to join us! We meet on Tuesday mornings at 10:00. For more information, call Ellen Armstrong at (561) 212-1767.

## Sunday Evenings

Walk in the Word at 6pm on May 8th and May 22nd

Mike Hoglund is facilitating.

## Our Glades Young Women

We will be wrapping up our Chase study this month, which we are thoroughly enjoying thus far. We continue to learn how and why to chase the Lord instead of what the world throws at us. Throughout the Summer, we hope to get together a couple times for fellowship. We'll kick off another study in the Fall. Stay tuned for what God has up His sleeve for us in the upcoming months.

Contact Kristin at [krobgldes@gmail.com](mailto:krobgldes@gmail.com) with any questions.

## MEN'S GROUP

DATE/TIME AND LOCATIONS ARE:

MAY 12TH AT 7PM AT TIJUANA FLATS  
MAY 26TH AT 7PM AT ROTELLI'S

## The Men's Ministry of Glades

The Men's Ministry of Glades will be coming together for a summer study! We are hoping new men will come join us as we expand our men's small group and outreach ministry. Following the Darryl Strawberry breakfast, we join for "The 33", an eight week study that explores the basic foundations of Authentic Manhood and God's clear design for men. We will be combined for the video but then break out into small groups afterwards. Mike, Paul, and Brian are leading small groups. Please put it on your calendar and join us on Mondays at 7PM.

Kicks off with a Tailgate Cookout at the Church on May 16th at 7PM

<b>Week 1</b> May 23rd	<b>Week 2</b> June 6th	<b>Week 3</b> June 20th	<b>Week 4</b> July 11th
<b>Week 5</b> July 25th	<b>Week 6</b> August 8th	<b>Week 7</b> August 22nd	<b>Week 8</b> August 29th



Vacation Bible School  
Summer 2016

**CAVE QUEST**

FOLLOWING JESUS  
THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

SAVE THE DATE!  
JUNE 20-24, 2016  
AGES 4-11

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*Glades Kiddos,  
Have you  
marked your  
calendars???*

*Start  
inviting your  
friends!*

### **2¢ a Meal**

*Take a small bank and put it on the table where you eat. Say a prayer and put 2¢ a person in the bank. These donations will grow and when filled, bring it to church and put it in the 2¢ bank. At the end of the year, these donations will be sent to several organizations who help others less fortunate.*



**Graduation Sunday**  
June 5th



Weekly Youth  
Group



## **Start praying for the Youth Mission Trip Team**



**Start praying for our youth mission trip team. Those going are:  
Ryan Armstrong, Andrea and Matthew Claxton, Wyatt Cooper, &  
Katie and Lawrence Ghougasian.**

**Our enthusiastic leaders are: Chad and Janet Cooper, Paul Ghougasian,  
Pastor Carter and Kristin.**

# Birthdays and Anniversaries:

I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.  
Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. Psalm 139:14

## Birthdays

- 1- Terry Crout
- 8- Lauren Romeo
- 11- Kristin Robinson
- 13- Jenna Vicente
- 15- Linda Fabiani
- 19- Edith Vislocky
- 27- Brian Claxton
- 29- Gail Bower



## Anniversaries

- 4- Bloom
- 21- Armstrong

Take a moment to acknowledge those who have a birthday or anniversary this month. If your birthday/anniversary is not listed in your month, please contact the church office.

*If you have any family, friends, and/or are aware of congregants who have upcoming surgeries, are in the hospital, and/or need prayer, please let Pastor Carter know. He and Kristin like to lift them in prayer and if they are local, go visit them.*

Any June Newsletter Announcements, etc need to be sent to [admin@gladeschurch.com](mailto:admin@gladeschurch.com) no later than May 15th.

## Wrapping it up...

**May 22nd at 11:45A**

Churchwide cookout!  
Hope to see you there!

Our next Boca Helping Hands is scheduled for  
May 21 from 9:00am-12:00pm  
at Boca Glades Baptist Church!

Thanks for your donations!  
Recently, we collected 52 lbs of goods!

**The following items are needed:**

Soup  
Cereal  
Canned Vegetables  
Canned Beans  
Dried Beans

### **To Our Glades Family:**

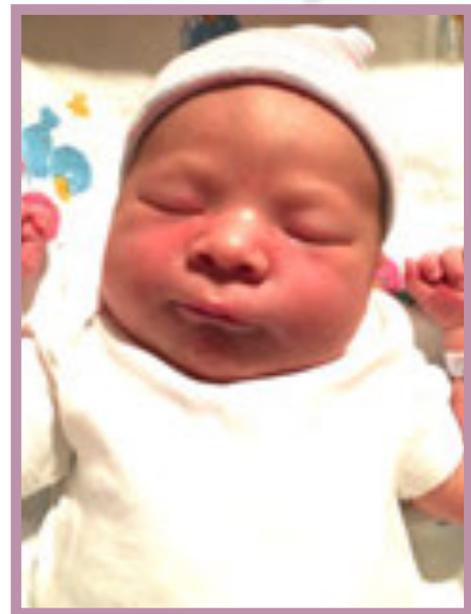
THANK YOU SO MUCH for making my birthday super special.  
Surprises, calls, cards, emails, and texts showered me for over a week!  
We love each and every one of you!  
Pastor Carter (and Kristin)

### **Reminder:** Gathering Men's Outreach

1st Breakfast of 2016!  
May 13, 2016 from 7:00am-9:00am

**Next event features:**  
Daryl Strawberry's Testimony

**Congrats to Rosanne and John!**  
**Meet their precious baby girl,**  
**Anne Margaret!**



Are you interested in an adventure and serving others in a way that glorifies God?

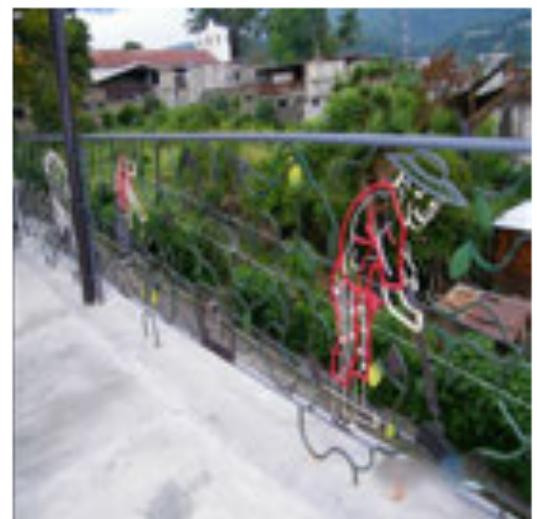
Our next Guatemala Mission Trip is February 4th-12th, 2017.

The mission includes: Building Houses for widowed women w/ Children, VBS program, Recovery Program, and Worship w/ the Mayan culture  
It all begins with your short application telling us why you feel called to join this exciting team. Email Pastor Carter: [PastorCarterRob@gmail.com](mailto:PastorCarterRob@gmail.com)  
Application information and details are available in Narthex.



A 3-year-old nearly walked off of the roof...which would have meant a 3 story fall to her death.  
Thanks to Glades Presbyterian, we were able to provide a much needed railing to prevent further risk.  
Please make a donation by Stripe, check, or cash to help cover the \$2,800.00.

On behalf of the House of Healing & Glades Presbyterian Church,  
I would like to thank you for this and future support.



sun	mon	tue	wed	thu	fri	sat
<p>1</p> <p>9A New Officers</p> <p>9:30A Children's Choir</p> <p><b>Communion</b></p> <p>10:30A Worship/ Children's SS/Officer Installation/Ordination</p> <p>11:45A Guatemala Info Meeting Terry Crout's Bday</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>10A Tuesday Women's Group</p> <p>6P Christian Ed</p>	<p>4</p> <p>7P Chase</p> <p>7:30P Choir</p> <p>Bloom Anniv</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>4P Beverly's Piano Recital</p>
<p>8</p> <p>9:30A Children's Choir</p> <p>10:30A Worship/ Children's SS/ Children's Choir Sings</p> <p>6P Walk in the Word</p> <p>Lauren Romeo's Bday</p> <p><b>Mother's Day</b></p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10A Tuesday Women's Group</p> <p>6P Outreach</p> <p>7P Admin</p> <p>8P Worship Committee</p>	<p>11</p> <p>1P Circle of Hope</p> <p>7:30P Choir</p> <p>Kristin Robinson's Bday</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7P Men's Group</p>	<p>13</p> <p>7A Gathering Men's Outreach</p> <p>Jenna Vicente's Bday</p>	<p>14</p> <p>Pastor Carter's Doctoral Graduation!</p>
<p>15</p> <p>9:30A Children's Choir</p> <p>10:30A Worship/ Children's SS</p> <p>11:45A Liturgist Meeting Linda Fabiani's Bday</p>	<p>16</p> <p>7P Men's Ministry Tailgate Cookout</p>	<p>17</p> <p>10A Tuesday Women's Group</p> <p>7:30p Session</p>	<p>18</p> <p>7P Chase</p> <p>7:30P Choir</p>	<p>19</p> <p>Edith Vislocky's Bday</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p> <p>9A Boca Helping Hands</p> <p>Armstrong Anniv</p>
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