



The Glades Gazette January 2017

From the Pastor's Porch:

Our Furry Son

It was a long weekend/week leading up to Christmas to say the least. We are awaiting the Birth of our Savior and also mourning the loss of our Baby Boy in the process. Wait? Duke was JUST a dog. Well, was he? The funny thing about that is who told Duke he was just a dog? Kristin never told Duke that he was a dog. I never told Duke that he was a dog. We didn't let anyone tell Duke that he was just a dog. So he never found out he was a dog. His entire life he thought he was a real boy! He thought we were his real parents and not just his adopted parents. That is how much we loved him, and we know that he loved us tons, too.

Is that strange that we considered him a real boy?

If so, why? Duke knew he was our son, and we were all blessed over the years by each other.

God says that we are HIS children. He says that we are adopted Sons of God. Heirs of the Kingdom. God in heaven said that. Galatians 4:7 reminds us, "So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God."

Then why do so many people live like they are slaves/dogs? Or live as if they only have scraps?

I wonder if folks listen to people over and over again when they say bad things about God as well as themselves and they lost their value over time. Hmmm...

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Pastor's Porch continues...

Now, if we are children, then we are heirs--heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in His glory. (Romans 8:17)

How amazing is it that we are considered children of God? Like Kristin always says, "How cool is that?"

I'm so glad that no one ever told Duke that he was a dog. Kristin and I continuously told him that he was our son and beloved by us. Therefore, he knew he was a child of Kristin and me and one of God's great messengers. He lived like a real boy and as our son, never knowing the difference.

Kristin and I know that we are children of God without a shadow of a doubt. Has anyone told you that you are a precious child of God recently? If not, guess what? YOU ARE A PRECIOUS CHILD OF GOD! What a joyous ring that has to it...say it out loud! What a gift full of daily blessings!

As we enter 2017, a new year, let's go in living as His children making Him proud! Let us listen to God first and foremost! Let's put away all the lies that the world surrounds us with and put our trust and hope in The Lord God alone!

Happy New Year's to Our Glades Family! We love ya'll!

~Pastor Carter and Kristin

Pastor Carter

January 8th	January 15th	January 22nd	January 29th
Christ Sets Us FREE Galatians 5:1-15	A Spiritual Life Galatians 5:16-26	We Are A New CREATION Galatians 6:1-18	Week 1 — Abraham Genesis 12, 15, & 22

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:



Thanks to Beverly and Peggy for all their hard work with the choir throughout the year!



Choir Practice is on Wednesdays at 7:30PM

If you would like to be part of the group, please contact Peggy at phoglund@ymail.com and join in on the fun!





Small Groups

Tuesday Women's Group

will not be meeting separately but will be participating in our churchwide Bible in 90 Days study.

Sunday Evenings:

Walk in the Word at 6PM on January 8th and January 22nd.

Mike Hoglund is facilitating.

Circle of Hope

We will meet at 1PM on January 11th at Lee's House.

Thursday Men's Group

Date/Time and Locations are:

January 5th, at 7PM at Sweet Tomatoes

January 19th, at 7PM at Tijuana Flats

Brian Claxton is facilitating.

Glades Young Women

God continues to do awesome things! We can't wait to see what God reveals to us as we continue to study Living Beyond Yourself: Exploring Fruit of the Spirit this month. God is so good...all of the time!

Meetings are on Thursdays at 7PM

Contact Kristin at krobglades@gmail.com with any questions.

Churchwide

The B90 is a group-oriented, Bible reading plan that engages people in a 90-day, cover-to-cover reading of the Bible.

Pastor Carter will be starting this in January Monday Nights at 7PM !
First class is on January 23rd.



december 6th, 2018

east asia update

I am so thankful to be able to share with y'all what the Lord has been doing in this amazing country!

大家好! Wow, this past month has been such a whirlwind! It has been an exciting time of parties, fellowships and our first major holiday in a foreign country without our families. In the weeks leading up to thanksgiving we had the opportunity to host two thanksgiving parties. During these times we got to invite many of our friends who had not yet had the opportunity to hear the gospel, and in the span of just one week over 60 people got to hear the Good News! As a result of this we now have the chance to follow up with all of these students, and we have already seen two of them come to be our new brothers in Christ! We will be holding Christmas parties in the upcoming weeks with the same purpose of playing games, getting to know one another and sharing the story of Jesus Christ and His birth.



The first picture of our FULL TEAM including our newest member baby Irene Noelle Way!

For Thanksgiving we had the chance to travel to visit another team that lives about two hours away from us, and it was such an amazing time of community and fellowship. It was so refreshing to be with

another group of people who live day in and day out like we do, and who are experiencing the same things that we are. We (somehow) managed to pull together an AMAZING thanksgiving meal with all of my favorite foods included (though never as good as my parents of course ☺). That same weekend we go to watch our boys represent us well in the annual Turkey Bowl, and got to meet the newest member of our team, Irene Noelle Way, who joined us on November 11th!

At our fellowship this month we began the transition of leadership to our Asian students, and it has been such a cool process to be a part of. Our plan is to be able to fully hand over the reigns of this fellowship to our Asian Christians so that they are running it monthly (maybe even twice a month) independently of us. At this past fellowship we had the opportunity to hear a local Asian pastor come speak and encourage the students to get involved in a local church. What a cool picture of God using our relationships with our Asian students to help build up His church and community in this city.

God has been teaching me so much lately through my relationships with the Asian students, and He is growing me so much in my walk with Him. I am so so thankful that I have the opportunity to live out my life here in a place where I must truly trust in Him every single day! I cannot wait to see all of the work that He does during this Christmas season. Please be praying for our team as most of us spend our first Christmas away from home (and for me as I celebrate my birthday this week!! ☺). Love and miss y'all so much and I hope to hear from you soon!

prayer requests

THE PARTIES - That our Christmas parties can play a big role in bringing us new brothers and sisters

THE FELLOWSHIP - That our students can assume leadership positions and that it can continue to thrive

OUR TEAM - That we can continue to love one another well, especially during this holiday season



YES YOU CAN READ THE BIBLE IN 90 DAYS

You really CAN read through entire Bible, and *Bible in 90 Days* (B90) makes it possible. B90 is a group-oriented, Bible reading plan that engages people in a 90-day, cover-to-cover reading of the Bible. Reading just 12 pages a day in a specially designed Bible, with weekly teaching videos, and group accountability combine to make a life changing experience. Churches across denominations, prisons, drug rehab missions, corporate Bible studies, neighborhood small groups, even small towns, have used B90 successfully. So turn your aspiration into inspiration!



"Do you want to grow deeper in your faith? Do you want

the Kingdom of God to flourish in your community through the ministry of your church? Do you want to see your church grow, give, and serve with more enthusiasm and effectiveness? Start with the Bible in 90 Days — you will be blessed!"

— PASTOR RUFFIN STEPP
PALMS WEST, FLORIDA

Have you ever said "I wish I knew the Bible better!"? Or maybe even thought it before... Or ever wondered "Is _____ in the Bible?" Or "Where do I find _____ in the Bible?"
What is your question you ask about the Bible?

Well, are you ready for the answer of all of those questions and more? Are you ready to read the ENTIER Bible in 90 days? You never thought you could, but YES you can, and we are going to do it together!

Get ready for January 2017 as we read the Bible in 90 days.
Make it your New Year's resolution that you will actually keep.

We will make it because we will do it together! I can't wait to lead this study and go through the process of preaching through key characters of the Bible as well.
More to come soon. Get excited now!

**Pastor Carter will be starting
this in January Monday Nights at 7PM !
Sign up is in the Narthex! Materials will be ordered soon!
First class is: January 23rd**





The Way
(Youth Group)

Meetings are every other Sunday evenings
at 4PM.

The days we're meeting are:
January 16th at the Claxton's
January 29th at the Cooper's

On January 6th, the Youth will be
volunteering at Florence Fuller after school.

And... "The Way" Fun Night is on
January 28th! Meet at the church at 4PM.
There's going to be Laser Tag and dinner at
Rainforest Café!

For more information, please contact
Janet Cooper: Janet_cooper@msn.com.

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.*



We love our Glades kiddos!



Some of our Sunday school kids singing.

Sunday School for ages 4-11

Kids of Glades, please continue to
invite your friends to come to
church with you.
We will continue learning about
how much Jesus cares for us!



Way to go, Tracy! (She was our winner!!!)



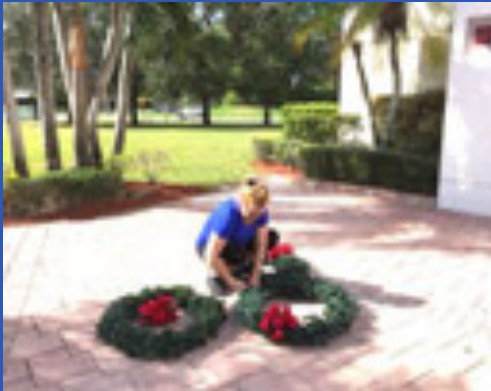
Congrats to
Robert and
Daianna on the
baptism of their
daughter,
Darianna!





**Learning
about the
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Thanks to some of
the Tuesday
Morning Bible Study
Women for adding
to our Christmon
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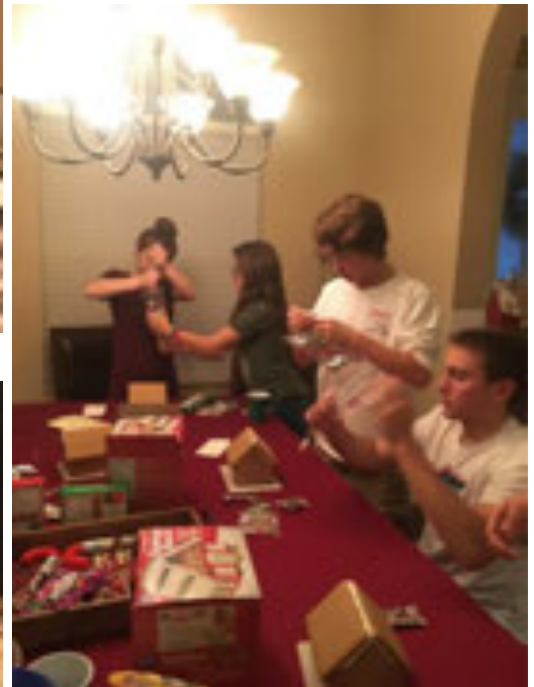


**Church
Christmas
Decorating**





The Way:
Friendship,
Fellowship, FUN!





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Happy
New Year



It's a
Baby Shower!

Let's Celebrate!

Kristin's Baby Shower will be on
Saturday, February 4th at 2PM at
Janet Cooper's House.
All ladies of the church are invited!

She is registered at Target, Babies
R Us, & Amazon.com!

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

- 3- Leah Bobko
- 4- Brenda Romeo
- 5- Wyatt Cooper
- 8- Neyda Rodriguez
- 10- Loy Brown
- 11- Noelle Perez
- 11- Renee Sansaricq
- 11- Katie Ghougasian
- 16- Quinn Deviny
- 23- Ellen Armstrong
- 23- Marilou Lehner
- 24- Celeste Hamilton
- 25- Victoria Faustin
- 26- Lalitha Mathen
- 30- Tracy Garlanger



Anniversaries



- 7- Rosario-Gonzalez
- 10- Crout
- 21- Cooper

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 February Newsletter Announcements, etc need to be sent to admin@gladeschurch.com no later than January 22nd.

Updated Deacon Care Groups	Ellen Armstrong Clarence & Ellie Bloom, Evelyn Bridy, Paul & Kathy Ghougasian, Bob & Tracy Garlanger, Doug & Jenn Hammann, Rod & Sharlene Mabe, Beverly Newland, Ed, Brenda & Laurence Romeo, Carter and Kristin Robinson, Edith Vislocky	Rowena Avrigh Bud & Gail Bower, Ryan Crout, Jackie Davis, Ginny DeMattei, Mike & Peggy Hoglund, Doris Jackson, Stephen & Ann Rafe, Steve & Krupa Ramaswamy, Gretchen Schrieber	Gloria Brown Fuschia Adams, Jim, Betty, & Jerrett Cherry, Bill Eltringham, Lee Henderson, Marilou Lehner, Joaquin & Lynn Riveira, Neyda Rodriguez, Jorge Rosario & Esther Gonzalez, Mary Welsh
	Janet Cooper Ryan Armstrong, Rowena Avrigh, Rodney, Tracy, Omar, & Ashley Brown, Brian, Gladys, Andrea, & Matthew Claxton, John, Denise, Eric, Avril, & Allison Englehart, Ariel Fernandez, Lawrence & Katie Ghougasian, Amanda, Trey, Will, & Belle Johns, Al, Lisa, Matthew & Albert Thweatt	Esther Gonzalez Loy & Gloria Brown, Addie Cordes, Terry & Cheryl Crout, Carmen Gomez, Jim, Celeste, & Jimmy Hamilton, Ken & Indrani Ramcharan, Karen Sanchez, Kimberly Sansaricq, Cathy & Dan Wantz	Noelle Perez Adriana & Diego Avellan, Mary, JP, & Sebastian Fernandez, Lisa & Evie Martin, Santosh & Lalitha Mathen, Radar Onguetou, Ruth Quinones, Dale Rosenbaum, Steve Straus, Lindsay Williams

Wrapping it up...

Thanks so much for the cards, calls, visits, emails, hugs, texts, love, and prayers as we have continued to grieve over our handsome, awesome, super friendly, full of kisses and joy, four-legged son, Duke. He is greatly missed! Our house isn't the same. We love ya'll! Again, thank you!
Pastor Carter and Kristin

A huge shout out and thanks to the Jenkins for getting beautiful poinsettias yet again to fill the sanctuary this Christmas!
THANKS!



sun	mon	tue	wed	thu	fri	sat
1	2	3 Leah Bobko's Bday	4 7:30P Choir Brenda Romeo's Bday	5 7P Men's Group Wyatt Cooper's Bday	6 The Way Volunteering at Florence Fuller (After School)	7 Rosario- Gonzalez Anniv
8 10:30A Worship/ Children's SS 6P Walk in the Word Neyda Rodriguez's Bday	9	10 6P Christian Ed 7P Deacons Crout Anniv	11 1P Circle of Hope 7:30P Choir Noelle Perez's Bday Renee Sansaricq's Bday Katie Ghougasian's Bday	12 7P Young Women's Study	13	14
15 10:30A Worship/ Children's SS	16 4P The Way Quinn Deviny's Bday	17 6P Outreach 7P Worship 8P Admin	18 7:30P Choir	19 7P Young Women's Study 7P Men's Group	20	21 8:30A Boca Helping Hands Cooper Anniv
22 10:30A Sunday Worship/ Children's SS 6P Walk in the Word	23 7P Bible in 90 Days Ellen Armstrong's Bday Marilou Lehner's Bday	24 7P Session Celeste Hamilton's Bday	25 7:30P Choir Victoria Faustin's Bday	26 7P Young Women's Study Lalitha Mathen's Bday	27	28 4P The Way Fun Day
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