



The Stories of 2010

PEPC Annual Report

“Your love, God, is my song, and I’ll sing it! I’m forever telling everyone how faithful you are. I’ll never quit telling the story of your love - how you built the cosmos and guaranteed everything in it! Your love has always been our lives’ foundation... “ Psalm 89:1-2 (Message)

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Dear friends,

Last year I confess I didn't have much to go on for the annual report. Having only been with you for a few weeks, all I could do was look back and share the journey that brought us here to PEPC. It is a journey for which we remain profoundly grateful and thankful to God.

This year, I confess I have the opposite problem! How do I begin to do justice to all that God has done for us, in us, and through us to further His Kingdom in this world? So perhaps it is best to begin where I left off last year and talk about heart alignment.

The one goal I had for 2010 was for our hearts to come together. Together with the Lord. Together with each other. Coming off the tumult of our past, we needed to let God heal us. Comfort us. Rebuild trust and relationships. It is with great confidence that I can share with you that God is doing all this and more! I have been amazed to hear so many of you share how God is bringing healing to your lives. How God is growing you as you seek His face and open yourself up again to trust your brothers and sisters. I am humbled by the courage of so many of you who are pursuing reconciliation and forgiveness in relationships. I have watched God restore brokenness and heal wounds and it has been inspiring. We have had so many new friends visit and old friends return and what we are witnessing is the rebirth of a community. This is no small thing, my friends! It is a miracle! A wonder of God and we get the privilege of being a part of it!

As our hearts came together, we were able to hear the mind of Christ more clearly and God revealed His vision for our community. We all know our vision statement - *To Inspire People to Love God and Equip them to Serve Jesus Christ*. But more important than any statement is how we live that vision out.

Here at PEPC...

- We have heard the clarion call to be an Intergenerational Community. A community where we are intentional about building bridges across generational divides because we believe we reflect a richer, fuller view of heaven when we do that.
- We are also focused on Relationships. We believe people are far more important than any program and we seek to create ways for everyone to build deep, authentic, transparent relationships with one another.
- Finally, we are a People of the Book! We believe the Word of God has to be at the center of our life together. We want to immerse ourselves in Scripture, be led by Scripture, and lift up God's Word in all we say and do.

You want to know the really great news about all this? It's nothing new! Many who have been around PEPC for any length of time will tell you this is who PEPC has always been and it is great to reaffirm our commitment to our core principles and values.

It sounds so simple, doesn't it? Simple, yet profound. And yet, simple can be very difficult to maintain! For whatever reason, we love to make things complicated. We add layers. We add bureaucracy. We focus on systems. And life gets too cluttered. What gets lost is the laser-like focus on discipleship that is our primary mandate from Scripture. So this year, the Session of PEPC will be hard at work attempting to keep things simple. We want to offer God's people a clear path when it comes to discipleship and help you in whatever way we can to take that next step in becoming a more faithful follower of Jesus Christ.

Recently, I was reading through the Old Testament book of Ezra when I came across this verse, "**Now in the second year after their coming to the house of**

God at Jerusalem, in the second month, Zerubbabel the son of Shealtiel and Jeshua the son of Jozadak made a beginning..." I think the reason this verse struck a chord with me (besides the cool names!) is because these men were engaged in the same kind of work you and I are engaged in. As they began their second year together, in the wake of some difficult times, they were rebuilding their Temple and their community. In the same way, as we begin our second year together, we have to make sure we too make a good "beginning." So let me close with a challenge to each of you for 2011.

- **Read the Bible.** There is no substitute in the spiritual life for simply reading God's Word everyday.
- **Build relationships.** Invite someone you don't know over for dinner. Get involved in a small group or suppers group. Don't hold back from getting to know your family here at PEPC.
- **Find your mission.** Find that place where your great passion meets the world's great need and go serve.

Soli Deo Gloria!

This past year was one of **adjustment, trust, movement, fulfillment** and **anticipation**.

Adjustment as we all entered into a new season in the life of PEPC with our new Senior Pastor, Doug Resler. This new era has gone extremely well as Doug, mature beyond his years, has wisely created a family atmosphere that affirms the experience, relationships and gifts that each staff member, elder, deacon and ministry leader brings to the PEPC family.

Trust as we build a team that knows, depends and supports one another through our staff meetings, staff retreats and just getting to know and support one another better, both in and outside of PEPC.

Movement as we nudge forward as a church and see our definitions of Connect, Grow, Serve and Love take shape in defining us better as a healthy body of believers in the Parker community.

Fulfillment personally as I see continued growth in my heart to know and serve God

more with each day. In my family, as Debi and I celebrated 35 wonderful years of marriage. We, as a family, were able to join Colin in Japan to have a two-week journey together in the Far East that concluded with walking along the Great Wall of China.

Anticipation for what God has in store for PEPC to be the renewed light of Christ in the years ahead. Aldo how he is going to use our combined missional approach to make a difference for the Kingdom of God in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and to the Ends of the Earth.

As the Family Life Pastor, I have the privilege, challenge and responsibility to assist in bringing us into alignment as a community through the various ministries such as Children, Students, Men, Women, Seniors, etc. As we move towards the vision of becoming an intergenerational church, we've made small steps towards becoming less isolated in our respective areas in attempts to integrate more often than in previous years. The hope is to create more life on life mentoring/discipleship throughout our church

as younger and older couples, men, women, students and even children meet together to encourage, listen, support, pray and study God's Word together in community.

I believe that 2011 will be a year that we will see this desired intergenerational community become more and more of a reality. The Men and Women's Ministries are getting younger as the older, wise believers let go to pass the baton of leadership to those younger but stay connected through service, prayer, encouragement and counsel.

Another growing strength for PEPC is watching various pastoral care ministries collaborate to share in being more effective in caring for those in our community who are in need of support either through the death of a loved one, health issues, job loss, divorce, relational difficulties, etc. Some of those ministries are the Stephen Ministers, Grief Share, Divorce Care, Cancer Care, and Pastoral Counseling through Staff, Elders and Deacons, Harry and Lydia Lightner and others.

Introduction of the Officers of the Church

Introduction

The officers of the Church as set forth in Scripture are Teaching Elders (designated by many titles in Scripture, including Ministers and Pastors), Ruling Elders, and Deacons.

Each individual Church should prayerfully search the Scriptures and choose for officers those who are best qualified. These offices are not indications of a special pre-eminence of those who hold them, but rather indicate a call to service.

Parker Evangelical Presbyterian Church (PEPC) has elected a unicameral form of government whereby the elected leadership, who are designated as Ruling Elders, also composes the Board of Directors. Thus, the Ruling Elders function as the governing body of the local church and, as that body, is responsible for the management of the nonprofit corporation. The Session, or Board of Elders, is made up of both the

Ruling Elders (RE) and the Teaching Elders (TE) of the church.

Teaching Elders are the pastors ordained within the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC) who are called by the church congregation. The Ruling Elders have both the ecclesiastical responsibility of the spiritual leadership and oversight of the church body, and the civil responsibility of maintaining compliance with governing laws and regulations. As a representative of the people, it is the first duty of the Ruling Elder to represent the mind of Christ, as that person understands it, in the various courts of the Church. Within the EPC, the ruling and teaching Elders are also responsible for ensuring that the church operates in compliance with the denominational policies and procedures, as contained in the "Book of Order." The Board of Elders, or Session, meets at least monthly to conduct the business of the Church.

All of the major ministries and committees of the Church are under the oversight of the Session. Such oversight is generally achieved through a responsible Elder acting either in the role of chairman of the indicated ministry, or as a member and liaison for that ministry.

The office of Deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of compassion, concern for needs, and of serving others. According to Scripture, those who bear this office should exhibit those spiritual qualities of a Christian, and should be earnest and whole-hearted followers of Christ. They should be persons who are steady and reliable, well thought of by all. PEPC's Board of Deacons is an exceptional group. This past year they have stepped up to the call and beyond by demonstrating Christ's love through their service.

Elders & Directors

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The elders wish to thank all of the ministry and committee chairpersons and their teams for outstanding support of the activities of the Church. We sincerely thank all who have responded to His call and found places to serve others in this church body and throughout the community. The talents and interests God has amassed in our congregation are awesome. In addition, we would like to recognize the many people behind the scenes who have devoted untold hours to a variety of menial and sometimes unseen or forgotten ministries, all of which are important in God's sight and need to be done so that PEPC can be effective in serving others in His name, both here in Parker and around the world.

This past year we welcomed Reverend Doug Resler as our new Senior Pastor. Session's effort to assure a smooth transition for Doug into the life of PEPC was an easy task. Doug fit right in and was quickly accepted by the congregation and staff. As the year progressed, Doug swiftly became a very important member of Session. As the Moderator of Session he is helping us find God's way forward. Setting the ground work for 2011 and beyond, PEPC is focusing on spiritual growth and renewal throughout God's kingdom. We have started by identifying PEPC's equivalent for Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and the ends of the earth. We believe God is leading us in

that direction and we are anxious to see how He will lead us to develop these mission fields during 2011.

During this past year our Missions Team took a larger leadership role by helping Session define our areas of ministry in Jerusalem, Judea, Samaria and to the ends of the earth. We look forward to much more help from them during 2011. During the May Session meeting the Holy Spirit moved us to give the entire offering from our June 'Missions Sunday' service to the Missions Team for distribution to missionaries around the world. At that time our finances were very tight. We only had four months of financial information and we were very concerned about how the rest of the year would go. Giving up one whole offering did not seem the logical thing to do. However, we knew we were being called to give this money to our missionaries, so we moved forward in faith. The rest of the year went just fine, of course.

It is humbling for me as I look back over this past year to see how all good things are accomplished through prayer and petition to our Lord Jesus Christ. Whenever we, as Session, try to accomplish something on our own we fail or have only moderate success. However, when we put our trust in God and let the Holy Spirit lead marvelous things happen. I feel so honored to be

serving on a Session that seeks God's will above all.

Probably most of you know that we share our facility with another church. New Day Christian Church, a Seventh Day Adventist denomination, has met in our old sanctuary (now the youth center) for many years. However, did you know that on Christmas Eve, at the same time we were having services in the main sanctuary, Spirit of Hope Lutheran Church was holding their Christmas Eve service upstairs in our old sanctuary? We are so blessed to have had God use us in such ways. Praise the Lord for His provisions and direction.

We were pleased to see many new faces at PEPC this past year and really excited to see many familiar faces return. The elders sincerely solicit your input on what you perceive as PEPC's strengths and weaknesses, as well as suggestions to more efficiently and effectively meet your needs. Further, we would welcome the opportunity to pray with you or counsel you should you find yourself in a difficult situation and in need of help. We would also gladly help you find your place in PEPC where you can use your gifts to further His kingdom. Please let us know what we can do to be of service to you in facilitating your spiritual growth here at PEPC.

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What a great year! The position of Communications Director was clarified and I felt the freedom to move forward and explore new and exciting ways to communicate to PEPC and the community! As always, it was an incredible opportunity, and challenge, to increase and effectively communicate the happenings at PEPC.

Bulletin: It has been a blessing to need to print more bulletins each week as we continued to grow each Sunday. In August, we again reorganized the bulletin, highlighting the announcements that were made from up front each Sunday. We reintroduced the service outline and highlighted those who were leading us in worship each Sunday. It is much more streamlined and easier to read.

Weekly Email: We continued to use SwiftPage to send our weekly emails. Presently, it is sent to 760 email addresses each week. In June, I worked with Blake Sumrall, graphic designer, to create a template that looks like our new web site. This is easy to forward to others and when it is late or not sent, people look for it!

Web Site: In June, we launched a new web site. I worked with Blake Sumrall to design and implement a more user friendly design with a hope of it becoming more interactive. Sermons are available for free download and online giving has been set up to allow for our members and attenders to conveniently give their tithes and offerings to PEPC. Online registration for special events also was used for several of our retreats.

Connection Center: In June, I collaborated with our new Welcome Center coordinators, Andrea Graham and Fran Rupprecht, to have them take over the Connection Center ministry. Now, one of them or their team is manning the booth on Sundays, freeing me up to wander the

Lobby and welcome people. The booths along the wall also continued to be used on a regular basis for sign-up and to distribute information.

Easter/Christmas Promotion: For Easter, instead of sending postcards to the Parker community, we really focused on encouraging our members and attenders to take a postcard and personally invite their friends, family and coworkers. This worked really well! We decided to do this for Christmas as well, but it didn't have quite the same effect. Changes will be made for Easter and Christmas 2011.

Facebook/Twitter: Facebook continued to be a great way to share information and stories of PEPC! To become PEPC's "friend," search for Parker Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Twitter account is Parker EPC. Join us on the social networks today!

Newspapers/Magazines: For both Easter and Christmas, ads were placed in the Parker Chronicle. We continue to run ads in Tidbits of Douglas County and have a weekly presence in the Parker Chronicle. An ad was placed in the Parker Living magazine, published by the Parker Chamber. It was placed on one of the first pages of the magazine.

WelcomeOne: WelcomeOne is a new program we're enrolled in through Outreach, Inc. Each month, a personalized postcard is mailed to each new homeowner in a certain radius, welcoming them to the community and inviting them to be a part of the PEPC community. A report is sent to us and we can look at those names and see if any of those who received the postcard begins attending the church. It is a great program.

Monthly Newsletter: With the changes in the weekly bulletin, we implemented a monthly newsletter in August. Because the

weekly bulletin only includes information that is announced in the service, there was a need for a place for more detailed information to be available. This is updated each month and available in the Lobby and online.

Parker Chamber: One of the goals for 2010 was to look for ways to be more in the community. I had the opportunity to be pretty involved with the Parker Chamber. In April, I began volunteering once a week in the office doing administrative tasks and also began to help coordinate some details for the Parker Days event. Also, I was the point person for the Parade Marshals and worked to help coordinate the details for the worship service in the park. While it was a very rainy weekend, it was a great way to be involved with our community and our support was greatly appreciated by the Chamber. I also attended many of the monthly lunches to network and connect with other business owners in the Parker area.

Goals for 2011: In 2011, Communications will continue to grow as part of the church:

- Identify one communications hub.
- We have a desire to begin a Hospitality Team, that would include those in the Welcome/Connection Center teams, as well as greeters and ushers.
- Continue to publish stories to our Stories of PEPC blog.
- Rewrite and print our new visitor brochure to make it more user friendly and an effective way to tell the story of what PEPC is all about.
- Continue to be a part of the Parker Community.

Worship Arts Ministry

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*"Your Name is glorious; Glorious
Your love is changing us; Calling us
To worship in spirit and in truth
As all creation returns to You"
From Tear Down the Walls by Hillsong*

2010 brought challenges and growth to our ministry as we strove to enhance the connection to God and our community with spirit filled intergenerational worship. We are committed to providing a heartfelt, intergenerational worship time that helps people experience God in an environment that encourages passion and intimacy with Him.

Worship Teams:

PEPC has a wide variety of opportunities in the Worship Arts. Some of these include handbells, praise groups, choir, band, soloists, vocalists, instrumental and vocal ensembles, children's choirs, sound, video etc. Connecting in worship is the ultimate desire of this ministry.

Connect:

In 2010 PEPC refined our identity of Connect, Grow, Serve, Love and established worship as our primary "Connect"-ion for our congregation to God and each other.

Intergenerational:

We are designing opportunities of worship at PEPC that connect us as one family. We have brought intentional interaction in intergenerational ministry in response to where God has called PEPC. The 2010 advent series, "The Journey", exemplified this with the coming together of various generations from baby Jesus played by baby Alexander (just weeks old), the pre-school choir, Sunday school children choir and soloists, students as our living nativity, to adults of all ages in choir and band.

Mission:

Much of 2010 revolved around embracing the "missional" vision for PEPC and learning where God would lead us through the sermon series "The Missional Church". Some of the opportunities we introduced to bring this life attitude to our community and worship are: Parker Days services downtown Parker, Freedom Sunday, Baptism Sunday @ Reservoir, Denver Rescue Mission Sunday and the pilot of the FUSE evening services which launched the worship teams into "missional" service, along with the many testimonies and stories shared in ministry that brought a height-

ened awareness and response to our congregation and ministry teams.

Celebrations: We celebrate the victories of 2010 with these stories of ministry:

Choir:

Jerry came to the choir by way of many personal invitations and urgings from one of our elders in response to his desire to sing in a choir after a long absence. He joined the choir in the fall of '09 and has greatly enhanced our tenor section!

Karin and her husband came to PEPC right before Thanksgiving '10 and the very next Wednesday night signed on for our Christmas program which was coming up in 2 weeks! She says, "One reason we have stayed at PEPC is the ministry, and specifically choir. The people in choir have been very warm and friendly to me and my husband, and they all appear not to be in it for themselves, but instead, as an act of worship and service."

Our numbers always swell for the seasonal programs, and our praise team with their youthful exuberance greatly enhance the "multigenerational" look and sound of our entire musical team. An example of this was found in the Fry family – Cary, Julie, Mikayla and Zac who are now all involved in Choir – We are so grateful for their excitement and service. What a fun family!

Media:

Wes Kreitz has joined the PEPC Worship ministry as our Worship Media Associate. He has brought a new dimension to our media ministry. Amy, Wes' wife, so sweetly let us know about a year ago that Wes might be available if we needed any help. Little did we know he would be the resource God was bringing to grow our media ministry and bring focus to the role it plays in worship? Wes' expertise and connections in the music and sound industry including his music and education background as well as his career contacts, are a blessing to us. He has spearheaded several enhancements to the audio/video hardware and production practices as well as future acoustic plans. He defines the ministry in these words: "Quality visual and sound support is essential to ... enhance the worship experience. When these areas are properly applied, they are not apparent, but allow for a more enjoyable, and meaningful [worship] experience for the congregation."

Leadership:

There is always so much happening in the life of PEPC that it is not unusual to find that we need worship leaders and musicians to be in more than one place at a time. God has greatly gifted us with musicians and we celebrate the growing leadership roles of many of our team. Whitney has brought us precious worship experiences through her growth as a Worship Leader. In her stead Cliff Summers, Kari Osborne, Paul Preister and Mark Maynard have each stepped up and lead spirit filled services for us. Every opportunity to use the gifts of our musicians has brought us greater blessings as we learn and share their heart for the Lord.

Special Services:

Many of our musicians pitch in for special services at PEPC, but Paul Preister has been the anchor of love in loss. He has offered comfort and healing through his music by assisting families and friends to celebrate and grieve for the lives of their loved ones.

Worship Band:

The FUSE evening services helped to launch the worship teams into "missional" service. Some of our experiences included reaching out to the community at Parker Days (great turn out even though it was a torrential downpour. It was amazing to be onstage watching our band members in the audience worship with hands in the air while rain streamed down their faces), Freedom Sunday (also amazing to be a part of planning something that brought light to such a dark thing in our world and to challenge our congregation to respond), Baptism Sunday @ Reservoir, Denver Rescue Mission Sunday (we were so blessed to be a part of a worship service that stirred people's hearts to embrace and serve the DRM) .

Late in 2010 we planned a "mission field trip" preparing to send our worship band to Steamboat in early January of 2011. This trip was just recently completed and was a tremendously moving and growing experience. The team came back on fire for ministry and greatly moved by the experience. We are looking forward to similar opportunities.

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Worship Arts Ministry (Cont...)

Handbell Choir:

In December the handbell choir hit the road 3 times – we rang a formal concert at the Johnson Center, a Christian living retirement community, we rang all of the worship music for a Sunday service at Parker United Church of Christ, and finally, we performed at Children’s Hospital in Aurora. The handbell members enjoyed time connecting with our audiences through personal interaction as well.

At Children’s Hospital we talked to families and patients and had a wonderful time connecting with the kids we played for. We gave them “bell lessons” and let them try all of our bells big and small, put stuffed animals in the biggest bell for pictures and had a really fun time sharing the gift of our handbells. The Intensive Care Unit from the hospital called down to the main floor and said they had opened their doors and let the joyous music fill their hallways. Every member of our choir

wants to return to Children’s Hospital because we were truly blessed by sharing our music and God’s love to help heal some weary families.

At the United Church of Christ, we played for an entire worship service which was loved by their small congregation. One special needs child in particular was so moved by the beauty of the bells that she was brought to tears. She told her Sunday School Teacher, “It was the most beautiful thing I ever heard.”

2011 –

Outside the box and all mixed up: We expect 2011 to bring us opportunities to continue to expand current worship ministries and to send our many ensembles out into the communities. We are welcoming and recruiting participation from all ages and will continue to integrate and reach out to the pre-school, local community, other churches, hospitals, schools and venues that become available to us. There

are many of these experiences currently in the planning stages for the months ahead and we are excited for God to use us in ministry.

Join Us: We welcome the people of PEPC to join in any and all of the opportunities to lead and develop worship. For more details on these opportunities contact us at music@pepc.org or call Janet Specht @ 303-506-8800.

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JOINING TOGETHER WITH EACH OTHER AND THE LORD AS WE CONNECT, GROW, SERVE AND LOVE

2010 has been a wonderful adventure for those of us in Women's Ministry, and we're excited about what God is going to do in the New Year! We feel that the Holy Spirit is moving amongst us with new ideas and visions for showing us how to connect, grow, serve and love. We pray God will use this ministry to create a place of acceptance and nurturing where each woman will discover and use her gifts as she comes to know and serve in the fullness of what Jesus Christ has for her life. Above all, we seek God's Spirit to guide each of us as we grow in our faith, in our passion for His Word, and in our love for one another as we serve each other, our families, our community and our world. We have a lot going on here and hope that you will want to be a part of it. We welcome you!

Bible Studies...Tarri Trombley

Daybreak Disciples meets on Tuesday mornings at Crosswalk with Sarah Arnold coordinating. 15-18 ladies rise and shine to study and pray at 6:30 a.m.! They meet year around and have just completed a study on Ezekiel and are continuing with the book of John into 2011. This is a great place to connect with other women and is an open group at any time. Jump in and join them!

Precepts study taught by Linda Brown meets Tuesday mornings at PEPC and averages around 15 ladies. They completed a study on the book of Hebrews this fall and are continuing into winter & spring with a study on the Kings and Prophets. Precepts is an excellent in-depth Bible Study. This group meets on Tuesday mornings from 9-11 a.m. in the mobile units on the east side of the main building. Childcare is provided with a reservation.

Beth Moore Studies facilitated by Tarri Trombley met in the fall for a study of Revelation with about 30 women attending. We are offering another study on the Patriarchs in January and all women are invited. This is an open group and meets on Tuesday mornings from 9-11 a.m. in the mobile units on the east side of the main building. Childcare is provided with a reservation.

Community Bible Study taught by Marnie

Goeschel meets at The Church of Parker. Marnie is one of our ladies and we support her study. This year they studied 1 & 2 Peter, 1 & 2 Thessalonians and Daniel. CBS has an excellent study for women as well as their children. Visitor Days for this study are held in the spring and requires registration.

There have been several requests for an evening study which we would like to make possible. We need someone to volunteer to facilitate this group. There has also been an interest expressed in a Christian Book Club. Let us know if you would like to participate or lead either of these!

Missions...Trish Ackerman and Kay Jacobs

This is a new area of ministry that we are just venturing into. We are doing some possibility thinking and are hoping to get women excited and thinking outside the box in serving each other and extending that into the church, the community and even further into the world. We are in much prayer about what God is doing in this area and how He would have this look. At the present time we are looking into a summer ministry involving Denver Rescue Mission and possibilities of doing a mission trip with World Vision in the near future. In 2010 we co-coordinated the Shoe Box ministry along with MOPS and collected food and assembled gift bags for Parker Task Force and Denver Rescue Mission.

Hopeful Hearts...Judy Grimes and Annamaria Phillips

Hopeful Hearts is a ministry for women within our community who attend church without their husbands. This is a support group offering encouragement, prayer, study and fellowship. We meet on the 4th Sunday of the month at 10:30 in room 112 and would like to invite and encourage any interested women to join us!

Retreats...Tarri Trombley

Last year we hosted a retreat at LaForet Camp near Black Forest, with 38 women attending. Our speaker was our own Kay Jacobs. We are planning our next retreat for the Spring of 2012. Plans are underway to hold it at the Hideaway retreat center near Colorado Springs. This is a great location and we're looking forward to this time together as an opportunity for women to meet and connect with other women, to get refreshed, and to meet the Lord and

get excited about possibilities for their lives.

Events...Debbie Bradley, Michelle Comerford, Nikki Brundige

2010 Events: Spring Garden Tea, The Gift of Christmas Dessert

The purpose of our events is to provide opportunities for PEPC women and friends to get acquainted and share Christian fellowship in a setting that all women will enjoy. We feel like we did a good job of reaching out into the community and the walls of PEPC to bring women together with their friends and neighbors to have fun together and share a meal or dessert. It was a special blessing for us to be able to bring 120 women together at Christmas and offer an evening out with no charge!

We were honored to have Lisa Gerlach speak at the Spring Garden Tea in June. There were around 100 women and girls who enjoyed this event with our Men's ministry serving us! In early December we had a wonderful evening with Linda Brown speaking to us on Living in the Present over the busy Christmas holidays. Her ideas changed Christmas for many of us, causing us to focus on each day as a gift from God and on Jesus as His Ultimate Gift to us. And again, we were blessed to have Men's Ministry serve us and help clean up. We appreciate them!

We plan to continue with two events next year. Dates of the Spring Chinese Tea will be Saturday June 7th, and the Christmas Event will be on Friday Dec. 7th. We are in need of women to help plan and execute these events and would love to hear from anyone interested in helping!

Women Mentoring Women (M&M's) ...Mary Ann Ryan, Linda Novak, Joann Glaser

This is a program designed for all women of PEPC to connect with other women of the church in a 1-1 mentoring relationship. Its purpose is to provide support, encouragement and fellowship for women who want to share their lives, needs and desires in a Christian friendship. The program began in the fall of 2008. We held no mentor coffees this year.

For further information or to express an interest in any area of Women's Ministry, contact Mary Ann Ryan patnmaryann@msn.com 303-841-6765

Ministries of Care

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Ministries of Care says it all! Remember the story of the Good Samaritan in Luke? “He went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine. Then he put the man on his own donkey, brought him to an inn and took **care** of him.” Oh the stories of **caring** that we have seen at PEPC in 2010 – From a young pregnant mother unable to pay to heat her home, a family who just lost a loved one and they don’t know the great Healer of their grief (yet), a cancer patient with emotional needs, a wife in a troubled marriage with the need for someone to listen, to someone who just needs to know that there are people who know about and are praying for her specific need. Wow! It is amazing to see God’s people **CONNECTING**, **GROWING**, **SERVING** and **LOVING** the community – inside and outside of PEPC.

Each one of the following ministries has a unique and important mission in our church. They work **together** to create the **MINISTRIES OF CARE** that we seek to provide at PEPC.

Deacon Fund:

The funds for this ministry is administered by a small group of Godly men who pray earnestly over each and every request to discern God’s will. In 2010 fifteen families were ministered to in a variety of ways. Contact Vicki Mowery at 303-841-2125 or vicki@pepc.org.

Breast Cancer Support Group:

This ministry led by Lee Biffle (lrbiffle@att.net) and is open to anyone who is going through cancer or has survived cancer. Contact Lee for meeting times and places.

Card Ministry:

Did you know that we have a group that

meets once a month to design and hand make cards for individuals and families in our church? This group of women, led by Mary Ann Chapman, sends cards each week for a variety of purposes. If you know of someone who would benefit from a card from this group, please email the information to Mary Ann at robert5200@comcast.net.

Counseling Ministry:

Wanting to assist people in getting the counseling they need, we provide referral information, pastoral counseling, pre-marital counseling (required) and marriage counseling. This includes a helpful marriage inventory “tool.” Contact: Vicki Mowery at 303-841-2125 or vicki@pepc.org.

Deacon Parish Ministry:

Our Deacons have taken the care of their parishes very seriously this year, as usual. As they hear of a need of an individual or family which they shepherd, deacons find the resources to meet that need ASAP, including short-term financial assistance through the Deacon’s Fund. More often than not, the care given to individuals and families comes through the small groups, which is where we believe care begins. If the person/family does not have a small group the Deacon supplies the help directly or finds another pathway of care. Phone calls and letters have been wonderful tools of connection and care. Contact: Greg and Lisa Johnson at glrcnj@msn.com.

Divorce Care/Solo Parenting:

The purpose of both these ministries is to assist people in working through their issues with divorce and parenting children after a loss. Success is difficult to measure in either of these ministries, however attendees have gone away with a better un-

derstanding of the issues and that they are not alone on the path. The 2010 sessions have 10 in Divorce Care and 2 in Solo Parenting. It is our intent to continue to provide support for these groups throughout the next year. Special thanks to Ted Coker, Lisa Harsen and Bonnie Jano. Without their dedication, this program would not be possible. Contact Ted Coker at 303-841-5690 or divorcecare@pepc.org or soloparenting@pepc.org.

Prayer Chain Ministry:

This quiet but very important ministry is administered by our office staff. They receive requests through word of mouth, phone calls, or email and then forward those to individuals who have committed to being a prayer partner for PEPC. They also pledge to keep confidentiality. Contact: Vicki Mowery at 303-841-2125 or vicki@pepc.org.

GriefShare:

This important ministry to anyone who has lost a loved one meets on Wednesday nights. Contact: Meg Ricke at meg_ricke@msn.com for more information.

“Meals On Call” Ministry:

In 2010, this ministry provided 63 meals to those in our congregation and community suffering a loss, going through health issues, and those just in need of a little help. If you would like to join this ministry in 2011, contact Maradee Peakman at 303-771-7460 or Fran Rupperecht at 303-617-4507.

Stephen Ministry

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Stephen Ministry is a complete system of training and organizing laypersons for caring ministry in and around their congregations of the full stature of Christ (Ephesians 4:12-13). Stephen Ministry consists of two or more trained Stephen Leaders (pastor or lay leader who has completed a Stephen Series Leader's Training Course) who directs Stephen Ministers (a congregation member/regular visitor who is recruited, selected, trained, commissioned, and supervised by Stephen Leaders to provide one-to-one distinctively Christian care to persons in need on behalf of the congregation and pastoral care in the church). Stephen Ministers typically are assigned one care receiver at a time and meet with that person for about one hour each week for as long as that person needs a Stephen Minister. Stephen Ministers usually serve for two years, which includes the initial 50 hours of training. A majority of Stephen Ministers will continue on past

their two year commitment.

PEPC's Stephen Ministry has been around for over 15 years. God has blessed PEPC with the leadership and lay ministers needed to successfully continue this ministry at PEPC. There is a real need for Stephen Ministry as a part of PEPC's care ministry. We currently have eleven trained Stephen Ministers with half of them assigned with a care receiver. We meet bi-monthly for supervision and continuing education classes. We trained seven new Stephen Ministers early in 2010 and commissioned four of them by summer 2010. This helped to replace some of the Stephen Ministers who took a leave of absence. By the end of summer 2010, we sent two Stephen Ministers to Leadership Training in Dallas, TX. We commissioned them in September, 2010.

Stephen Leaders and Ministers were available to help PEPC's Grief Share Ministry and Divorce Care Ministry in 2010. Stephen Leaders are also available in training PEPC's newly commissioned deacons in how to care for people in their parishes and on keeping confidentiality. Since 2008, PEPC's Stephen Leaders have been a part of the Southeast Denver Stephen Ministry Network group. There are nine churches

involved in this group. We meet monthly to network, participate in workshops, and receive continued education for leaders. We plan to continue with this group in 2011.

Projection for 2011 for PEPC's Stephen Ministry. We are very excited as we enter 2011. We are actively recruiting applicants to train again as Stephen Ministers. God willing, we plan to begin training sometime in February 2011. This will increase our active number of Stephen Ministers by what ever number of trainees we have. It's our purpose to have enough trained Stephen Ministers to pull from so no one either from our church and/or in our community will have to wait for a Stephen Minister to be assigned to them.



Stephen Ministries' Mission Statement:

"To equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ." (Ephesians 4:12-13).

The Mothers of Preschoolers groups at PEPC are part of MOPS International. Our mission is to nurture *every* mother of preschoolers by meeting her distinct needs to the glory of Jesus Christ. We do this through educational speakers, creative crafts and by building a community of support. MOPS provides mothers with an outlet to build relationships with others who are at a similar stage in life, while sharing the love of Jesus.

MOPS International's ministry values include:

- **Dignity:** The dignity of each human life and of each individual mother of preschoolers, no matter where she has been, what she has done or how she is choosing to live her life today, embracing both believers and nonbelievers and all ethnic and socioeconomic groups.
- **Women:** The equipping of women to become all that God has designed them to be.
- **Mothering:** The value of mothering for its contribution to individuals, children, society at large, future generations and

eternity.

- **Relationships:** Relationships including the male/female marital relationship, the parent/child relationship, and the ultimate fulfillment of all needs through a personal relationship with Jesus Christ.
- **Lifestyle Evangelism:** Lifestyle evangelism as expressed through Christ-like relationships in an environment for growth and spiritual development as faith shared through actions and words.
- **Leadership Development:** The equipping of women to gain confidence in their leadership skills and guide others through lifestyle evangelism.

In the past year we:

- welcomed 9 new moms into the ministry
- taught over 30 children about the love of Christ
- enjoyed learning about many aspects of mothering, including speakers on "Mommy Mania," "Communication Secrets of the Happiest Couples," being a

"Prisoner of Hope," a pediatric nurse, and Pilates

- completed several fun crafts including apple spice drinks and May Day baskets
- participated in several successful fundraisers (cook book in conjunction with MOPS 2, two Dinner Bake Sales and Butter Braids), participated in outreach projects such as Operation Linus (baby blankets) and a MOPS Swap (donating items to the Parker Task Force)

In the coming year we hope to walk alongside more new moms joining the ministry. There are moms in our ministry who do not attend church and our meetings are the only time they (or their children) hear about Jesus! We conclude each year with an annual Tea and Testimony where moms have the opportunity to share their testimonies and what our group has meant to them. We meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday mornings, 9:00 am. For more information, please contact Tara Holmes at (720) 851-6005 or Christine Hoer at (303) 805-2717. Better moms make a better world!

MOPS 2

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The member mothers of PEPC's MOPS 2 group are also members of MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) International. MOPS strives to support moms of children from birth to kindergarten in this unique season of their lives. We do this by feeding each member through body with food; mind with speakers and creative activities; and soul with fellowship and discussion. Our mission is to reach moms where they are in their walk with Christ, whether she is a non-believer or a long-time Christian and strengthen each relationship, while teaching the children in our MOPPETS program about His saving grace and all-encompassing love as well. We feel we can make a difference in the lives of entire families through this ministry and further the community of Christ through our group.

We meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month from 9:00 am to 11:30 am in the Student Ministries Center, while our children are cared for in the Children's Ministry rooms.

The group continues to maintain a membership of about 25 moms, although the membership seems to be continually

changing. We continue to welcome new moms to the group through referrals from PEPC, the MDO and Preschool programs and through our own members. We have also seen others leave our group for various reasons, including family moves or the need to return to work. Our MOPPETS program includes more than 30 children at each meeting. Given the current economy, we are challenged with keeping our costs low and coming up with new fundraising ideas to ensure all moms who want to participate in MOPS are able. We are also discussing new ways to reach out to moms in our community so our group can continue to grow and provide support to mothers in our community. For some moms and their children, this is the place they have come to know Christ and we strive to make it a loving, welcoming, non-threatening environment for non-believers to hear of and accept His saving grace.

Our activities have included:

- Programs such as "*Managing Your Finances God's Way*", "*I Want to Be Like Max*" (*living life through a child's eyes*) and "*Balancing the Scientific and Artful Decorator*";

- Bake Sale Fundraisers in April and November;
- Many Moms Night Out activities to provide fellowship outside of our regular meetings;
- Summer play times for the kids, as we don't have meetings in June, July and August;
- Preparing meals for families that have new babies, are in financial need, or have medical issues;
- Service projects that help Operation Christmas Child, Alternatives Pregnancy Center, and various hospitals around the area; and
- Annual Winter Party for our families and Trunk or Treat with MOPS 1.

We are grateful for the prayers of the PEPC Staff and members for our group. Our prayer is that we will continue to be blessed as a group and individually, growing in faith and in numbers over the next year. We believe every mom and her children need MOPS and invite anyone interested to join us!

Elementary Education

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The GREAT Adventure exists to serve alongside parents in equipping their children to **G**row in Christ, **R**aise Up the Name of the Lord, **A**ct in Service to our Community and **T**ell the World About Jesus.

The GREAT Adventure vision:

- ✦ Children are equipped with a backpack of faith
- ✦ Parents are equipped with a backpack of spiritual leadership
- ✦ Volunteers are equipped with a backpack of fruitfulness

We continue to see God working in so many ways in the lives of our children, families, and volunteers in Children's Ministry. This year we said good-bye to our 6th grade class as we moved them up to Middle School Ministry. However, our 5th graders have stepped up to the plate to be amazing leaders. They have served on two different occasions with their parents through our Adventure 456 program. The first was on a chilly cold spring day, collecting food for the Parker Task Force and again in December they served at two different locations for the Denver Rescue Mission. We are so proud of the ownership they have taken to serve Jesus in these ways.

In the summer our kids voted on the VBS they wanted us to do and Hero Headquarters got the thumbs up! Not only did this event bring out 84 kids, representing 50 families, but we also utilized 60 volunteers. Our summer continued to bring blessing

as we used some of our top notch middle and high school students to lead our children in our summer curriculum of Camp Iwillagoway; a study of the life of David and living our lives in the way of God. Our Youth Summer Staff is a wonderful part of Children's Ministry that allows our children to build relationships with kids who they look up to and gives our dedicated school year volunteers a much needed break.

In the fall, we began our new curriculum 252 Basics on Wednesday evenings during The Intersection. 252 Basics is designed around three Basic Truths every child should embrace according to what Jesus modeled in Luke 2:52:

- 1) I need to make the wise choice.
- 2) I can trust God no matter what.
- 3) I should treat others the way I want to be treated.

Each month kids learn about a virtue through a Bible story, interactive activities and games. Best of all, kids bring home resources to help parents continue the learning at home!

In addition to our Wednesday and Sunday morning learning opportunities, we stepped out in faith and partnered with the Cherry Creek Rotary to serve at the Trick or Treat on Mainstreet and perform a skit and sing worship songs. Our volunteers of kids and adults did an amazing job of being a light during this community event.

An important door was opened into opportunities for us to continue to think and act missionally.

As we look ahead to 2011, we must thank God for His hand in this ministry, ask Him to continue to guide us and to individually ask Him how we can be involved in providing Spiritual Leadership to the children of PEPC and their families. Even if you do not have a child in Children's Ministry there are many ways you can help. If you do have a child in Children's Ministry we always welcome partnering with you during our on-site programs and in your journey to become your child's Spiritual Leader. Upcoming events include:

- The HUNT, April 23, 2011
- GREAT Adventure classes every Sunday morning
- VBS-early part of June (date still to be determined)
- Intersection classes for kids every Wednesday, through April 13th and resuming in the Fall
- Serving opportunities quarterly for our 4th & 5th graders at Parker Task Force and through the Denver Rescue Mission
- Partnering with Parker Rotary for the Trick or Treat on Mainstreet (October)

Please prayerfully consider how God is calling you to be involved in the lives of our kids at PEPC.

Early Childhood Education/Early Learning Center

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I am so blessed to have a ministry/job that I love doing! Being surrounded by children under 5 years old and their families is such a blessing to me. Children this age are full of wonder, growth and discovery. They start out so small, doing so little and in a short time span they talk, walk, feed themselves, use the restroom, learn how to control their bodies and emotions and learn about God and His endless love. What an amazing 5 years! Every day is an adventure and you never know what the day will bring!! God is so gracious and giving to let us see this growth in every little person.

On Sunday and Wednesday nights Katherine and I work in concert to provide a consistent plan for spiritual growth and development for young children. When families have a baby we provide a baby gift that includes the book "Will you bless me?" by Neal Lozano. This book has a great story to help families share the love of God and the Bible with children. The story lets children know that He is with us all the time, not just when we are at church. The Bible curriculum we use in Children's Ministry and PEPC Early Learning Center has a parent component

so that we can partner with families in teaching the children about God, Jesus and the Bible.

Our goal at PEPC Early Learning Center is to provide a positive experience to help children discover a love of learning and promote academic, spiritual, social and emotional growth. By teaching the whole child, differentiating for individual needs and working closely with home, we provide an environment where children can thrive. During the week at PEPC Early Learning Center we are all growing and learning. We have added Joy Johnson as the Assistant Director and Holly Roper as the Administrative Assistant so that we can continue to provide a standard of excellence as the school continues to grow. This year we are adding 3 new classes, one being a Kindergarten class.

Every fall and spring we ask our parents to fill out a parent survey. This year one of the parents said "Putting our son in your program is the best thing we have done for him. He is learning more here than he could at home or in daycare. Thank you PEPC for offering "school" for little ones." Another parent said, "I always feel welcome when dropping off and pick-

ing up my child. I feel like the teachers genuinely care about my child's well being and speak from the heart about my child."

It is wonderful to hear from parents the positive impact we are making on their households.

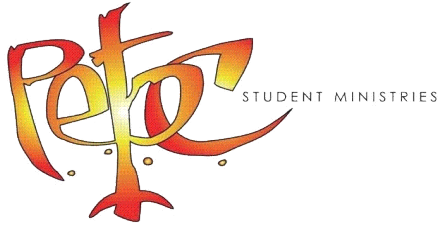
You can become involved in the work that God is doing in Early Childhood Education by:

- Praying for us daily
- Offering to volunteer on Wednesday evenings or Sunday mornings
- Offering to cut items out for crafts
- Sharing any other gifts and talents God has given you that you would like to share with Children's Ministry or PEPC Early Learning Center.

Student Ministries

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WOW! Here we are already to 2011! 2010 was such a blessed year with so much going on, I don't know where to begin!

Spring Semester

Spring was an awesome time of growth! We had two amazing winter trips to Snowbound and High Altitude! At Snowbound we were blessed to have a great turn out of students who had a blast in the pool, game room and on the inflatables. This was by far the coldest year, so cold that the muck war had to be cut short, but not short enough to not have my head covered in shaving cream! High Altitude was an amazing time as well. We took a record 45 students and leaders for a great weekend! The students were impacted by the message from speaker Albus Brooks, the music of Danny Oertli and the power of the Holy Spirit. This weekend was a great time where God was seen first hand. The high school students also had a blast playing volleyball and dodge ball. In fact, the PEPC boys are now the defending dodge ball champs!

Spring was also our transition back to having middle school youth group on Wednesdays and high school on Sundays. This was a great change, giving ownership back to the students of their night!

Finally the Spring Semester was highlighted by "Youth Sunday: By Faith..." We had a great skit led by John and Jeanie Draper about the history of faith in the Old Testament acted out by Middle School Students. We also had a great video with high school students sharing how they were living their lives by faith. We had amazing worship with the student band led

by Blake and Whitney, but the highlight was the message brought by our seniors. We had 4 seniors speak on how God had impacted them individually through their time in high school. Abbie, Caroline, Lauren and Taylor all blessed us with their message and we pray for them as life moves forward for them!

Summer

Summer had a theme of NEW. This was the first summer that we brought up both incoming 6 and 7th graders! Our first middle school youth group was overwhelmingly full with over 80 people! This just told us that the summer of 2010 was going to be great. The high schoolers went on a mission trip to Cortez, Colorado. The awesome part of this experience was traveling from the richest county in the state to the poorest. The students were able to paint houses and spend time with kids doing VBS. It was a great experience that offered a time of reflection on who God is and why we serve.

Middle schoolers were able to serve at the Denver Rescue Mission Harvest Farm in Wellington, Colorado. The students jumped in feet first helping on the farm and embracing the residents. One new resident told us that it was "an awesome experience to work with these kids." It was truly a blessing to serve the farm and experience God's hands at work.

The rest of the summer was packed full of Water World, paint ball and Elitches trips! Such a BLAST!

Fall

Before we knew it school was starting and we were getting back into the swing of things! We are so blessed to have an awesome Middle School Ministry leadership team. To begin the fall, the training began. Kristi, Steve, and Kristin are our adult leaders and Micah, Maddie, Colton, Lizzy, Travis, Izzy, Jake, Sara, Eric, Liz, and

Marie are all juniors and seniors who went through the application and interview process to become leaders. Throughout the fall these leaders along with the High School Leaders, Stacia, Dan and Bree, have done a great job in serving our students!

We also have an addition within the leadership team. Jeanne Draper (or Mamma D) has taken over Sunday morning lessons with the creation of S3 (Sunday Student Study). This is a Bible-centered study where the students in the fall walked through the book of Matthew.

The fall also brought on the creation of the Student Ministry Parent Council. This is a group of 18 chosen adults/parents within the PEPC community that speak into the actions and ministry of the students. The biggest accomplishment of the council in the fall was the silent auction/bake sale/Minute to Win It night. Over \$1800 was raised to go to camp scholarships! What a blessing! Thank you to all who donated to the cause!

2011

The New Year brings new opportunities to see how God can work through us. Snowbound and High Altitude will be happening with bigger groups than 2010, a lesson series on *Sex, Dating and Jesus* will open the year in both middle and high school youth groups followed by a series on being called. Also, S3 will be going strong through the book of Acts with Mamma D! The mission trips are planned and ready to go, middle school back to the farm, and high school to San Francisco!

The challenge that the Student Ministry has to the people of the congregation is to take a step of faith, volunteer, and allow God to change you through your interaction with these students.

"And whatever you do, whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him."
Colossians 3:17

Leadership Team: Bob Biffle, Pat Ryan, Andrea Graham, Judy Zitzke, Doug Hayes

Small Groups Mission - To help nurture existing Small groups and to form/assist new small groups. Mission Statement: "to make PEPC a Church of Small groups, not just a Church with Small groups."

2010 Report

- Began the 2010 with 28 groups, ended with 23 groups.
- Met with outside larger Churches in Parker to discuss small group issues. We're all having similar problems with the forming of new groups, how to keep them focused, establishing a strong commitment, interests, training, etc.
- Encouraged Pastors to attend Small group meetings
- Promote more "out-side the box" activities of Small groups, i.e. assist

with Parker Task force, community night, etc.

- Initiate a follow-up program for Suppers of Seven to eventually lead to formulation of new small groups.

2011 Projection - Looks promising

- A new direction for the "new" groups with Suppers of Seven.
- Focus on one major small groups' drive a year around the beginning of Fall.
- Have more social functions combining Small groups.
- Encourage more outside activities to groups to get outside the box.
- Establish an interactive system on our website to get small group leaders to update their rosters and communicate their studies.

- Encourage groups to turn in old study material into the library to share with other groups.
- Develop a training program for new small group leaders.
- Have more promotion of small groups in New Member classes.
- New Focus: In the past, we've been trying to fill in the existing Small groups with the new inquiries, this has not been totally successful. After several years of transition and the weeding out some of the shaky groups, we now have a fairly strong core of Small groups. Our new direction will give our new inquiries two options, first to join/form a new group from the Suppers of Seven, with selected Small group leaders willing to start and lead a new group or secondly, to join an existing Small group.

Senior Class Ministry

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Mission Statement:

The purpose of the Parker Evangelical Church Senior Adult Ministry is to provide members and attendees who are in the age group of 55 years and above, opportunities for social interaction, spiritual learning and growth, to outreach into the Parker Community, to provide physical emotional and spiritual care and support for one another.

According to our database FellowshipOne there are 247 seniors registered which is 141 family units. There are 63 families in small groups and 78 not in small groups. We had 21 occasions to get together, 12 were lunches in various restaurants in the area, 5 pot lucks, 1 catered lunch 1 service project and 2 entertainment outings.

Our first pot luck was February 28 and our speaker was Greg Johnson. Greg and Lisa Johnson are the head of our Deacon Ministry and Greg informed us of the requirements to be a deacon as stated in 1 Timothy 3 and the function of the Nominating Committee for Deacons and Elders and how Deacons and Elders are elected. The deacon ministry was restructured this year and Greg explained what was involved. Besides being responsible for the Worship Center during services they also control the deacon fund and parish duties. They now are involved with greeting, hospitality/food service, facilities, shut in care, widows, meal service, funerals, safety, security, and the welcome center.

Our next pot luck was on April 14th and our speaker was Griff Freyschlag a member of PEPC and the VP for Development for the Denver Rescue Mission. He informed us of the many programs available at the Rescue Mission. The Crossing which

houses homeless families, participants in the New Life Programs, Family Services, interns and visitors. The Rescue Mission also has the Lawrence Street Shelter, Champa House for single mothers, and Harvest Farm a rehabilitation center for men. He also informed us of how we could help with clothing assistance, child-care, mentoring, tutoring, serving meals, clinic volunteers, prayer warriors, vehicle donations and monetary donations.

On August 29th Pastor Pat Russell who previously taught a six week course on Psalms at PEPC gave us an overview of Psalms and examples of Psalms that help us with our various emotional needs.

On October 24th, we had Rev. Kathy Bird DeYoung speaking on successful aging. Kathy is the chaplain at the Holly Creek Retirement Community and she told us that there are four important activities for successful aging, social, physical, education and spiritual.

Our speaker for the last pot luck of 2010 was Rev. Larry Russell, Director Global Link for Cape Town 2010 Lausanne Congress on World Evangelism. The Congress brought together some 4000 Christian leaders from 200 countries to Cape Town, South Africa. In addition thousands more participated through Global Link sites throughout the world. One of the sites locally was the Denver Seminary. An example of the many subjects put forward were, "A Fresh Approach to Witness for the 21st Century" by Rebecca Manley Pippert and Bishop Benjamin A. Kwashia and: "A Global Perspective and Witnessing to Christ in a Secular Culture" by Michael Herbst.

One of the service projects we participated in was preparing the dinner for Community night on April 14th.

We attended the Gospel Night Hymn Sing on October 10th at PEPC. It was an entertaining evening singing some of the old hymns we used to sing and being entertained by the Gospel Guys, Praise Team, and the PEPC choir.

On October 22 we also enjoyed a dinner at Cinzzetti's in Northglenn Colorado which is a unique Italian restaurant with 14 different specialty cooking stations with more than 80 different dishes. Following dinner we attended the Gaithers Homecoming Concert of gospel music at the First Bank Center in Broomfield, Colorado.

On December 5th we had a catered lunch by Carinos Restaurant and sang Christmas carols led by Pastor Doug Resler and accompanied by Carol McGowen on the piano.

Our hope next year and following is to use a process described in the book Simple Church by Rainer and Geiger. For 2011 we will strive to move seniors through stages of spiritual growth, loving God in the worship service, pot lucks and retreats, loving each other by forming neighborhood small groups of seniors not presently in small groups, and serving the world by encouraging seniors to engage in ministry that serve PEPC, local community and outside our local community and the world. We will also strive to have intergenerational events.

PEPC Mission Committee exists to facilitate the involvement and participation of the people of PEPC in Christ's Mission. We are also tasked with administration of PEPC's support to missionaries and missions, praying for them and maintaining our connection with them; partnering with them. We also hear requests for support from new missionaries whether they are new to the mission field or just new to us.

There are several Scriptures that are foundational in directing what we do. Among them are:

"All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." (Matt. 28: 18-20 NIV)

And:

"... and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth." (Acts 1:8 NIV)

Jesus' disciples (all of us) have been given jobs to do. They involve going and doing, putting our faith in action, not just having good intentions and thoughts and/or going through the motions. Christ wants all of us! Are we faithful and obedient? Is each of us leading a missional life; on task, a guiding light to those around us and focused on bringing glory to God? Where and how is the Holy Spirit calling you and me to Connect, Grow, Serve and Love? Is He calling you and me to more than we're doing now? HE who began a good work in us is faithful to complete it. Are we allowing Him to do so?

2010 started with our budget completely allocated to the support of our missionaries and mission organizations. Our budget only covered the support we were already committed to with nothing left over for

anything else. We had and have a backlog of missions that we want very much to support for which there is no budget room. While this sounds depressing and stifling, God is GREAT!

God saw to it that our desire for a Mission Sunday attended by many of our supported missionaries was successful.

Freedom Sunday provided a wake up call to PEPC that brought to our attention the serious and tragic issues associated with human trafficking and slavery that still exists in our world, our country and even here in Parker.

God also placed on the hearts of PEPC people the need to support Missions Ministries in their effort to provide housing for people in need in Juarez. Juarez has become such a violent place that the usual short term mission trips to construct homes on site in Juarez are too dangerous for most. The solution is to build houses here and send them there. PEPC contributed greatly to the first ever mega-parking-lot-build, with both financial support and manual labor where 10 homes were built in just one day, by parents and their children, youth groups, boys and girls, the young and vital and those who sport more white in their hair than their original color, working together, from Denver, Colorado Springs and even Juarez Mexico, at Bandimere Speedway (Racing to Raise the Walls At Bandimere). These homes were panelized and erected temporarily then loaded on trucks, hauled to Juarez and completed there with paid Mexican crews.

Do you see what I mean when I say, "God is GREAT"? Where at the beginning of the year we were cash strapped and it appeared, on the surface, we could do no more, God proceeded to use His people to fulfill needs in a very dramatic way, demonstrating His power and bringing glory to himself through folks that were willing to

respond to His Spirit.

PEPC people are involved with many, many missions. Some of these, we as a church, are well aware of. Others are flying along, under our radar, but are no less significant to God's Kingdom. Our prayer is that more and more of us will become actively involved in God's mission as a way of life; the missional life. David Durant, a committee member, responded to God's call by producing a list of missions, a compilation of who is doing which mission at PEPC, in order to make it easier for people to get connected with a mission for themselves or their family. Hopefully this will be available soon on our website. If you would, please email

missions@pepc.org with the mission you are involved with so we can post it along with the others. You may actually get someone to walk alongside you. It may be that God will place on your heart a new mission opportunity, one PEPC people are not currently involved in. We are called to do God's work as His hands and feet, His light to a very dark world, not just once a week or so but every moment of every day, in our Jerusalem, in our Judea, Samaria and even to the ends of the earth. It may be intimidating to faithfully step out but the most powerful, loving person in the world promises He'll be with us even to the end of the age.

2011 holds a plethora of opportunities and we are excited to see what God has in store for us.

These were reportedly seen on a highway billboard near Dallas, TX:

"Do you know where you're going? – God"

"I love you and you and you and you... - God"

Financial Report

Sarah Kelly, Treasurer

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PEPC Combined Balance Sheet (excluding depreciation deductions)

ASSETS

Current Assets

General Fund cash	\$ 181,641	
Building Fund Cash	195,741	
Other Gen. Fund Investments	86,918	
Prepaid Expenses	22,608	
Deacons Fund	16,418	
Other Designated fund cash	<u>107,372</u>	
Total Current Assets		610,698

Property and Equipment (excl. deprec.)

Land	180,808	
Buildings	1,270,385	
Narthex Add. & Youth Center	416,693	
Office Equipment	60,695	
Musical Equipment	122,311	
Furniture & Fixtures	150,253	
Phase III	4,386,515	
Misc Soft Costs Phase III	<u>39,886</u>	
Total Property and Equipment		6,627,546
Other Asset – Amortizable Loan Fees	<u>15,040</u>	
Total Assets	<u>\$7,253,284</u>	

LIABILITIES AND CAPITAL

Liabilities

Accounts Payable	\$ 14,618	
Payroll Taxes Payable	<u>6,791</u>	
Total Current Liabilities:		\$ 21,409
Youth Bank Funds	2,037	
Restricted Funds Awaiting Trsf	93,213	
College Scholarship Fund	871	
General Scholarship fund	1,134	
Yr to year carry-over, MOPS1	1,677	
Yr to year carry-over, MOPS2	1,606	
Deacon's Fund	16,418	
White House Fund	42	
Designated Building Funds	<u>195,741</u>	
Total Restricted Funds:		312,739
Mortgage Loan Balance	<u>1,905,868</u>	
Total Current Liabilities		1,989,110
Total Liabilities		2,240,016

Capital

Total Capital	<u>5,013,268</u>	
Total Liabilities & Capital	<u>\$7,253,284</u>	

Summary Financial Information

Revenues and Expenses

For 12 months ended December 31, 2010

	2010 Full <u>Year Actual</u>	2010 <u>Total Budget</u>
<u>Revenues</u>		
General Fund	\$787,707	\$870,000
Designated Giving	32,410	9,500
Preschool	415,433	427,500
Building Fund Giving	74,393	60,000
Other Income	<u>18,030</u>	<u>23,500</u>
Total Revenues	1,327,973	1,390,500

Designated Expenditures

Missions	109,284	90,300
Wages & Benefits, Staff	385,491	387,200
Wages & Benefits, Preschool	<u>318,158</u>	<u>315,400</u>
Total Designated Expense	812,933	792,900

Department Expenditures

General Operating	86,979	97,500
Administration	48,666	53,350
Executive / Elder	34,392	39,600
Communications & Mktg	13,973	10,000
Technology	49,286	53,000
Worship	30,668	43,950
Christian Education	27,878	32,355
Evangelism	77,158	68,645
Congregational Life	17,250	14,000
Women's Ministry	565	3,600
Men's Ministry	-996	1,200
Marriage Ministry	<u>-68</u>	<u>1,000</u>
Total Department Expenses	385,751	418,200

Building Fund Mortg. & Exp.**	151,546	153,100
Capital expenditures	<u>4,278</u>	<u>26,300</u>

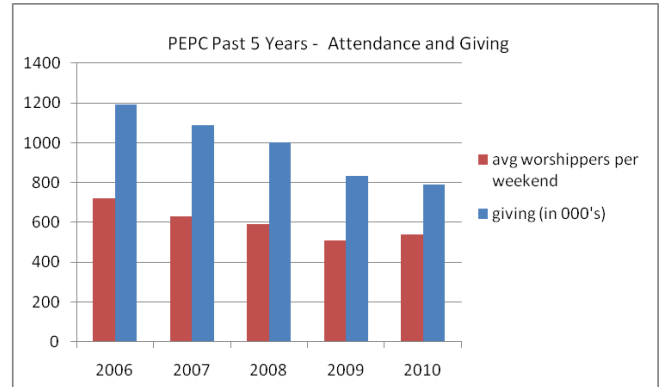
Total All Expenses	<u>1,354,508</u>	<u>1,390,500</u>
Net Income	(81,755)	(52,944)

Total NET Cash Flow: **\$(20,535)** **\$0**

** Principal reduction of \$44,958 was paid by the building fund.

Summary Financial Information Revenues & Expenses Budget for 12 months of 2011

	2011
	<u>BUDGET</u>
<u>Revenues</u>	
General Fund:	\$ 823,000
Designated Giving:	10,000
MDO/Preschool:	518,000
Building Fund Giving:	50,000
Other Income:	<u>20,500</u>
Total Revenues	1,421,500
<u>Designated Expenditures</u>	
Missions	111,000
Wages & Benefits, Staff	397,500
Wages & Benefits, Preschool/misc	<u>389,500</u>
Total Designated Expense	898,000
<u>Department Expenditures</u>	
General Operating	94,500
Administration	46,100
Executive	26,000
Communications/Marketing	13,000
Technology	49,500
Worship	30,500
Adult	600
Senior Adults	600
High School	16,000
Middle School	12,000
Children's Ministry	11,500
<u>Evangelism</u>	
Preschool	81,000
Other Evangelism	2,500
Congregational Life	12,500
Women's Ministry	4,500
Men's Ministry	<u>1,000</u>
Total Department Expenses	401,800
Capital Expenditures & Other	17,200
Total Bldg. Fund Loan & Exp.	<u>151,800</u>
Total All Expenses	1,468,800
Total NET Cash Flow:	\$ -47,300



Treasurer's Report

God's gracious provision, along with tight cost controls have helped PEPC survive several very difficult years financially for the entire Parker economy. We ended 2010 with a total net cash flow deficit of \$26,507 which was funded by building fund reserves earmarked to assist with mortgage payments.

General giving for 2010 was down 5% from the previous year. However, the falling attendance over the past few years began to stabilize in 2010. Attendance over the last six months of 2010 was 7% higher than the last six months of 2009.

The staff continues an outstanding job of managing expenses in response to revenue changes, keeping total departmental expenditures and capital expenses \$55 thousand below budget.

A financial highlight for the year was the congregation's mighty response to "Mission Sunday." Worshippers that Sunday blessed the event with an additional \$20 thousand for missions over and above our budget.

For 2011, we have budgeted total revenues to increase by 4% as a result of the stabilization and anticipated growth of our congregation. In response to the local demand, preschool revenues and expenses reflect additional classes to be added next fall.

The final 2011 budget reflects a balanced General Fund. Principal payments on the mortgage will be funded by building fund reserves. Reserves at the end of 2010 were \$195 thousand.