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THROUGHOUT DECEMBER

CHRISTMAS FOR THE ÉTIENNE BOYS!
Esaie & Natacha Étienne, with MTW, and their children Ishtyler (15), Isaiah, Jr. (14), and Ish-maiah, (13) have become TBPC Children’s Ministry “own” missionaries. There is a basket in the narthex with envelopes for TBPC kids to put money to be sent to the boys’ parents for Christmas gifts. This past summer our VBS kids raised \$1,301.91 to help build the Gonaives Children’s Home.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5

MEMORIAL POINSETTIAS ORDER DEADLINE

This is the deadline to submit your order for a poinsettia. You can honor a person or organization and brighten the church till you take them home Christmas Eve. The dedication list will appear in the bulletin for the Christmas Eve Service. Fill out the insert and put it in the offering plate with \$7.00 per plant. Write “**Poinsettia**” on the check or envelope.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 9:00-11:15 A.M.

WOMEN’S MINISTRY’S 25TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

Ladies of our church, friends, and family members, please accept our invitation to focus on the Advent season with guest speaker Marianne Cali. Tickets: \$10.00 ladies, \$8.00 girls ages 8 and under. They will be sold in the narthex after Worship Service through today.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 5:00-8:00 P.M.

PHOS YOUTH GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY

All youth are invited to come for fun and fellowship at the home of the Tomasellos. For more information, contact Garry Gawrych (813-956-7220, garrygawrych@tbpc.org)

Petitions

Health

Brian Carrier (recovery from hand surgery); Cile Mitchell, **Nora Jeffries’** sister-in-law (get a lung transplant); **John Andel** (recovery from kidney stone surgery); Tyler Jeffries, son of **Ted Jeffries** (recovery from war wounds); **Barbara Bentley** (continuing health issues); **Diane Collier** (limbic encephalitis).

Pregnancy

Jennifer Garcia December

This Week’s Volunteers

Welcome Table

Garry and Keri Gawrych

Greeters

Rick and Deborah Donaldson

Ushers

Bill Campbell, Betty Pothoven, Todd Bayley, Garry Gawrych, and Phil Lear

Children’s Church

Molly Knox, Melissa Nichols, and Pierce Atkinson

Nursery

Eric and Luana Isaac, and Wicke Egbert

Deacon on Duty

Bob Guest

Next Week’s Volunteer

Welcome Table

Joseph and Lillian Barquin

Greeters

Roger Kaiser and Bob Mallary

Ushers

Lenny Chew, Martine Extermann, Luke Egbert, Colin Jensen, and Jonathan Massie

Children’s Church

Molly Knox, Melissa Nichols, and Pierce Atkinson

Nursery

Alisa Carrier, and Jennifer and Luana Isaac

Deacon on Duty

John Ausmus

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 12:30 P.M.

PACESETTERS’ CHRISTMAS LUNCH

The Pacesetters will be meeting at the church at 12:30 p.m. Meat provided. Just bring a side dish or dessert. Come enjoy the games, prizes and Christmas carols. There will be NO gift exchange this year. Please RSVP to Randi Mallary (813-972-0504) by Monday, December 2.

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 13, 6:00-11:00 P.M.

PHOS BABYSITTING SERVICE NIGHT

Spend an evening with your spouse. We provide pizza, games, activities, and chaperones. To participate, contact Anna Barber (813-257-3469, Barber5@mail.usf.edu) or Garry Gawrych (813-956-7220, garrygawrych@tbpc.org) to ensure that we have enough chaperones and pizza. Merry Christmas!

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14, 5:30-8:00 P.M.

SUPPORT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please prayerfully consider volunteering to donate special kid-friendly GOODIES for Night in Bethlehem, and/or filling a STAFF role on Saturday, December 14, 5:30-8:00 p.m. Also please prayerfully use the invitation cards provided to invite a family with children. For more info, see the bulletin insert, check your TBPC emails and website, or information in the narthex. Contact Eileen Fritz (Eileen Fritz@verizon.net, call/text 813-731-0457.

Welcome

We are glad you are worshiping with us today. Please let us know you are here by signing the Friendship Register located at the end of each row. **Let us know how we can pray for you** by filling out the prayer request section of the form, and placing it in the offering plate, or handing it to an usher. The staff of the church will pray confidentially for these requests.

Tampa Bay Presbyterian Church is a member of the Presbyterian Church in America (PCA).

Our **Mission** is to bring people to Jesus Christ and **membership** in his church family, develop them to Christlike **maturity**, equip them for their **ministry** in the church and life **mission** in the world, in order to **magnify** God’s name.

Staff

Pastor Rev. Freddy Fritz
Associate Pastor Rev. James Nichols
Office Administrator Melissa Noel
NTCA Director Cheryl Barber
Custodian Chris Christopher
Nursery (p/t) Marianne Cali
Bookkeeper (p/t) Joanne Campbell
Music (p/t) Debi Hensley
Children (p/t) Eileen Fritz
Pianist (p/t) Debi Hensley
Office Assistant (p/t) LeeAnn DeStefano
Youth (p/t) Garry Gawrych

Session

Jim Aldrich
Bert Barber
Freddy Fritz (Moderator)
Fred Gordon
Doug Hayman
Joe Kirkpatrick
Doug Knox (REIT)
James Nichols
Kevin Nobles (Clerk)
Ken Pothoven (Emeritus)

Diaconate

John Ausmus (DIT)
Mike Bowman (Sabbatical)
Rick Donaldson
Garry Gawrych (DIT)
Bob Guest (Chairman)
Jonathan Massie

Bob McQueen (Emeritus)

Missionaries

Nathaniel & Cherita Adawonu NHMI
Chaplain James Cochell PRCC
Esaie & Natacha Etienne MTW
Chaplain Ted Hamm PRCC
Jeff & Jenny Lee RUF
Pam Johnston WA
Ken & Tammy Matlack MTW
Kevin & Gertrude Nicholas Wycliffe
Rene & Lilli Palacio SIM
Carla Stevens MTW
Don & Judy Vander Ploeg Wycliffe

Meeting Times

Today:

8:45 a.m. Children’s Sunday School
Adult CE&F
Communicant Membership Class
PHOS Youth Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
Children’s Church
5:00 p.m. PHOS Dinner and Youth Meeting
Nobles Dinner and Growth Group

5:30 p.m. Knox/Hayman Growth Group
Tuesday:
7:00 p.m. Outreach Team Meeting
Gordon/Guest Growth Group

Wednesday:

5:45 p.m. Family Night Dinner-Menu: Tacos, soft drink, and dessert
6:15 p.m. Dare 2 Declare Children’s Choir Rehearsal

6:30 p.m. Kids of the King Children’s Choir Rehearsal
Prayer Meeting

7:00 p.m. Pioneer Clubs
7:15 p.m. Adult Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. LAMP Degree Program

Thursday:

7:00 p.m. Worship Team Meeting

Saturday:

7:45 a.m. Men’s Bible Study
Lamp Certificate
9:00 a.m. Ladies Christmas Brunch

Sunday:

8:45 a.m. Children’s Sunday School
Adult CE&F
Communicant Membership Class
PHOS Youth Sunday School
10:30 a.m. Worship Service
Children’s Church
12:15 p.m. A Cappella Ensemble Rehearsal
12:30 p.m. Welcome Lunch
5:00 p.m. PHOS Youth Group Christmas Party

Ministry Teams

Membership

CareNet
Emptynesters
Hospitality
Nursery
Pacesetters
Prayer

Maturity

Adult CE&F
Children
Growth Group
Men’s Bible Study
Women’s Bible Study
Women’s Ministry
Youth

Ministry

Ministry Deployment
Missions
Church Planting
Missions Committee
NTCA
Outreach

Magnification

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Tampa Bay Presbyterian Church

Sunday, December 1, 2013 at 10:30 a.m.

First Sunday of Advent

Today’s Worship Leaders: Freddy Fritz and James Nichols

Worship Service

† Please stand as you are able

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS Please sign Friendship Register

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

GOD CALLS US TO WORSHIP

CALL TO WORSHIP based on Isaiah 2:4

We light this candle as a sign of the coming light of Christ. Advent means coming. We are preparing for the full coming of God’s kingdom:

The nations shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks; nation shall not lift up sword against nation, neither shall they learn war any more.

† OPENING SONGO Come, O Come Emmanuel Hymnal 194

† PRAYER OF ADORATION

GOD CLEANSSES US FROM SIN

CONFESSION OF SIN

Lord God, our lives are filled with sin. We forget our neighbor’s needs and do not love you above all else. We need a Savior. Help us to be ready for Jesus in our own hearts. O come, O come, Savior of the world. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS based on Isaiah 40:1-2

Comfort, comfort my people, says your God. Your sins are pardoned. The penalty is paid. Thanks be to God.

SONG OF RESPONSECome Thou Long-Expected Jesus Hymnal 196

GOD CONSECRATES US BY HIS WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Heidelberg Catechism Q & A 29 & 30

Why is the Son of God called "Jesus," meaning "savior"?

Because he saves us from our sins. Salvation cannot be found in anyone else; it is futile to look for any salvation elsewhere.

Do those who look for their salvation and security in saints, in themselves, or elsewhere really believe in the only savior Jesus?

No. Although they boast of being his, by their deeds they deny the only savior and deliverer, Jesus. Either Jesus is not a perfect savior, or those who in true faith accept this savior have in him all they need for their salvation.

OLD TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING

Isaiah 2:1-5 Page 567

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

† PSALM..... Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence Hymnal 193

NEW TESTAMENT SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 24:36-44 Page 830

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING..... General Fund
Please place Friendship Registration form in the Offering Plate

OFFERTORY SONG Instrumental
Debi Hensley

PREPARATORY SONG..... Emmanuel
Worship Choir

DISMISSAL.....Children (Age 3 through Grade 2) to Children’s Church

† SCRIPTURE TEXT Luke 7:11-17 Page 863

PRAYER OF DEDICATION

SERMON Jesus Raises a Widow’s Son
Rev. Freddy Fritz

Sermon Notes

Sermon Notes (cont.)

GOD COMMUNES WITH US

SONG Love Divine, All Loves ExcellingHymnal 529

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION

Bread Behold the Lamb (vv 1-2)

Behold the Lamb, who bears our sins away, slain for us—and we remember the promise made that all who come in faith find forgiveness at the cross. So, we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice as a sign of our bonds of peace around the table of the King.

The body of our Savior Jesus Christ, torn for you—eat and remember; the wounds that heal, the death that brings us life paid the price to make us one. So, we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice as a sign of our bonds of love around the table of the King.

Cup Behold the Lamb (vv. 3-4)
Grape juice (in grape-colored cups) in outer ring of tray; wine (clear-colored cups) in inner rings of tray.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, shed for you—drink and remember he drained death's cup that all may enter in to receive the life of God. So, we share in this bread of life, and we drink of his sacrifice as a sign of our bonds of grace around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith we rise to respond—and to remember our call to follow in the steps of Christ as his body here on earth. As we share in his suffering, we proclaim Christ will come again and, we'll join in the feast of heaven around the table of the King.

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GOD COMMISSIONS US TO SERVICE

† CLOSING SONGGo, Tell It On the MountainHymnal 224

† OFFERING Benevolence Fund

† BENEDICTION

† MEET AND GREET CAFÉ

†Ushers may assist latecomers to find their seats after the Call to Worship.
Children, ages 3 to Second Grade, are dismissed to Children’s Church in Room 21.
Nursery care is provided in Room 13, across from the Ladies’ Restroom, during the Worship Service.
Parents: Please pick up your children at 11:55 a.m., after the Children’s Church Mini Café (except on Communion Sunday or when there is a lunch following Worship Service, when they will return to you during the closing song).
Parents: For the safety of your children, please accompany them to the bathrooms.
To participate in the Mini Café, parents must fill out a Medical Emergency form (in the narthex or Friendship Register) in reference to food allergies. If your child has food or other serious allergies, and is attending Children’s Church (CC) for the first time, please fill out the front and back of the CareNet Medical Emergency Information form (in the narthex or Friendship Register), escort your child to CC, and hand them personally to a CC staff member.
Please silence all communication devices.
Please refrain from applause and flash photography during the Worship Service.
Please refrain from eating or drinking during the Worship Service.

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Visitors: Please visit the Welcome Table for a free book and

information about the church.

Have a taste of something special with a new friend at the Meet and Greet Table

Our Memory Verse for the Month
Proclaim Christ
John 5:24
Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.
John 5:24
Assurance of Salvation

Announcements

Treasurer’s Corner
General Fund Income & Expense
One Month Ended October 31, 2013

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Variance</u>
General Fund Giving	\$ 110,910	\$ 91,781	\$ (19,129)
Other Income (Interest, Rent, etc.)	\$ 2,815	\$ 3,513	\$ 698
General Fund Expenses	\$ 113,725	\$100,003	\$ (13,722)
Ahead (Behind)	\$ -	\$ (4,710)	\$ (4,710)

Missions Fund

Goal	\$ 45,000
Total pledged for 2013-2014	\$ 37,260
Funds received 3/1/2013-10/31/2013	\$ 31,323

By His Grace, For His Glory

Goal	\$ 450,000
Total pledged	\$ 282,714
Funds received through 10/31/2013	\$ 164,752

(Unaudited figures —for internal use only.)

December *Trumpet* available at the Welcome Table.

THE LORD’S SUPPER

We will celebrate the Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper during the Worship Service today in remembrance of Christ, and to proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes; to be spiritually revived and strengthened in our faith. Children’s Church children will return to parents during the song prior to communion. An offering for the Benevolence Fund will follow the Communion Service.

RULING ELDER AND DEACON EMERITUS

Ruling Elder Jim Aldrich and Deacon Bob McQueen have requested and been granted emeritus status, effective today for Bob McQueen and January 1, 2014 for Jim Aldrich. The Session and the congregation thank Jim for 3 years and Bob for 17 years of faithful, diligent, and exemplary service to Jesus and his church.

CALLED CONGREGATIONAL MEETING MINUTES

A copy of the 57th Called Congregational Meeting minutes are posted on the bulletin board in the administrative wing. If you have any corrections, please contact RE Kevin Nobles (714-0142, knobles1@gmail.com).

CHILDREN’S MINISTRY SUMMER 2014

Because of the west wing expansion, VBS on site is not an option. In January, there will be

a meeting to pray and consider options for alternative ministries. Please feel free to start the conversation in advance by sending ideas to Eileen Fritz (EileenFritz@verizon.net).

ESL FRIENDSHIP MINISTRY

We need families who are willing to host a student and his or her family for a dinner. This gives the students a chance to practice their English as well as make new friends. If you could do this 2 or 3 times in the spring (January to May), it would be ideal. Please see either Pastor James or Heather Tomasello (813-753-8567, heather.tomasello@gmail.com) for questions. To sign up, write “**ESL friend**” on your Friendship Register form.

ESL MINISTRY NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

We’re growing! You don’t need special training to volunteer, just a willingness to serve. For more information, or to volunteer, please contact Pastor James (813-973-2484).

END-OF-YEAR GIVING

The Session is recommending that if anyone in our church family would like to make an additional contribution to the church, it go to our *By His Grace, For His Glory* Capital Stewardship Campaign for the building addition. Please note: the IRS rule requires checks be written/dated in December, before the end of the year. Checks received by mail must be