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In the past Scioto County's Portsmouth, Ohio gained a reputation for successful shoes companies, as well as the shoestring company that employed many of its residences. Portsmouth was part of the "Rust Belt" in America as a big manufacturer of steel. Portsmouth produced some household names who played in the Major Leagues like Al Oliver and Gene Tenace, while across the river came Don Gullett. Who could talk baseball without mentioning the influence of local hero, Branch Rickey, the Dodger's General Manager who signed Jackie Robinson? From an iconic marker who couldn't think of Portsmouth without the pool, Dream Land, where friends and family gathered at the park to swim, eat and dream away the summer days.

But those days are past. The shoe companies abandoned the region. The steel factories shut down. Portsmouth's presence in the Major Leagues has been quiet. And the Dream Land pool has been filled in and paved for a strip mall.

In the void, Portsmouth became Ground Zero for the opioid crisis. According to Sam Quiñones' book, *Dream Land*, a perfect storm converged that hit in Portsmouth. First came the pharmaceutical companies who perpetuated a misinformed and fallible research belief that opioids were virtually non-addictive. The pharmaceutical industry believed they found the solution to controlling pain without fear of addiction; they were

wrong. The second gathering storm was the "Pill Mill" factories, where doctors, focused on pain management, set up practice for the purpose of dispensing the opioids. What emerged was an industry without regulation being run by many doctors who had lost their license to practice. Patients paid in cash and were given, what turned out to be, an open ended prescription to opioids like OxyContin, Percocet and Vicodin (honest doctors were caught in the middle of either prescribing for pain or being seen as insensitive to patients pain). Finally, smuggled in from a small state in Mexico came the Black Tar Heroin. In a "pizza delivery" format, the Mexicans sold heroin, to white middle-class people in bigger cities like Columbus, Ohio and to smaller towns like Portsmouth. Instead of you going to a crack house or allies, they delivered to you in a public area. The price was cheap, accessible, and the product was potent. Many who were addicted to opioids eventually became hooked on this form of heroin.

Living in the wake of this perfect storm is certainly better than the storm itself. Federal regulators finally stopped the Pill Mill industry and held the pharmaceutical industry accountable for the damage done. Law enforcement agencies figured out how the Black Tar Heroin ring was operating and started convicting dealers to long-term prison sentences. Most importantly, family members of drug addict victims started speaking out to remove the stigma and shame of their loved one being an addict. What happened to them could have easily happened to anyone, anywhere.



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Prayers For Sunshine Family

Judi Allison moving to Elbrooke on Jan. 5.

David Bradshaw scheduled surgery for his shoulder is Jan. 12.

Vanessa Coriell struggling with PTSD.

Helen Creech prayers for ongoing strength.

Gene and Esther Crisp Riverbend 123. Both are being treated for the flu.

Brittany Gampp recovering from back surgery.

Mike Gampp recovering from heart cath.

John Gampp home and recovering.

Russell Gilliland has been moved to Kings Daughters in Ashland with infection in his bowels.

Ike Hardin living at Edgewood Manner. (Sharon and Ronnie as they care for him.)

Brenda Kallner recovering from wrist surgery.

Garnet Lindeman was dehydrated and had surgery to place a port to receive fluids this past week. Home recovering.

Kensley McCray recovering from pneumonia and had a scope which showed her lungs are clear.

Ruth Morris is home.

Tyler Meredith heading to Commerce, Texas for mission work.

Hattie Rase has pneumonia.

Prayer Requests

Lia Coriell Ira and Shelby are fully approved for their upcoming trip to China to adopt Lia. Prayers for safe travels as they bring home Lia!

Weldonna Evans is in ICU room 2005.

Ida Partlow (Jon Partlow's Mother) being treated for flu and also has blockage in her bowels.

Friends of Vanessa Coriell in Texas struggling with financial and material needs.



1/19-20 Winter Girls Lock In
2/16-18 Winterfest
2/23-24 4th - 6th Girls Retreat

Sunshine Church Service Info

Anonymous Prayer Request Hotline:
Text **94706** & **your request** to the phone
22333

Sunday Morning Live Streaming: <http://media.sunshine-church.com> or <http://sunshinecofc.sermon.net>

Welcome To All of Our Guests

We give a special welcome to all of our guests today. If this is your first time to visit with us this year, please stop by the Welcome Center in the foyer at the conclusion of services, sign our guest register and pick up your gift for being one of our guests today.

Gluten Free Communion Available

We have gluten free communion available for anyone who needs it. It can be found at the Welcome Center. You can simply pick it up before the services or on your way into the auditorium.

Elders Meeting Together

January 2018

Meeting:

Sunday, Jan. 14 at 5:00PM

Praying:

Thursday, Jan. 25 at 7:30PM



GIRLS WINTER LOCK IN

Friday, January 19, 7:00 pm - Saturday 9 am for 3rd grade - high school girls. **If you have not**

done so, please RSVP to Sharon Hallam or sign up on the sign up sheet in the foyer by this Wednesday, January 10.



Please bring sleeping bag or blanket, pillow (sleeping in auditorium again) and a \$5- \$10 gift. The gift needs to be put in a gift bag so no one knows what is in it. We will divide the gifts into 2 categories 3rd - 6th gr and 7th - 12th gr. Have your child bring a gift *for the category they fall in.*

You are welcome to bring a friend but they need to have their name and a phone number of the parent on the sign up sheet by January 10th. Please make sure they get the information on what to bring.

In keeping with our theme *Clothed In Christ*, the girls will be able to clean out closets and clothe others at the same. If you have any gently used clothing at your home that you want to pass on to someone in need please send that with your child, we will watch the pile of clothes grow and decide on a place to take the donations.

If you can attend for the evening but not stay to sleep over, that is fine. Please just mark that on the sign up sheet.

Any questions see Sharon Hallam

WinterFest 2018

WinterFest is quickly approaching! The date this year is Feb. 16-18! To register, text the following information to (740) 935-9701:

Name (First and Last)
Email Address
Cell Phone Number.
(You will receive a confirmation text)

Depart from Sunshine at 5:30 am on Friday Feb. 16th return Sunday Feb. 18th at 6:00pm. Cost is \$100; this includes lodging for two nights, transportation via charter bus and Winterfest registration. Cost does not include food or other miscellaneous expenses (souvenirs, etc.). Schedule and more information can be found at www.winterfest.org. Any questions see Shaun, Jamie, or Tim.

Update Personal Information

Please give the office a call to update personal information in regards to address, phone, birthdays and anniversaries. Also, we are working on collecting portrait format (as opposed to landscape format) pictures of families. Please email updated family pictures to Gary Glispie at jrkryle@yahoo.com or message him on Facebook. Thank you!

Real Love T-shirts

There are still Real Love Tshirts and a few green shirts as well that are for sale. All shirts are \$12 unless they are 2 or 3 X, then \$14. All proceeds go to Jamie Forbes. Any questions please see Terese Jones.

New 2018 Curriculum

The new curriculum for our education program are in the classrooms. Any questions please see Heather.



Save The Date

Make sure to mark your calendars for Feb. 23-24. It's the 4th-6th grade girls winter retreat!

Family Bible Time

Week 2 Text:

Jan. 7—Lesson 107 Matt. 28:1-15; Mark 16:1,7
Jan. 10—Lesson 108 Luke 24:1-10; John 20:1-18; Luke 24:13-43

Week 3 Text:

John 20:24-31; 21:1-25 & Matt. 28:16-20; 1 Cor. 15:7; Luke 24:44-49

Those Who Serve

<u>Sun. Morning</u>	<u>1/7/2018</u>	<u>1/14/2018</u>	<u>1/21/2018</u>
Welcome	Don Coriell	Jon Coriell	Wayne Gamp
Reading	David Bradshaw	Roger Cooper	Dewey Cordle
Midservice Prayer	Jason Foster	Troy Gahm	Price Gammon
Communion	Mark Risner	Dewey Cordle	Gabe Coriell
Sermon	Jon Partlow	Jon Partlow	Jon Partlow
Closing Prayer	Derek Miller	Shane Mougey	Shaun Young
<u>Sun. Evening</u>	<u>1/7/2018</u>	<u>1/14/2018</u>	<u>1/21/2018</u>
Song Leader	Gregg Ferrell	Mark Gamp	Matthew Partlow
Reading	Zach Coriell	Brayden Foster	Dusty Henry
Communion	Dale Kuhn	Aaron McCray	Ed McLaughlin
Assist	Matthew Partlow	Jay Coriell	Sam Williams
Prayer	Greg Shepherd	Jeff Vanatta	Spike Ferrell
<u>Wed. Evening</u>	<u>1/10/2018</u>	<u>1/17/2018</u>	<u>1/24/2018</u>
Song Leader	Wayne Gamp	Shawn Gragg	Matthew Hoskins
Prayer	Jacob Miller	Derek Miller	Tom Kelley

Regular Service Times

Sunday

Early Worship - 8:15 am

Late Worship - 10:00 am

Bible Study - 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday

Bible Study - 7:30 p.m.

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As Quinones drew conclusions to his opioid story, he noted the important role community plays in heading off addiction and gaining support while recovering from addiction. For thirty years our society has barricaded itself within its homes believing that it's safer than engaging the world. The opioid crisis struck at this belief as the ones hit hardest by the crisis were the white middle-class who believed their home was a sanctuary. It's time to engage our neighborhood community. Also, our prison system needs to look at the role they play in helping recovering addicts. Simply locking up addicts without long term drug intervention will not curb the epidemic nor the addiction. Finally, churches must rethink their role in staying off the drug epidemic. One church in Portland, Oregon started with the intent of sharing the gospel with addicts. Their teachings focusing on Jesus: love, forgiveness and transformation. They're known as "The Rehab Church."

Church is the first and last line of defense in surviving the Dream Land. Church provides a built-in community needed for an alternative to a destructive lifestyle and a protection against drugs and the drug world. Church provides a venue for confession to transpire, confessing either an addiction or the battle a family member is fighting. Church provides the grace to struggle along with the cushion to fail and to fall without fear. Church provides the hope for a recovering community to succeed.

Soli Deo Gloria!



HAPPY NEW YEAR!