

# FAMILY NEWS

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## Praise & Harmony Workshop

Many of you may have noticed a line item on the new budget that referenced an event regarding worship. Lots of questions have been raised as to the nature of this event. Let me share a little about what will happen.

When you're involved in a capella congregational worship, something profound happens. Maybe you've noticed it, THE thing that makes a capella worship services great. Good sound is nice, yes. Pretty voices are a plus, and the latest and greatest worship anthems are all wonderful. None of these, however, are the clincher for truly great worship. So what is the secret?

Enter Keith Lancaster's Praise & Harmony Workshops. Drawing on nearly 40 years of worship ministry experience, Keith believes that, whether you describe your Sunday morning worship as uninspiring or engaging, you can have more energy, better flow, more songs, more connection, more music competency, more emotional variety, and fresh arrangements of the classics by incorporating just a few, simple techniques that revolve around one goal: 100% participation.

That's it. That's the secret. Consummate praise is not achieved by execution so much as inclusion. We see this principle in scripture passages like Ephesians 5:19: "Speak to one another in psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs. Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord." In fact, God Himself sings over us (Zephaniah 3:17), calling us to join the song of the universe.

Here's the problem: 100% participation doesn't always happen. In fact, it rarely ever

happens, growing more infrequent each year. Each day, our consumer culture instills in us a craving for passive, vicarious, spectator experiences. Whether in television, concerts, movies, or sporting events, we look for exciting multimedia spectacle with little investment. Of course, this is fine for entertainment, but when we bring such a mentality to our congregations, we assault the integrity of our worship together. God has invited everyone to join His choir, regardless of vocal ability, and we shortchange both our congregations and our Lord when we don't do everything we can to muster every member to praise.

To help all of us join in the song of the universe, we are hosting an event you do not want to miss. Keith Lancaster is bring his Praise & Harmony Workshop to Broadway on the weekend of June 25-26, 2016. The event kicks off that Saturday evening with a 2-hour session for the entire church. Keith will then teach a combined bible class on Sunday morning and lead worship in services following the class.

Along with this, we will be reaching out to churches within a 200-mile radius, encouraging them to send their worship leaders and ministers to be part of this wonderful event. Broadway has an amazing history of encouraging and empowering the body of Christ worldwide. We hope and pray this is the start of something new that will continue to bless our worship leaders for years to come.

You'll hear much more about this in the days to come. For now, mark your calendars and start praying for a successful, God-honoring event. Thanks...

Gary

**Ladies Home Bible Class - 10:00**

Feb. 3 - Home of Caren Watkins - 9810 Toledo  
 Feb. 10 - Home of Barbara Stanford - 6609 Bangor  
 Feb. 17 - Home of Caren Watkins - 9810 Toledo  
 Feb. 24 - Home of Barbara Stanford - 6609 Bangor

We will be studying "The Armor of God" by Priscilla Shirer.

**Ladies Bible Class****Room 138 - 10:00**

Feb. 3 - Camille Allen is teaching.  
 Feb. 10 - Lisa Mack is teaching.  
 Feb. 17 - Sandra Blackwood is teaching.  
 Feb. 24 - Linda Hearne is teaching.

**Weekly Budget:**

01-24-16 Contribution: \$24,096  
 Budget: \$31,000  
 Received to Date: \$108,427  
 Needed to Date: \$124,000  
 Behind budget for year: \$15,573

**Baby shower**

Please join us for a baby shower for **Logan and Daniel Martinez**, maternal grandparents are **Joe and Sheila Gregory**, as they get ready to welcome their baby girl, **Olivia Kay**. Sunday, February 7 at 2:00 p.m. in the home of Ashley Nelson, 6010 89th street. Selections at Target and My Cup of Tea.

**Please sign up for Wed. night meals**

We really need an accurate count for our Wednesday night fellowship meal so we will have enough food for everyone. You can sign up on your attendance card or you can also sign up using our app. Thank you!

**Remembrance Service**

**TODAY, Sunday, January 31, at 4 p.m.** in the Broadway chapel, we invite you to join us for our annual Broadway Remembers service. This is an important time when we gather together as a family to remember, celebrate, and honor the lives of those whom we love and who have passed away this last year. If you have a loved one you would like to be included in our service, please send his, or her information to Camille Allen in our church office by Monday, January 25, and she will be sure to include them. If you'd be willing, we also invite you to lend us a framed picture of your loved one that we can display on our special memory table. That picture will be returned to you immediately after our service. Simply drop your picture off at the church office beforehand, or bring it with you to the service on the 31st.

**Sweetheart Banquet**

Single and Over 60?

The students of Broadway's college ministry cordially invite you to the Sweetheart Banquet. February 14 at noon in the lower level. Please bless us with your presence!

**5th Sunday Congregational Singing**

Come join us this evening, Sunday, January 31, at 5:00 p.m. in the chapel for our 5th Sunday congregational singing.

**Items Needed:**

Terry Bell has a student that is in need of a twin size bed and a chest of drawers. If you have either of these things that you would like to donate, please contact Holly at the church office at (806) 763-0464. Thank you!

**Prayer of Concern: Banda Family, Daniel Barber** (nephew of Joe and Carol Horne), **Bob Barnhill, Joe Burks, Larry and Marilyn Christian, Linda Gay, Hawthorne family, Trent Hawthorne, Holt family, Dick Ihfe, Bill McClellan, Frank Mullican, Suzanne Payne** (daughter of Russell Hubach), **Dana Reynolds** (sister of Kim Baccus), **Roach family, Sandy Solomon** (sister of Mary Ann Loveless) cancer, **Pam Smith** (sister of Kim Baccus), **Jimmy Joe Stanford, Jan Malone Thompson** has cancer, **Evelyn Whitmire, Phillip Wolfe.**