

YOU ARE INVITED TO A

# SCRIPTURE SCRIPTURG PARTY

IN THE NEW GATHERING HALL

**MARCH** 

SUNDAY

16

AT NOON

COME PREPARED WITH YOUR FAVORITE SCRIPTURE TO WRITE ON THE GATHERING HALL FLOOR

FOOD: HOT DOGS, HAMBURGERS, CHIPS, COOKIES & DRINKS

SEATING IN ROOM CD & FELLOWSHIP HALL

#### **Ministry Staff**

PREACHING MINISTER

**Butch Gastfield** 

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

Michael Coppock

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

**Bob Harris** 

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

Tom Beckner

ASSOCIATE MINISTER

Jim Jacobs

#### **CHURCH ADMINISTRATOR**

Chris Callahan

ASST. ADMINISTRATOR - Michael Easter

Office Staff

**OFFICE MANAGER -** Leigh Ann Johnsey **ADMIN. ASSISTANT -** Jeanne Chairez

**RECEPTIONIST - Mary Fancher** 

MAINT. SUPERVISOR - Bob Naramore
VOLUNTEER RECEPTIONISTS: Rebecca

Alessandrine (Mon.) & Bev Johnsey (Fri.)

#### **ELDERS**

Harry Harris (Chairman)

Roger Brown

Fred Holland

Paul Cook

Jerry Benware

#### **DEACONS**

Chairman: Michael Bolter Vice Chairman: John Keeler Secretary: Bernie Gattozzi

Jerry Maddox Paul Wertz Larry Lambert Mike Waters Bill McAlister Tom Ross Mickey Smith Billy Simpson Gerald Raver **Carl Roberts** Paul Bushman Rick McKinney **Greg Domsic** Lou Delucio Dave York John Alessandrine

#### FAIRWAY SCORE CARD February Averages

New Members since January 1, 2025 = 18

Avg Worship Attendance (4 wks) = 855

(4 Week Avg. for February 2024 = 843)

Online Worship Attendance (4 wks) = 374

Avg. Offerings Received (4 Wks) = \$33,981

#### **Worship Services**

#### **Contemporary**

Saturdays at 6 pm Sundays at 8:30 am

#### **Traditional**

Sundays at 10:30 am

#### **Adult Sunday Bible Study**

Classroom C-D

9:00 am & 10:00 am

#### **Office Hours**

Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am - 4:30 pm Friday: 8:30 am - 1:00 pm



#### **MAH JONGG**

Every Monday, 1:00 pm-3:00 pm Classroom C



Dennis & Deb McGlashan Summerhill

Charles & Karen Breitzke Summerhill

Thomas & Celeste Fodor
Piedmont



Please do not enter the construction areas. It is for your safety.

Your cooperation is greatly appreciated.



#### MEN'S BREAKFAST

GET CONNECTED WITH BROTHERS IN CHRIST Saturday, March 15, 8:00am

#### Bring a friend!

Be sure to sign up at one of the kiosks or on our website.

Photos for the Online Church Directory will be taken in the lobby of Door D. Occasionally Saturdays will be announced.

Next Pictorial Directory opportunity: March 2 9:50-10:20AM



**Current Session: Feb. 19-May 7** 

Wednesdays, 2pm—4pm,
If you, a friend, or neighbor have lost a loved one,
GriefShare is open to all who are grieving.
May 7 will be double session, 10:30am - 3:30 pm with
Lunch included.



Women's Creative Card Ministry

1st Thursday of every month, 10 am - 12 pm

Supplies needed: Cutter, Scissors, and Adhesive. Supplies are available for newcomers.

Sign up at the Kiosks or website if you plan to attend.

Next: March 6, 2025 Fellowship Hall

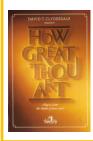


To ensure that your giving is properly credited, please make sure to print your first and last name on your offering envelope and notate what you want your donation applied too. (General, Missions, Forward, Forward Phase 2, etc.)

We are requesting (if possible) that you please carpool or come in your golf cart and park in the grass. This will help with parking during our remodeling.



#### CHOIR NEWS FROM MICHAEL COPPOCK:



The Easter musical this year will be "How Great Thou Art," arranged by David Clydesdale. This classic musical features songs such as "Via Dolorosa," "God So Loved the World," and of course the title song. The musical will be presented Palm Sunday weekend, April 11 and 13, at 6:00 PM. You will not want to miss it!

#### **SPRING 2025 TEACHING CALENDAR**

#### **Sunday**

3/30 through 4/27

9:00 am - Paul Cook, "One of the Least Read Books of the Bible: Finding Jesus in Leviticus"

10:00 am - Dan Smith, "Vanishing Virtues: Biblical Word Studies"

#### Wednesday Evening Discipleship Hour

3/19 through 4/16 (5-weeks)

6:00 pm - Jim Jacobs, What Made Jesus Mad (Tim Harlow, author)

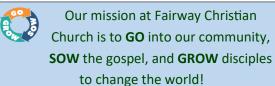
#### 4/23 through 5/21 (5-weeks)

6:00 pm - Michael Coppock, Stories Behind the Songs

#### Wednesday Men's Bible Study 3/19 through 4/16 (5 weeks)

8:00 am - Fred Holland, Dare to be Uncommon (Tony Dungy, author)





The price of the quarterly Standard Lesson Devotions have increased significantly, If you would like to help offset the cost,



envelopes have been placed in the devotion books.

#### SAVE THE DATE! MARCH 27 10:00 AM- 12:00 PM TAKE IT FOR FREE

The Women's Ministry will be holding a rummage grab. Do you have craft supplies, fabrics, sewing materials, art supplies and the like that you won't use? Now's your chance to purge and alleviate yourself of all that "Stuff".

Bring it to the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, March 27th at 9:00 to spread it out on a table for the grab. Doors will open at 10:00 for anyone and everyone to partake. Bring your own bags, boxes or baskets to pack up your treasures. Tell your neighbors and friends. All are welcome.

If you SEE it & LIKE it, then TAKE IT FOR FREE!!



#### FRIDAY MARCH 7<sup>TH</sup> 11:30 A.M. In back parking lot

**Sign up** you and a friend(s) by March 3<sup>rd</sup> \*Don't forget to bring your lawn chair

#### **Attention Men:**

#### MEN'S MINISTRY DAYTRIP

#### Take Me Out To The Ball Game

Yankee's vs Tigers Spring game - Thurs., March 13 Tickets & Bus Ride - \$105.00-Flyer at Guest Services SIGN UP TODAY- SEATS LIMITED TO 30





#### MEN'S GOLF OUTING

Friday, March 28th

Eagle Ridge Course Sign up at the Kiosk or online at www.fairwaycc.org



#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

We have a critical need for parking lot guide volunteers. This is so important during our construction period. We are trying to find the best ways to combat the challenges of construction and we know that parking lot guides are at the top of the list. We need to ensure everyone can come to Worship Services in the safest manner possible. If you would like to volunteer. Please sign up at the kiosk or online and someone will reach out to you very soon.





Please join us for our

Wednesday Night Dinner & Discipleship Hour March 12, 2025 5:00 p.m. Dinner 6:00 p.m. Study

Menu: Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Tater Salad & Dessert Please sign up on the kiosk or on our website.



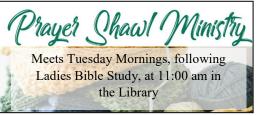
#### **CHURCH GAME NIGHT**

Friday, March 14; 6:30 pm in Room C-D Bring your favorite game or come learn a new game. Bring a few snacks to share.

#### **MOVIE NIGHT**

Friday, March 21st
Refreshments in F. Hall at 6 pm
Movie follows at 6:30
God's Not Dead 5 "In God We Trust"







Visit our website at fairwaycc.org for more information.





## IS YOUR FAMILY PREPARED IF YOU WERE TO SUDDENLY DIE?

If you passed away tomorrow, would your loved ones know what to do? Would they know where to find your financial information, tax records, insurance policies, and investment documents? Could they easily locate your most current will, health care directives, and documented funeral wishes? Join us to learn how to put, keep and update your information. Get access to our comprehensive tool to help you manage it all.

#### **HOSTED BY FAIRWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

8400 E. CR 466 (corner of 466 & Morse)

MONDAY, MARCH 17, 2025 1:00 - 3:00 PM





Sign up on the Kiosk at GUEST SERVICES or at www.fairwaycc.org/upcoming-events



Get ready for a time-traveling, hip shaking, heart pounding extravaganza with Grease—where the 50's come alive on a rollicking, electrifying journey. Join the T Birds and Pink Ladies in a musical celebration.

#### HIGHLIGHTS

- · Round-Trip Transportation Senior Adventures Bus Guide
- · Ticket to the show
- · Snacks & Drinks allowed on Motorcoach

#### ITINERARY

5:30 pm Depart Fairway Christian Church 6:45 pm Arrive at Athens Theatre 7:30 pm Show Begins 10:30 pm Depart to Fairway Christian Church (All times are approximate)

You must sign up at the Kiosk at Fairway Christian Church, sign waiver in email confirmation, then call Senior Adventures at 352-753-5404 to make reservation. Send payment to PO Box 292, Lady Lake, FL 32158. Write in check memo box trip name & date of trip. (Add 4% for credit card payments.) All payments must be received by April 1, 2025.

This trip is NON-REFUNDABLE. Bus driver's gratuity not included. For more information contact Kathy Harris at (847) 372-2531 or Judy Miglore at (616) 540-5475.

PAYMENT DUE 7 DAYS AFTER RESERVATION IS MADE SIGNED WAIVER NEEDED FROM FAIRWAY CHRISTIAN CHURCH



### Church-Wide Fairway Food Drive for the Wildwood Food Pantry

Empty Shopping bags will be distributed to you the weekend of, March 8 & 9.

A sheet attached to the bag will describe the items that are needed. You can also find the list below.

We are asking you to donate the items listed and return them the weekend of March 15 & 16, before whatever service you attend.

Please fill a bag(s) with non-perishable food items from the list and place the bag(s) at the door when you enter the church.

You are not limited to one bag or even the brown bags that we've passed out. Please bring as much of the listed items that you would like to bring, in any bags or boxes. The listed items are the most needed ones.

Thank you for your love for others!

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat."

Matthew 25:35

#### **Items Needed**

- \* Canned Meat (Chicken, Tuna, Ham, etc.)
- \* Jello
- \* Cereal
- \* Canned Pasta (SpaghettiOs, RavioliOs, etc.)
- \* Crackers
- \* Beef Stew

- \* Spaghetti Sauce
- \* Mac N Cheese
- \* Soup
- \* PB & J
- \* Canned Fruit
- \* Hash

Please provide non-expired and undamaged items. Watch for sales, "buy 1, get 1 free" offers and use your coupons!

If you would like to volunteer to help hand out bags or collect bags and sort, you can sign up on the Kiosk or online and the ministry coordinator will contact you before the appointed weekend.

# **ELDERS**

Elder Meeting Minutes February 17, 2025

The February Elder's meeting was called to order with the following elders present: Harry Harris, Fred Holland, Paul Cook, Jerry Benware and Roger Brown. Presenters attending: Church Administrator, Chris Callahan and Chairman of the Deacons, Michael Bolter.

Fred presented the opening meditation and prayer.

The January minutes were accepted and approved.

Michael presented the Deacon's report. The teaching portion of the meetings for the next several months will be the Restoration Movement. Chris gave the deacons an update on the construction process. It was highlighted that Tom Ross gave an update on the Emergency Response team and that Gerald and the parking lot team still need more volunteer assistance. Michael shared that the Women's Ministry events are covered through June. Michael shared that the Saturday night service deacon representatives appreciated that special programs and events would be scheduled in such a way as not to disrupt the Saturday night service. An appreciation dinner for the Deacons and their wives is scheduled for Friday, February 28th.

Chris presented the Administrative report. The January financial report was approved. Chris also provided a review of the year-end reports and answered detailed administrative questions. He noted that the FORWARD Campaign update was presented to the congregation over the weekend by Paul and Roger. He noted that an informal question-and-answer meeting is scheduled for the following Thursday night in the Fellowship Hall for anyone having follow-up questions. Chris noted that of the FORWARD pledges scheduled to be completed, \$449,000 remains to be donated. Chris mentioned that construction progress in the near future may compel us to reschedule or cancel some events that may be hampered by the destruction of some existing walls and utilities. The contractor still appears to be on schedule and within cost. Chris reminded everyone that updates are available on the church website.

The monthly ministers' written reports, to include the Preaching Minister's Report and each of the Associate Ministers' reports, were provided for elder review. Butch attended the Christian Restoration Association and spoke in the conference's closing session. He noted that Dr. McMurtry completed his seminar with exciting presentations on marriage and Noah's Flood. Butch also highlighted continued Elder/Ministry staff meetings to share and develop strategies for reaching new ministry opportunities around us (Assisted Living facilities, family neighborhoods, etc.). A new four-week First Step seminar started in early February with twenty-seven new or potential members attending. We had seventy-eight members respond to support opportunities for the opening service of our church plant, Unity Christian Church. A follow-up planning meeting has been scheduled. The Choir is working on the Easter Musical "How Great Thou Art," which will be presented on Friday, April 11 and Sunday, April 13, both at 6:00 PM. Bible study opportunities are in full swing for men, women, and combined classes throughout the week. Many wellness visits and assistance visits, as well as care facility events, are ongoing, which are characteristic of the loving and active nature of our church.

Under Old Business, several church policies and procedures are in the process of final update. In addition, a new policy and associated certification documents are being developed to support an annual certification of qualification for elders, deacons and ministry leaders. The bimonthly Elders and Ministers meeting held last month resulted in several actions being assigned to refine and clarify our church's position on several "What We Believe" statements.

Under New Business, Paul shared that Mike Czerwonky expressed a desire to complete his position of service as Chairman of the Missions Committee. The missions committee nominated Mary Cook as the new Chairperson for the committee requesting elder approval. The elders approved Mary to be the new Chairperson. Mike committed to serve as Chairman Emeritus through this year to ensure continuity for the committee. He will continue to serve as a committee member as he completes this commitment.

The meeting was closed in prayer by Paul. The next monthly Elders meeting is scheduled for March 20, 2025.



#### **Emergency Response Team**

Fairway is where we come to worship, give thanks and fellowship. But even in church emergencies do and have happened. Medical and health incidents from minor scrapes to allergic reactions, trips and falls or breathing problems remain a risk for all of us. Having a dedicated team ready to respond can make all the difference.

The Senior Health & Wellness Ministry works to prepare Fairway to respond to emergencies during worship services. The role of the Emergency Response Team includes summoning help, directing a response, and providing aid until an ambulance arrives. The ERT works to ensure the safety of everyone within the church, and to coordinate with medical professionals.

If you possess a compassionate heart there's a place for you on the Emergency Response Team. Medical experience is not necessary, you will receive training. Becoming part of the Emergency Response Team is not only crucial, it's a profound act of service and love. Your participation ensures that Fairway remains well-prepared in the face of emergencies.

We need volunteers for the Emergency Response Team! If you are willing to help, go to www.fairwaycc.org. Click on Events, Upcoming Events, Ministry Interest Sign Up, or simply use the kiosk at the Guest Services Desk. Call Michael Bolter or the church office at 352-259-9305.

#### **Note from your Church Administrator:**

Did you know that you can receive tax benefits through your charitable giving? We encourage you to reach out to your financial advisor and inquire about making a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) directly to the church, using assets such as stocks, dividends, IRAs, and more.

**IMPORTANT:** When sending your contribution, please ensure it includes both your name and the designated fund (General Fund, Missions, or Forward Initiative Building Campaign). You may inform me personally or via email when such a distribution is in progress.

Should you have any questions regarding this opportunity, feel free to contact me at the church office: 352-259-9305.

We extend our sincere gratitude for your love and support of this ministry. Because of your partnership we are able to spread the message of Christ and fulfill our Go-Sow-Grow discipleship mission.

For more information on gifting stocks please contact Chris Callahan or Michael Easter in the church office, (352) 259-9305.

Blessings, Chris Callahan

# Happy Birthday and Anniversary to ...

#### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Ann Hodge Larry Walton Diane Ousterling Jeff Hays Christopher Holliday Deb McGlashan
- 2 David Gassner Ken Rux
- 3 Jim Martin Kathy Gay Bob Blakely
- 4 Joey Kanan
  Bob Naramore
- 6 Bebe Frantz
  Butch Gastfield
  Liz Karr
  G. Ray Simpson
- 7 John Pierce Deb Eberle
- 8 Diane Tucker Dorthy Ross Ulla Knutson
- 9 Greg Noble CJ Wilcox Brian Mahon
- 10 Joe Perras
- 11 Rhonda Heller Roy Irwin Katrina Newman
- 12 Bill McAlister Evie Bain
- 13 Judy MigloreWade WerryMary Dreblow
- 14 Kathleen Elia Brenda Goebel
- 15 Barbara Benware Dorothy Kempton
- 16 Karen Skirpan Barbara Jouette Betty Grubbs Pat Johnson
- 17 Kathy Harris Ed Martin Deborah Savage
- 18 Jane Horton Wilhoit Frank Gregory Bob Davis Marty Frankel Elle Shepherd
- 19 Lorinda TrittJo Ann ThackstonBob MarshallLois Dunn
- 20 Karen Shaak Phil Johnson Tom Ebmeyer Mike Hughes
- 22 John Keeler Nancy Steriti Karla Coley
- 23 Gary Krumrine

Mary Harris
Paul Bushman
Pat Waters
Don Wolta
Janet White
Linda Spano

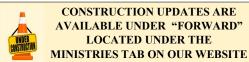
- 24 Rich Reynolds Vivian Connell Rich Behling Brett Thomas
- 26 Lou Hall Darlene Matthews Roger Dibble Bob McCullough
- 27 Sandra Stansbury Sheri Trumbull
- 28 Dave Agnew Debbie Gray Bob Iserloth Dave DeMars Peggy McKinstry
- 30 Ike Henry Chris Raeder Don Alkema

#### **MARCH ANNIVERSARIES**

- 1 Fred & Linda Meenach Sharon & Doug\* Brewer
- 2 Denny & Linda LaFrance
- 3 Edgar & Mayo Amador
- 5 Herb & Eleanor Bussa Chuck & Donna Robinson
- 7 Sam & Karen Skaggs
- 9 Don & Sheila Thornburg Ike & Joyce Henry
- 11 Ria & Ken\* Aniess Bob & Carol Blakely
- 14 David & Sheri Trumbull
- 15 Greg & Charlotta Stewart
- 17 Charlie & Carol Covey Marty & Ted\* Kirtz
- 18 Bill & Edith Danner
- 19 Jim & Bonnie Hires
- 20 Richard & Ulla Knutson
- 22 Dennis & Lauren Black
- 24 Margaret & Dennis\* Salisbury
- 28 Robert & Eileen Bitting

Be sure to make plans to attend the Floor Signing Celebration. Here are a few pictures from when we signed the floor of the Worship







#### Women's Fellowship Coffee Next: March 5

Rm. C-D at 10:00 am

Ladies, you're invited to a delightful coffee and fellowship gathering! This is the perfect opportunity to meet new friends and experience the warmth of our sisterhood in Christ at Fairway. This is your opportunity to learn about the variety of ministries at Fairway.

Don't miss out—sign up now!



Fairway Women have a Friday executive golf group. If you would like to join us please sign up at the Kiosk in the Gathering Hall or on

our website. We will contact you in an email each week to determine if you want to play on the following Friday and add you to the golf request.

#### **Connecting Hearts weekly activities:**

Monday: 1PM Lady Lake Senior Living

Monday: 3PM

Cypress Care Assisted Living

Wednesday: 1PM The Springs Assisted Living

Wednesday: 2PM Bible Study at Watercrest Assisted Living

Sunday: 1:30PM Watercrest Assisted Living

Contact Lissa Cline for more information



#### SUNDAY MORNING CARD MINISTRY

Please be sure and stop by the Card Ministry table in the Gathering Hall and sign the beautiful cards that are made each week for those who are ill, grieving, etc. Even though you may not know the person, the cards mean so much to those that receive them knowing their church family is thinking of them.



Do you enjoy playing Pickleball?
Come play....
Mondays at Moyer Rec. Ctr., 2 pm
Thursdays at Pimlico Rec. Ctr., 3 pm

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
FMS= Feed My Sheep WM=Women's Ministry MM=Men's Ministry Pickleball Mon.2pm Moyer Thurs.3pm Pimlico						1 5 <sup>40</sup> pm- Prayer 6pm-Cont. Svc.
8am—Son Rise Café 8 <sup>25</sup> & 10am—Prayer 8 <sup>30</sup> am—Cont. Svc 9am—Bible Study 9 <sup>50</sup> am-Photos 10am—Bible Study 10 <sup>30</sup> am—Trad. Svc. 12pm-Private event	3 8am—FMS 9am—1st Impressions 1pm—Mahjongg 2pm- Wm's Feb. Team Mtg. 3pm- Deacons Mtg.	9am-Precept 9am-Wm's Bible Study 11am-Prayer Shawl 11am-Wm's Adv. Team Mtg. 12 <sup>30</sup> pm- Precept 2pm-Ukulele	5 8am—FMS 8am-Men's Bible Study 10am-Wm's Coffee 2pm-GriefShare 3 <sup>30</sup> pm-Choir 6pm-Bible Study	6 9am-Private Mtg. 10am-Creative Card 1pm-MOAMI	7 8 <sup>30</sup> am-Private Mtg. 11 <sup>30</sup> am-Men's BBQ 2 <sup>30</sup> pm-Wm's Media mtg.	8 10am-Frank DeGenova Memorial Svc. 5 <sup>40</sup> pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc
9 Daylight Savings 8am—Son Rise Café 8 <sup>25</sup> & 10am—Prayer 8 <sup>30</sup> am—Cont. Svc. 9am—Bible Study 10 <sup>00</sup> am—Bible Study 10 <sup>30</sup> am—Trad. Svc. 11 <sup>45</sup> am-Missions Mtg.	8am—FMS 9am—1st Impressions 1pm—Mahjongg	<b>11</b> 8 <sup>30</sup> am-Precept 9am-Wm's Bible Study 11am-Prayer Shawl 11 <sup>30</sup> am-MOM Mtg. 12 <sup>30</sup> pm- Precept 2pm-Ukulele	8am—FMS 8am-Men's Bible Study 2pm—GriefShare 3 <sup>30</sup> pm-Choir 5pm-Dinner 6pm-Bible Study	9am-Private Mtg. 9am-Wm's Retreat Mtg. 10am-Men's Baseball Trip 1pm-MOAMI 3pm-Visitation Mtg.	8 <sup>30</sup> am-Private Mtg. 9am-Private Mtg. 2 <sup>30</sup> pm-Wm's Media Mtg. 6 <sup>30</sup> pm - Game Night	8am-Men's Breakfast 5 <sup>40</sup> pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.
16	17 8am—FMS 9am—1st Impressions 9am-Elders Mtg. 1pm-Mahjongg 1pm-SH&W Sudden Death Seminar	8 <sup>30</sup> am-Precept 9am-Wm's Bible Study 11am-Prayer Shawl 12 <sup>30</sup> pm-Precept 2pm-Ukulele 4pm-MM Mtg.	8am—FMS 8am-Men's Bible Study 1 <sup>30</sup> pm-Wm's Lunch prep 2pm—GriefShare 3 <sup>30</sup> pm-Choir 6pm-Bible Study	9am-Private Mtg. 11am-Wm's March Luncheon 1pm-MOAMI	21 8 <sup>30</sup> am-Private Mtg. 6pm-Movie Snacks 6 <sup>30</sup> pm-Movie	5 <sup>40</sup> pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.
23 & 30  8am—Son Rise Café 825 & 10am—Prayer 830am—Cont. Svc. 9am—Bible Study 10am—Bible Study 10am—Trad. Svc.	24 & 31 8am—FMS 9am—1st Impressions 1pm - Mahjongg	8 <sup>30</sup> am-Precept 9am-Wm's Bible Study 11am-Prayer Shawl 12 <sup>30</sup> pm-Precept 2pm-Ukulele	8am—FMS 8am-Men's Bible Study 11am-Wm's May Team Mtg. 2pm—GriefShare 3 <sup>30</sup> pm-Choir 6pm-Bible Study	9am-Private Mtg. 10am-"Take it for Free" 1pm-MOAMI	28  8 <sup>30</sup> am-Private Mtg. Men's Golf Outing  2pm-Vietnam Vets Remembrance Svd.	29 5 <sup>40</sup> pm- Prayer 6pm—Cont. Svc.

Fairway Christian Church P.O. Box 271 Lady Lake, Florida 32158

I just got into the office from a two week vacation and...WOW!! Things are changing at a rapid pace around here — in terms of our expansion project! Numerous main supporting walls have finally been removed in what will become the new "huge" gathering area. In the new administrative wing, the walls are currently being primed for paint! It seems every area of our building is either torn apart, being rebuilt, or modified. And the dust is everywhere! Did I say there's dust everywhere? Dust is everywhere! But hey, I'm not complaining! It's not a big price to pay for what the results are ultimately going to look like!

We've been saying from the start that this whole project is about expanding our building in order to expand our ministry opportunities. Our church plant in south Leesburg is a part of that expansion of ministry opportunities. We will soon have a new sister congregation meeting in south Leesburg because of Fairway's belief that it's our responsibility as a part of the Great Commission to GO and plant more churches in order to reach more people in order to make more disciples of Jesus! May God richly bless the launch of Unity Christian Church on this Easter Sunday, April 20th! Our prayers are with David & DeMara Miller and the whole group of adults and children who have become a part of this new church plant!

Hey – I am so excited about the upcoming Scripture signing party scheduled for March 16 at 12 noon in the new gathering area! What an exciting day that is going to be! I remember doing the same thing back in April of 2012 when we moved into our new worship center. And now, here we are getting close to opening up the next build out of Fairway Christian Church! Please make plans to be here on March 16th at 12 noon so you can join us as we all write our favorite scripture on the concrete floor of the new gathering area! Remember, this building is a tool for God's glory and for His purposes! Thanks to all our many generous members and friends who have made this project possible! God is so, so good!

Your preacher,

Butch