

# The Reminder

NOVEMBER 2018

PABCUrbanana.org



*Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church  
600 E. Pennsylvania Avenue  
Urbana, IL 61801*

*Where the Hope of Jesus Is Alive*

**Mission: REDEMPTION**

He gave Himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to cleanse for Himself a people for His own possession, eager to do good works. Titus 2:14

## ***Rich's Review***

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“What happened, what it means and what’s next?” is the regular lead one of my favorite sports writers uses to introduce his thoughts following a game. It is important to reflect on work, activities and events to learn lessons and correct our paths. It is good to make application from what we learn to our future and keep things in context. It may be most important to realize life is coming at us fast and we need to be ready.

What happened? In the October Business Meeting, PABC adopted a new identity statement, “PABC: Where the Hope of Jesus Is Alive.” What it means is, we recognize our community needs hope and we have exactly who they need. Jesus is the hope of all people everywhere. So, what’s next? Take the message to our world and put it to work (see Titus 2:14 above).

This November begins a season where there is every opportunity to share the hope of Jesus with our world. Operation Christmas Child Boxes are due on the 18th and the Lottie Moon Week of Prayer and International Missions Offering will come soon after. Local activities in and around the church will be plentiful. Answer the call of Christ and share His hope with friends, family and neighbors now.

I am blessed to be your pastor  
*Rich*



### Dear friend,

For the past 25 years, we have been collecting shoeboxes filled with gifts and delivering them to children in need around the world. Each box is an opportunity for a boy or girl to experience the love of God in a tangible way and hear the Gospel.

In Moldova, Marina has a hard life. Her mother passed away and her father is paralyzed. As a young teen, she lived alone with her blind and bedridden grandmother. In addition to her schoolwork, Marina cut wood, collected water, and prepared food for her grandmother until she also died. But great joy came into Marina's life when she received an Operation Christmas Child shoebox gift. She loved the hat and gloves she found inside and the note that said, "Jesus loves you." Soon after, a friend invited her to church where she accepted Christ as her Lord and Savior. Now despite her difficulties, Marina says that knowing God makes her happy.

Many boys and girls who receive shoebox gifts also enroll in our follow-up discipleship program, The Greatest Journey, where they learn to follow Christ and share Him with others. It all starts with a simple gift. Will you prayerfully consider joining us in this exciting ministry?

Franklin Graham  
President, Samaritan's Purse





## Church-wide Thanksgiving Lunch

Sunday November 18 following the 10:45 a.m. Worship Service



**Invite Family and Friends to Worship and Lunch**

**Watch for the sign up sheet to help bring food.**

**Call the church office for more information.**

**IT'S TIME TO  
DECK THE HALLS**



**Sunday November 25, 5:00 p.m.**

**Volunteers, families and friends will gather to  
decorate the church for Christmas.**

**Bring your favorite Christmas treat to share.**

**EVERY CHURCH. EVERY NATION.**

**HERE'S WHAT IT MEANS.**

**JACLYN S. PARRISH | OCTOBER 5 2018**

**At the IMB, we believe every church—regardless of size, resources, or unique needs—has a vital role to play in reaching every nation with the gospel. Whether your congregation has fifty members, five hundred members, or five thousand, your church can be a catalyst for the Great Commission in your community and across the globe.**

**Whether yours is a massive urban church or a small rural one, a new church plant or an established community church, every member of your congregation can be mobilized toward carrying the news of Jesus Christ to those who've never heard.**

**When you partner with the IMB, you do more than make it possible to send missionaries. You're part of the team that goes. Churches of every size and from every context can form partnerships with IMB missionary teams on the field, working alongside them by praying and giving, but also by going on short-term trips and even sending members out as long-term missionaries.**

**What's more, these partnerships are not merely designed to plant churches, but to plant churches around the world who share this same Great Commission vision. After all, every church in every nation is called to bring the gospel to every nation. What's more, in the words of David Platt, "If every church actually believes that, then we can make a massive dent in getting the gospel to every nation."**

## ***The Night of Schubert***

The 190<sup>th</sup> year after the death of  
Franz Schubert (1797-1828)



**Saturday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2018 7:00pm**

***Pianist: Borah Kang***

***Impromptus Op.142***

***\*\*\* Intermission (15min) \*\*\****

***Drei Klavierstücke D.946***

Presented by: The Pennsylvania Avenue Baptist Church  
600 E. Pennsylvania Ave. Urbana, IL 61801  
(217)367-5924      pabcurbana.org

Suggested Donation: \$5/person

Refreshments available at intermission



**Remember to turn your clocks back  
1 hour before you go to bed  
on Saturday November 3<sup>rd</sup>**



**This is the 100th anniversary of the end of World War I**

**Thank You!**

**To all who have served and to those who are serving  
We appreciate you and honor your sacrifice.**



**Important Notice**

**November Business Meeting**

**Wednesday November 14 - 6:30 p.m.**

**This is an important meeting. The 2019 ministry budget will be considered during the meeting. Your help is needed and appreciated.**



**Wednesday November 7<sup>th</sup>**

**Deacons Meeting 6:00 p.m.**

**Leadership Team Meeting 6:30 p.m.**

# **River of Life Church**

**Pastor "Thomas" Hui Li**

## **Getting a Good Start**

**We are thankful that Sister Kourtney Wong, a missionary from Mississippi, has come to Champaign to help us design the church website and assist in other church ministries. She will be with us for two weeks.**

**The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. Your prayer support is very important to our ministry.**

**Please remember our church's following needs in your prayer life:**

- 1. Pray that the TBF co-workers will grow spiritually, that they will grow in unity and in love, and that they will be witnesses for Christ in their lives.**
- 2. Pray that God will give us five more student co-workers by the end of this year.**
- 3. Pray that God will give us two more family co-workers who have hearts for honoring God and for loving the lost souls.**
- 4. Pray for team unity and love among our co-workers.**
- 5. Please pray that God will give Kourtney wisdom and strength for designing the church web site and serving in other ministries, so that God will be glorified through her work.**

**FALL YARD WORK****FUNDRAISING**

November 17

Students will meet in the PABC parking lot at 8am to spend the day serving those that need yard work done. Chili at the Coy's house following the work day's completion.

888.987.3636

**EXTREME WINTER STUDENT  
CONFERENCE**

*December 31-January 2*  
*Gatlinburg, TN*

Be in prayer for those students going on our annual student conference. This is a good opportunity for those included to grow in their faith and be motivated to reach out to their peers would need Christ.

Conference information can be found at  
<http://xtremeconferences.com/summer/winter.html>



**Greeter schedule**

Nov 4 - Youth Life Group

Nov 11 - River of Life Group

Nov 18 - Weickersheimer Life Group

Nov 25 - Sechrest Life Group



**THANK YOU!!**

Pastor Dave and the student group would like to thank all who attended and donated money at the Youth Lasagna Lunch Fundraiser. \$600 was raised to help support student conferences and missions.



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**Sunday School**  
**Fellowship**  
**Morning Worship**

9:30 am  
10:15 am  
10:45 am