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## WELCOME TO THE NEW PARK PLACE KIDS NEWSLETTER!

Welcome to the first edition of the Park Place Newsletter! We are very excited about what is happening in our Children's ministry, and we wanted a new way to share those things with you and your family.

This will be a great way to communicate news and upcoming events, and share with you exciting details of recently completed events. We will also use this forum to highlight some of our leaders as a way of appreciation for their work in this ministry, and to give you a better opportunity to get to know some of our workers!

We will also have a section that will feature a "Child of the Month". This will be a small interview of personal interests, and a photo of a different child each month. Children love to see themselves and their friends in special forums, and this will soon be a highly desired spot in the newsletter!

We welcome your input! Please send us any Children's Ministry-related story ideas, pictures, or teacher nominations to [mary@parkwest.org](mailto:mary@parkwest.org).

We are looking forward to this becoming a fresh and exciting addition to Park Place Kids!

God Bless!

Pastor Randy

## Parent Pager Updates!

Our Check-In system update is in full swing! Thank you to those who have already patiently worked with us to update your information! The schedule for updating your information is broken down alphabetically as follows:

| If your last name begins with: | Your registration Update will be:                |
|--------------------------------|--|
| A - F                          | Sunday January 24 & 31 or Wed. Jan. 27           |
| G - L                          | Sunday February 7 & 14 or Wed. Feb. 10           |
| M - P                          | Sunday February 21 & February 28 or Wed. Feb. 24 |
| Q - T                          | Sunday March 14 & 21 or Wed March 17             |
| U - Z                          | Sunday March 28 or Wed. March 31                 |

### Special points of interest:

- Parent Pager Update
- Welcome Meghan & Eric Frederick!
- Upward Basketball
- Volunteer Spotlight
- Child of the Month

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## Welcome Meghan & Eric!



Park Place Children's Ministry is proud to welcome Megan Frederick as the new Early Childhood Ministry Director. Meghan & Eric are both recent graduates of Tennessee Tech University. Eric holds a Bachelor's Degree in Civil Engineering and Meghan holds a Bachelor's Degree in Elementary Education. Eric and Meghan were introduced in college and married in June of last year. Through high school and part of college, Meghan worked in both the Children's and Youth ministries at Faith Promise Church here in Knoxville. Eric and Meghan are very excited to be a part of what the Lord is doing at Park West Church and are blessed to be serving the Lord here.

If you have a desire to help in this department, please email Meghan at: [meghan@parkwest.org](mailto:meghan@parkwest.org)

## UPWARD BASKETBALL & CHEERLEADING



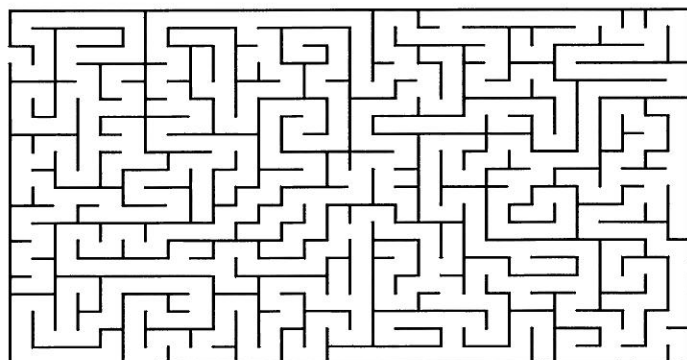
"Upward Basketball/ Cheerleading... Where every child is a WINNER!"

**OUR UPWARD BASKETBALL SEASON IS IN FULL SWING!**

**UPWARD IS A WONDERFUL PROGRAM FOR TEACHING CHILDREN THE FUNDAMENTALS OF A SPORT, WHILE INSTILLING GODLY PRINCIPLES INTO THEIR LIVES!**

**GAMES ARE HELD IN THE PARKWEST GYM ON SATURDAYS FROM 9 AM - 3 PM. COME OUT AND CHEER THEM ON!**

**UPWARD BASKETBALL AND CHEERLEADING AWARD NIGHT WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY MARCH 5TH AT 7:00 PM. THIS YEAR'S SPECIAL GUEST WILL BE BARRY MITCHELL ~ ENCOURAGING ENTERTAINER. BARRY INCORPORATES MAGIC, HUMOR, AND THE GOSPEL MESSAGE IN AN EXCITING WAY THAT YOUR WHOLE FAMILY WILL ENJOY!**



*Can you help Pastor Randy get to Park Place Kids?*

## Worker Spotlight : David & Charese Graves

How long have you worked with Park Place Kids Ministry?

Charese - 13 years & David - 7 years

What is your role in Park Place Kids?

Assisting Pastor Randy in teaching Kid's Church

What is your favorite aspect of working in Park Place Kids Ministry?

Showing God's love to our children in Kid's Church

What is your favorite color?

Charese - Blue & David - Blue

What is your Favorite Food?

Charese - French Toast & David - All breakfast foods

What is your favorite Christian song?

Hungry - I surrender

What are your hobbies/interests?

Charese - Spending time with my family, collecting Barbie dolls, going to the mountains with my family, and coloring with my boys David - Spending time with my family, fishing, flying my remote control helicopter, and camping

If you could be an animal, what would you be and why?

We both had the same answer. We would be an eagle because it is the emblem of the USA, it represents strength, and it is well protected by the United States. They are very special - like God's children.

If you could meet any person in the world, who would it be and why?

Joel Osteen is a person we would want to meet because he is our favorite speaker and minister. He ministers in a way we can really understand and he is truly anointed by God.



## Girl of the month: Maya Spratley ~ 1st grade ~ Age 7

What is your favorite color? Red

What is your favorite food? Pizza

What is your favorite Christian song? You are my strong tower

Do you play any sports or musical instruments? I play the piano. I also do gymnastics & cheerleading

What do you want to be when you grow up? A singer

What are your hobbies/ interests? I collect snow globes. I like playing the piano, and doing gymnastics

If you could be an animal, what would it be and why? A Panda Bear because they are cute and cuddly



## Boy of the month: Zachary Dukes ~ 5th grade ~ Age 10

What is your favorite color? Red

What is your favorite food? Pizza

What is your favorite Christian song? Today's the Day

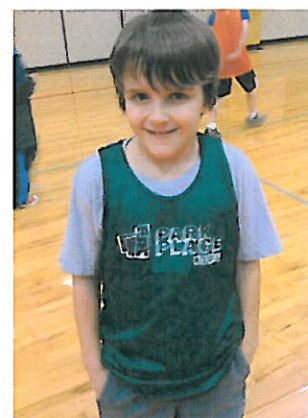
Do you play any sports or musical instruments? Yes. I play all sports. I especially like football.

What do you want to be when you grow up? A sportsman

What are your hobbies/ interests? Video games, sports, and board games

If you could be an animal, what would it be and why? A monkey because they like to have fun and eat bananas

If you could meet any person in the world, who would it be and why? God because I love him, and he created me.





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New Curriculum for Park Place Kids Early Childhood Department

**Small Talk**  
February 2010

**Memory Verses:**  
"With God all things are possible."  
Matthew 19:26, NIV

**Key Question:**  
Is anything too hard for Jesus?

**Basic Truth:**  
Jesus Wants To Be My Friend Forever

**Bottom Line:**  
Jesus can do anything.

**BIBLE STORY SUMMARIES**

**Week 1**  
Luke 5:1-11  
Jesus tells Simon to put out his nets to catch fish after he's been fishing all night with no luck. Amazingly, the nets are full of fish.

**Week 2**  
Mark 6:30-44  
Jesus fed 5000 with two fish and five loaves of bread. There were even leftovers!

**Week 3**  
Mark 4:45-51  
Jesus is so amazing, He even walked out onto the water and met His friends who were on a boat.

**Week 4**  
Matthew 8:23-27  
Jesus was asleep on a boat during a huge storm. His friends were very afraid. They woke Jesus to help them, and He stopped the storm. Jesus can do anything!

**Next Week**  
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**Small Talk**  
February 2010

**Do This!**  
We learned that Jesus fed 5000 people with just two fish and five loaves of bread. During playtime, sort toys into piles of two and five. That's not very many things, but Jesus used that little bit to feed A LOT of people. Jesus is amazing! He can do anything! Practice sorting items around the house into piles of two and five.

**Download this month's song, "Oh Yeah, He can!" from www.amberskyrecords.com. After singing it several times together, talk about what amazing things Jesus did in this month's Bible stories. Is anything too hard for Jesus? Download this month's Bible stories as well.**

**Do This!**  
When Jesus and the disciples were on a boat and there was a huge storm, the disciples were very afraid. But, Jesus awoke from His nap and told the storm to stop, and it did. See if you can make a storm in your bathtub and make it stop immediately. Can you make the waves stop all at once? You can't, but Jesus can. Jesus can do anything.

**Cuddle Time**  
Cuddle with your preschooler and talk about how amazing God is. How awesome are His power and might. Then, talk about Jesus and all the amazing things He did while He was here on earth. Pray and thank God for sending us Jesus to be our friend forever, to love us and show us the power of our heavenly Father.

**Imagine the End:**  
Picture:  
Imagine your child knowing and trusting that Jesus can do anything. Jesus is the very best friend to have because nothing is too hard for Him.

**Make it Memorable!**  
When was the last time you really thought about the miracles Jesus performed while here on earth? Spend some time in the Gospel this month reading the stories of Jesus. You still be in awe all over again.

**Next Week**  
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We have started a new curriculum in our Early Childhood Department, and we are so excited to share it with you! This program is full of colorful graphics, fun activities, and it delivers the gospel message on a level our little ones can truly understand! Here is a little snapshot of this month's lessons. Take the time to reinforce these concepts at home. It is sure to be a fun time of growing and learning for you and your family! Please contact me if you have any questions!

Thanks,  
Meghan