Information about the Ministry and Mission of Palm Bay Christian Church

# The Caller

# Leading People into a Growing Relationship with Jesus Christ.

Palm Bay Christian Church will have the final vote July 31 on whether to merge with Tomoka Christian Church and dissolve the PBCC By-Laws. Please be sure to be here to cast your vote and do your part as a member of this church.

Your vote counts!



Please be in prayer for God to prepare the heart of our future Campus Minister.



Sunday, August 7th, Cord Bear, Executive Minister from Tomoka Christian, will be with us to speak along with a group from the church..

Then, Ross Pepper will be back with us starting Aug. 14th with a new sermon series called "The 10 Dumbest Things Christians Do". Be sure to be here each Sunday of August and September to hear each part of this series.

Do you enjoy getting to snack on little sweet pleasures and baked goods on Sunday mornings? Please help us out by

donating some (whether home-made or store -bought) for our Sunday Morning Service. Just drop it off in the kitchen with a "Sunday Morning" note. Anything you are able to give would be greatly appreciated.

PBCP now has open enrollment for children 18 months through VPK and aftercare. If you are a member of PBCC, you are eligible for a 20% discount! Call Jenn Herman at the preschool at 321-724 -5503 to schedule a walk-through.





# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) About the Church Merger Between Palm Bay Christian Church and Tomoka Christian Church

# Why is PBCC considering a merger with TCC?

PBCC was begun in 1980 by a group of faithful believers who wanted to make a positive difference for God's Kingdom in Palm Bay. That vision grew over the years to include several building expansions and a large increase in attendance. But through several changes in ministers and other unfortunate events, attendance and giving has decreased to the point that PBCC can no longer sustain itself. Rather than close the doors, the leadership approached Tomoka Christian Church with the idea of joining forces and maintaining a presence for the Lord in Palm Bay. Initial discussions were encouraging and the leadership of both churches agreed to explore this process. The members of PBCC have overwhelmingly approved this effort.

# Who is Tomoka Christian Church?

Tomoka Christian Church began in Ormond Beach in 1974 and currently has over 3,000 in weekly attendance. They are highly focused on winning souls for Christ. They have planted well over 100 Churches world-wide and have also planted another Church on beachside in Ormond Beach. That Church, Salty, has grown to over 1500 in weekly attendance and is now planting another Church further down the beach. TCC has the leadership, focus, and resources to guide our location in maintaining and growing a strong Christian presence in Palm Bay.

# Will Palm Bay Christian Church see any changes if this merger takes place?

There will be numerous changes. First and fore most we will become one (I) Church in two locations and adopt the DNA of Tomoka Christian in the merger. This includes the style of worship music, elimination of communion meditations except on certain occasions, changes in the order of worship, both live and video based preaching, and all ministries and supported missions will be reviewed, evaluated and a decision made to either continue or eliminate them. Also, there will be a name change for our campus, and we will sign over our building and property to Tomoka Christian. Once the merger takes place, PBCC itself will cease to exist.

# Will our location have a Pastor and other staff?

Our campus will have a full-time dedicated Pastor, a part-time Worship Leader and a part-time Children's Director. The Campus Pastor will have oversite of the day-to-day operations of our campus. He will have an Administrative Assistant to support him and to handle office activities.

# Who will be our leaders?

As one (1) Church, we will be overseen by one (1) board of Elders, one Senior Pastor and one staff. Our campus will have leaders that will assist the Campus Pastor and other staff members.

# How will Sunday services be conducted?

Preaching will be video based into our campus from Tomoka Christian Church. We will have live preaching by our Campus Pastor as the schedule allows during the calendar year. Communion will be served at every service. We will continue with one contemporary service as we now have, and add additional services as we grow.

# Will any changes be made to our building and property?

Various changes will be made. Long overdue building maintenance will be done, the appearance of the Church grounds will be improved by landscaping work, and future plans to complete the second floor of the FLC are being discussed as additional space will be needed as we grow.

# Is this Church merger concept new?

Since the early 1990's over 3,000 Churches have taken this step. Studies show that over 90% of merger/multi-site ventures are successful. We have sought and obtained information, advice and guidance from others who have done this so our merger will be successful.

# Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) About the Church Merger Between Palm Bay Christian Church and Tomoka Christian Church (Continued...)

# What should the members and attendees of PBCC do now?

The leadership asks that you continue to attend our services each and every Sunday, to volunteer and serve when asked, remain faithful in your giving, and pray for God to prepare a man's heart to become our Campus Pastor. Also pray for this venture to be successful, not for our glory but for the glory of God's Kingdom. It is recommended that you review Tomoka Christian's website at www.tomoka.cc so you can become familiar with what they do and how they do it. We also encourage you to participate in one of Tomoka's weekend and/or Wednesday services via livestream at Live.Tomoka.cc Service times are Saturday at 6:30 pm and Sundays at 9:30 and 11:30 am.

# Will our preschool continue?

It is the strong desire of the leadership of both PBCC and Tomoka to continue our preschool. Both believe that the preschool can provide a strong Christian based foundation to children and it can also be an avenue of reaching the parents with the message of Jesus Christ.

# Will the Haitian Church continue to meet at PBCC?

It is the strong desire of both leaderships for the Haitian Church to continue meeting at our campus and also assist them in growing their attendance.

# Will other ethnic groups be ministered to?

Palm Bay has become a large multi-cultural city, all of which needs ministering to. It is the leaders desire to have services on our campus for not only the Haitians but for the other groups as well. The possibility of a Spanish service has been discussed, although no plans have been made at this time.



# A Missions Moment... Johnson University



# PREVIEW DAYS

NOVEMBER 11, 2016 FEBRUARY 17, 2017 MARCH 15, 2017

Preview Days are FREE one-day events during which high school juniors and seniors and college transfers get an in-depth preview of the academic, spiritual, and social experience at Johnson University Florida. Youth groups are encouraged to attend. Registration required.



### OCTOBER 6-7, 2016

Senior Salute is our annual fall event for high school seniors in which we salute them for their years of service and participation in our youth group programs. We also give seniors a snapshot of the academic, spiritual, and social experience at Johnson University Florida.

# **FALL FIESTA**

### **OCTOBER 15, 2016**

Kick-off event for Mission Metropolis and Resound. Games, food, Bachata-style worship, a speaker, and Cristo Urbano (Nominated for Premios Galardon 2016) in concert! Concessions available for purchase. No registration necessary. All ages welcome.



# FEBRUARY 3-5, 2017

Impact is a weekend of worship, football, and more! Join us for Sun Bowl, the largest touch-football tournament of its kind. The full Impact event includes opportunities for youth groups to worship God and learn from His Word in an engaging youth conference setting.



### **DECEMBER 2-4, 2016**

Reconnect with friends from around the state while you energize you spiritual battery with interactive worship, challenging speakers, and reflective personal time. Come away ready to impact your circle of influence for Christ. Hosted by Jake Aurora, Led by JUFE students.

Register at

www.LakeAurora.org/Wonder

FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS GRADES 9-12. COLLEGE FRESHMEN MAY ATTEND WITH A GROUP.



## JUNE 26-30, 2017

The Event is a conference week of high energy worship, outdoor activities, service projects, devotion times, small groups, and informative workshops for high school and college aged students. Johnson University Florida hosts. The Event on campus for a fraction of what you may think.



## JULY 9-22, 2017

Mission Metropolis is an all-new, twoweek camp during which students will learn about missions and experience a short-term trip led by Johnson University Florida students. The first week will include training, worship, and exciting activities in and around Orlando. During the second week, up will head to Santiago. Dominican Republic, for

the group will head to Santiago, Dominican Republic, for a short-term mission trip with G.O. Ministries.

FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED 10TH, 11TH, OR 12TH GRADE

### JULY 9-17, 2017

Experience an intensive week of music, worship, and media arts on campus culminating in a three-day concert tour of North and Central Florida



or instrumentalists and production crew members who are interested in worship ministry, musical arts, and media ministry

FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED 10TH, 11TH, OR 12TH GRADE

More information on these events at **JOHNSONU.EDU/FL** 

Attendance and Stewardship									
	7/3	7/10	7/17	7/24	7/31				
Attendance	93	83	103	103					
Giving	\$2,142	\$5,339	\$3,596	\$3,352					

# ATTENTION, CHURCH FAMILY!

HOSTING EVENTS AT PBCC: Please, if you are interested in hosting an event, as a ministry leader, or a member, check our events calendar online or in the Newsletter as well as with the office! You will be required to fill out a form to request use of the building (see below) as well. This will allow all to run smoothly.

BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT USE: Anyone requesting use of any room (chapel side or FLC side) or would like to borrow equipment, tables, chairs, etc..., must fill out a request form - available through the church office. Please fill out and return these forms to Todd Smith preferably no later than 2 weeks prior to date needed. Last minute requests may be addressed as well with Todd.

If you are responsible for the use and security of the building for any events, Please make sure the building and equipment are secured. Be sure the <u>lights and air conditioners are off</u>. Be sure the <u>doors</u> are <u>locked and latched</u> (give the door a pull) and the <u>alarm is set</u>.

CHURCH VISITS: Anyone visiting the church building during business hours, please stop by the office and let Melissa know you will be in the building. She would very much appreciate this courtesy.

# Church Directory

Please keep the office up-to-date on any changes to your information, such as: e-mail address, phone number, mailing address, etc... The printed Directory may only be as accurate as the information provided by our church family. If you have a directory and notice a detail inaccurate, please e-mail or call the church office with the correction.

## **Church Contact Information**

344 Emerson Drive NW Palm Bay FL 32907

Phone: 321-724-0491 Fax: 321-724-2413 Email: office@pbcconline.org Website: www.pbcconline.org

# **Office Hours**

Monday - Friday 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

# **Church Staff**

Melissa Harmon, Office Manager Jenn Herman, Preschool Director

# **Please Remember**

# Lost and Found

Don't forget that there is a Lost and Found box in the lobby. If you find something that's not yours and don't know who's it is, drop it in! If you have lost something recently, be sure to check there before replacing it!

Every so often this box gets full and we give what's there to charity. We do this at random intervals, so please be sure to check for your items as soon as possible.

# **Bulletin Board**

Be sure to check the bulletin board in the lobby often for current happenings and events going on outside the church. Sometimes there may be an event listed that we haven't placed in the bulletin, but you may find it fun or helpful! These boards are kept up-to-date with new items placed on it weekly. Check it out!

# August 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat				
FYI										
If you are scheduling an event at church; please remember to check the church calendar in the office. The Calendar in "THE CALLER" is a list of regularly scheduled events and does not include all the activities on the church campus.										
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