

VP NEWSLETTER

DECEMBER 2025

Office Hours
Tuesday - Thursday
9am - 4pm
708-753-1975 (o)

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Call in for
Sunday Service
at 10am
202-926-1080
Access Code
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Children's Church
is held following
Praise and Worship.
Dec. 7, 14, 21, 28

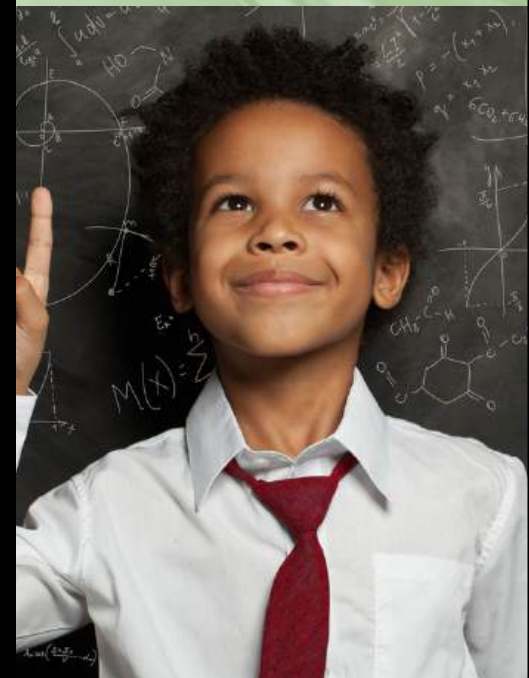


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PASTOR J'S BIRTHDAY
Wednesday, December 31st



December Anniversaries


Herman & Beverly Holton
31 years ~ December 4th

Deon & Geraldine McClinton
26 years ~ December 11th

Andre & Wrenetha Poindexter
32 years ~ December 15th

Pastor Raymond and Noreen Chin
57 years ~ December 21st

Calvin & Angela Lane
16 years ~ December 26th



Peace I leave with
you; my peace
I give you.

~ John 14:27

Pray for our sick and shut-in

Deacon Katrice Burns

Sis. Sue Williams

Pray for our bereaved

**Janet Anderson and Edie Smith in the loss of
their sister and cousin Mother Loretta Cabell**

**Deacon Randy Smith in the loss of his wife Sis.
Dietta Smith**

**Mother Myra Smith in the loss of her grandson
Bro. Isaac Johnson**

**“He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.”**

~ Psalm 147:3



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MONDAYS

The church office
is **CLOSED**.

THURSDAYS

6:00AM

Prayer Call
202-926-1080

Access Code
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THIRD
SATURDAYS

12:30PM

Men of Destiny



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Highlighting: Dr. Grace A. Beacham

“A Testimony of Triumph & Purpose”



We are honored to welcome Dr. Grace A. Beacham, PhD, to Vernon Park Church of God. A renowned author, public speaker, and tireless advocate, Dr. Grace is an overcomer of domestic violence whose life and ministry reflect God's power to heal, restore, and repurpose.

Her memoir, *Overcomer: How I Survived Domestic Violence*, chronicles her personal journey from repeated victimization to empowered survivor. Through raw honesty and spiritual insight, she offers hope to others walking through similar valleys.

Dr. Grace also developed the F.A.C.E. I.T. program (Family Awareness Crisis Education Intervention and Training), equipping communities to recognize the signs of domestic violence and respond with compassion and wisdom. Her mission: to break the cycle of abuse by addressing the root causes of dysfunction and childhood adversity.

After enduring the loss of several family members and major financial hardship, Dr. Grace returned to her home state of Illinois. She faced a season of deep depression and suicidal ideation—but through the prayers of close friends and a faithful prayer partner, God kept her. In His mercy, He opened new doors: she now serves as Director of Fiscal Services for a nonprofit in Chicago, holds a Life Insurance Producer's license, and is a current student at World Bible Teaching Institute to obtain her certificate in Ministry.

Her testimony took a powerful turn after attending the Women in Worship Conference in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. There, she received prophetic words that confirmed her calling and reignited her faith. She chose to walk boldly into the blessings spoken over her life—and the doors have not stopped opening.

Dr. Grace is ready to serve Pastor January and First Lady Maura with excellence, humility, and joy. Her life is a living testimony that God still delivers, restores, and uses all things for His glory.



**If you have a WIN to share, email: Vparkcog@gmail.com
for instructions on what we need in order for you to be included.**



Family & Friends

Fun-days!

Worship Arts &
Music Ministry
Present...

Christmas at
Park

Sunday, December 27th
@10am

Ministry, Music &
Merriment!

2 Events

2 Sundays

AND 1 ASK...

Invite Family
and Friends!

Premiering the Short Film

"Harvesting Hope"

Along with our always celebrated...

End-of-the-Year Video

Sunday, December 28th

@10am



DECEMBER IS...

Safe Toys and Gifts Month

Safe Toys & Gifts Month is observed throughout the month of December, coinciding with the holiday season when gift shopping and toy selection are at their peak. This annual observance is dedicated to promoting the safety of toys and gifts for children and serves as a reminder to parents, caregivers, and gift-givers to choose age-appropriate and safe toys. The campaign emphasizes the importance of making informed choices when selecting items for children and prioritizing their safety above all else.

Promoting safe toys and gifts during this month is essential for children's well-being. Here are ways to participate and ensure safe gift-giving:

- Check Labels: Always look for age-appropriate labels on toys and gifts and follow the manufacturer's recommendations.**
- Avoid Small Parts: Steer clear of toys with small parts or choking hazards for young children.**
- Inspect for Hazards: Examine toys for sharp edges, loose parts, or an potential dangers that could harm children.**
- Read Reviews: Research toys and gifts online, read reviews, and ask for recommendations from other parents and caregivers.**
- Consider Child's Age: Take into account a child's age, interests, and abilities when selecting gifts.**
- Support Educational Toys: Choose toys and gifts that encourage learning, creativity, and development. Spread Awareness: Share safety tips and information about Safe Toys and Gifts Month with your community and on social media.**

By staying informed about the safety standards and being vigilant in choosing toys, we can ensure that the joy of giving and receiving gifts remains a safe and happy experience for all.

For more information, visit:

<https://www.daysoftheyear.com/days/safe-toys-and-gifts-month/>

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