

VP NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2026

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

IT'S **BACK TO**  **SCHOOL TIME** 

No internet?
No problem.
Call in for
Sunday Service
at 10am
202-926-1080
Access Code
981434

IT'S GENERATIONAL!
NO BRAG, JUST FACTS!
MEET: Madison Hatchett

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MOTHER CARR'S FARM
CSA Shares NOW AVAILABLE!
Volunteers Needed!

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Children's Church
is held following
praise and
worship.

August 2, 9, 16, 23



YOUTH MINISTRY
Teen Takeback!

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HEALTH & WELLNESS MINISTRY
Blood pressure check, August 30th

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BAPTISM & BLESSINGS
5TH Sunday, August 30th

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AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

Keith & Sonja Hawkins, Jr.
8 Years - August 1st

Peter & Rene Mullings
19 Years - August 11th

Robert & Carmen Banks
31 Years - August 12th

Travis & Venita Poindexter
32 Years - August 13th

Roy & Katrice Burns
32 Years - August 14th

Bernard & Connie Farmer
28 Years - August 20th

Paul & Veronica Dark
41 Years - August 24th

Jack & Annette Washington
53 Years - August 25th

Freddie & Georgia Randle
4 Years - August 27th

PRAY FOR OUR SICK & SHUT-IN

Sis. Beverly Perkins

Sis. Irma Roberts

PRAY FOR OUR BEREAVED

Trustee Harold Battie in the loss of his
sister, Freddie J. Nesby

Sis. Mary (Trustee Charles) Sawyer in the
loss of their nephew, Shawn Eric Ward

**"He heals the brokenhearted and
binds up their wounds."**

~ Psalm 147:3

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MONDAYS

The church office
is **CLOSED**.

PRAYER CALL

THURSDAYS

6:00AM

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Access Code

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MEN OF DESTINY

THIRD

SATURDAYS

12:30PM



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MEET: **Madison Hatchett**

Madison...A Surrendered Servant



At just 13 years old, **Madison Hatchett** is already making a meaningful impact in both her church and community. Recently, she was honored with the Vernon Park Purpose Award, recognizing her Christlike character and commitment as a youth, living a life of purpose. As an incoming eighth grader, **Madison** serves as a **Junior Deacon**, **sings** in the youth choir, and worships through the **dance** ministry. She is known for her kind heart, loving spirit, and willingness to encourage others.

Outside of church, **Madison** is first chair **alto saxophonist** in her school band,

participates
in
Cheer-
leading



trains
in
jujitsu.



She has also earned leading roles in several school plays, reflecting her **passion for acting** and her dream of becoming a professional actress. Above all, **Madison** loves the Lord and strives to honor Him in everything she does. We celebrate her accomplishments and look forward to seeing how God continues to use her gifts for His glory. **Madison** is proof that there are still young people striving to walk in their purpose.



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

Mother Carr's Farm

Planted With Purpose • Growing Food & Community

2026

**CSA SHARES
AVAILABLE!**

Past harvests have included...

Beets

Bell Peppers

Banana

Butternut Squash

Peppers

Cabbage

Collards

Corn

Cucumbers

Eggplant

Kale

Mustard Greens

Tomatoes

Turnips

Watermelon

Yellow Squash

Produce selection may vary due to seasonal availability and harvest conditions.

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**Picked at peak ripeness, healthier, taste
better and retains more nutrients**

SEASONAL PRODUCE:

A higher quality product and more flavorful

SUPPORTING LOCAL FARMERS:

Keeps money circulating in your area

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WITH

Mother Carr's Farm



Opportunities for all ages:

- Gardening and planting
- Harvesting and food distribution
- Youth and education support
- Administrative and outreach support
- Beekeeping (coming soon!)
- Events and special projects
- Training and guidance will be provided

To sign up Click [HERE](#)
or Scan the QR code



Experience is welcomed but not required—just a heart to serve.





Vernon Park
Church of God

VPCOG YOUTH MINISTRY



TEEN TAKEBACK

HOSTED BY
VERNON PARK CHURCH OF GOD

AUGUST 23

1 PM - 3 PM

AT VERNON PARK CHURCH OF GOD
1975 E. JOE ORR RD., LYNWOOD, IL

**INVITE
YOUR
CREW**

FOOD • MUSIC • GIVEAWAYS

SENIOR PASTOR: REV. JERALD JANUARY, SR.
YOUTH PASTOR: REV. FRANK MILLER



– AUGUST IS –

Autoinflammatory Awareness Month

Autoinflammatory Awareness Month is a time to increase understanding about rare autoinflammatory diseases, supporting individuals and families living with these conditions, and advocating for timely diagnosis and equitable healthcare for all.

Autoinflammatory diseases occur when the body's innate immune system becomes overactive, causing repeated episodes of inflammation without infection. Symptoms can include **recurring fevers, joint pain, skin rashes, fatigue, abdominal pain, and eye inflammation**. Because these symptoms often resemble other illnesses, many people experience delays before receiving the correct diagnosis.

Although autoinflammatory diseases are rare and are not known to disproportionately affect African Americans, black patients often face barriers to early diagnosis and specialty care. Raising awareness within African American communities can help individuals recognize persistent symptoms, seek appropriate medical evaluation sooner, and advocate for equitable access to quality healthcare.

Every person deserves to have their concerns heard, their symptoms taken seriously, and access to the care they need.

Together We Can Make a Difference!

Awareness saves time, empowers patients, and strengthens communities. This August, let's stand together to increase understanding of autoinflammatory diseases, promote health equity, and ensure that every individual, regardless of race or background, can receive compassionate, timely, and effective care.

THE HEALTH & WELLNESS MINISTRY
PRESENTS...

FREE BLOOD PRESSURE *Checks*

Know Your Numbers. Protect Your Health.



FREE
Blood Pressure
Screening



**QUICK &
CONFIDENTIAL**



**NO
APPOINTMENT
NEEDED**



**OPEN
TO ALL**



**BEFORE & AFTER
SERVICE**



TAKE A FEW MINUTES TO INVEST IN YOUR HEALTH.

High blood pressure often has no symptoms—
but early detection can make all the difference.



STOP BY BEFORE OR AFTER SERVICE
and let us serve you!



COME GET **WASHED AT THE PARK**

BAPTISMS & BABY DEDICATIONS
5th Sunday, **AUGUST 30th**
Directly following service

Baby Blessings
up to 3 years old



Baptisms
Ages
4+

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AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION
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