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Your ATL Ministry Teams

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You're invited to the ATL Ministry Fair!
Sunday, August 23

- Join us in the Fellowship Hall after Worship service.
- Meet the Atlanta Through Love Ministry Teams, find out more about our initiatives, and how you can "plug in and serve."
- Light snacks and refreshments will be provided.

What is Atlanta Through Love?

Atlanta Through Love (ATL) was first a team working to find God's vision for Second-Ponce de Leon Baptist Church. The team proposed and the church agreed to organize our ministries around that vision. Now ATL is six ministry teams that give every member an opportunity to plug in and serve. By serving where our passions and gifts lead us, we all work to achieve our vision for SPdL.



HOW ATL IS PLUGGING IN TO SERVE

ENGAGED CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

Initiatives

- Identify partnerships with a few local, strategic ministries and make significant resource commitments.
- Develop a collaborative culture of mission support with all church funding processes and entities addressing church-identified priorities.
- Develop partnerships with Buckhead area primary and secondary schools to serve teachers, students and parents.
- Remain involved and financially supportive of at least one new church in Greater Atlanta.
- Renew Atlanta's workplaces by connecting SPdL with our business community through a gospel-centered approach of development, interaction and coordination.

GLOBAL CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

Initiatives

- Provide opportunities for every member to participate in missions beyond Greater Atlanta to assist missionaries in advancing the Kingdom of God and providing Disciple Development for our participants.
- To be a long-term blessing and make the greatest difference possible, identify a limited number of mission opportunities in North America and outside of North America to concentrate our efforts.

INVITING CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

Initiatives

- Target specific demographics in keeping with SPdL's worship & Christian education tradition (e.g., newly retired persons, young families with children, empty nesters, university students, etc.)
- Develop and implement strategies to reach the condo and apartment communities of Buckhead and Midtown.
- Begin geographic-specific home group missional communities.

TEACHING CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

Initiatives

- More aggressive marketing of SPdLU & exploration of other times or venues for SPdLU. Target specific demographics.
- Sponsor dynamic theological education events for our congregation and the community.
- Expand relationship with McAfee School of Theology & evaluate opportunities with other local seminaries.

GENEROUS CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

Initiatives

- Develop year-round planned gifts emphasis for continued endowment growth.
- Develop structured opportunities to develop gifts needed to meet our God-Sized Dreams & Initiatives by mobilizing people to engage Buckhead and Greater Atlanta by developing a comprehensive disciple making process including methodology to track progress and effectiveness.
- Develop a year-round comprehensive stewardship emphasis to assist in SPdL member and participant gift development, emphasizing the connection to worship and Disciple Development.
- Organize the church around members' gifts and passions.

CONNECTED CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

Initiatives

- Serve the leadership and participants of the FLC and better integrate the FLC as a vehicle for reaching the community for church membership.
- Serve the leadership and participants of the ECS and better integrate the ECS as a vehicle for reaching the community for church membership.
- Create pathways for participants from various age groups in the congregation to connect and serve each other.
- Develop and implement multiple communication vehicles for keeping current members and attendees informed about church activities and opportunities.
- Implement detailed and interactive database management system.
- Develop and implement effective marketing strategies to support all other initiatives.



Children's Ministry Gets Ready for New School Year

• **8/16 ~ Children's Promotion Sunday.** Second-Ponce will celebrate Children's Sunday School Promotion on **Sunday, August 16**. Children will begin their new Sunday School Classes that day.



• **8/19 ~ Music & Missions "Disciples of the World" Registration and Kick-off Party.** Calling all families with children ages 4 (as of September 1, 2015) through 6th grade. The Music & Missions Registration and Kick-off Party, "Disciples of the World," will be held in the Youth Theater on **Wednesday, August 19**, from 6–7 p.m. Come and enjoy crafts, games, and fun information about different disciples living all over our world. More information regarding online registration will be coming soon. Questions? Contact Anne Thomas at 770.402.9088 or at annethomas4315@gmail.com. Remember to mark your calendars for Music & Missions to officially start the following week, **Wednesday, August 26**, with Children's Choirs from 5:30–6:20 p.m., and Mission Friends, Girls on Mission, and Boys on Mission from 6:20–7:00 p.m. If you have any questions regarding the Wednesday night program, please feel free to contact us. We are looking forward to seeing you soon! Questions? Contact our Missions Liaison, Laurie Entrekin, at 404.784.0894 or at laurie_entrekin@hotmail.com.

Second-Ponce Youth

- **8/12 ~ Youth Kickoff Party.** Join us on **Wednesday evening, August 12** as we kick off the 2015–16 year for the SPdL Youth. Students and Parents are invited to learn about our major events for the year, get the Fall calendar, and receive useful info like our Fall newsletter and student forms. Above all, join us for some food, lots of fun, see some of the improvements to the youth area, and for a chance to get to know one another—including our new 6th graders! This kicks off our regular Wednesday night gatherings for the school year.
- **8/16 ~ Promotion Sunday.** On **Sunday, August 16** we will gather in the Youth Area for a very special morning: Promotion Sunday! During the Sunday School hour, students and parents are invited to join us for a fellowship breakfast, and to officially welcome our new 6th graders! There will be calendar information, and other useful items to know about, and a chance to meet and get to know one another better. If you'd like to help contribute to the breakfast with food items contact Margie Miller at margiemaecogg@gmail.com.
- **8/16 ~ Youth Pool Party.** After our Promotion Sunday events that morning, come out that afternoon from 3–6 p.m. for our first "Sunday Fun-day" of the year! Students in grades 6–12 grab your swimsuit and meet us at the home of Andy and Lesley Peters for a Pool Party & Cookout! For more details contact Ryan Wilson at rwilson@spdl.org.

"What Do You Believe About God?" Series at SPdL U in August



Join us for SPdL U, our Wednesday night program starting **August 12**, as Dr. Graham Walker leads a series of discussions on "What Do You Believe About God?" at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Dr. Walker will discuss what some might view as "Theology 101." The notion of theology captures how we think about God. What are the big questions about God that seem so perplexing? How does theology help us to process what we believe so that our faith becomes clearer and more mature? Join us for this overview as Dr. Walker offers a variety of approaches that have been used by Christians over the centuries. For more information or to register for these sessions online, visit www.spdl.org/spdlu. You may also download a registration form at www.spdl.org/spdlu or pick up a form in the Welcome Center and bring it with you to the course. Walk-ins will be accepted when space allows.



CHURCH CALENDAR

Sunday, August 9

9:45 a.m. Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Worship
12:15 p.m. Sunday School Leadership Training

Tuesday, August 11

6:00 p.m. Finance Committee

Wednesday, August 12

5:00 p.m. Fellowship Supper
6:00 p.m. SPdL U
6:00 p.m. SPdL U For Kids & Preschool
6:00 p.m. Project 4:12 Kick-off
7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal
7:30 p.m. Orchestra Rehearsal

Thursday, August 13

11:00 a.m. Radiant Class Sunday School Luncheon

Sunday, August 16

9:45 a.m. Sunday School - Promotion Sunday
11:00 a.m. Worship
3:00 p.m. Youth Pool Party

Wednesday, August 19

5:00 p.m. Fellowship Supper
6:00 p.m. Music N Missions - Kick-off
6:00 p.m. SPdL U
6:00 p.m. Project 4:12
7:15 p.m. Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal

Contributions Report

Giving as of July 26, 2015

Weekly Goal	\$39,074
Weekly Receipts	\$25,619
Year-To-Date Goal	\$1,087,753
Year-To-Date Receipts	\$1,021,953

Giving – pledged or not – is welcome and encouraged any time.

TV SERVICE TIMES

AIB Network

Our schedule is twice a week:

Monday, 8-9 p.m.

Sunday, 11 a.m.-noon

Questions? Call AIB at 404.892.0454

Second-Ponce History



In the 1990's Second-Ponce was given a watercolor painting *The Three Churches* by Jack Shields. It depicts the Cathedral of St. Phillips, the Cathedral of Christ the King, and Second-Ponce De Leon Baptist Church. The award-winning artist began painting in 1962 and he served on the faculty of the Westminster Schools here in Atlanta before retiring in 1995. His paintings hang in homes and businesses all over the world. One of his famous local projects was the illustrations for the Atlanta Junior League Cookbook. Our watercolor painting is hanging in the Welcome Center. Please look at this and our other wonderful artwork around the Church. *This article and display were put together by Church Historian John Roma.*

in the know

New Stock Gift Process. Second-Ponce has a new account and instructions for stock gifts. Please contact Jane Dixon at 404.591.4359 or jdixon@spdl.org if you have questions or would like a copy of the instructions.

Like Second-Ponce de Leon on Facebook. Keep up with the latest Second-Ponce news and updates by liking us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/secondponce.

Learn the Basics of Facebook with Seniors on Tech at the FLC. Join us each Saturday, **August 8–29** from 10 a.m.–11:30 a.m. at the FLC for a four-session course on the basics of Facebook. The class will cover how to set up your profile, the ins and outs of notifications, and much more! Cost is \$60 for SPdL and FLC members. Space is limited, contact The FLC at 404. 231.0375 for more details and to sign up!

ECS Enrolling for Fall 2015–2016. Second-Ponce's Early Childhood School is now enrolling for the 2015–16 school year! We have classes from 9 a.m. until noon for children ages 12 months to 5 years. Our ECS offers one of the lowest teacher/student ratios among Buckhead preschools. For tour dates and registration information, go to www.spdl.org/ministries/ecspreschool. For additional information, contact Helen Dykes at 404.591.4376 or hdykes@spdl.org.

MENUS

Wednesday, August 12

Spaghetti with meat sauce, fried eggplant, garlic bread, salad & cheesecake

Children's Menu

Spaghetti, meat sauce, garlic bread, fruit & dessert

Wednesday, August 19

Grilled BBQ chicken, roasted potatoes, corn & peas, salad, rolls & assorted pies

Children's Menu

Chicken fingers, mashed potatoes, fruit & dessert

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