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Join us for our Annual Fall Banquet

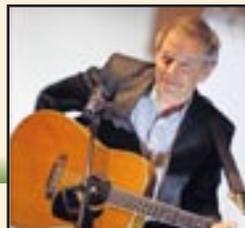
Celebrating 10 Years of Ministry

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2016
DINNER AT 6:30 PM
FAIRHAVEN CHURCH

Call our office to request your complimentary tickets
574.642.3773

Make your reservations by September 6th!

John Schmid will be our guest
speaker and provide special music



WAYS TO PARTICIPATE

SPONSOR TABLES

Pays banquet costs to ensure that the offering goes completely to Grace Haven. To contribute in this way, contact a banquet committee member at your church or call the office and let us know how many you would like to sponsor. \$125 per table

HOSTING TABLES

Come to the banquet and invite others to join you for a total of eight people per table. Get free tickets from the Grace Haven office at 574.642.3773 (If you do not have enough people to fill a table, individual tickets may be ordered through the office as well).

Through the Eyes of a Preacher's Kid

Tonight, dad will be gone again. He will have another late session or church meeting he needs to attend. Another night, he will be gone again to comfort a family grieving the loss of a loved one. Sometimes I can go with him and spend a few minutes with him before we get there.

Tonight, dad is home but he is too tired to play basketball with us. He needs a quiet evening with little noise and few distractions so he can finish the message before Sunday. Tonight, even though he'll get home late, I'll still be up when he gets home to hug him and tell him "I love you" and "Goodnight".

Welcome to the life of a PK/CD, (a pastor's kid and counselor's daughter) where family life is always uncertain. I'll be honest, it's not in any sense all smiles and roses. I can truly say there are days that I just wish everyone would fix their own problems and just let me have my dad back! Please don't get me wrong, I am glad my dad has been given the opportunity to bless and help others. On these days, I am reminded of the many blessings I have that a lot of families don't have.

There would be days that I was done being a counselor's daughter because I would have young people come to me with some of their problems. They would ask for advice because they knew my dad was a counselor and they felt weird asking someone older these questions. Back then, I didn't really like it, but now I love it! Being able to walk a small part of this journey in my dad's shoes has shown me how greatly our world needs Jesus through dads.

Sunday is the second part of my life: church. The day where we come to worship and connect with family, friends, and everyone else in between.

Being a PK also has its good moments, like Pastor Appreciation Day!! I enjoy the various treats given and reading the cards. It makes me feel all warm and fuzzy inside, like sitting in front of a warm fire on a cold winter day with a blanket, a book, and a steaming cup of hot chocolate. Or the days when your friends smile at you all goofy for no reason just to see you smile because they know it is not always easy being a PK.

But there are Sundays when everything seems to be going wrong in your life. Your sibling woke up on the wrong side of the bed so now you're running late for church. Then you hear that your best

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friend is at home sick. Great. Halfway through Sunday school, you see your mom run out to the car and drive off realizing that dad must have forgotten his sermon notes. At times, the sermon might not go as planned and some people objected to the topic and verbally said so.

Ok, hopefully you get the point. These are the days that we need to practice what we preach. PK's have younger people looking up to us even when we are unaware. It means each of us should be an example to others even on our bad days.

As I told my dad, "We, as your children, are your second line of defense when the game of life is trying to get the winning point. We are part of your team working together for a greater purpose." We will win with Jesus on our team!

THANK YOU

I stand in awe every day as I come to work and look at the transformation that has taken place at Grace Haven! I first want to thank John Mast Construction (Thomas Mast) for the outstanding design and layout of the sanctuary and good use of space. We appreciated the great spirit and job of his employees. They were orderly and cleaned up at the end of each day! We would highly recommend this construction company. We also want to thank the many volunteers for their time and skill and many donors for your gracious contributions.

Often, ministry and mission projects are out of the area, overseas, and around the world. One may never see or know the level of commitment our people put into missions until it is local. We, as staff at Grace Haven, are very grateful and honored to be part of a team of churches that take this call very seriously and care about the homeland ministries as well as overseas.

Praying that the Lord will bless you in abundance as He has us! Thanks for being a part of the team!

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By this
shall all men know that
ye are my disciples if ye
have love one to another.
John 13:35

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