# Park Meadows Academy

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A topic that has been on my mind lately is the importance of being a successful student. I am not talking about the standard mindset of arriving at school, listening to a teacher all day, and gathering things to go home, only to do more work. Many times, we hear our students, and even our own children complaining about school and/or homework. What if they viewed school as an exciting opportunity to arrive, shine, listen eagerly, and be excited to practice what they have learned in class, even at home? Learning should be a lifelong endeavor and should be more fun for students and parents alike, not a dreaded task, giving minimal effort, and done with a negative mindset.

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The concept of a real "student" should be understood and maintained. Our children would benefit greatly, from understanding what it means to be a successful student. Instilling in our youngsters the ideas of discipline, skillsets, attitude, and focus will have long-term positive effects, and these long-term benefits will certainly set them up for success. What are you as a parent/teacher sowing into your child? Spiritual growth is absolutely the most important kind of growth.

I believe attributes of a quality student include a good attitude, strong academic skills, good interpersonal/social skills, self-motivation, time management skills, and a positive perspective. A good student will not necessarily be perfect in all these areas, but will have an understanding of the importance of each, and will work to do the best of their ability. With diligence, I believe we as parents, educators, pastors, friends, and family can bring up this next generation of world changers.

Below are truths that will help grow us all, into that unique individuals God created us to bee.

#### 2 Timothy 2:15

Study to show thyself approved unto God, a workman who needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

#### 2 Timothy 3:16-17 (KJV)

All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

That the man of God may be perfect, thoroughly furnished unto all good works.

Let us continue to sow into and water the growth of our children both spiritually and academically.

Mrs. Buchy

#### Meet Paul & Glenda Davis

Glenda was born and raised in Farmington, New Mexico; Paul was born in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida, but moved around a lot. He likes to claim Georgia as "home".

Our son, Ben, and his wife Maria live in Pensacola, Florida. They are expecting our first grandbaby (and their first child ©) in February! It's a boy, and his name is Josiah John. We can't wait to meet him!

Glenda is the Receptionist at the NeUventure on Wall Street office; Paul is the Administrator of Park Meadows Academy. The most rewarding part of Paul's job is being a part of providing a safe, Christian atmosphere, which parents can trust to leave their children in every day. Watching the children thrive in that atmosphere is a great blessing as well. For Glenda, the most rewarding thing is hearing the relief and thankfulness in people's voices when I am able to connect them with the help they need for their particular problem or frustration.

We have lived in Corsicana for 2 ½ years, and WE LOVE TEXAS! Adam Taylor, who we have been friends with for about 20 years, introduced us to Park Meadows Church and Academy! Paul flew out to attend a NeUventure seminar in 2011, and about a year later was asked to pray about coming here to start a Christian school.

Paul doesn't really have time for "hobbies", but he has collected sports memorabilia for years, including baseball cards, which he started collecting when he was in grade school. He loves to play golf, tennis, and ping-pong. Glenda enjoys sewing, cross stitching, and scrapbooking. We also love watching old movies!

Our favorite place to visit is Pensacola Beach, and someday we hope to make a second trip to Hawaii, our "other" favorite place.

Paul's favorite recipe is Spaghetti Pie. We hope you will like it too!

For Glenda, probably the most important life lesson has been that of contentment. I Timothy 6:6 "But godliness with contentment is great gain." The following verses speak of being content with having our basic needs met, and verse 11 exhorts us to focus on pursuing righteousness, godliness, faith, love patience, and meekness instead of worldly gain. Hebrews 13:5 "...and be content with such things as ye have: for He hath said, I will never leave thee, nor forsake thee."



## Spaghetti Pie

### **Ingredients**

6 oz. spaghetti
2 T. butter
1/3 c. Parmesan cheese
2 well-beaten eggs
1 c. cottage cheese
12 oz. jar spaghetti sauce
1 lb. ground beef
1/2 c. shredded mozzarella cheese

#### **Instructions**

Brown ground beef, rinse and drain. Cook spaghetti, drain. Stir butter into hot spaghetti. Stir in parmesan and eggs. Form spaghetti into a "crust" in greased 10-inch pie plate. Spread cottage cheese over spaghetti (bottom only). Combine spaghetti sauce with ground beef. Turn into pie plate. Bake, uncovered, at 350 for 20 minutes. Sprinkle mozzarella on top, bake 5 minutes longer. Let stand a few minutes before serving.

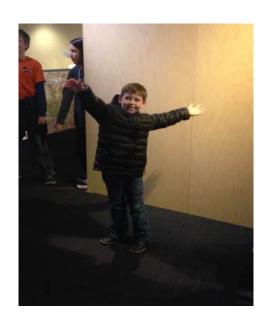






## The Perot Museum Field Trip

Our students got to go to The Perot Museum of Nature and Science. We had oodles of fun and had the opportunity to learn many things. The students got to walk with dinosaurs, "swim" under the sea with Gods amazing creatures. 3D films are a treat indeed! All the students looked pretty cool sporting their 3D glasses too! A favorite spot for many was the remote control operated robot machines. Driving around like crazy, students saw how various gears move while in motion. This was great for small motor skills. Many students got to be a meteorologist and predict the weather. We got to see how the water cycle works. experience an earthquake, conduct electricity, and see tornados form in a real funnel! If that wasn't enough, we were off to the caves to see gems, crystals and gold. We saw more colors and sparkly rocks than you could possibly think of. As I looked, I reflected, "As pretty as all these shiny gems are, can you possibly imagine what heaven will be like"! Thank you all who were able to join and help us out during this fun trip.



### **Events**

Febuary 12- Valentines celebration

Febuary 12- Reenrollment ends!

Febuary 16-New enrollment begins!

February 15- No School

February 19-4 Week-Grading Period End

February 23- Progress Reports

February 29-March 4- Spirit Week

March Field Trip Coming Soon!

March 17- Grandparents Day 9:00-?

March 22- 3rd Quarter Grading Period Ends

March 23- April 3- Easter Break/Spring Break



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