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Indoor/Outdoor
**ALL CHURCH
WORK DAY**
SUNDAY, JUNE 27
1:30 PM

Families Welcome (no childcare provided)

Tools to bring (if you have them):

Yard Tools for weeding, **Wheelbarrows**, **Power washers** for washing off siding, **Push Brooms** for sweeping the moss off the roofs, **Blowers** for cleaning the debris off the main parking lot & blowers would be quicker than sweeping it all, **Chain Saws** for cleaning up the remaining wood piles on the lot across the street and **Gas Weed-Eaters & Willing Hands**

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Is there power in
prayer?

Let's get right to the point; is there power in prayer? My answer is NO! Wait, wait...before you fire off an email to me, or turn me in to the heresy police, just read on.

I understand that "No" is probably not the answer you expected; it certainly isn't the answer you would give in Sunday School, but still, I don't think there is power in prayer. Let me explain.

All my life I have heard people talk about the power of "prayer," about the positive things that "prayer" can do. And since this is a widely held belief, I have heard people with no specific faith whatsoever say things like, "I'll pray for you," "I'll send some positive thoughts out for you." What does that mean? Is there any inherent power in prayer itself? I don't think so.

Let's look at an example from the Bible. In 1 Kings, chapter 18, we find a spectacular spiritual battle involving the prophet Elijah and the prophets of Baal (Take a moment now to find your Bible and read 1 Kings 18:20-40). Incredible isn't it! You see the unmistakable power of God and the unmistakable

absence of power in the pagan god Baal. Look at what happened! 450 men diligently and passionately prayed, “O Baal, answer us! But there was no voice, and no one answered” (v.26). These guys were serious; they prayed, they cried out for hours on end, they danced around, they even cut themselves as a sign of devotion! “Oh Baal answer our P-R-A-Y-E-R-S”... (Insert crickets here... chirp, chirp - chirp, chirp)...Nothing, nada, nobody was home. They prayed, they were sincere, they were persistent, they sent out lots of positive thoughts, but there was no answer, there was no power! Then Elijah

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steps up . . . no dancing, no cutting, . . . he simply says, “O LORD, God of Abraham, Isaac, and Israel, let it be known this day that you are God in Israel, and that I am your servant, and that I have done all these things at your word. Answer me, O LORD, answer me, that this people may know that you, O LORD, are God, and that you have turned their hearts back” (v. 37). You know what happened next; power . . .

massive, unmistakable power that came from the One to whom Elijah prayed.

Okay Jim, what’s your point? My point is this; prayer in and of itself, despite its sincerity, regularity or popularity, has NO power. The power is in the Person to whom we

pray. The power is in the God who spoke the universe into existence, the God who consumed Elijah’s sacrifice, the God who raised Christ Jesus from the dead, and the

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God who unbelievably saved a person like me! The power is in HIM and prayer is how we talk to Him. There is power in our great God who chooses to work through prayer. So what does that mean? It means WOW! In Christ we have direct access to the God of all

power – through prayer. So pray, pray day and night, pray without ceasing because we *can* pray, because God wants to hear from us! But don’t make it about the power, make it about the Person. After all, prayer isn’t about getting God to change things, but asking Him to change us; it isn’t about getting things, it’s about getting Him and there’s nothing more powerful than that!

Pastor Jim

“The Lord is at hand; do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:5-7

Time Change for Mid-Week Ministries

Beginning this fall, Life Groups and Discovery Club will be moving to Tuesday nights. This major ministry schedule change is designed to create space for our High School students to meet on campus together again. In the last year they have been meeting primarily in Life Groups. We believe that to be most effective in discipling our high school students they need the larger group experience as well as Life Group involvement. Wednesday nights are by far the best night for them to meet.



After much discussion and prayer, staff leaders have decided to make the following changes beginning in September:

- **High School** - meet on Wednesday evenings
- **Jr High** – meet on Wednesday evenings
- **Life Groups** coordinated with Discovery Club – meet on Tuesday evenings
- **Discovery Club** – meet on Tuesday evenings
- **Teen MOPS** will be moving to another evening (TBD)

We believe these changes will significantly increase the effectiveness of our ministry to High School students, which in turn will positively impact many families. This will impact the overall health of our ministry in a positive way.

Thanks in advance for your willingness to make these changes for the good of the body of believers here at SPCC.

A.W. TOZER

Maybe you've been influenced by one of his books...did you know that this "modern day prophet" also had lasting influence on the Christian & Missionary Alliance?

While on his way home from the Akron, Ohio tire company where he worked as a teen, young Aiden Wilson Tozer overheard a street preacher say, "If you don't know how to be saved... just call on God." Upon returning home, Tozer climbed into the attic and heeded the preacher's advice.

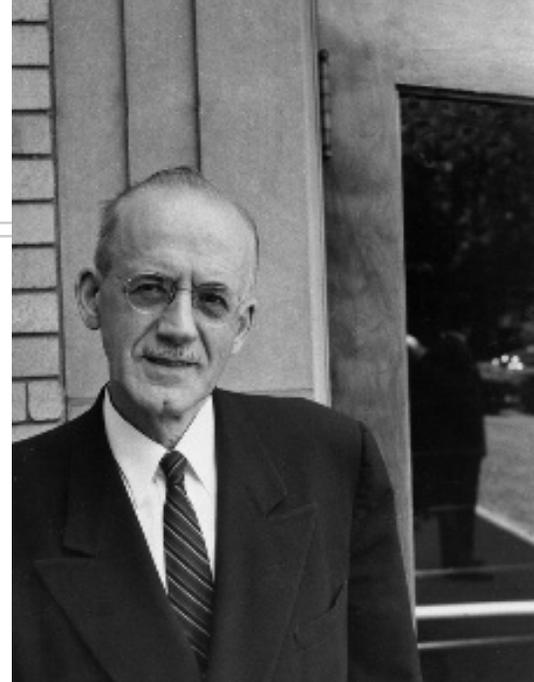
In 1919, five years after his decision to follow Christ, and without formal theological training, Tozer accepted an offer to pastor his first church in Nutter Fort, West Virginia. This began forty-four fruitful years of ministry with The Alliance, thirty of which he served as pastor of the Southside Alliance Church in Chicago (1928 to 1959). His final years were spent pastoring the Avenue Road (Alliance) Church in Toronto, Canada.

Considered by many to be a modern-day prophet, Tozer felt that the church was on a dangerous course towards compromising with "worldly" concerns. In 1950, he was appointed editor of the *Alliance Weekly* magazine, now *Alliance Life*, the official publication of The

Alliance. In his first editorial, dated June 3, 1950, he wrote "It will cost something to walk slow in the parade of the ages, while excited men of time rush about confusing motion with progress. But it will pay in the long run, and the true Christian is not much interested in anything short of that."

Prayer was of vital personal importance for Tozer. "His preaching as well as his writings were but extensions of his prayer life," comments his biographer, James L. Snyder in the book, *In Pursuit of God: The Life Of A.W. Tozer*. "He had the ability to make his listeners face themselves in the light of what God was saying to them," writes Snyder.

Among the more than forty books Tozer authored, at least two are regarded as Christian classics: *The Pursuit of God* and *The Knowledge of the Holy*. His writings impress on the reader the necessity to abandon worldly comforts in favor of the deeper life that comes with following Christ. Living out this simple and non-materialistic lifestyle, Tozer and his wife, Ada

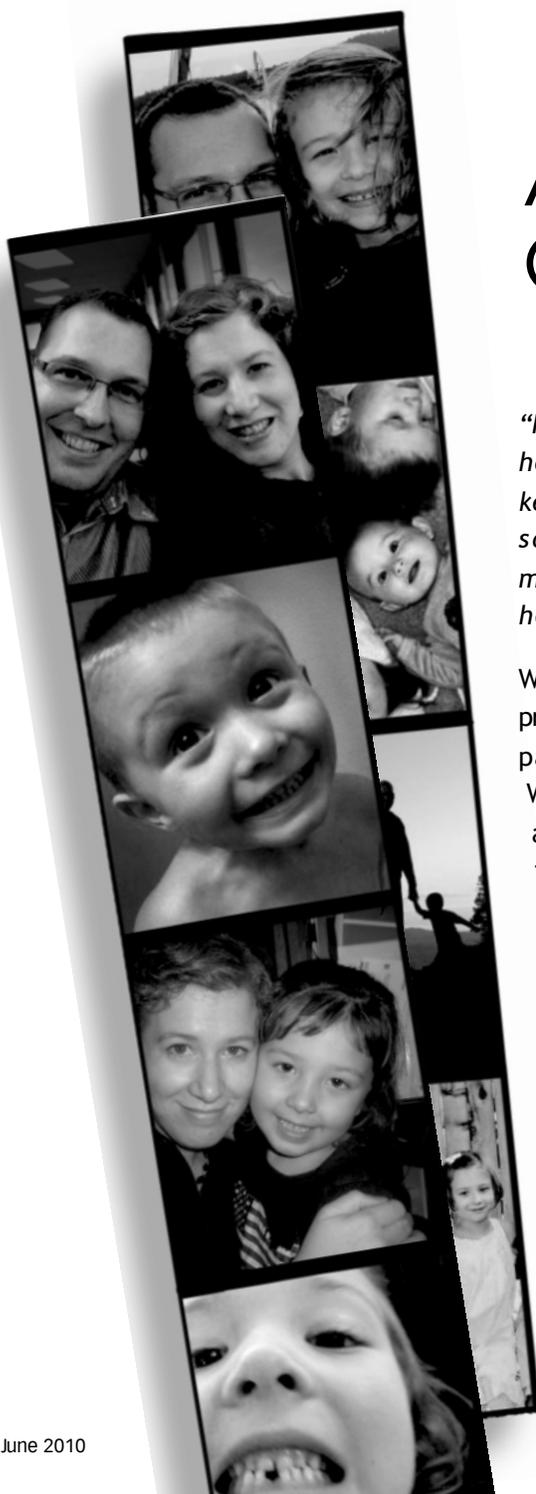


Cecelia Pfautz, never owned a car, preferring bus and train travel. Even after becoming a well-known Christian author, he signed away much of his royalties to those who were in need.

Tozer had seven children, six boys and one girl. He was buried in Ellet cemetery, Akron, Ohio, with a simple epitaph marking his grave: "A. W. Tozer — A Man of God."

From www.cmalliance.org

The following books by Tozer are available in the church library: *The Best of A.W. Tozer Book 1*, *The Best of A.W. Tozer Book 2* and *Prayer Warriors*.



A FATHER GOES TO GOD

By Bryan Hansen

“He (an elder) must manage his own household well, with all dignity keeping his children submissive, for if someone does not know how to manage his own household, how will he care for God’s church?” (1 Tim 3:4)

While this qualification is a prerequisite for being an elder or pastor, there is no indication in God’s Word that men should aspire to anything less as they lead their families. Now guys, don’t bail yet because you feel a burden too heavy to bear coming on. I loathe that feeling too. Our culture (both inside and outside the church) and the Devil (yeah, he’s real) often point our gaze first to our immense responsibility to lead and love and provide for our families, and then point out the many ways we fail to effectively carry out any of these responsibilities well. This can be discouraging and suck the life right out of our motivation to

do the very things we aspire to do. But our roles as husbands, fathers and men in God’s church are so important, that there are few other fronts upon which the enemy of our souls focuses as much effort and energy. And while the facts I’ve mentioned may lead us to despair (our responsibility *is* great, our failures *are* real, and our enemy *is* vehemently against us) we must not forget that God himself dwells in us by the Holy Spirit. “Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God?” (1 Corinthians 6:19)

Think about that for a moment. God...*in* you. Not just on the outside waiting to help when the circumstances are just right; no, he is *in* you. And more than that, the HE who is in you is Christ, who, as we see in Revelation 19, is ready to wage war for the sake of righteousness. One day we will see his might displayed in full measure; now He measures it out only

in part. And though only in part, how dreadful that part to the worst of devils! Therefore, “if God is for us, who can be against us?” (Romans 8:31)

So with Christ, not merely on our side but *inside*, let us turn our attention to just one aspect of our roles in the home: Prayer. There is no more important work we can do as fathers and husbands than to ask the God of everything, who has no limit to his power, to move in and work within the affairs that engage us; a rebellious daughter, a hard-hearted son, a discouraged or difficult wife, and our own fears and pride and the ugly ways they show themselves. Though we try every kind of trick, and advice, and distractions to remedy our sorry circumstances and poor attitudes...Christ is our only hope. So we must turn to him with cries for help as an infant cries for its mother's milk; accepting no substitute, desperate for our very lives. Oh how you and I need to be weaned from substitutes and grow in desperation. Lord Jesus, help us!

So allow me to point to three things: First, two quotes from an old dead guy

that communicate the sheer necessity of prayer in our lives. Second, some thoughts on discipline, especially for those of us who don't have it. Third, a few practices that you might consider as a way to start or enhance your prayer with and for your family. Lastly, because we're going to fall down at this, some encouragement

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that may make all the difference for you.

So first, two quotes from J.C. Ryle on prayer and how it pertains to our authenticity as Christians:

“And I say, furthermore, that of all the evidences of the real work of the Spirit, a habit of hearty private prayer is one of the most satisfactory that can be named. A man may preach from false motives. A man may write books and make fine speeches and seem diligent in good works, and yet be a Judas Iscariot. But a man seldom goes into his closet, and pours out his soul before God in secret, unless he is in earnest.”

- J.C. Ryle, *A Call to Prayer*

“I believe that thousands *never utter a word of prayer at all*. They eat. They drink. They sleep. They rise. They go forth to their labor. They return to their homes. They breathe God's air. They see God's sun. They walk on God's earth. They enjoy God's mercies. They have dying bodies. They have judgment and eternity before them. But they *never speak to God*. [...] How dreadful this seems...”

- J.C. Ryle, *A Call to Prayer*
(www.fivesolas.com/callpray)

Dreadful indeed. Of all the practices that a religious person does (even non-Christian religions), prayer is most certainly one of the prominent defining marks. And what does it mean when we are not praying people? “All who *call* on the name of the Lord will be saved” (Rom 10:13) and just as we began our life of faith by calling, so we also ought to continue by this same dependent attitude, “praying without ceasing” (1 Thes 5:17) and calling on our God.

But what if we are undisciplined and can't seem to get going on prayer? A few things on this. First, Oswald Chambers in *My Utmost for His Highest* once said that “the inability to pray is the punishment for the refusal

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to pray.” So to start, you will need to, well...start! Offer a prayer of repentance for neglecting prayer. Second, the focus of repentance is not on neglecting *prayer*, but on neglecting *God*. That is, don't let having a “prayer time” be the focus; rather, let God be the focus. Prayer is a means to an end and that end is God. Third, don't think of prayer as a constant sacrifice. Think of it as starting a new routine (whether that be in the mornings, at a lunch break, or at night). Commit to just five or ten minutes a day at first. Pray in the car before you turn the radio on (or instead of turning it on) on your way to work.

Your role as a husband and father is crucial in Christ's Kingdom, and your most important mission is to be praying and reading your Bible. Carve out just a few minutes at first and you'll likely find that your thirst for those times will grow.

So what about some practical guidelines for prayer? Here are several ideas to try out. By the way, try praying out loud. This will help you stay more focused than just keeping

the words in your head. As my pastor in Montana used to say, if you don't have any plan, my plan is better than your plan. Try one or a combination of the following:

THE THREE Rs: REJOICE, REPENT, REQUEST

The way this can work is to read a passage of scripture (perhaps just a couple of verses from the psalms) and then offer prayers of rejoicing and thanksgiving to God for what that passage says *about him*. It naturally follows, in light of who God is, to *repent* of the ways that you are *not* like God when you should be. Finally, *requests*: ask to be like Jesus, and offer prayers for yourself, your family and others.

THE LORD'S PRAYER IN A NUTSHELL

This is similar to the three Rs, but has five points outlined by the Lord's Prayer found in Luke 11: *Hallow, Heaven, Give, Forgive, Deliver*. *Hallow* is similar to Rejoice in the Three Rs, *Heaven* is praying for the Kingdom to come, *Give* is asking for provision, *Forgive* is confessing your sin, repenting, and reminding ourselves of the gift of the cross, *Deliver* is for

protection from the kinds of sins we just confessed.

GRACE & GRATITUDE

When praying for your wife and kids, ask yourself two things: What can I ask God to give them (grace for them) and what has God given me through them (gratitude from you to God)?

PRAY WITH, AND NOT JUST FOR, YOUR SPOUSE

This may take some pride-swallowing. Deal with it. Too much depends on you here. Again, start small with short prayers. Eventually the awkwardness will fade. Few things make your wife feel more loved and secure than praying with her and for her (and for those few wives reading this, in whatever way possible, when your husband steps out in this, simply follow him). Our pride and difficulty in this area is already painfully obvious to us most of the time. It could be that letting him lead and saying nothing more than “thank you” when he is done could be the catalyst that sparks his ongoing leadership in prayer.

PRAY WITH, AND NOT JUST FOR, YOUR KIDS

They need both from you. Teach them to pray (you can probably teach them some kind of version of the Three Rs easily enough). Let them see you praying. Pray for them. Pray with them. Pray especially for God to convict them of sin, and to grant them repentance and faith. And thank God for evidences of his grace in their lives.

In closing, let me remind you about the gospel. You and I are sinners, we sin, and on this side of heaven, we will continue to sin.

These sins are deathly serious. They are serious because they cost God dearly and because our failures cost our spouses, our kids, and our church dearly. Our lack of spiritual leadership is often tragic. Our own fleshly human attempts at obedience, love, and good deeds are grossly inadequate to bring about the real change in ourselves, our spouse, and our kids. That's why we must go to God in prayer.

Enter Jesus and His obedience. His life

and death accomplished two essential things for believers: (1) to pay for our sins *and* (2) to provide a perfect record of obedience. He died the death we should have died *and* he lived the life we should have lived.

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men, Jesus’ blood paid for that sin. But more than that, he did what we cannot do: lived a perfectly obedient

life. This perfect obedience replaces our pathetic obedience (See Romans 4:4-6; 5:19). Its not just that God sees you in Christ as a clean slate with no marks on it; more than that, he sees you as a slate written full with a perfect record of obedience!

So courageously press on in your important role as husband and dad. Because of Christ we don't have to do this perfectly. And because of

Christ we have the obligation to give our best effort (Col 2&3). So start first thing tomorrow morning by going to God in prayer for just five short minutes if you are not in the habit of praying. Don't delay. Start a new routine. And watch what God does. Father in heaven, help us to pray!

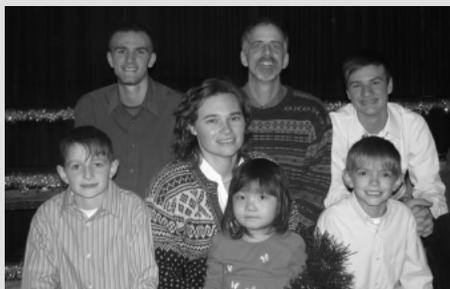


Sometimes we think of missionaries as super saints who only need our financial help. To the contrary, world-outreach workers are very human, and continually need moral and spiritual support, as well as financial backing. God's pioneers have always required the support of others. Where would Moses have been without Joshua, Elijah, the Shunamite woman? Jesus relied on the women who ministered to him, especially Martha and Mary. Where would Paul have been without partners like the churches in Antioch and Philippi?

No overseas missionary can function well without "senders" who hold firmly to the rope that links them to home. Romans 10:14-15 shows us that world evangelism is a partnership: there must be those who send and nurture, as well as those who go. How, then, can we more effectively care for the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of our missionaries?

Here are a few suggestions:

- Our missionaries deeply appreciate it when a Life Group, or a family, "adopts" them and cares for them in practical ways. Pick up a copy of our 2010 *Missions Booklet* and choose to adopt an SPCC missionary family. Or ask for a copy of the *International Connections Booklet* that lists missionaries from our Pacific Northwest C&MA District, and find a family or individual to adopt.
- Maintain a flow of news to and from your missionary. You can help the church keep up with news and prayer requests from the field. Our missionaries like to know what is going on at home. A really encouraging thing to do is to drop your missionary a note and include a copy of *The Loop*, a sermon CD, or a ministry department newsletter.
- Write to your missionary periodically. Write about the standings of sports teams, new discoveries and human interest items. While you are at it, encourage the kids in your child's Sunday School class or Discovery-Club group to write to missionaries. Children's letters are a joy to receive and answer. Such two-way correspondence will help your children become more aware of missionaries, what they do and where they live.
- Select a "book of the month" or subscribe to magazines and devotional



Crawfords, China



Bangilans, Philippines



Huges, USA— Youth Dynamics



Kronbachs, Barnabas Int'l

guides to send to missionary families. They often long for reading material and often have no way to keep up with what is being published. They also prize sermons CDs, and music CDs.

- Send your overseas family cards for birthdays, Christmas and other occasions. These will help missionaries know they are remembered and appreciated.
- Pray regularly for your missionaries. Conduct times of extended, focused prayer for them. Life Groups should pray for their missionaries regularly. Be sure to get on your missionary's newsletter list. Include in your prayers their situation, productivity, health and other concerns that they may communicate to you. For suggestions about how to pray for missionaries, see *How to Pray for Missionaries*, on page 21 of SPCC's *Missions Booklet*.
- If possible, visit your family on the

field. This is important especially for Elders, Pastors, and Mission Task Force members. But church members are usually welcomed too! Don't plan to drop in for just a day or two. Stay long enough to get a feel for the people and the work and situations these ambassadors for Christ face daily. Take with you inexpensive gifts of hard-to-get items, such as candy, chocolate chips, salad dressing mixes, and packets of Mexican seasonings.

- Be sensitive to the missionary family's need for rest and relaxation. Insist that they take days off regularly while on the field.
- Assist them when they return to the US for their Home Assignment (furlough). Make sure they have a place to stay. Help them find a car. Provide some extra funds for the many expenses they have while home. Keep in close communication with them. Continue to pray for them. Home

Assignment can be very stressful, especially when missionaries have to travel and visit many churches.

These are just a few suggestions. Try to imagine living far from home. What would *you* want folks back home to do to really encourage and demonstrate care for you? The relationships you and your family or Life Group develops with missionaries overseas will bless and enrich you for years to come.

(Adapted from *How to Care for Your Missionaries*, Dr. Glover Shipp and Dr. Bob Waldron)



Pastor Dieter, *Philippines*



Pastor Belion, *Philippines*



Merrills, *Russia*



Stokes, *USA—Family Life*

A Mother IN PRAYER

Linda Schmitt shares about the power of prayer in her life

“ My name is Linda Schmitt and I’ve been asked to share a little about my experience with Moms In Touch International, what it is and what it has looked like here at SPCC. More importantly I’d like to share how the group and the effectiveness of prayer has made a difference in my life.

The MITI missions statement reads, ‘Moms In Touch International impacts children and schools worldwide by gathering mothers to pray.’ Fern Nichols is the founder and President of MITI and I believe her purpose is

to inspire and provide women a scriptural format to gather and pray for their children and schools. ‘Remember, godly leadership is not based on “power and charisma,” the Lord just wants a willing, humble vessel that HE can use for His honor and His glory,’ she states.

I have been with my MIT prayer group at SPCC for about six years. For me, it began when I shared a concern with a friend for one of my children. She invited me to the group to pray for my child. I was nervous, afraid to pray out loud. People would figure out I wasn’t very good at it. I got sweaty and my stomach gurgled. I was really out of my comfort zone. But, this was my son! I quickly learned that these people also

had imperfect children, believe it or not. God has really been working on me as a vessel. He’s been chipping away, molding, sanding and polishing the rough spots all while I’m there praying for my children. I wouldn’t consider myself gifted in this area, just willing to learn, knowing God wants to teach me. Luke 11:1 says, ‘One day Jesus was praying in a certain place. When he finished, one of his disciples said to him, “Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.”’

In a typical meeting, five to eight of us mothers of grown children pray corporately in this order: praising God, confessing our sin, giving thanks to God, interceding on behalf of our children and praying for our loved ones. We know that in this battle our weapon is the sword of the Spirit. Ephesians 6:17-18 states, ‘Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the saints.’

I have been blessed to intercede for my children through prayer. To have the sincerity and compassion of other mothers and the power of the Holy Spirit working on behalf of someone you care so much about is overwhelming at times. Then to share in the joy of answered prayer is encouraging to everyone involved. If we don’t stand in the gap for them, who will?



Schmitt
Family

I have three grown children: Some of you may know Brandon, my oldest son, who has been prayed over well. God has heard. As Brandon became more involved with the Young Adult Group here, he was eager to share his thankfulness for our prayers with our MIT group in person in 2006. He comes back from a mission trip to the Philippines this month. He has been blessed with a precious wife, Heather, and they love the Lord and love serving Him. God is glorified.

If you know my daughter, Janelle, she would be happy to share how her life has been transformed through prayer. She has many friends in the Young Adult Group and was baptized by Paul Waggoner, along with Heather, my daughter-in-law, in September 2006. She is married to a wonderful, godly man. They are serving God, displaying His love and living in Bellingham now. Again, God is glorified.

Seth...the one I need to thank for leading me to MIT (see how God is!). I think I can give Seth a lot of credit for the gray hair on my head. That may be because he has always been so free to tell me everything...well, a lot of things. He has been prayed out of some pretty scary stuff over the years. However, the last six months he has been living on a solid rock on

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MOPS Auction Thank you!



MOPS is overwhelmed with gratitude for those who served, attended, contributed, and donated to our third annual auction. In total, over \$20,000 was raised . . . more than enough to continue this life changing ministry. God is so faithful in His provisions and Smokey Point has been so faithful in it's support of our program. We pray that God continues to guide us in serving this community.

In His service, *MOPS leadership*



The Schmidt Ladies: Stephanie, Sarah Pomeroy, Heather and Laurie, at the Breakfast

Women's Breakfast

On May 15th 125 women of SPCC gathered together to experience a great time of fellowship at our first annual Women's Breakfast.

Gina Waggoner, our "in-house" speaker, addressed *Being a Woman: War and Peace* as we looked at the ways that God designed women, making us to be sensitive and loving towards others as well as ourselves. As women we often want to take care of others first, and with the business of our daily routines, we can often ignore our own hearts.

Throughout the morning Gina led us in guided times of reflection where we silently prayed and practiced being more aware of ourselves.

Our time challenged us to be "truthful and kind to ourselves, knowing that we are deeply loved by God." We are so thankful that Gina served us by speaking and leading our time!

Many helping hands lovingly came together to share recipes and favorite breakfast dishes. We are grateful for the hard work that went into our delicious meal!

There were many familiar faces as well as several who were attending a women's ministry event for the first time. If you weren't able to join us at the breakfast we hope that you can join us in the fall at our next event!

OUR VOLUNTEERS

On Friday, May 21, over 130 church volunteers came together to celebrate what God is doing through the many ministries here at SPCC. Throughout the evening, pastors and staff members served the volunteers through hosting tables, serving dinner and providing childcare.

The celebration brought ministry team members from all areas together to share about how God has worked in specific areas throughout the body. Several volunteers shared their personal accounts of the impact ministries have had on their lives, from Celebrate Freedom to the Worship Ministry to Life Groups. Pastor Jim thanked the volunteers for their giving and encouraged them in kingdom the work in which they are laboring.



Pennie Hunt mans the coat check



Angela & Peter Barnhart



Duck Duck Goose with the Young Adults



Pastor Jim address the volunteers



Service with a smile
Wait Staff Steve Ray, Jay Guthrie,
Nancy McFadden and Larry Wiebe



Lisa Harding takes service to a whole new level



Laurie Bisset and crew prepare the platings

May 21, 2010



Wade & Dawn Stoelting

For your **INFORMATION**

Life Group Leader Training

Despite what you may have thought, it doesn't take a perfect person to lead. Do you care about others? Are you faithful, accountable and teachable? If your own Life Group has been an encouragement to your walk with God, perhaps God has already been preparing you to lead others in a new Life Group. We will provide coaching and resources for you as you continue.

The first step is to attend our **Life Group Leader training** on June 19 from 9 AM to 2 PM. We will cover the vision and purpose of Life Groups as well as many practical questions related to leading a group.

We have individuals on waiting lists for Life Groups because we do not have enough leaders. Would you consider becoming a leader?

For information or to register contact Pastor Tim at tim@spcc-cma.org or call at 360.659.2844.

A Child's Prayer

Huddling together, our family braced for another gust of wind. Our tent, likely to blow away at any minute, was our only refuge from the wind storm that hit the campsite at Crescent Bar. My oldest son, who was four at the time, quietly said "Mommy I want to pray." "Okay," I said, wondering why I didn't think of that. "God please stop the wind! Amen." That ended his prayer. A few minutes later he said, "Mommy listen, God reached out His big hand and grabbed the wind. We can go outside and play now."

This simple prayer of faith by my four year old son rocked me to my core. Did I pray with such faith, I wondered? When God answered did I simply

acknowledge Him for who He was and what He had done, then continue doing the things He created me to do?

As the Lord has led me into the ministry of Director for our new preschool, I need to remember every day not to be anxious, to pray about everything, to have a heart of thanksgiving and to talk to God about my needs. I am learning that, as I do this, God's immeasurable peace guards my heart and mind (Philippians 4:6&7). I am excited to see the miracles God is in the process of accomplishing through "Little Light" preschool.

I count it a privilege to pray!!
Lavaun Camp

We have a new name! Smokey Point Community Church Preschool will now be called "Little Light Preschool." Our theme verse is found in Matthew 5:16, "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven."

Futures Shining Bright **Little Light Preschool**

A ministry of Smokey Point
Community Church

Now accepting applications for Fall

Openings: MWF - Pre-K
T/TH - 3 year olds
T/TH - 4 year olds

For more information call the
church office at 360.659.2844.

Baptisms

On the weekend services of May 15 & 16 many of our brothers and sisters were baptized, as an outward expression of the inward reality of their identification with Christ:

Grant Andrews
Rich Beckert
Mary Brown
Annabelle Copenhaver
Alejandra Dominquez
Amye Ellsworth
Kyle Garner
Sydney Hunt
Samuel Kem
Rob McCrorie
Chris Paulk
Hannah Ragonesi
Ethan Satterfield
Andrew Smith



Pastor Duane and the Parks Family

Children Dedicated

SPCC recently had the privilege of dedicating these children to the Lord. Please remember them in prayer as they grow in body and spirit.

Isaac William Anderson
Mia Faith Anderson
Jack Ryan Bader
Leah Hope Bergstrom
Adrianna Lucille Champine
Violet Cookston
Luke Nathaniel Goehring
Haven Raye Parks
Ezekiel Ryan Ramczyk
Amanda Christina Szechenyi
Karina Juliana Szechenyi

Summer Office Hours

Beginning June 14, the church office will be closed on Mondays.

The office summer schedule is:
Tuesday—Friday 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM

LiveWires Outing

Welcome Seniors of SPCC, as we take a guided trip back in time to a north-west pioneer village. On June 10th, we will leave the church at 9:30 AM and travel north to the town of Ferndale, and it's historic Pioneer Park. The Park represents one of the finest collections of original pioneer log cabins and contents in the Northwest. The tour and van ride will be \$7 per person, with lunch on your own. To reserve your place in the van, call Mae Kurtzenacker at 360.659.7164, and we'll take a journey through history together.



Rural Mail Route Outfits at Ferndale, 1910

Why Do Pastors Take **SABBATICALS?**

By Steve Richards



What is a sabbatical?

The word "sabbatical" is derived from "Sabbath." Sabbath time is based on Genesis 2:1-4 in which God modeled and later required the setting aside of 1/7th of our time for recreation and restoration (Exodus 17:8-11). For ancient Israel, Sabbath-keeping was a spiritual discipline designed to develop the Israelites' ability to trust God. The person who obeyed God's command to keep the Sabbath had to trust God to supply their daily needs, since they could not work on the Sabbath. In other words, for one day every week, the Israelites would entrust themselves to God's care rather than to their own ability to work.

In the context of pastoral ministry, a sabbatical is an extended time away from church related responsibilities (every seven years) for the purpose of refreshment, renewal, refocus and refinement. It is a time for pastors to nourish their body, soul, and spirit. It is a significant change of normal daily activities for an extended period of

time that ultimately benefits the pastor, his family and his church. This is not merely an extended vacation, but a purposeful time of growth and renewal. The goal is to have a fresh, strong, balanced pastoral ministry, and periodic sabbaticals can help achieve this goal.

A sabbatical allows a pastor to step away from the demanding and never-ending routines of ministry in exchange for a season that allows the pastor to:

- Rest and replenish health
- Recapture a sense of vision
- Rekindle spiritual passion
- Revitalize sensitivity to the Holy Spirit
- Refocus priorities
- Reflect on the call of God for life and ministry

Why are sabbaticals needed? We want to help insure the continued health of our pastoral leadership. Pastors need time away to replenish their spiritual, emotional, mental and physical resources to help them continue to

lead the congregation well and serve the Lord in their calling. Sabbaticals also help:

- Prevent ministry burnout
- Produce longevity in staff positions
- Produce better pastors for the church
- Strengthen family and personal relationships
- Recruit and keep good staff members

Unlike many professionals, a pastor's effectiveness depends not merely on what he *does* and *knows*, but on *who he is* in Christ. If a pastor knows *how* to preach and teach the Word, and counsel people, and pray for them, etc. . . . but fails to do so out of a growing, intimate, and unhindered relationship with Jesus, then he really has nothing to offer that matters for eternity! To maintain this kind of relationship with the Lord, a pastor *must* add the practice of Sabbath to his daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly schedule. Sabbaths promote a healthy rhythm in ministry that can make an eternal difference.

That's why I (Pastor Steve) am taking a sabbatical this summer. As required by

Summer **2007**
Pastor Bryce's
Sabbatical

Serving at SPCC
Since 1996

Winter **2008**
Pastor Byron's
Sabbatical

Serving at SPCC
Since 1995

Summer **2010**
Pastor Steve's
Sabbatical

Serving at SPCC
Since 2002

our leadership, and after consulting with others, I have submitted a sabbatical plan. It includes focused time just for rest. We have been in full time ministry for over 35 years and have never had a sabbatical . . . boy, are we ever ready for a rest!

Carolyn and I will also attend a week-long retreat designed just for pastors and missionaries. Professional staff will evaluate every area of our lives and help us find healing and health in any area that needs improvement.

I will attend a class at Regent College

in Vancouver, BC that deals with adult Christian education. I need to be challenged and stretched intellectually. And I will meet with staff in a number of churches in the greater Pacific Northwest to discuss my areas of ministry, get new ideas, resources, etc.

I will get away for an extended time of prayer, and meditation on God's Word. We will spend time with extended family in Washington and Oregon. And I have a stack of books I am hoping to read . . . well, maybe I'll read half of them!

Carolyn and I would really appreciate your prayers while we are on sabbatical June 7 through September 19. Until then you can reach me at steve@spcc-cma.org if you have any thoughts or suggestions concerning our sabbatical. Thanks so much for your faithful giving and prayers that will make this time away a life-changing Sabbath!

In His love,
Pastor Steve & Carolyn

How will Steve spend his sabbatical months?

REST

- A week at the ocean
- Days without the pressures of ministry and packed schedules
- Time with immediate and extended family

SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

- A week at a Pastors and Wives Renewal Retreat in Hope, BC
- A week away that is dedicated to prayer, meditating on Scriptures, and journaling
- Reading books related to spiritual growth and renewal

MINISTRY

- A week of classes at Regent College in Vancouver, BC
- Meeting with the staff of churches with strong ministries in discipling, small groups, and missions
- Reading books related to Christian education and spiritual transformation

Steve is the Pastor of Adult Ministries and Missions. During his sabbatical, Pastor Tim Quick will oversee Life Groups and Men's Ministries and Pastor Jim will oversee communication and church planting. His additional responsibilities will be spread among the church staff.



Pastor Steve and Carolyn Richards

The Lord's Kitchen

Feeding the hungry...in our backyard!

"Every time I drove by I felt like the Lord was telling me that we should serve [meals] from this location," Rick Ver Heul explains. Rick and his wife Rita have been serving the homeless and less fortunate out of their traveling food operation, the Lord's Kitchen, on SPCC's "overflow parking" lot since last year. "After one month [at this location], a lot of homeless people were coming out and, with the economy the way it is, there are a lot of mouths to feed," he explained. They serve meals to over 125 people every Monday night, in our own backyard.

Rick and Rita have had a heart and a vision for this type of ministry for years. They worked the streets of Seattle for three years, and then moved to Everett for two years to serve homeless youths. Now, they are focused on north Snohomish County. Last year, on their way to church at Jake's House, they frequently drove by our empty lot across the street. They approached our church leadership for permission to serve meals from our church last fall.

When they came across the trailer they currently operate out of it was a "rust bucket" used as an old storage unit for a



Rita and Rick Ver Heul

construction company. They bartered and traded to get it and then fixed up the trailer themselves and got it ready last summer. They serve meals weekly at three locations (State Street in Marysville, Lake Ki RV Resort in Arlington, in addition to the lot adjacent to SPCC). They will soon add a fourth location in downtown Granite Falls.

Rick believes that buying a trailer to serve from was inspiration from God. "Homeless people can't get everywhere," Rick shared. "They can only walk a

distance. Most homeless people won't go in a church facility because they've been hurt by a church. They won't go in a government building because they don't trust the government." The trailer offers flexibility to their ministry so that they can go to the need.

2,104 number of people served in April

16.5 Tons of potatoes donated by Knudsen Farms, prepared, served and given out this year by TLK this year

425.397.6845
Contact Info

Many local businesses donate food, so the weekly cost of running the Lord's Kitchen is about \$542. "If people in the community have a heart to help, I hate to say it, but finances are what we need most. Our 16-foot

trailer is already getting small," Rick shared. They hope to have a larger facility and warehouse space to store donations, as well as more trucks and trailers, in the future.

The Lord's Kitchen is about more than food. They helped one man get off the streets and into transitional housing as a result of their ministry here in Smokey Point. "He was living about a mile and half south of here, under some trees,"

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Summer Intern Housing Needed

Do you have an extra room you would be willing to offer to one of our Youth Interns this summer?

You would be investing in all that God will do in our student ministries this summer. Our interns will be investing more than full-time at church and we are only able to pay them a small amount.

If you are interested in offering free room and board, please call Pastor Byron Waggoner at the church, 360.659.2844.

Bake Sale

Support our high school students on a mission trip to reach out to the A'Ananin Tribes of Hays Montana and our Summer Servants, our intensive high school summer discipleship program, by supporting the bake sale after each service the **weekend of June 12th & 13th**.

If you want to bring baked goods for us to sell, please drop them off just before any service and then buy someone else's after!

Summer Camps

Junior High Lake Retreat
Currently 5th—7th Grade
July 11-16 (Sunday to Friday)

High School Black Lake
Currently 8th—11th Grade
July 25-31 (Sunday to Saturday)

Support High School Discipleship

Our High School Summer Servants need to raise money for their summer-long intensive discipleship program and Montana missions trip. If you have a job students could do—such as cleaning, moving, painting, landscaping, organizing, babysitting, etc.—please call Tamie at the church office, 360.659.2844, to make arrangements for a student to come and help you out. This is a fund-raising opportunity and our hope is that your support would be more generous than what they might earn at a summer job. Thank you for your commitment to our student ministries!

Promotion Weekend

SPCC kids *graduate*
to their next class level on
Father's Day Weekend
June 19 & 20



This year, your child will spend their **last class with their current teacher on June 12 and 13** and then on **Father's Day Weekend, June 19 and 20, they will go to their new class.** We hope this will help lessen the confusion that can sometimes come with Promotion Day. Our purpose for promoting children in this manner (an age cut-off date) is so they will be in the appropriate class by the time they are in school. Please be aware of this age/promotion policy; we appreciate your willingness to abide with this policy. Our age cut-off date is August 31.

Children will be promoted into the class according to the age or grade they will be as of August 31. For example: if a child is 3 and will turn 4 in July, they will promote to the Zebra Room (4 year olds). If a child is 3 and will turn 4 in September, they will stay in the Giraffe Room (3 year olds), as their birthday is after the August 31 cut-off date. **If your child is currently not in the correct class please use Promotion Day as the day you start them in the correct class.**

Preschool Promotions

A child will be in the Honeybee Nursery until the end of the month after their 2nd birthday.

A 2 year old will then stay in the Koala Room until the Promotion Day after their 3rd birthday.

A 3 year old will be in the Giraffe Room until the Promotion Day after their 4th birthday.

A 4 year old will be in the Zebra Room until the Promotion Day after their 5th birthday.

A 5 year old will remain in the Zebra Room at Promotion Day if they are not going into Kindergarten; if your child is going into Kindergarten at age 5, they will move to the Panda Room on Promotion day.

A Kindergartener will be in the Panda Room until Promotion Day, then they will move to the Children's Chapel.

Elementary Promotions

A 1st or 2nd grader will be in C-102 for the Sun 9:00 AM service.

A 3rd or 4th grader will

be in C-103 for the Sun 9:00 AM service. 1st - 4th graders will be in Children's Chapel upstairs at the Sat 5:00 PM service and the Sunday 10:45 AM service.

A 5th grader will be in the Children's Chapel at the Sat 5:00 PM service and in the Club House both Sunday services.

Junior High Promotions

If your child is entering Junior High, they will attend the Junior High service at the Sun 10:45 AM service.

If you have any questions regarding Promotion Day, age cut off dates, or need to make sure you will be putting your child in the correct class, please do not hesitate to call us.

Nursery & Preschoolers, Ms. Diona, Ext 230 or diona@spcc-cma.org

Elementary, Pastor Duane, Ext 226 or duane@spcc-cma.org

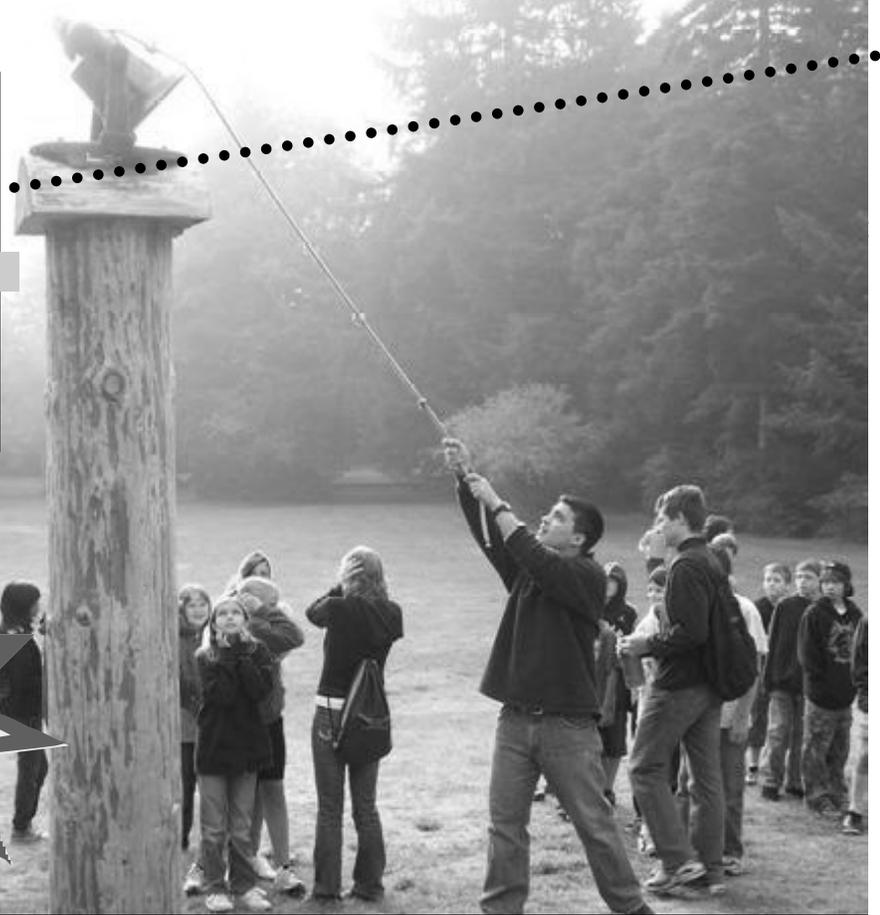
Jr. High & High School, Pastor Byron, Ext 231 or byron@spcc-cma.org

CAMA

A summer camp just for kids!

Kids Camp

**Come Join
the Fun**



CAMA Camp is...

a week of fun, Bible instruction and Christian fellowship. Special friendships are made at CAMA Camp—some last a lifetime. Your camper will come away with a heart full of good memories, a better understanding of Jesus Christ, and a desire to return next year. CAMA Camp has been a 'favorite family gathering spot' for generations. Yes, it's for junior campers (entering grades 4th and 5th in the fall of 2010), but once your kids camp with us, they feel like family!

CAMA Camp offers:

Guest speakers, hilarious camp skits, arts & crafts, life changing Bible studies, Spirit-filled worship, lots of games, canoeing & water sports.

For further information, see us online at: www.camacamp.org or contact Pastor Duane at the church office. You can register online at www.camacamp.org or pick up a registration form in a classroom. CAMA Kids Camp is a ministry of the PNW District of the Christian & Missionary Alliance.

**August 1-7,
2010**



Spotlight: Sandy Shelton

If you have had a preschooler in the last few years, then you know Ms. Sandy! Sandra Shelton is our Zebra Class Preschool teacher at the 10:45am service on Sunday mornings. It has been a privilege to watch Ms. Sandy grow so much in her relationship with the Lord, as a person, and as a teacher of young children over the past few years!

As a child, Sandy was introduced to religion and church, but never Jesus Christ. In 2006, a friend invited her family to SPCC. They began attending occasionally and then Sandy started attending MOPS. "My experience through MOPS and hearing other women's testimonies (thank you all for your courage to share) has taught me that we all have differences in our lives but we do seem to all have similar feelings and situations," she shared. "I began to grow as a person and was learning all these things about being a wife and mother, and at the same time, learning about God and Jesus' love for me. I heard that the children's ministry needed some volunteers and I thought this might be a way for my tween daughter and

me to bond and share similar experiences. I was really nervous and when I met with Ms. Diona. I remember telling her that I had done some really bad things and that Jesus couldn't love me. She accepted me and told me that if I asked Jesus for forgiveness and asked Him into my heart I would be forgiven and I have since done just that!"

Sandy started out serving every other week as an assistant in our preschool class. This position developed in serving weekly, and then moving into the lead teacher role. Sandy shared, "I began volunteering in this ministry, I just wanted to be more familiar with the children and families of our church. I questioned my ability, knowing that I had very little 'knowledge.' But, I have been learning right along with the children."

Sandy has gone through times of struggle with her faith because of family challenges and a close friend's child who lost the battle against cancer. She said, "It really is easy to believe in God and have faith when things are going good but not so easy when things are bad." She went on attending church and somehow it seemed that Pastor Jim's sermons were speaking directly to her, like they were planned for her. "A lot of times I was overcome by emotions and I was that sobbing lady in the church," she shares. But at one point

*"I was that
sobbing
lady in the
church"*

when she was questioning God, someone asked her, "What would life be like without God?" This question shook her. She made a decision to quit questioning because she didn't want to live a life void of God or Jesus' love. Amen to that! Sandy would like to say THANK YOU to the church body for

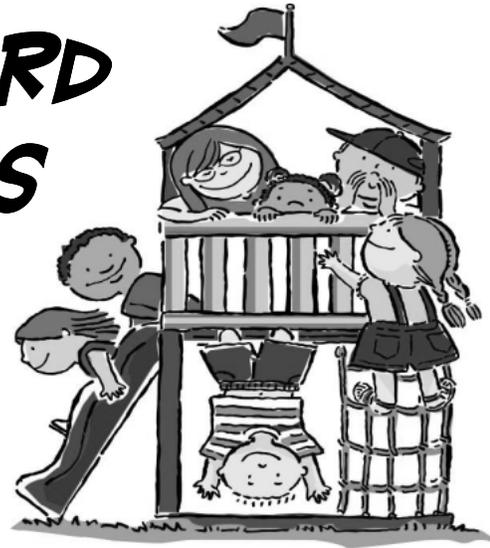
loving her family during their times of struggle and to those who unknowingly greeted them with a smile and a warm hand shake. It made a world of difference to her at that time.

In closing, Sandy shared, "I want all children to know Jesus, to know that they are loved, and cared for." THANK YOU, Sandy, for being part of Children's Ministry and sharing God's love for us with the children in your care. It has been awesome to see God grow you!

Ms. Diona

A New
Paradigm

BACK YARD ADVENTURES



This year Back Yard Adventures will have a new look and feel that I am really excited about. As we evaluated last years program, we liked many things we were able to accomplish, but there were some things we felt like we could definitely improve upon to increase the impact of Back Yard Adventures for families in our church and community.

Goal #1: Make Back Yard Adventures more accessible to all church families and community members.

To achieve this goal we are moving BYA into community parks and expanding each site to accommodate up to 50 children. With five different locations we will be able to impact over 200 children and their families. An added benefit is that parents will be able to choose and register at a location that is convenient for them.

Goal #2: Allow church families to more easily invite un-churched children and even parents to join them at a fun family-centered outreach event.

By having one or both parents stay at the park with their children, parents of children who are invited by these families will be much more comfortable in allowing their children to attend as they will be entrusting their children to the care of people they already have a relationship with and are willing to trust to take good care of their child.

Goal #3: To help our families develop stronger discipling relationships within their own families.

By having parents come to this family event and share the experiences of BYA with their children we are providing a context for great relationship building times centered

around the spiritual development of our children (for those parents who find it not just inconvenient but impossible to attend with their children, but would still like their children to experience BYA, I would encourage you to find another trusted family in our church with whom your children could attend. Perhaps a family from your Life Group would be open to investing in your children's lives in this powerful way).

I am excited about the possibilities for Back Yard Adventures to have a significant long term impact on the families in our church and community. Our Kid Ventures ministries at SPCC really want to move beyond just ministering to our children, but develop ministries that partner with the parents to support them as they fulfill the great calling of Christian parents to disciple their children. Back Yard Adventures will set up for you shared experiences with your children that will provide great contexts for building strong relationships while providing teachable moments where strong Christ-like character is reinforced in the lives of your children.

Come join us at Back Yard Adventures!

Back Yard Adventures will take place July 20-22, followed by the Family Fun Fair on July 23. Stay tuned for further details.



What does prayer look like at Milltown?

“Prayer is the work.” I think that statement, something an old professor of mine used to say, has a tremendous amount of bearing on our lives. This past month at Milltown, our community was blessed to witness a friend of ours decide to follow Jesus. This experience has been a great blessing and source of joy for our whole community; it has also been an incredible reminder about the power of prayer. Prayer is actually the experience that launched our friend’s journey with the Lord. One night as he was reflecting on his life and frustrations, he made the decision to pray. His thought process was, “I just figured it was better to pray than to not pray.” Furthermore, countless other people were simultaneously praying for this individual and that he might see the Lord. It should be no surprise that prayer is the reason lives change. As we bow our hearts in prayer, we recognize that we are less than the One we are praying to. Additionally, prayer is the very act of asking God to intervene and do what He wills. I do not think it too bold to say that there may not be a more spiritually significant act than prayer.

Back to the example of my friend, at the moment of his decision to follow Christ with his life, he had read very little of the Bible. Much of his response, interaction and knowledge of God had come from things God revealed to him through others, the work of the Spirit and prayer.

That is a compelling charge to pray. We pray to know God, and God is always faithful to reveal Himself.

In our desire to be a praying church, we are currently trying a couple of approaches to corporate prayer. Everyone in our three Bible Study groups is also part of smaller groups for the specific purpose of prayer, Bible reading, accountability and confession of sin. In

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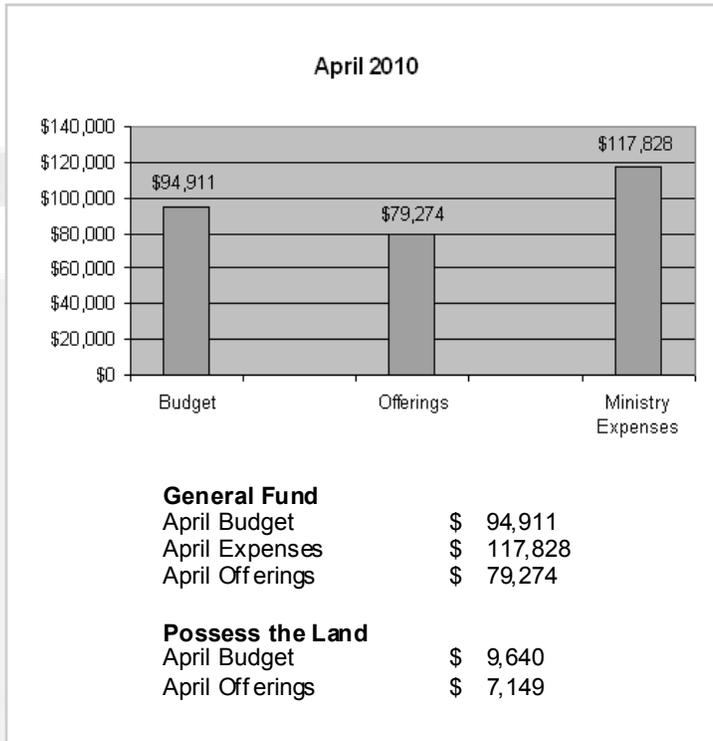
these groups, the main focus of the prayer is for our friends who do not yet believe. Scripture is clear that we have a responsibility to love our neighbor (Luke 10) and prayer for their salvation is a great way we can love a person. Secondly, our study of *The Celtic Way of Evangelism* (by George G. Hunter, III) has opened us up to the idea of composing daily prayers for the ordinary events in our life. One of the components of Celtic Christianity was praying without ceasing. It was an

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Milltown Neighborhood Church

Sundays at 6:30 PM

2425 Rockefeller Avenue
Everett, WA 98201



April General Fund

With the semi-annual payment of property taxes, our general fund balance at the end of April was under \$15,000. With your faithful giving and prayer, our bank balance mid-May has returned to a slightly more comfortable level. But, 2010 giving trends are still well below budget. The current economy is a reality that we recognize is affecting the finances of our church family both on an individual level as well as the church body. Please join your leadership team in continuing the commitment to prayer. Up-to-date financial information is available in the bulletin each weekend

Possess the Land

The amount needed monthly for Possess the Land is \$9,640. In April the offerings received were only \$7,149 and the difference to cover our mortgage was paid out of our PTL savings account. This savings account has now decreased to around \$2,700, which would cover about one more month of the shortfall with current giving trends. Please continue to pray that God will provide for this need through the shared contribution of His people and that God will provide a buyer for the five acre parcel we currently have for sale.

A Mother in Prayer
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Admiralty Island, Alaska, at Point Retreat Lighthouse. Seth is engaged to a very sweet Alaskan lady.

I probably wouldn't have the freedom in my schedule to meet when I do with these ladies if it wasn't for my husband. He has been so supportive of all of my volunteer activities. God has redeemed our relationship and there is no denying the power of prayer. It is a powerful act of worship.

I know God won't let me stay the same and I'm thankful. It can be painful being stretched, inconvenienced, conflicted and held accountable in MIT, my Life Group and in my walk with God, but that is how I have grown.

Linda Schmitt

MIT will start up in the fall. For more information, call Linda Schmitt at 360.631.1716 or Joni Jessup at 425.493.3621.

Supplies Needed

Our church plant, Milltown Neighborhood Church, is in need of lightly used kid's gear. If you have a crib, play pen, changing table or supplies for young children that you are willing to donate, please contact the church office at 360.659.2844.

The Lord's Kitchen
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Rick explained. "I say to people, 'We will help you if you really want it and are willing to step out of the muck and mire you're in.' We made a couple of phone calls and got transitional housing. I got a call from him a couple of weeks ago and he's doing good." They also helped a family of four purchase a motor home to live in by providing a down payment and securing a loan for them through their business. "We had enough trust with them," Rick states simply.

"We get to see a lot of people blessed," Rick says. "Building relationships with people...that is the whole thing." Their goal is to have long-term ministry. And that might just start by providing someone with a bowl of soup and a warm smile.

- Elizabeth Person

*Want to know more
about their ministry?
Visit
www.lordskitchen.org*

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idea also employed by Brother Lawrence in his work *The Practice of the Presence of God*.

The Celtic missionaries developed daily prayers that could be prayed when rising in the morning, starting the first fire, cooking a meal, and so on. The idea was that through repetitious prayer they were teaching people how to pray everyday, all day. It was a means to heighten their spiritual sensitivity and bend their hearts in worship at each moment. What would it look like to craft prayers that we all corporately learned and said to connect us to each other and God, even in the mundane common tasks of our day?

This is our latest endeavor, and to be honest I'm not sure where it will take us. What I do know is this: God uses prayer to shape lives, communities and reality. My friend was humbled when he heard that his salvation had been something many of us had been praying for. His experience has been a great reminder to never let our "work" of faith get in the way of true faith, interacting and living in relationship with our God.



AT A *GLANCE*

Philippines Trip	May 22-June 6
Relay for Life	June 4/5
Men's Retreat	June 4-6
Live Wires Event	June 10
High School Bake Sale	June 12/13
Prayer & Worship Night	June 13
Summer Office Hours Begin	June 14
Life Group Leader Training	June 19
Children's Promotion Weekend	June 19/20
Father's Day	June 20
Junior High Lake Retreat Camp	July 11-16
Backyard Adventures	July 20-22
Family Fun Fair	July 23
High School Black Lake Camp	July 25-31
CAMA Kids Camp	August 1-7

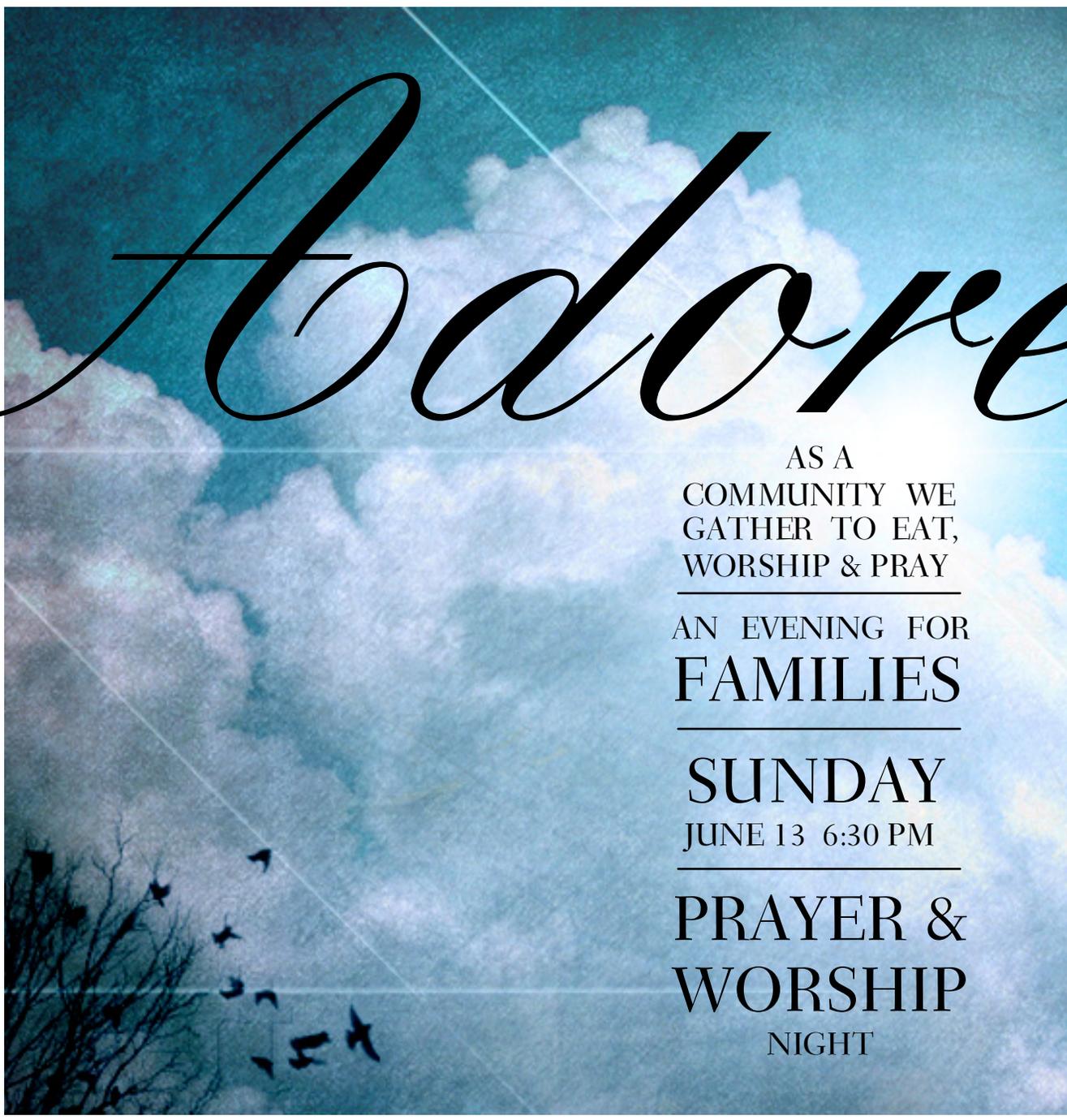


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