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Valentine Banquet
February 8, 2015

Prophetic Signs
Seminar with Lyle
Albrecht Begins
February 14, 2015

Psalm

119:174-175

*I long for Your
salvation,
O LORD,
And Your law
is my delight.
Let my soul
live, and
it shall
praise You;
And let Your
judgments
help me.*

The Final Movements will be Rapid Ones By Pastor Tom Bentley

Dear church family, as 2014 slips from our memories it would be good to remember how many changes to our world have occurred that bring us closer to the end. Socially, economically, and technically, the world is preparing for the final events of Bible prophecy to play out.

In keeping with this reality, I saw that our devotional book for 2015 is Maranatha. This is a great devotional written by E. G. White that focuses on the second coming of Christ. She writes that "the doctrine of the second advent is the very keynote of the sacred Scriptures. About His coming cluster the glories of that restitution of all things, which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets since the world began." I think that the hearts of all God's people throb with longing for that day of deliverance, and as a result, labor for it. In 2015 it is my hope and dream that our church will strive with this knowledge to become evangelistic in everything that we do.

Evangelism is more than simply public meetings, like the one we will host in February with Lyle Albrecht. While these are important methods to share Bible truth with our community and friends, public meetings are really only one leg

in the stool we call evangelism. Another leg that is just as important is preparing our church services and functions to be evangelistic. If you are sharing in a ministry here you might ask yourself if part of it is geared towards being on the lookout for the people the Holy Spirit has led to our doors. Making them feel welcome and including them plays a big part in evangelism. One course at the Andrews University Theological Seminary taught me that people these days prefer to belong before they believe. What this means is that people today want to see how you behave before they are willing to take what you have to say seriously. They want to know that it is real, they want to experience it, and that leads to the third leg of evangelism, a converted heart. Some call it Evangeliving. What it means is to live every day for Jesus, to love Him supremely, and to share Him daily. There is nothing more contagious than a Christian who loves and shares Jesus with others.

I have a dream for our church. I call it my 2020 Vision. It is my hope that by the year 2020, our church would transform itself into an evangelistic powerhouse for Jesus. That we would put aside

personal preferences, and remake ourselves into an engine of evangelism that Jesus can use to finish the work. Imagine a church body focused outward while loving inwardly. A church body that desires to connect with an increasingly distant and confused society. I don't know exactly how it will look, but I do know that this church will be looking. Looking for ways to reach, and teach, minister, and heal. I pray that you will want to be a part of this great movement.

God Bless,

Pastor Tom

Proverbs 3:13, 14

Joyful is the person who finds wisdom, the one who gains understanding. For wisdom is more profitable than silver, and her wages are better than gold.

Galatians 5:22-23 22

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

You may have noticed the condition of the BLC floor/carpet, spots here and there. Having the carpet cleaned is actually quite expensive. Unfortunately, with our church budget rarely being met, funds to do this as often as needed is just impossible. So, we ask our church family to be as careful as possible when it comes to spills on the BLC carpet. If you do spill something, try to clean it up or ask someone to assist you to get it cleaned. This will go a long way toward keeping the carpet nice between those expensive cleaning. Thank you!

Is Stewardship just about money?

In commissioning His disciples to go "into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature," Christ assigned to men the work of extending the knowledge of His grace. But while some go forth to preach, He calls upon others to answer His claims upon them for offerings, with which to support His cause in the earth. He has placed means in the hands of men, that His divine gifts may flow through human channels in doing the work appointed us in saving our fellow men. This is one of God's ways of exalting man. It is just the work that man needs; for it will stir the deepest sympathies of his heart, and call into exercise the highest capabilities of the mind. {CS 15.1}

Every good thing of earth was placed here by the bountiful hand of God as an expression of His love to man. The poor are His, and the cause of religion is His. The gold and the silver are the Lord's; and He could rain them from heaven if He chose. But instead of this He has made man His steward, entrusting him with means, not to be hoarded, but to be used in benefiting others. He thus makes man the medium through which to distribute His blessings on earth. God planned the system of beneficence, in order that man might become like his Creator, benevolent and unselfish in character, and finally be a

partaker with Christ of the eternal, glorious reward. {CS 15.2}

The answer to the question is, no! Stewardship is about every aspect of the Christians life. And it gets better, those aspects are broad. God provides many stewardship options the Christian choose.

The first two paragraphs are from the Ellen G. White book, *Counsels on Stewardship*. You can read the entire book at this link: <http://www.connectingwithjesus.org/media/CS.pdf>

"To all the World" Mission Projects by Lynden Kruse

Short term mission projects may be a very effective way to respond to the gospel commission "To all the World", or to "Come over to Macedonia & help us" (or to any other place)

Did you know that short term, volunteer mission projects, provide a very significant percentage of the evangelism, medical missionary work, & construction of church & school buildings for our church around the world?

In just a few more days, Jan. 12, Nancy Worley & Melissa Cochran will be leaving for India – Evangelism. They appreciate your prayers & financial support that has made this trip possible.

In March Dorea Bradley, Haley Miller, & Trevor & Evelyn Driver are planning to go to Panama with others from Milo Academy to build a church, conduct a V.B.A. program & help with evangelism. They need your financial support. Mark your offering envelope, "Panama Mission Trip or contact Evelyn Driver at mommadriver1@gmail.com to support the trip & have a chance to win a 4

night, 5 day stay at the beach! Additional information in the *Classified Ads and Announcements* section of this newsletter Also in early March, Lynden & Margie Kruse plan to go to a Mayan village in southern Belize to build an addition on to the Providence S.D.A. High School there. Providence is the only high school serving a large area of Mayan Villages in this southern mountain area of Belize. Some students leave home as early as 3 am. & return home at 7 pm. in order to attend this school. I hope we can show as much dedication in helping them. What can you do? We need a few willing helpers to join us.

"The harvest is great, but the workers are few. So pray to the Lord who is in charge of the harvest; ask him to send more workers into his fields." Matthew 9:37-38 (NLT) Then pray to the Lord of harvest & ask Him what you can do to help answer the previous prayer.

Recipe - Eggplant Burger...

Who doesn't like a burger? Better yet, who doesn't like a healthy and extraordinary burger? This is eggplant's best kept secret.

Ingredients

- 2 tablespoons extra-virgin olive oil
- 1 tablespoon garlic, minced
- 2 cups (about ½ pound) eggplant, peeled and cubed
- ½ teaspoon salt
- ⅓ cup bread crumbs, plain
- 2 green onions, chopped
- ¼ cup vegan cheese, shredded (optional)
- 4 burger buns
- Toppings of choice

Instructions

1. In a large, non-stick frying pan, combine olive oil, garlic, eggplant and salt. Sauté until soft, about 10 minutes. Allow to cool to the touch.
2. In a medium sized bowl, add bread crumbs, green onions, and cheese (optional). Add cooled eggplant dish and mix together.
3. Form eggplant mixture into four patties. Fry over medium heat until browned on each side.
4. Serve with toppings of your choice. Traditional burger style or a personal favorite: roasted red bell pepper, caramelized onions and your choice of greens.

Ready in about 45 minutes



Classified Ads and Announcements...

Oksun Daniels needs an experienced **caregiver** to work in her adult foster care home. If interested or if you know of someone you can recommend, please call Oksun at [541-672-8257](tel:541-672-8257).

Evelyn Driver has a Mission Trip Raffle with a chance to win a 4 night, 5 day stay at the Oregon Coast Worldmark Seaside Oregon Resort. The accommodations are a two Bedroom - Deluxe: King in master, twins in second bedroom, queen Murphy bed in living area. Jetted tub in master bath. TV's in all bedrooms. Maximum occupancy 6. \$10/ticket or

6 tickets for \$50. The random drawing will be held on Feb. 1 2015 Ticket sales will go from Monday November 23, 2014 and will end Jan 31 2015 at midnight. Only open to residents of the USA. Prize cash value is \$840 (IRS requires any winnings over \$600 value to be reported). This will be the winning person's responsibility. The winner will be contacted and their name will be posted on this site. All proceeds go to sponsor a mission trip to Panama for my Son Trevor and me. We will be going with a group from Milo Academy over spring break in March. If you don't want to

buy a raffle ticket and would like to donate to the mission trip, all donations are welcome.

To purchase tickets, you can see Evelyn or pay via PayPal (mommadriver1@gmail.com) leaving a note with the payment stating your name, address and phone number and the number of tickets you would like. I will photograph/and or scan the proper number of entries and will email or text you the photo and place the entries into the basket.

RESTAURANT FOR LEASE in Christian ministry venue: Located in Ore-

gon near Roseburg, across from the Winston Wildlife Safari (150,000 visitors per year). The 18,000 square foot ministry building holds a Christian bookstore / biblical & Egypt artifact tours. This exciting opportunity won't last long! Must have restaurant experience. 541 643-8011

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Prophetic Signs Series with Lyle Albrecht

Starting Saturday February 14, 2015 at 7:00 pm, we will be hosting a series by evangelist Lyle Albrecht. It is called Prophetic Signs, and will cover topics that include the Middle East in prophecy, our fragile world economy, and how Bible prophecy predicts our day. Lyle Albrecht is a dynamic, personal speaker, and has degrees in communications, history, and theology. He has studied Bible prophecy extensively, especially focusing on Daniel and Revelation. Lyle has visited 55 countries and toured the Middle East where he observed firsthand the explosive situation there. This seminar is absolutely free. What a

great Valentines present it would make! You can prepare for these meetings by starting a small group Bible study, and then invite your whole



Jesus, the light of the world!

group. You can share these meetings with your friends, or co-workers. Be excited about them, its contagious. People can sense your motivation and it will motivate them. You can also prepare by praying for the meetings, and the people you might invite. Pray for God's Spirit to pour out on Roseburg! This is going to be an exciting event, I pray that everyone God could bring to hear this Bible truth will have an opportunity before the end comes.

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