



With You in Spirit

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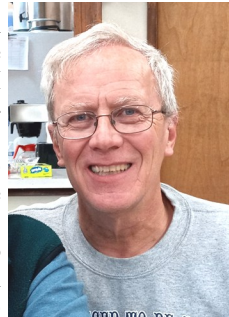
The nice thing about being with you in spirit is that I don't make the same bonehead mistakes I make when I'm with you in person!

First question: Is it possible to make bonehead mistakes in the spirit? We're walking in strange territory here, but I'm going to say Yes. Just as we learn through experience in physical matters, so we learn through experience in spiritual matters. For instance, when I assemble some new purchase, I read the directions. This relatively new practice is the result of making bonehead mistakes when I don't read the directions. Is this not the case in spiritual things as well? How often have you given an opinion on a spiritual matter without checking the instructions, and later regretted it. So beware! Being with someone 'in spirit' can be good or bad.

In the Bible, there are two instances—both written by the Apostle Paul—I found of someone being with people in spirit. Interestingly, one situation is positive and one is negative.

The negative instance comes first, when the Corinthian Church needs to confront someone in sin. *"Even though I am not physically present, I am with you in spirit. And I have already passed judgment on the one who did this...."* (1 Cor 5:3). It's a way of saying, 'Even though I'm not there, I'm with you in this situation.' It's a way of saying he supports them in the difficult thing they need to do.

'In the spirit' is not some kind of out of body experience, but a statement of under-



standing someone's situation, and supporting them in it.

The second writing is in a positive situation. To the Colossians Paul wrote, *"For though I am absent from you in the body, I am present with you in spirit, and delight to see how orderly you are and how firm your faith in Christ is"* (Col 2:5). He wasn't with them, (he never went to Colossae), but he wanted them to know that even though he wasn't

with them, he was with them.

Of course, there is another way of being with someone in Spirit, and that is what Jesus does. We find again that even when He does what we do, God does it in a more complete and better way. Because when God is with you in spirit, He is with you in Spirit.

"And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Counselor to be with you forever—The Spirit of truth," Jesus said. (Jn 14:16). Affirming this, Paul later wrote, *"Having believed, you were marked with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession"* (Eph 1:13-14). He is called Comforter, Counselor, and Spirit of Truth. He is called God; and He lives in us.

"He lives with you and will be in you," Jesus said. *"I will not leave you as orphans"* Jn 14:17-18).

It's nice when we hear someone say 'I'm with you in spirit.' It is supportive, and reflects a desire to be part of what you're doing. God is with us in Spirit; and it is all that and more.



Photo of the Month



Ladies Breakfast Fellowship is paused for the summer, but his pic from the May get-together shows the rest of you what you've been missing. Plan to join us in September when gather again.

"Our mission is to proclaim the Word of God, leading people to a saving faith and a growing relationship with Jesus Christ."

Elders Report

Tuesday, 5 May 2026, 6:00 pm

Attendees: Steve McLachlan, John Doyle, Dion Ricketts, Knute Hernas, Mike Bell and Ranse Herzinger;

Guests: Trustees Jim, Micah and Jeff, to speak about:

- The condition of our vehicles. Small bus needs ~\$6500 in repairs; big bus front left seal leaks
- Weed infestation – Goat’s Head
- Drainage problem under the new addition
- Fellowship Hall use guidelines

Previous meeting minutes were read and approved.

Pastor Steve’s report:

- Building Update: On schedule for being ready to use for VBS!
- Need to reactivate the Building Committee to study the remodel of our current sanctuary.
- Fishing trip: no answer when calling fishing guide. Will try another.
- Trip to help Peterson’s with their home repairs in June.
- Baby Bottle fund-raiser runs Mother’s Day through Father’s Day.

Pastor John’s report:

- Youth Leadership Training (YLT)
 - Good attendance – 6 Youth, 3 adults
 - CLBC Staff Training June 22-26 (3 YLT’s, 1 SMI)
- Youth Group
 - No YG May 10 (Mother’s Day)
 - Big Event May 17 – Mini Golf
 - Last YG is May 31, then restarts August 23.
- CLBC: John is not attending camp this year, but plans to drive the bus each week.
- John’s vacation is July 13-20.
- Scholarship Applications received from Zach Colvin and Amy Colvin.

New Business

- Trustees are encouraged to have the Small Bus serviced by Wheatland Repair for up to \$6,500.00.
- Pastors will review and write out Vacation and Sick Leave policies.
- Intercessory Prayer: Time was devoted to sharing the needs of the congregation and covering them with prayer.
- Men’s Breakfast: Paused until Saturday, 19 September 2026

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 2 June 2026, 6:00 pm

Church Funds

4/30/2026

Benevolence Fund	4,051.86
Bus Fund	3,600.00
Missionaries Reserve	5,965.00
Missions Fund	2,587.00
Mision Trip	2,750.00
<u>General Fund</u>	<u>72,484.60</u>
Total	\$91,438.46
Building Fund	<u>\$175,009.86.</u>
	\$266,448.32

Snoozing Through the Summer



- Don’t forget our Summer Schedule begins June 7th! No Sunday School until September, and the Worship Service begins at 9:30.
- No Men’s or Ladies’ breakfasts in the summer months
- Do plan for the TBF Car Show on Sunday, August 2nd.
- TBF Campout at Na-Bor-Lee is Aug 14—16, with Baptism Sunday on the 16th.

Missionary Visit

Missionaries Lief and Jami Gustafson will visit TBF on Sunday, June 21. Come hear what god has been doing through their ministry, and wish them well.

Summer Missionary Interns

Cocolalla Summer Missionary Interns (Including Justis Pabian and Rebecca Choate) will be sharing their work at camp at TBF on June 14.

Baby Bottle Return Policy

Sorry, you don’t get your nickel back when you turn in your baby bottle. :(But please, bring them back anyway, filled with your generosity toward Life Services of Spokane, by Sunday, June 14.



by John Doyle

Looks like the Youth G.A.N.G train is pulling into the station, the funs not over yet.... Bring on Summer!!! and Summer Camp!!! May, what a month! The Mini-Golf Tournament was a success congrats to Samuel Choate this year’s winner. I have been told Bristol Sliter will be gunning for the title next year? The Youth Leaders had a clean-up party at Cocolalla Camp, thanks to Samuel Choate, Mrs. Jen, and Pastor Steve. Camp has never looked better and it’s ready for the campers. Youth Ministry at TBF is ready for the summer....VBS, Staff Training, and Summer Camp oh my! Look out here we come because the Youth G.A.N.G. is on the Move!!!

Youth Group G.A.N.G. (God’s Anointed Next Generation)

Youth Group, Last day for the year May 31st. Cya next September.

Youth Leadership Training (YLT)

Youth Leadership June 1st 530 to 730pm.
Staff Applications due to CLBC June 1st

Youth Stuff

VBS (Vacation Bible School)

The VBS coordinator needs help. If you are in Youth Leadership or Youth Group please consider helping with VBS, for more information please see Mrs. Laurie Anderson.

Upcoming Events

- VBS (Vacation Bible School) June 15th to 19th
- Cocolalla Staff training June 22nd to 26th
- Summer Camp July: Teen Camp 6th to 11th, 11/12 Camp 13th to 17th 9/10 Camp 20th to 24th, 7/8 Camp 27th to 30th
- See Pastor John for information on transportation and Scholarships.

Volunteer

The Youth ministries can use your time, talent, and prayers. If you are interested in volunteering or serving the Youth G.A.N.G we can sure use help, please contact: Youth Pastor John Doyle @ (509) 435-6393, tbfydoyle@gmail.com

Building Report

It's so close I can hardly stand it! A little bit of carpet still needs to be put down, some base trim, and a little painting. The dishwashers are on back-order, and we need a little work from the electrician. Bathroom partitions haven't arrived yet, but may be installed by the time you read this. The Trustees are getting things ready for sidewalks along the sides.

The biggest single obstacle is the double-door entry between our current building and the new one. They are very expensive fire doors, and we need to be sure the inspectors will approve them before we order them.



Pray for Greg Bowman as he works and manages this project, as well as others who spend time there helping. We're still shooting for VBS!

Ladies! On July 15th at 6 pm there will be a **"Kitchen Shower"** to celebrate and supply the new kitchen. The Deaconesses will provide an Amazon list prior to the event. It will be a salad supper potluck. More details to come.



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VBS is right around the corner and our church will soon look like we stepped back in time to the days of the wild west! We appreciate your prayers for all the volunteers who are working so hard and for God to work in the hearts of the children. Our desire is for God's name to be glorified all week long! If you have not registered your children please do so, and make sure and spread the word. We are looking forward to an amazing week learning about Jesus!

June 15-19

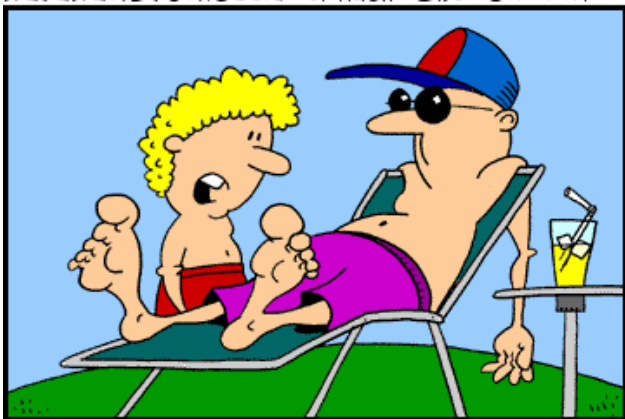
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3 year-olds to Sixth Grade

Snacks, fun, crafts, Special activities, a Mission Contest, and Bible!



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This summer at Camp:

Staff Training	June 22—26
Teen Camp	July 6—11
11-12 Camp	July 13—17
9-10 Camp	July 20—24
7-8 Camp	July 27—30
Family Camp	Aug 14—16
Canoe Camp	Aug 20—22



You can register on-line at clbcamp.org or pick up a camp brochure at church. We also have \$15 discount coupons in the office. Talk to Pastor John or Steve if you'd like a scholarship.

Missionary of the Month: Leif & Jamie Gustafson



June 2026

Women's Ministry Leader: Justina Sliter

Group Members: Carmelyn Choate

Joan McLachlan

Monica Colvin

Rachel Lacy



Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

	1 Youth Leadership 5:30 pm	2 Elders Meeting 6 pm	3	4	5  7 am	6
7	8 Deaconess Meeting 1 pm Choir 6 pm	9	10	11 VBS Meeting 6 pm	12  7 am	13
14 SMI Sharing Cookie Fellowship	15 	16	17	18	19  7 am	20
Vacation Bible School June 15 - 19 9 am - Noon						
21 Fathers Day! Gustafsons Share Return Baby Bottles 	22	23	24	25	26  7 am	27
Staff Training @ CLBC June 22 - 26						
28 Communion/ Benevolence Offering	29	30				