



Passing Time with Adam and Eve

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First, some facts to build on. 1. Seth was born after Cain killed Abel (Gen 4:25). 2. Adam was 130 when Seth was born (Gen 5:3). 3. God told Adam and Eve to be fruitful and multiply (Gen 1:28). Upon these facts I build this story of possibility.

Adam and Eve celebrate their 50th Anniversary. It's also their 50th birthday; a feat never to be duplicated. Because they were created adult and had a head start, we could compare this to us at 70; except Eve is still having babies.

Large families, in the course of about 25 years of baby-making, seem to produce an average of about ten babies. (Growing up Catholic in an era of no contraceptives, I was part of a family of nine; my mom was one of eleven.) So we'll double that family of ten and say Adam and Eve have had twenty kids by the time they are 50.

But it gets more complicated. By the time those kids get to be 20 or so, the boy kids and girl kids begin to notice each other. It sounds very hillbilly to us, but it was all they had. At some point, these kids are getting married and producing babies, too. So after 25 years of marriage, Adam and Eve are grandparents. By 50 years, they are great-grandparents.

New words have been invented: Grandchild, niece, nephew, and cousin, to name a few. The population is exploding.

Adam and Eve don't think about getting old, because no one has ever done it. They don't think about dying, because no one has done that, either. Even though they are out of Eden, life still isn't bad. Among the



things that haven't been invented yet are: Government, Insurance, and Taxes. The earth is still productive, and life is pretty good.

Fast forward to their 100th birthday/anniversary. By now the world seems crowded to this couple who were once the only two people on earth. The forty kids they've had personally make up only a small part of the thousands who now make up the population. Otherwise, life is still

good, and they are as madly in love as they ever were.

But twenty years later, they notice their son Cain is unhappy. He is a farmer, and he resents the fact that God wants animal sacrifice, not vegetable. This is the work of his hands, and it represents him better than a lamb does. He doesn't understand that the sacrifice is supposed to represent something bigger than himself.

In frustration, Cain kills his sheep-raising brother, Abel. Adam and Eve are devastated. They learn more new words: Grief, and Death. They mourn their lost son. They mourn their guilty son.

Compounding that, they remember their own sin that got them kicked out of Eden. They remember the skins God brought to clothe them; and it strikes them in a whole new way that something had to die to give them those skins. They realize in a whole new way that the wages of sin is death. And considering the effect of the death of their son, they know no animal death can pay the price that sin demands.

They look forward in wonder, contemplating God's plan. Because they know He means to save these creatures He created.

Photo of the Month



Pastor John and the Youth Leaders Team taking it easy while on the road from the Youth Leadership Training Conference at Cocolalla.

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

Elders Report

Thursday, 9 February 2023 @ 6:30 PM

Attendees: Dan Shumway, Tyson Lacy, Mike Bell, Jeremy Eaton, John Doyle, Steve McLachlan, Dion Ricketts

Tyson Lacy visited to discuss Vacation Bible School planning and update on sound in the Fellowship Hall

Previous minutes reviewed and approved

Pastor's report

- Approximately \$50K spent on current projects for the Fellowship Hall and almost complete
- The new janitorial staff is doing a great job
- Upcoming missionary visits:
 - Robert McDowall on March 5th
 - Steven McMath on April 2nd
- Steve will officiate a wedding here at TBF on Sunday the 12th
- Easter will be on April 9th this year and will include the standard Good Friday and Sunrise services
- We will be putting together a sendoff for Dan Shumway and his family when the time comes

Youth Pastor's report

- Youth Leadership
 - Average attendance 14 to 18
 - Conference this weekend 6 youth on list Mrs. Shumway and Myself table monitors
- Awana Trek/Journey
 - Average attendance 12 to 24
- Youth Group
 - Avg Attendance 10 to 18
 - Winter Camp, 13-15th Jan. Loads of Fun 11 Youth
- Big Event "Movie Night" I still Believe, Jeremy Camp
- College and Career scheduled 16th of Feb

Old Business

- Further discussion on training up Elders
- Elder Retreat (March 3-5) now 10th to 12th

New Business

- Dan Shumway resigned from the Elder Board to focus on the church he is being called to shepherd
- A new computer is needed for the church office
- Discussion on loaning the Sexual Integrity DVD series to a family

Intercessory Prayer

Next Meeting: Thursday, March 2nd, 2023 @ 6:30 PM

Church Funds

1/31/23

Benevolence Fund	3,028.61
Bus Fund	3,600.00
Missionaries Reserve	3,625.00
Missions Fund	250.00
Dishwasher Fund	700.00
General Fund	52,725.29
Total	\$63,928.90

Building Fund	\$199,285.48
	\$ 263,214.38



Ladies, don't forget to join us the first Saturday of each month to share coffee or tea, snacks, giggles and tears with each other. Learn from God's Word and from each other.

If you haven't joined us yet, make this the first time. Saturday, March 4th, at 9 am.

Men's Breakfast

Guys, if nothing else will get you to church at 8 am on a Saturday, how about watching your pastors and elders cook and clean? We have a good time talking, planning, and chewing on God's Word and what it says to us. Come be part of the fun, Saturday, March 18, at 8 am.

A Missionary Visit with Robert & Cindy McDowall

This is our first chance to hear from In-Faith missionary Robert McDowall since pre-covid. He was hit pretty hard, but is now back and hard at work. If you don't know him from church, you might know him from camp, where he is Assistant Director.

In his off-time, you might just know him on a boat, where some of us have had the privilege of getting to know him better.

Cindy also is a big help at camp. She offers guidance and counsel to the young ladies, and serves up big scoops of ice cream with a bigger smile.



by John Doyle

Youth Stuff

February, what a spectacular month it was! The Youth Leaders went to Cocolalla for the annual conference where they studied the Book of Lamentations. What a book! (Special thanks to Mrs. Kathlene Shumway for Chaperoning) The Youth G.A.N.G. sat down to watch Jeremy Camp's story, "I Still Believe," what a movie!

Things are a-shaken here at the TBF Youth Room. The month of March is going to be twice as full as Feb was. On the 17th we are going to be hosting an all church all community-wide St. Pat's Day Game night. On the 26th the G.A.N.G. is going to Spokane to see Jeremy Camp live in concert. Yes Sir, March is marching on! And the Youth G.A.N.G. is on the move!

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

Every Sunday @ 3:30 to 5pm, Ages 12-19 games, food, and a weekly Bible lesson.

The Big Event

This month; the Youth GANG will be Heading to Spokane for **Winter Jam**, 26th Mar, cost \$15.00 Ride available, leaves TBF 3:30pm, put name on list by 24th of Mar to secure seat. Ages 12 to 19. We need Chaperones; contact Pastor John. For more info on concert go to www.2023.jamtour.com

Youth Leadership Training (YLT)

A more intensive study with an emphasis on Discipleship. Every other Friday (Mar 3rd, 17th, & 21st) @ 5pm to 7pm.

C&C Group (College and Career)

A fellowship for young adults 18 to ????. This month come join us for "Game Night" Mar 23rd 6pm at TBF. Bring a snack to share.

Upcoming Events

- Cocolalla 50th Anniversary Celebration, Mar 31st, more details clbcamp.org
- Spring Retreat @ CLBC April 14th and 15th, Register or more info go to www.clbcamp.org
- Spring Backpacking Trip April 27th to 30th, Register or more info go to, clbcamp.org

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, tbfpdoyle@gmail.com

Vacation Bible School is Coming!

Vacation Bible School is big, is fun, and takes a lot of planning and work to make it happen! Laurie Anderson, this year's VBS Director, is on the ball and is looking to get things organized.

Our first VBS meeting is planned for after church on **Sunday, March 12th**. For your convenience, a lunch is being provided for this. Some key positions have already been staked out, but this is your chance to claim the key spots.

Some of the main positions are Craft Leaders, Game Leaders, Teachers, Guides, Verse Teachers and Listeners, Money-Counters, and gofers. Pretty much every spot needs both leaders and helpers, so there's something for everyone.

Our Missions contest is always ambitious and raises lots of money for worthy missionary causes. I don't want to steal her thunder, but wait until you hear Miss Laurie's plan for this year's project!

Write down the meeting date so you don't miss it: Sunday, March 12, after church.



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March 12th

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Happening this month

- ◆ Church Potluck. Sunday, March 5 after church. Just because. See you there!
- ◆ Anvil Men's Conference. Almira Community Church, Friday and Saturday, Mar 10 & 11. For information or to register: paul@almirachurch.com
- ◆ St. Patrick's Day Game Night. 18th Mar, bring the whole family, a favorite game, snacks to share, and a friend. 6-9 pm.. Chicken wings provided by the Youth G.A.N.G. Any donations will support upcoming Youth Leaders mission trip. Hope to see you there.
- ◆ Josh Ziegler Missions visit. The 2021 Davenport Grad and current WSU student is going to Southeast Asia this summer, and we're going to help send him off. He will be here Sunday, March 19.
- ◆ CHS Online Auction. March 8-12. Go to CHSPatriots.com for info or to register.
- ◆ Cocolalla Quilt Retreat, March 16-18. Brochures at church or register at clbcamp.org



March Awana News

If this is March, it's time for the Awana Grand Prix! March 8th, the first Wednesday of the month, is race time. Cubbies and Sparks race Hot Wheels® and Matchbox® type cars against each other. Clubbers race their hand-made wooden kit cars against each other, and teens and adults race theirs. Look for good prices on Hot Dogs, Pop, Chips, and Ice Cream Sandwiches. A good time will be had by all!

Special Nights in March

Mar 1	Awana Grand Prix!
Mar 8	Paper Airplane Night
Mar 15	Piñata Night
Mar 22	Many Colors Night
Mar 29	Banana Split Night

We're getting close. Press on to the end!

Missionaries of the Month:

Robert & Cindy McDowall



March 2023

Women's Ministry Leader: Lori Rieth

Group Members: Carmelyn Choate

Erica Winzer

Tiffany Carstens

Lorie Wandling



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<p>March 12th!!</p>			<p>1 Awana 6-7:30 pm</p>	<p>2 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 2 pm Worship Team Practice 5:30 pm Elder's Meeting 6:30 pm</p>	<p>3 Youth Leadership 5 pm</p>	<p>4 <i>Ladies</i> fellowship 9 am</p>
<p>5 Robert McDowall Shares</p> <p>Youth Group 3:30 pm</p>	<p>6 Evening of Prayer 7 pm</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 Awana 6-7:30 pm Paper Airplane Night</p> <p>Christian Heritage School Virtual Auction March 8—12</p>	<p>9 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 2 pm Worship Team Practice 5:30 pm</p>	<p>10 Youth Leadership 5 pm</p> <p>Anvil Men's Conference in Almira March 10 & 11</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12 Daylight Savings Time Begins</p> <p>VBS Meeting after church—lunch provided</p> <p>Youth Group 3:30 pm</p>	<p>13</p>	<p>14 Parenting Class 6 pm</p>	<p>15 Awana 6-7:30 pm Piñata Night</p>	<p>16 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 2 pm Worship Team Practice 5:30 pm</p>	<p>17</p> <p><i>Patchwork of Grace Quilt Retreat @ CLBC March 16, 17, & 18</i></p>	<p>18 8 am All Church Game Night 6-9 pm</p>
<p>19 Josh Ziegler shares Mission Trip</p> <p>Youth Group 3:30 pm</p>	<p>20 Evening of Prayer 7 pm</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22 Awana 6-7:30 pm Many Colors Night</p>	<p>23 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 2 pm Worship Team Practice 5:30 pm C & C 6 pm</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26 Communion/ Benevolence Offering</p> <p>Winter Jam 3:30 pm</p>	<p>27</p>	<p>28 Parenting Class 6 pm</p>	<p>29 Awana 6-7:30 pm Giant Banana Split Night</p>	<p>30 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 2 pm Worship Team Practice 5:30 pm</p>	<p>31</p>	