



## Hope. And the Need for Hope. And Hope.

You may or may not be aware that there is a large group of people—called scholars, mostly—who believe there are more than one human author to the book of Isaiah. Many of the more conservative members of this group will refer to first and second Isaiah, believing there is a change in tone about half-way through the book; the second half being more hopeful than the first. Less cautious members of this group choose to believe there were several authors; because there are several fluctuations in tone in the book.

To give the devil his due, they are right in that there are several such mood swings in the book. To put the devil in his place, there is only one Isaiah.

Those critics who think they have the right or ability to stand in judgment on God's Word are sadly mistaken. I believe the New Testament answers these critics in 1st Corinthians 1:20, where Paul asks the question, "Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the wise?"

Rather than critiquing God's Word and finding fault with how it is written; we must start with the understanding it is written correctly—after all, it is the Word of God—and then try to understand why it is written the way it is.

The answer to this is very simple; and pretty complicated. Sometimes we need hope. And sometimes we need to know we don't have hope. And if we needed to know we had no hope, then we need to know we have hope. Simple, right?

All of us who walk in the confidence of



our salvation, once did not. We needed Jesus because we did not have Him. And now that we have Him we still need Him but we don't need to get Him because we already have Him. For argument's sake, you can replace the name Jesus here with hope.

While we have our hope, there are others who do not have hope, and do not know they need hope. They see the confidence of those who have hope, and think the same hope applies to them. The truth is, it can; but not by association. Our hope does not come by association with people who have hope, but by faith in Christ, who is the Giver of hope. So for any who think he has hope when he does not, he needs to be told he has no hope. Once he finally realizes he has no hope, he can turn to Jesus and receive hope, because Jesus gives hope to the hopeless.

Simple, right? But wait, there's more.

Sometimes those who have hope forget, and begin to feel hopeless. They need to be reminded of the hope that is theirs. Like Peter on the waves, they take their eyes off Jesus and are afraid of the waves. But Peter had it easy—His situation was over quickly. When a believer loses hope, it happens over a great amount of time.

But the answer is still the same—Jesus gives hope to the hopeless. Sometimes we just need to be reminded that while without Him we are hopeless; He is always the fulfiller of hope.

# Photo of the Month



Youth Leadership Group Walks on Water! Of course, the headline would be more impressive in the summer, but we take what we can get. That's the Cocolalla shore behind them.

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*"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, 6 Jan 2022 @ 6:30 PM

Attendees: Mike Bell, Steve McLachlan, John Doyle, Dion Ricketts

### Agenda Items:

- Jeremy and Lexine Eaton presented studies they would like to start
- James Faulkner joined via Zoom to present a 10-session counselling group he would like to start at Trinity
- Previous minutes reviewed and approved

### Pastor's report

- Sunday School classes are consistently large
- Life Services Baby Bottle Fundraiser will run Jan 16th to Feb 20th
- The Evening of Prayer services seem to be going OK
- Deaconesses want to honor church volunteers on March 6th
- We need to commission new board members
- There is a Quarterly Board Meeting the 18th of January
- The Valentine Banquet needs to be planned

### Youth Pastor's report

- Youth Leadership—Restart Friday the 7th of January
- Trek/Journey—Still serving on Wednesdays
- Youth Group—Back to full numbers
- December Big Event Christmas Party had 34 kids and lots of adult help
  - Special thanks to Mike, Jeremy, Jennifer, Kathleen, Lexine, Rowan, JD
- College and Career meetings are on hold
- Another Preparedness Meet-up is scheduled for January 22nd at 3:00 PM
- Reading the Pentateuch out loud was a huge success
- Guest speaker for church service on February 6th
- Resolution on Church Trailer
- Started Divinity Degree, Christian Leaders Academy
- Breakfast fundraisers January 23rd and February 27th

### Treasurer's report—No report given

### Old Business

- Vacation Bible School will be June 20th to the 24th
- Dan Shumway will be the Lead Elder
- Dion Ricketts will be the Secretary
- Elders Retreat discussed

### New Business

- James Faulkner's presentation was discussed
- Intercessory Prayer

Next Meeting: Thursday, February 03, 2022 @ 6:30 PM,

## Church Funds

12/31/22

Benevolence Fund	3,584.61
Bus Fund	3,000.00
Missionaries Reserve	3,400.00
Missions Fund	400.20
Mission Trip	1,882.92
General Fund	66,359.00
Total	\$78,626.73

Building Fund	\$110,808.62
	\$ 189,435.35

### Diaper Baby Shower

Congratulations Sam & Kaylissa Tiffany, on the birth of your adorable little girl, Jean Ann!

Ladies, you're invited to bless the Mommy and Daughter with a gift of diapers to be dropped off at church by Sunday the 13th!

### In the Library

#### A Book Review

A couple of months ago, Randy & Margo Hoffmann gave TBF the gift of four books written by Tom Doyle, about the work God is doing in the Muslim world: *Dreams and Visions*, *Standing in the Fire*, *Killing Christians*, and *Women Who Risk*.

*Standing In the Fire* ©2017, contains eight stories of men and women who follow Christ fearlessly and faithfully in countries where they risk death by doing so. Seven of the Eight are from Muslim backgrounds, one is from a Greek Orthodox background.

All share in common that they leave the religion of their birth, but remain in lands hostile to Christianity. They lose jobs, family, friends, and homes; but stay or return for the opportunity to share Christ with their people. All of the key people in this book survive, like Daniel's three friends who stood in the fiery furnace and survived.

Each chapter ends with a couple of paragraphs to a couple of pages personally written by these modern heroes of the faith.

Read this book, it will stir your faith as well.



by John Doyle

# Youth Stuff

Well, wasn't January an interesting month!?! Looks like 2022 is going to be interesting. On the Youth G.A.N.G. front, we are in full swing. We took 5 kids to Cocolalla Lake Bible Camp for **Winter Camp**. OK, get on your mittens cause here comes Fe-burr-uary, what a blast!!! 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 '**Movie Night**' come join us for a movie and some popcorn. 20th Feb, 3-5:30pm

### Youth Leadership Training (YLT)

A more intensive study with an emphasis on Discipleship. Every Friday @ 4:30. This month CLBC is hosting the 2nd ever **Youth Leadership Conference**. The purpose of this conference is to give Youth Leaders good tools to read and incorporate the Word of God into their everyday lives. This year they will be

going through the Book of Malachi. 18-19th of Feb, Cost is \$15.00. Register online @ [clbcamp.org](http://clbcamp.org)

### Upcoming Events

- **YLT Conference**, 18 & 19 of Feb, Cost is \$15.00. Register online @ [clbcamp.org](http://clbcamp.org)
- YLT Service project, **Parents Night Out, Valentine's style**, 14th Feb 5:00 to 9:00pm, parents let us watch your

little ones and have a night out. Dinner and games provided. Ages 2 to ???



### 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, E-Mail: [tbfpdoyle@gmail.com](mailto:tbfpdoyle@gmail.com)

## Sexual Integrity 101

It's not news to anyone that we live in a world saturated with sexual influences. Most of us have been affected, directly or indirectly, by varying degrees of sexual brokenness. So how are we, as believers, to deal with our past mistakes and look to the future with the hope of freedom that Christ offers to us?

Join us for a study called 'Sexual Integrity 101,' where we will explore ways to 'walk in newness of life,' as it says in Romans 6:4.

We're planning to start this study early spring. For more information talk to Jeremy or Lexine Eaton. This study will be open to men, women, and teens with their parents.



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## Baby Bottle Fundraiser

Change in a baby bottle is such a small thing. But the potential for change from a baby bottle is enormous. The money we offer provides for ultrasounds, maternity care, housing, counseling for young father as well as young mothers, clothing, diapers, and other baby needs.

These young women are coming in at a time when they are making decisions that are life-changing in the most literal and dramatic ways; for themselves and the infants they carry. Life Services of Spokane offers them both medical and spiritual help at this pivotal time. The money we raise helps accomplish this important and eternal work.

Pray and give that your gift will make a difference.

Please return your bottles, amply supplied, by Sunday, February 20.



Dear Awana Kids & Leaders at Trinity,  
Thank you all for the special Christmas gift you sent us!  
May you always know what a difference you make, how much you're appreciated, and how many ways you reflect His abundant blessings.

Jim & Bev  
Awana Missionaries

### Special nights in February

Feb 2:	Socks Night
Feb 9	Sunglasses Night
Feb 16	Love Your Leader Night
Feb 23	Boots Night

### The Grand Prix is Coming!

The first Wednesday in March is the Awana Grand Prix! T&T, Trek & Journey, and Leaders can buy kits and build their cars. Sparks & Cubbies can race their small metal cars.

**Missionaries of the Month:**  
**Cam & Valerie Hamm**  
**Serving:**



# February 2022

*Women's Ministry Leader: Janice Emery*

*Group Members: Bekah Downing  
 Noemi Beckstrom  
 Erica Winzer  
 Rachel Lacy*



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 Awana 6—7:30 pm Socks Night	3 BSF 10:30 am Ladies Prayer 2 pm Worship Team Practice 5:30 pm  Elders Meeting 6:30 pm	4 Youth Leadership 4:30 pm	5
6 Coffee Fellowship Seth Hoisington Sharing  Youth Group 3:30 pm	7 Evening of Prayer 7 pm	8	9 Awana 6—7:30 pm Sunglasses Night	10 BSF 10:30 am Ladies Prayer 2 pm Worship Team Practice 5:30 pm	11 Youth Leadership 4:30 pm	12
13 Youth Group 3:30 pm  Diaper Baby Shower for Kaylissa Tiffany 	14 Youth Leadership Parents Night Out Service Project 5—9 pm 	15 Mission Committee Meeting 5:30 pm	16 Awana 6—7:30 pm Love Your Leader Night	17 BSF 10:30 am Ladies Prayer 2 pm Worship Team Practice 5:30 pm	18  <b>Youth Leadership Conference @ CLBC</b> February 18 & 19	
20 YL Pancake Breakfast 8:30-10 am <b>Life Services Baby Bottle Fundraiser Ends</b> Youth Group Movie Night 3-5:30 pm	21 Evening of Prayer 7 pm	22	23 Awana 6—7:30 pm Boots Night	24 BSF 10:30 am Ladies Prayer 2 pm Worship Team Practice 5:30 pm	25 Youth Leadership 4:30 pm	26
27 Communion/Benevolence Offering Youth Group 3:30 pm	28		March 2 <b>Awana Grand Prix</b> 			