



Great Jumpin' Jehoshaphat!

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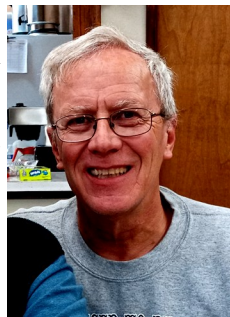
*"Our mission is to
proclaim the Word
of God, leading
people to a saving
faith and a growing
relationship with
Jesus Christ."*

I think I learned the phrase 'Great Jumpin' Jehoshaphat' from Yosemite Sam on a Bugs Bunny cartoon. I had no idea who Jehoshaphat was, only that he was a great jumper. Many moons later, I came across King Jehoshaphat in the Bible. Excited, I started reading more quickly, eager to learn the story of his jumping. I was so disappointed when I didn't find it. In fact, doing a little deep and serious research, I learned that (in the King James Bible, which surely would be the one Yosemite Sam used) the word 'jumping' is only found once; and it's about chariot horses, nothing to do with any king anywhere. So much for getting theology from Looney Tunes.

Elijah and Elisha get all the press in 1st and 2nd Kings, dealing with the evil King Ahab and his offspring in the northern kingdom of Israel. But at the same time, Good King Jehoshaphat was ruling in the Southern Kingdom of Judah. And he was a good king; along with the typical feet of clay.

Early in his career, he strengthened the country militarily and spiritually. He built up the army and established garrisons; and he gained great wealth. In the third year of his reign, he sent out officials to teach the Law of the LORD in all the land. But his reign was 35 years, and over time he appears to have let things go a bit. At one point he enters a short and ill-fated alliance with Ahab – Jehoshaphat fled and Ahab died in battle.

Some time later – we don't know how much later – Jehoshaphat is warned that a



large army is approaching. Jehoshaphat is alarmed and frightened. My thought is, "Why?" What happened to his garrisons and large army? Why is he afraid of these invaders, and why aren't the invaders afraid to attack? We aren't actually told, but apparently, over time, he let these things lapse. There is a warning to us in this, to not let down our guard. *"So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall"* (1 Cor 10:12)!

But, good news, Jehoshaphat responds to the threat well, and turns to God, who responds with, *"Do not be afraid or discouraged because of this vast army. For the battle is not yours, but God's"* (2 Chron 20:15).

Here is where we find great jumping Jehoshaphat (I think). He leads Israel to the site of battle; but instead of leading with the military, he leads with the worship team. *"Jehoshaphat appointed men to sing to the LORD and to praise him for the splendor of his holiness as they went out at the head of the army"* (2 Chron 20:21). So I picture Jehoshaphat singing and dancing with the rest of the Israelites as they march along. And it's amazing, because the battle has not yet been won! This is one of the most amazing examples of faith we find in the Bible. They were celebrating the victory before the victory was won. And it worked, because God said.

So, you did great, jumping Jehoshaphat. I hope to have faith to do as well.

Photo of the Month



Game Guys Clay Sterner and Joseph Abell, putting supplies back in the Game Room after a busy night at Awana.

Elders Report

Tuesday, 2 September 2025, 6:00pm

Attendees: Steve McLachlan, Jeremy Eaton, Dion Ricketts, and Knute Hernas. Guests: Ranse Herzinger, Robert McDowall

Previous meeting minutes were read and approved.

Pastor's report

- The TBF AWANA Commander position is vacant. Steve recommends Ben Miller. Approved
- Monday Night Football is back! Andrew Abell offers his home indefinitely.
- Christian Heritage School is back in session. Steve will again be teaching Bible class.
- Helping Hands Ministry helped with moving a girl's grandmother Saturday morning.
- Mike Cronrath will speak at our next Men's Breakfast.
- This year's Baptism at Camp Na-Bor-Lee was well-attended. Those baptized included Jason and Alyssa Fleming; and Jonathan, Noah, and Julia Everett.
- Coming up:
- Turkey Shoot at John Doyle's property on October 18 after Men's Breakfast.
- TBF Annual Business Meeting after Sunday Service on November 16.
- Mission trips to:
- House of Omeed construction project, Tentatively Jan-Feb 2026.
- Mid-East for Bible teaching in 2026. Steve McL, John D, Mike B (possibly Josh McL) Cost is \$2300 apiece for 10 days, and \$500 per Iranian pastor for 1 week.

Youth Pastor's report – No report this meeting

Tabled Items – none.

Old Business – none.

New Business – none.

Intercessory Prayer: Time was devoted to sharing the needs of the congregation and covering them with prayer.

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 7 October 2025, 6:00pm

Men's Breakfast: Saturday, 20 September 2025

Missionary Visits

October 5, Steve McMath, serving with Wycliffe, working at Moody Aviation in Spokane.

October 28, Lynda Morock, (Retired) missionary with Village Missions, having worked this summer at Cocolalla, and heading to Texas.

Church Funds

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Benevolence Fund	2,751.86
Bus Fund	3,600.00
Missionaries Reserve	3,935.00
Missions Fund	4,242.16
<u>General Fund</u>	<u>174,877.30</u>
Total	\$189,406.32
Building Fund	\$240,475.94
	\$429,882.26

Ladies Night Out

Ladies Night Out! Friday, October 3rd from 5-9PM at TBF. Join us for fun, food, fellowship and the testimonies of Joan McLachlan and Sharyn McClure!

Ornament crafting will close out the night. Childcare provided.

Please RSVP to Rachel Lacy, 500-220-2012.

There will be no Breakfast Fellowship Saturday the 4th.

Quilt Camp



Patchwork of Grace Quilt Retreat, Oct 9-11 at Cocolalla Lake Bible Camp. For beginners to experts. There are optional classes. The speaker for this retreat is our very Own Laurie Anderson!



Men's Breakfast and Turkey Shoot!



These are two separate events, but one is right after the other.

You can join us at 8 for a good breakfast, fellowship, and message from God's Word; then scoot out to John Doyle's property for the Turkey Shoot and lunch!

There are categories for pistol and rifle; and you can win a Turkey, a Ham, or a Cornish Game Hen. Winners are required to get a picture taken with the prize!

Anyone who doesn't go to the Turkey Shoot gets to stay back and do dishes!



by John Doyle

Well we're off to the races...or at least we're off to Fall. There's a chill in the air, school's in full swing, and Youth Group is going G.A.N.G busters.

I want to thank Mr. Andrew Able for standing in for the delinquent Pastor John while he was off doing an Irish Jig. This month (October) is going to be packed. Harvest Fest is coming so hang on cause....the Youth G.A.N.G. is on the move!!

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

Youth Group, come hang with the G.A.N.G. Discover the Word of Christ and maybe a game or two. Youth Group starts 3:30 pm to 5 pm Sundays.

Youth Leadership Training (YLT)

Youth Leadership meets on Mondays, Oct 6th & 20th, 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. Ask Pastor John for food theme

Fall Work Day CLBC, Oct 25th, leaving TBF @ 7am. Bring rakes and work gloves.

Youth Stuff

Big Event

October Big Event: **Walter's Fruit Ranch**. October 19th, Leaving TBF 1:30 pm. Church families are invited to join us for this event.

Upcoming Events

YLT Fall Retreat at Cocolalla: November 7th thru 8th. Look for brochures to be available soon.

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

Nominations

This year's Nominating Committee has finished its work. Proposed candidates for open positions this year are:

Trustee: Jeff Semprimoznik
 Deaconess: Justina Sliter
 Secretary: Toby Herzinger
 Missions Committee: Laurie Anderson, Sandy Buchanan, Janice Emery, Sharyn McClure, and Cathy Plumb

Elder nominations come through the Elder Board. Two men are presented; both to take the position:

Mike Bell
 Ranse Herzinger

Mark your calendar now for the Annual Business Meeting and Pot Luck, after Church on Sunday, November 16. In addition to voting on officers, we will hear reports and vote on the Church Budget.



Let's start with this: It's not early, it's Late! Our Church Shoebox Packing Party is on Saturday, October 25th. Any supplies you are buying for that need to be here by then. There is a box in the entryway for your donations. Clothing, Hygiene items (No liquids), School Supplies, and Toys are all great gift ideas.

If you are packing shoeboxes at home, which is a lot of fun, you have until National Collection Week, Nov 17-23 to bring them to church.

Speaking of which, We are a Collection Center, and will be looking for volunteers over that week. In next month's newsletter we will have a schedule of days and hours for collections.



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Awana got off to a great start at the beginning of September! You always have some surprises, and this year was no exception. We expected around five cubbies, and ended up with eighteen the first day. We are thankful for every one of those little souls, and our new Cubbies Directors, Janilee Miller and Noah Everett, are doing great.

By the Numbers:

Weekly average attendance of Adult Staff: 24

Weekly average attendance of Children and Teens: 55

October Theme Nights:

October 1 – Inside Out Night. October 8 – Talent Night. October 15 – Sports Night. October 22 – Bible Character Night. October 29 – Twins Night

Prayer:

- Please partner with us in prayer that God will continue to be glorified this Awana season.
- Please pray that God will bring more children into our ministry, and more helpers to train them.
- Please pray for wisdom during the Fall sports seasons, to work with our athletes as they balance excellence at Awana with excellence in games and practices.

Missionary of the Month:
Pastor Daniel & Mary
Serving in India



October 2025

Women's Ministry Leader: Lori Rieth
Group Members: Debbie Boleneus
Carmelyn Choate
Debbie Anderson
Toby Herzinger



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1  6-7:30 pm Inside-Out Night	2 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	3  7 am <i>Ladies Night Out 5—9 pm</i>	4
5 Steve McMath shares Youth Group 3:30 pm	6 Youth Leadership 5:30 pm Choir Practice 6 pm	7 Elders Meeting 6 pm	8  6-7:30 pm Talent Night	9 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm <i>October 9-11: Quilt Camp @ CLBC Laurie Anderson, Speaker</i>	10  7 am	11
12 Cookie Fellowship after church Youth Group 3:30 pm	13 Deaconess Meeting 2 pm Choir Practice 6 pm	14 Quarterly Board Meeting 6:30 pm	15  6-7:30 pm Sports Night	16 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	17  7 am	18  8 am  Turkey Shoot Following breakfast
19 Youth Group to Walters Fruit Ranch Leaving TBF at 1:30 pm	20 Youth Leadership 5:30 pm Choir Practice 6 pm	21	22  6-7:30 pm Bible Character Night	23 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	24  7 am	25 Packing Party 9-11 am  Workday @ CLBC
26 Communion/ Benevolence Offering Lynda Morock Shares Youth Group 3:30 pm	27 Choir Practice 6 pm	28	29  6-7:30 pm Twins Night	30 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	31  7 am <i>Scrapbook Retreat @ CLBC October 31—November 1</i>	