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"Our mission is to
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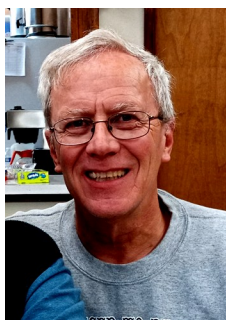
Moving Toward Easter

Peter was an interesting man. When he told Jesus, *"You are the Christ, the Son of the Living the God,"* he was the first to do so. Special kudos to Peter. Jesus commended him for this. *"Blessed are you, Simon Barjona, because flesh and blood did not reveal this to you, but My Father who is in heaven."* Way to go, Peter! You Listened to God and proclaimed Jesus!

Six verses later, Jesus tells Peter, *"Get behind Me, Satan!"* What happened in those six verses? Jesus told Peter about Easter. *"From that time Jesus began to show His disciples that He must go to Jerusalem, and suffer many things from the elders and chief priest and scribes, and be killed, and be raised up on the third day."* Peter didn't like that, and the disciple actually rebuked the Master! And Jesus responded sternly, as we read above.

If Jesus had simply gone to the third day, and told His followers, "I'm going to win a victory over sin and death and hell," Peter would have had no problem with Jesus. What Peter didn't like was the way Jesus had to win the victory. And Peter, I'm with you all the way.

If you were there, wouldn't you have done what you could to protect Jesus from the very things He said would happen? When He rebuked you, said you were doing Satan's will and get out of His way, wouldn't you have felt baffled? You keep following, because He's Jesus. But all the time, as you hear His words, you hope that when they come true they will make sense and not be as bad as He makes it sound.



I am writing this one week before Mardi Gras, otherwise known as 'Fat Tuesday,' the day of feasting and drinking and partying before the lean days of deprivation during Lent. Lent, for those who observe it (I do not), is a time of fasting in preparation for Easter.

If it actually moves you spiritually and mentally toward Christ, I applaud it. My experience tells me I mostly only thought of myself and

what I was giving up, until I quit and gave up giving up.

But I think it is not a symbolic forty days Jesus wants from us in preparation for Easter, but a lifetime. Easter is the day we celebrate Jesus' resurrection and victory over death and hell. That's looking back. By faith we know it also means our own victory over death and hell. That's looking forward. We are living in the time between hearing about Easter, and experiencing Easter.

This may be a difficult time. I'm not saying this as a prophecy. It's just the observation that sometimes life is hard. And sometimes it's Hard. Or Harder.

After Jesus commended Peter for his statement, Jesus included this line, *"Upon this rock I will build My church, and the gates of Hades will not overpower it."* He didn't say the gates of Hades would not try. We can expect that our own trip between claiming Jesus and our resurrection may be difficult. But the good news is those difficulties will not stop Easter. Whatever happens, keep moving toward the resurrection.

Photo of the Month



Vicente and Maria Reyna celebrating 45 years of service at Eben Ezer Church in Los Adobes Village.

Elders Report

Tuesday, 4 February 2025, 6:00pm

Attendees: Steve McLachlan, John Doyle, Dion Ricketts, Knute Hernas

Previous meeting minutes were read and approved.

Scheduled report:

VBS: Laurie Anderson has things well in hand. The theme is "Games."

Pastor's report

- Time to schedule another New Members Class.
- The next Men's Breakfast is Feb. 15. Steve will provide the devotion.
- Building Report: Steve had a productive meeting with Lindsay and Jesse Smith.

Youth Pastor's report

- Youth Leadership Training (YLT)
 - YLT Conference at CLBC is Feb. 21-22; studying Titus.
 - Spring 2025 Mission Planning: three single-day trips to Loomis in the months of March, April and May.
 - YLT has been invited to lead worship in Loomis on March 23.
- AWANA Trek/Journey, Program is in full-swing.
- Youth Group
 - Good numbers
 - Winter Camp was a big success.
- Next Big Event: March 16, a St. Patrick's Day outreach party.
- Bus Report
 - Trustees are fixing a battery problem in the Shuttle Bus.
 - John wants to pursue his CDL through the DHS Bus Barn; cost is \$2000. He'll arrange it with the Trustees

Old Business

- 2024 Dad Joke and Chili Cook-off Contest is Feb. 16; trophies ordered from 3C Creations – Micah Choate.
- Prayer Chain is working well on the Signal app; Dion and Steve are the sole Administrators.
- Biblical Eldership books have arrived. John is in charge of the class; Elders will help as needed.

New Business

- John & Jen Doyle are planning a trip to Ireland from Sept. 18 to Oct. 3.

Intercessory Prayer:

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 4 March 2025, 6:00pm.

Chili Winners:

Third place: Ben Miller, Second Place: Colby Floyd, First place: Steve McLachlan! Most heat: Clay Sterner! Most unusual ingredient: Third Place: Steve McLachlan (Alligator Jerky), Second place: Knute Hernas (Rattlesnake), First Place: Duane Oehlwein (Raccoon). Dad Joke winner: Duane Oehlwein!

Church Funds

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Benevolence Fund	1,514.86
Bus Fund	3,600.00
Missionaries Reserve	3,935.00
Missions Fund	806.91
General Fund	148,350.91
Total	\$158,207.68
Building Fund	\$176,095.20
	\$334,302.88

For the Ladies!



If you haven't yet joined for our ladies breakfast and fellowship, let this time be your first! The food and coffee/tea are great, but the time we spend together is far better. Join us Saturday, March 1st, at 9 a.m.



Quilt Camp is coming to Cocolalla on the weekend of March 13th-15th. This camp is for ladies 13 & older, beginners to advanced skills. Fun is had by all.

The speaker is our very own **Annie Ricketts!**

The cost is variable, based on how much of the retreat you can be there for. Registration forms are at Church, or you can register online at clbcamp.org.

For the Men!

Elders Class. Yes, men, we are eyeballing you as potential elders, but more than that, the standards for an elder are standards all Christian men should aspire to. If you can, please join us for 12 Monday nights at 7, beginning March 3rd.

Men's breakfast tbd—conflict with the Almira Anvil Conference.

Easter Plans



Easter Sunday is April 20th. Plan to join us early as we combine with Lake Roosevelt Bible Church for a Sunrise Service at the river at 7 am. Worship Service and Sunday School will be on the regular schedule. And be here 7pm on the 18th for a Good Friday Service.



Long Distance Baby Shower

Our sweet missionaries, Nick and Shelby Young, are due to have their 4th baby (a girl) in just a few weeks! We'd like to send a gift with her parents by mid-March. We'll have a card to sign at Church. Money donations are welcome, by March 16th!



by John Doyle

Youth Stuff

March is on the Horizon, you know what that means? SPRING!!! And more activities. February was a great month. We went to Cocolalla for the Youth Leadership conference. This year the YLTs studied the small but powerful book of Titus.

Youth G.A.N.G. was very active; some would say hyperactive! For March we are throwing parties and headed to the Mountains. 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. Sundays 3:30 to 5pm.

Big Event

St. Paddies Day party, Mar 16th. 3:30 to 6pm come hang with the G.A.N.G. and wear green. We will have food, fun and a little frolicking. Youth Leaders please show 2pm to help decorate.

Youth Leadership Training (YLT)

This month's meeting s, 3rd and 17th of Mar.

Mission Trip: Please turn-in Permission forms A.S.A.P. We will be planning the trip Mar 3rd and leaving for Loomis 23rd Mar, 6:30am. Church Family please pray for the Lord's will and traveling Mercies

Upcoming Events

- ◇ Spring Retreat Apr 2025.
- ◇ Mission Trip to Loomis Part 2, 27th April
- ◇ Mission Trip to Loomis Part 3, 25th May

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



Anvil 2025 is intentionally designed for connection. Every activity, every meal, every car ride....really, every moment is an opportunity to build brotherhood. One of the things I hear the most from guys after the conference. About how the connections they made were a highlight of the event for them. That's why we added activities last year. So, I'm excited for

- Basketball
- Board/Strategy Games
- Pickleball
- Trap Shooting
- And MUCH more.



Coming in April to Trinity Bible Fellowship! Join us Sunday evening, April 27th at 6:30 pm for a time of worship in song with Northgate Revival.

We are praying for God to bless this event, and that it will be a blessing for anyone else who chooses to join us. Check them out online at northgaterevival.com, and then invite your friends and neighbors to come hear them live.

There is no cost for this event, but a love offering will be taken.

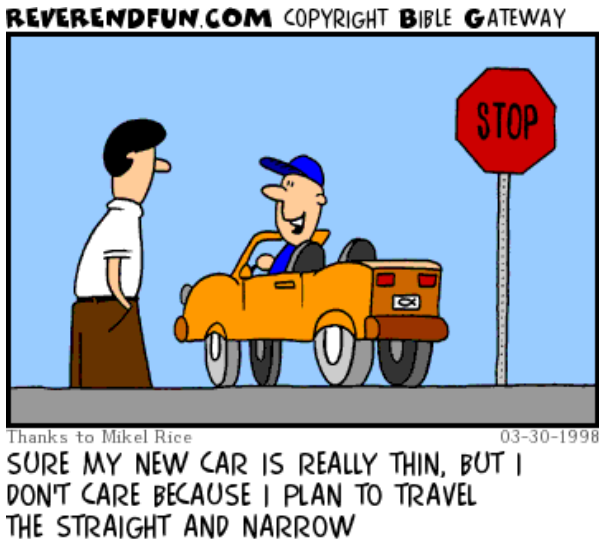
Wedding Shower



Stay after Church Sunday the 2nd to help Noah and Tynsey McLachlan celebrate their marriage (Jan 13th). If you can bring a gift, they are registered at Amazon; but come help celebrate, gift or not! Lunch will be provided.



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The Awana Grand Prix is here! Families are invited to join us on Wednesday, March 12, for a day of racing and celebration. 3rd-6th graders race the wooden kit cars they build, teens and leaders race against each other as well. Sparks and Cubbies have their own races with small metal cars they bring, or can pick up here at Awana on race night.

Food is available! Hot dogs, chips, pop, and ice cream, all at very reasonable prices. Hear a message from God's Word, and enjoy a great time with the rest of us.

March Activities

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| March 5 | Boots Night |
| March 12 | GRAND PRIX |
| March 19 | Not Baseball Hats Night |
| March 26 | Ice Cream Night |

Start thinking about the Jogathon! April 2nd just before spring break.

Missionary of the Month:

Robert & Cindy McDowall



March 2025

Women's Ministry Leader: Carmelyn Choate

Group Members: Rachel Lacy

Lorie Wandling

Peggy Semprimoznik

Tiffany Carstens



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS MARCH 9TH						1  9 am
2 Shower for Noah & Tynsey McLachlan after church Youth Group 3:30 pm	3 Choir Practice 5:30 pm Elders Bible Study 7 pm	4 Elders Meeting 6 pm	5 Awana 6 pm Boots Night	6 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	7 Men's Coffee 7 am	8
9 Cookie Fellowship after church Youth Group 3:30 pm	10 Choir Practice 5:30 pm Elders Bible Study 7 pm	11 Mission Committee Meeting 2 pm	12 Awana 6 pm 	13 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	14 Men's Coffee 7 am Quilt Camp @ CLBC March 13, 14, & 15 Men's Anvil Conference in Almira March 14 & 15	15
16 Youth Group St Paddy's Day Party 3:30 pm	17 Choir Practice 5:30 pm Elders Bible Study 7 pm	18	19 Awana 6 pm Anything But Baseball Hat	20 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	21 Men's Coffee 7 am	22
23 YL Mission Trip to Loomis	24 Choir Practice 5:30 pm Elders Bible Study 7 pm	25	26 Awana 6 pm Ice Cream Night	27 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	28 Men's Coffee 7 am Life Services Open House 5:30-7:30 pm	29
30 Communion/ Benevolence Offering Youth Group 3:30 pm	31 Choir Practice 5:30 pm Elders Bible Study 7 pm					