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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."*



Any Other Answer

"Now it happened that as he was praying alone, the disciples were with him. And he asked them, 'Who do the crowds say that I am?' And they answered, 'John the Baptist. But others say Elijah, and others, that one of the prophets of old has risen'" (Luke 9:18-19).

John the Baptist? There's a certain appeal to that claim. John the Baptist had recently been killed, and a supernatural John would be a fantastic explanation for supernatural acts. So, yeah, maybe he's John the Baptist.

There is that one slight difficulty that Jesus was on the scene before John was beheaded. Like when John baptized Jesus and saw the Holy Spirit descend on Him in the form of a dove with a voice from heaven saying, *"You are My beloved Son; with You I am well-pleased."* Or maybe the time John pointed to Jesus and said, *"Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world."* It's kind of hard to get past the time when the despondent John, in prison shortly before his death, sent his disciples to Jesus for confirmation. Jesus answered, *"Go and tell John what you hear and see: the blind receive their sight and the lame walk, lepers are cleansed and the deaf hear, and the dead are raised up, and the poor have good news preached to them."* It might not work to say Jesus does miracles because He's a resurrected John when he was doing miracles before John died!

But that's okay, because others had seen the folly of that answer and come up with others—Elijah, or some other prophet that had risen. "Okay—He's not John, but



He's still some dead guy!"

There is a grasping at straws in this. Seeking for any answer; any possibility will do. Any **other** answer, that is. Any answer except Jesus.

Obviously, not much has changed in the world. People clearly will accept almost any explanation for things, so long as it doesn't include God, or the Son of

God. Salvation? No. Reincarnation? You bet! Creation? No. Man evolving from moss? Sure! One way to heaven? How narrow-minded! All religions are the same (in spite of their obvious differences)? Of course!

You grasp at straws when you're drowning and you need something to help you stay afloat. How foolish to grasp at straws when all you have to do is stand on the rock that is right there. But people don't like the Rock; so they look for anything else.

Jesus wasn't finished with this conversation, though. *"But who do you say that I am?"* He asked. *"And Peter answered, 'The Christ of God.'"* The crowds didn't understand, but Jesus' followers did.

Responding to this statement of faith—of recognition—Jesus gave His disciples some further teaching. He was about to be rejected, killed, and to rise on the third day.

This is something that only makes sense to people who recognize who He is. For those who accept any other answer, it is just more religious babble. For we who know who He is, it is the message of our salvation.

Photo of the Month



Our little Emily's getting married! Ladies, you're invited to her bridal shower after church on Sunday, March 4th. We can't wait to see you here!

Easter Schedule

Easter in on April 1st—April Fool’s Day—which seems highly appropriate to me. But it won’t appear on your March calendar, so be prepared!

We will start with a Good Friday service at 6 pm Friday the 30th. Cam and Valerie Hamm will facilitate a Passover Meal for us. Plan to be here with your whole family.

On Easter morning we will meet at the city park at 7 am to celebrate the resurrection of our Savior as close as we can get to the Garden Tomb. There will be hot coffee and hot chocolate and pastries to share after the service.

Sunday School and Worship service will meet at the regular schedule.



Church Funds	
1/31/18	
Benevolence Fund	2,243.15
Missionaries Reserve	2,100.00
Missions Fund	980.00
Asia Trip	4,777.92
General Fund	38,941.62
Total	\$49,042.69
Building Fund	\$245,987.37
Overall Total	\$295,030.06

Cam & Valerie Hamm to Visit



Cam & Valerie, Missionaries to Cameroon with Wycliffe Bible Translators, will be here in Davenport from March 27th through April 2nd. The missionaries will be sharing at Awana on the 28th, and leading us in a Passover Service on Good Friday. On Easter Sunday we will have a sermon on the Resurrection by Pastor Steve, but Cam & Valerie will share a few minutes about their ministry.

You will also have the opportunity to stay after church for a special coffee fellowship and visit with them.

If you would like some special time with them (and Noah, Ellie, and Jojo, their children), there will be opportunities to have them over for a meal or for fellowship. Contact Pastor Steve to make arrangements.

An Update from the Cains in Mexico

Prayer points from their most recent letter:

- Praise God for a good year at Colegio Binimea and that our family is happily adjusted to Mexico.
- Ask God to provide for the critical shortage of teachers we have, and to increase our faith as we watch Him work.
- Pray for our upcoming travels this summer, and that God would raise up new ministry partners for us.

This is just a small excerpt from the February ‘Raising Cains.’ Contact Brad & Shilo to get on the mailing list.



YOU ARE INVITED TO

Christian Heritage School's

28TH ANNUAL BENEFIT

AUCTION

2018

Saturday

MARCH 10

Located at:
Christian Heritage School
48009 Ida Ave E
Edwall, WA 99008

Silent Auction
Bidding begins 8:00 am
First section closes 11:00 am

Live Auction
Begins at 1:00 pm

Come for Breakfast
Begins at 8:00 am

Stay for Lunch

Babysitting
Available 9:00 am - 1:30 pm

More Information www.chspatriots.com or 509-236-2224 Rummage Sale September 8 Reardan City Park

Building Informational Meeting
March 11, after church.

Plan to stick around after church on the 11th to hear what people have said about a building program and thoughts on what we should do about it. Sandy Buchanan will share findings from the survey she took.

This meeting is intended to be informational, not decision-making; but we hope it will lead to wise decisions down the road.

How Talented Are We?

March 18 is the date for this year’s talent show. Among the talents on display will be cooking, as it is also a church pot-luck! Stop hiding that secret power of yours, put it on display!



by John Doyle

Youth Stuff

Forget February, bring on March and Spring!!!.....Maybe? What a great month we had. The G.A.N.G. served the church at the **Valentines Banquet**. Thanks to all those who gave donations. Ms. Katelyn Bell was the winner of our ticket sales contest, she will go to the camp or retreat of her choice! Congrats Katelyn! The G.A.N.G also visited the **Cheney Lanes**

and knocked some pins around, a very special thanks to Mike Anderson, Mike Bell, and Clay Sterner for giving their time and experience. **Summer Camp** schedule is out and available for pick up, get ready, online registration starts early March. All of the Youth Ministry activities will be going full tilt. The Youth G.A.N.G will be on the move in March!

Youth Leadership Training

Youth \Leadership, Friday nights 6:00 to 8:00pm. Ages 12 to 18.

Youth Group (God’s Anointed Next Generation)

Youth Group, Sunday nights 6:30 to 8:00pm. Come Hang with the G.A.N.G!!!

Youth Group (Big Event)

This Month we are taking over the Spokane Arena! March 11th the Rockin Worship Road show is coming back to Spokane, with artists ‘For King and Country’, Matthew West, Natalie

Grant, and many more. Doors open 4:45pm, meet at the TBF parking lot 2pm for a ride or to car pool to the concert. Cost of concert is \$10.00 plus money for dinner on the way home.

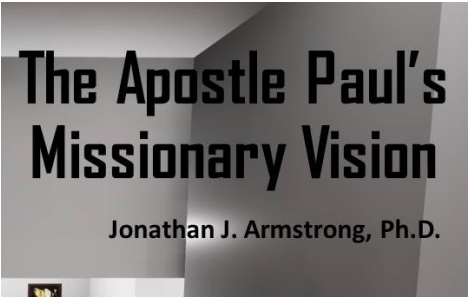
Youth Prayer Breakfast

7:30—8:30am. March 5th & 12th at 1108 8th St, the 19th and 26th at 602 Main St.

IMPORTANT DATES

- 11 March, Rock & Worship Road show
- 13 & 14 April, Spring Retreat CLBC
- 19 & 22 April, Backpacking trip CLBC

In the Gospel of John 1:45, Philip, one of Jesus’s Disciples said, “We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph.” To find out how Nathanael answered you will have to read the rest of the verse. The big question, how do you answer? Do you act nonchalantly, do you praise God, do you believe, do you deny, or any of a whole host answers. This sentence is as poignant today as the day it was first written and only you can answer for you. Come be a part of our G.A.N.G. and let us love God together. For more information please contact: Youth Pastor John Doyle @ (509) 435-6393, E-Mail: tbfpdoyle@gmail.com.



A Virtual Reality tour of Acts. Dr. Armstrong has put this presentation together as a new way of training pastors in the early history of the Church. He's looking for an opportunity to try it out in a rural setting, and we jumped at the opportunity. Set the evening aside and see Acts come to life!

Friday, March 9
7—8:30 PM

Invite your friends!



It's back! This highly popular Christian event for the men of Lincoln County returns to **Almira Community Church** this month.

Friday, 5:15—8:30

All You Can Eat Ribs!

Saturday, 8:00—Noon

Breakfast Served.

Featuring Father and Son Pastor team **Ryan & Joel Oletzke** and **the Panic Squad**—fighting boredom and lameness across America!



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AH YES, HERE IT IS ... SAYS HERE THAT PASSOVER IS A TIME OF CELEBRATION INCLUDING A FEAST OF UNLEAVENED BREAD, BITTER HERBS AND ... UH OH

Prefer to get your Newsletter by email? We can do that! Contact the church office at tbfdavenport@hotmail.com

Awana

Sorry—we had to publish before the Grand Prix, so can't announce winners yet. I've seen most of the cars, though, and there are some really good ones out there.

Special Nights in March

March 7	Baseball Hat Night
March 14	Mr. Potato Head Night
March 21	Boots Night
March 28	Giant Banana Split Night

March 28th is going to be great because of the Giant Banana Split, but wait, there's more! Missionaries will be visiting from Cameroon, Africa! They will share with us what it is like to share Jesus Christ in a land where they don't even have a Bible in their own language. In fact, that's what they do—they're helping write the Bible in the languages the people use, so they can read "Jesus loves me" in the language they know best.

Looking ahead, April 4th, the first Wednesday in April, is Spring Break. There will be no Awana that night.

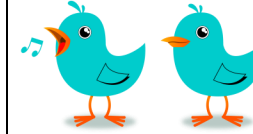
Missionary of the Month: Robert & Cindy McDowall

Serving:



March 2018

Women's Ministry Leader: Sandy Buchanan
Group Members: Ronda Caddell
Kristi Bell
Lynn Hernas
Jen Doyle
Brenda Victor



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 Sunday, March 11th!				1 BSF 9:30 am Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm	2 Youth Leadership 6 pm	3
4 Emily Abell's Bridal Shower 12:30 pm YG 6:30 pm	5 Prayer Breakfast 7:30 am	6 Elders Meeting 6 pm Missions Committee Meeting 6 pm	7 Awana 6 pm Baseball Hat Night	8 BSF 9:30 am Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm	9 Youth Leadership 6 pm Virtual Reality Tour of Acts 7 pm	10 CHS Auction Tim Hawkins
11 Daylight Savings Time Begins Building Meeting After Church Rock & Worship Roadshow	12 Prayer Breakfast 7:30 am	13	14 Awana 6 pm Mr. Potato Head Night	15 BSF 9:30 am Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm	16 Youth Leadership 6 pm Quilt Camp @ CLBC March 16, 17, & 18 Men's ANVIL Conference in Almira March 16 & 17	17
18 Talent Show/Potluck Lunch after church	19 Prayer Breakfast 7:30 am	20	21 Awana 6 pm Boots Night	22 BSF 9:30 am Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm	23 Youth Leadership 6 pm	24
25 Communion/Benevolence Offering	26 Prayer Breakfast 7:30 am Ladies Comedy Night 7 pm	27	28 Awana 6 pm Giant Banana Split Night Cam & Valerie Hamm & Family Visit TBF March 28—April 1	29 BSF 9:30 am Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm	30 Good Friday Passover Service 7 pm	31