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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."



### Thanks, I Needed That

I remember an ad from many years ago where a guy got slapped in the face and responded with, "Thanks I needed that." I don't remember what was being advertised. Probably after shave. I also remember when our esteemed and respectable missionary, Randy Anderson, slapped me in the face and I thanked him. The mosquitoes were so bad that day, I had no doubt he was doing me a favor.

We rarely appreciate a slap in the face; but usually we at least realize when we've been slapped. Modern gentile readers of the New Testament, however, don't realize that's how Matthew begins. We're so dumb we wonder why he started with such a boring lead. But in fact, we're not even 50 words into the book when we get to, *"and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar."* This is a hard slap, well delivered and unmistakable to the early Jewish reader.

The story of Judah and Tamar is disgraceful. If you'd like, you can read about it in Genesis 38. We shrug and say, "That's okay, we've all got a little of that in our family tree." Yeah, but do we often have it pointed out to us in public by someone else? And Matthew took care to make sure no one missed it. When he mentions Tamar, he breaks with tradition. Read the 'begats' of Genesis 5. Read the genealogies of 1<sup>st</sup> Chronicles. Sorry ladies, but Mom just doesn't get talked about. Matthew's mention of Tamar would have stopped every Jewish reader in his tracks.

Why is he doing that? He's not supposed to do that? We see a boring list,



where they correctly saw a slap in the face.

But Matthew is just getting warmed up. He goes on to mention Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab (the prostitute from Jericho–See Joshua 2), and Ruth the Moabitess (Moabites were forbidden from the assembly, see Deut. 23:3). He could hardly be more clear about David and Bathsheba, "David was the fa-

ther of Solomon by the wife of Uriah."

Matthew strayed well off the beaten track and called attention to each one of these nonos by mentioning Mom, just to be sure we don't miss them.

How did the early Jewish readers respond to this outrageous introduction to the Good News of the Messiah? Some must have loved the candid frankness and hurried to share it with others who would appreciate it as well. Others must have been offended that Matthew would start such an important book in such an offensive way.

Others, thoughtfully, would have recognized that Jesus the Messiah our Savior came from sinners. He had a scandalous history behind Him. While He did nothing scandalous Himself; that is where He came from. And it is who He came for.

Jesus came to a world of religious people thinking they were okay in their religiousness. Matthew slapped them in the face. We all have things we'd rather hide; things we'd just as soon were not brought into the open. Jesus brings them into the open. Then He forgives

us for them. What should our response be? It's not that hard to figure out. "Thanks. I needed that."

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Kathlene Shumway plays guitar and leads singing while in Siberia on her recent mission trip. Kathlene will share her experiences with us on Sunday, October 21st. Be sure you don't miss it!

#### **Elders Report**

Tuesday, September 4, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m.

Present: Mike Anderson, John Doyle, Steve McLachlan, Jeremy Eaton, Dion Ricketts

<u>Agenda Items</u>: Intercessory Prayer:

Previous minutes were reviewed and approved with corrections.

Pastor's Report:

- The Baptism service will be held on September 16th at Fort Spokane.
- The Nominating Committee has completed its work.
- The Ministry Fair has been rescheduled to September 30th.
- Bruce and Linda Morock will visit Trinity Bible Fellowship on September 16th.
- Operation Christmas Child videos will start Sunday, September 9th.

Youth Pastor Report:

- The Ski Retreat was a huge success with 17 kids and 9 adults in attendance.
- The plan for the Summer Outreach program next year is to make it bigger.
- John's experience at Cocolalla's Summer camp was wonderful.
- The theme for Youth Leadership this year is to learn to be servants and will begin on September 7th and run from 4:30 to 6:00 pm.
- John is planning a Youth Leadership Mission trip to Mexico and looking into fund raising.
- Youth Group will start up on Sunday, September 9th running from 3:30 to 5:00 pm.
- The core group of kids at Youth Group is about 12 with 16—20 total attendance each week.
- This year the kids will be running parts of Youth Group on Sundays.
- The Big Event is the Spokavenger Hunt on September 23rd, with teams from other churches participating.
- There will be five 5th Quarter events at the elementary school cafeteria this year.

#### Old Business

- The functioning of the Prayer Chain text messaging is getting better.
- A fact sheet on the proposed sound system will be drawn up for discussion at the annual business meeting.

#### New Business

by John Doyle

• A request to purchase electric drums has been tabled until a decision about the new sound system has been made.

Next meeting: Tuesday, October 2th, 2018 @ 6:00 p.m.

Church Funds

NOT AVAILABLE!

#### **Building Project Update**

The Building Committee is close to finishing the design of the Fellowship Hall! It will be 64" by 134" and will include 4 classrooms, a large kitchen, 2 bathrooms, janitors closet, and ample storage.

The Building Committee is asking for a congregational vote to authorize construction and the release of the money designated for this purpose. Removal of the trees and leveling the ground needs to be done this fall to allow the ground to settle for spring construction.

The Congregational vote will be held on Sunday, October 7th, following the church service. A draft of the building design will be available on September 30th at the Ministries Fair and at the Congregational Meeting.

The Building Committee asks for your prayers and support as we move forward from planning to implementation of the new Fellowship Hall.

In Christ,

Sandy Buchanan

#### Women's Retreat

The Ladies Retreat will be a one day affair at Lori Rieth's home. Toby Herzinger is working on a schedule. Ladies should arrive by 9:00 a.m. We will have breakfast items so no need to eat before you come. Kathlene Shumway will share with worship and her experiences in Russia. We will have a salad potluck for lunch. We plan to have some

games and a craft project and Kathlene will speak again in the afternoon. The retreat will last until around dinner time 6 pm (left over salads for dinner).



## Youth Stuff

Wow! What a kick off to a brand-new year. The G.A.N.G. was let loose on Spokane! Points, pizza, and fun were had by all. Congrats to the mighty team 2 (Rowan, Katelyn, Megan, Elizabeth, and Josh) on an outstanding win. Special thanks to Harrington Nazarene YG, Zion Lutheran YG, and Harvest Celebration of Davenport, without the Pastors and drivers this event wouldn't

have been as much fun. Look out! October is gonna be packed with more fun and excitement, come hang with the G.A.N.G. The Youth G.A.N.G. is on the move!

Youth Group (God's Anointed Next Generation)

We meet from 3:30 to 5pm every Sunday. Bring a friend and prepare to be amazed!

#### Youth Leadership

Every Friday at 4:30pm. Going deeper in the Word to develop a closer relationship with Jesus.

#### The Big Event

This month the G.A.N.G Is taking over Get Air! Join us October

 $21^{st}$  from 3:00 to 8:30pm Meet @ TBF 2:30 pm. Cost is \$33.00, includes two hours trampoline time, one pair trampoline socks, food and drinks. Bring a friend get 25% off, bring two and get 50% off.

#### 5th Quarter

October 5<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, and 26<sup>th</sup>. Come root the Davenport Gorillas football team on to victory during their home games, then join the DMA in the Cafeteria for food, games, and prizes.

#### Volunteers

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 you. Please contact Pastor John for more information.

This should be a great month. Come be a part of our G.A.N.G. and let love be Genuine. Parents and teens, we will be make a concerted effort to keep our Face Book page up to date, for access or more information please contact: Youth Pastor John Doyle @ (509) 435-6393, E-Mail: <u>tbfypdoyle@gmail.com</u>



Imagine never receiving a gift. Never. Nothing. And then...you receive a box from strangers filled with so many things you cry in delight and from being overwhelmed. Overwhelmed because you had prayed for your very own pencils, or a bar of soap, or a flashlight. Imagine with me

finally being able to go to school at age 10 because you finally have school supplies of your very own. This is life in much of our world.

We are so blessed in all we have. Even if we think we have little, we are actually over and abundantly blessed. Praise GOD for His provision! Praise GOD that we can help others. You may be able to donate a large number of things, you may be able to donate a small amount of things, you may only be able to donate \$9 to ship one box. Whatever you are able to do, do it well and with a loving and thankful heart!

And know that in whatever you do, the Greatest Gift is Jesus and by sending shoeboxes, Samaritans Purse sends so much more with our gifts. These shoeboxes open doors that others cannot walk through. They give life in the physical and life, through discipleship, in the spiritual.

Thank you for being generous in all that you do.

#### Nominating Committee Report

And the nominees are:

Elder:	Jeremy Eaton		
	Mike Bell		
Trustee:	Joshua Victor		
Deaconess	Annie Ricketts		
Treasurer:	Sue Warwick		
Secretary:	Bethany Reed		
Missions Co	mmittee: Laurie Anderson, Lynn Hernas,		
	Sandy Buchanan, Deanna Fitzpatrick,		
	Jim & Leanne Wilson		

Voting will be done by ballot at the Annual Business meeting after church on Sunday, November 18. In keeping with our constitution, other nominations may be made in writing prior to that time. Nominations from the floor are not allowed.



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#### Awana



#### October: Jogathon and Halloween

The Awana Jogathon is our annual fundraiser that raises the cash to offer free scholarships for everyone who needs one. The kids were sent home with permission/pledge sheets in September, and will be running during Awana on October 10. Everyone who raises \$25 or more will get a Jogathon T-Shirt, which can tra prizes. Leaders—you can order a shirt without running for \$10. also be worn as their uniform shirt. Top fundraisers will get ex-

Halloween is on a Wednesday this year. We have chosen to run Awana as usual. Kids who choose to trick-or-treat are welcome to stop by. Kids who skip trick-or-treating to be at Awana will not miss out.

Special Nights in October

October 3	Poster Night
October 10	Jogathon
October 17	Inside-Out Night
October 24	Baseball Hat Night
October 31	Dress Like Mom and Dad Night



# October 2018

Women's Ministry Leader: Debbie Boleneus

Group Members: Lorie Wandling



Debbie Anderson Joan Wintersteen

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm	2 Elders Meeting 6 pm Mission Committee Meeting 6:30 pm	3 Awana 6-7:30 pm Poster Night	4 BSF 9:30 am	5 Youth Leadership 4:30 pm 5th Quarter	6 Awana Conference at Calvary Chapel in Spokane
7 Gideons Visit TBF Coffee Fellowship <b>Special Meeting</b>	8 Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm	9 Quarterly Board Meeting 6:30 pm	10 Awana 6-7:30 pm Jog-a-thon Run Like the Wind	11 BSF 9:30 am	12 Youth Leadership 4:30 pm	13
Youth Group 3:30—5 pm				Quilt Camp	@ CLBC Octobe	r 11, 12, & 13
14 Youth Group 3:30—5 pm	15 Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm	16	17 Awana 6-7:30 pm Inside-Out Night	18 BSF 9:30 am	19 Youth Leadership 4:30 pm 5th Quarter	20 Women's Retreat @ Lori Reith's 9 am—dinner 6 pm Kathlene Shumway, speaker
21 Kathlene Shumway visits TBF Get Air Bounce-a-thon 3— 8:30 pm	22 Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm	23	24 Awana 6-7:30 pm Baseball Hat Night	25 BSF 9:30 am	26 Youth Leadership 4:30 pm 5th Quarter	27
28 Communion/Benevolence Offering Youth Group 3:30—5 pm	29 Men's Bible Study 6:30 pm	30	31 Awana 6-7:30 pm Dress Like Mom & Dad Night			