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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."*



## New Years and End Times

The announcer reads the category: "The most common question asked of the driver." All contestants frantically slam their buzzers, but only one wins. He immediately gives the number one answer, "Are we there yet?" (Less popular answers are: "Are we lost?" "Can we change the station?" and "Do you have a rag?")

Maybe God gets tired of us asking too, but we're kids on a ride, we know we're going somewhere, and we're anxious to get there. God is the driver, and only He knows the answer. We want to know; are we there yet?

Often we approach the End Times questioning what they will be like. We want to know what will happen, when it will happen, in what order; and most important, will we be there to see them happen? To answer these questions we produce charts and timelines, and then argue with people about the differences in our charts and timelines. I don't discourage this; God put this information in the Bible, and it is right for us to study it.

A skeleton framework of events goes something like this: A world-leading figure will arise and establish a seven-year peace treaty with Israel. It will be a time of famine and plague. Halfway through the seven years, he will break the treaty, demand worship, and establish the 'Mark of the Beast.' At the end of the seven years, Jesus will return and establish the Millennium—the thousand year reign of Christ. Somewhere in this is the rapture; either just before the peace treaty, at the half-way point, or coin-



ciding with Christ's second coming. Also somewhere in all this is the battle of Gog and Magog (Ezek 38-39); either preceding the Tribulation, as part of it, or at the end of the Millennium. For sure there will be a worldwide rebellion against God at the end of the Millennium called Gog and Magog—the question is whether there is also such a battle pre-millennium.

All your charts and timelines will work around this framework. Keep it in mind when you do your studies.

As we look at recent world events, things seem to be accelerating toward the end. We know we're getting closer, and we want to know if we're there yet. But if we look at what accompanies end times teaching in the Bible; we find there is more purpose than just knowing what will happen.

Matthew 25 follows with a parable about faithless servants and teaches us about taking care of the least of these, our brethren. Second Thessalonians 2 contains a warning about being deceived by false signs, and is followed by gratitude for God's salvation. Hebrews 10:23-25 tells us to stimulate each other to love and good deeds, and 'not forsake our gathering together,' 'and all the more as you see the day approaching.'

Jesus tells us to watch so the day will not take us by surprise; so let's watch. But let's not watch as children just waiting to get there. Let's watch as servants preparing for their Master's return.

## Photo of the Month



It's a wrap! Josh, Josh, Greg and Steve are working here. Another crew worked during the Ladies' Tea, and two old guys on a lift finished the high parts. All the soffit and fascia are up, the building is wrapped, and we're good until spring, when it's time to put on the siding!

## Elders Report

Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup>

Meeting was opened with prayer

Mike Bell was asked to be Head Elder

Dan Shumway was asked to be Secretary which was then renamed "Scribe"

Reading of the previous meetings minutes

Pastors Notes

- Dan and John will be giving Christmas sermons on the 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> respectively
- Steve and Becky McMath update-daughter Deborah is suffering from seizures so Steve and Becky may be staying in the States for their missionary ministries. We will continue to support them as missionaries
- Randy Anderson is leaving In Faith ministries, our missionary support will be sent directly to the Blanchard Church
- Baby Bottle campaign members possibly coming to talk-was discussed and did not feel it was necessary to have them come
- Christmas Day service was discussed—Songs, Service and the Christmas Story
- Need to appoint another Deaconess, Debbie Boleneus was selected-1 year appt contingent on a 3 yr. term
- Senior Citizens are using the church to play pinochle. They are very grateful and happy to have a place to get together

Youth Pastor Notes

- Youth Leadership, Awana (Trek and Journey), Youth Group all going strong with quite a few kids in attendance
- Mexico Mission Trip is on hold until COVID restrictions are lowered, most of the money has been raised, may need a few more fund raisers for new kids
- Oregon Mission Trip to Crystal Springs Youth Ranch sometime next spring, TBD
- CaC (Career and College)
  - Numbers are strong with several non-Christians in attendance
  - Thanksgiving party Nov. 25<sup>th</sup>
  - Christmas party Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>
- Discussed the need for a newer van or bus-capacity is an issue due to driver licensing -will start looking into prices

Treasurer's Report

- Benevolence fund-Just under \$3000
- Mission trip funds-\$1800
- General fund-\$43,200

Old Business

- Lady's Christmas Tea-Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> -Elders serving-Need to be there at 10:30, dressed up ready to serve

New Business

- Communion Schedule set-on the calendar
- Discussed paying other leadership positions in the church. No action taken

Next meeting, Jan 7, 6:30 pm

## Church Funds

Report not Available

## From the Gideons

"Pastor,

Another \$500 came in from your church members after the presentation. Congregation total: \$1,275.00.

Thank you

In Christ,

Mike Klungland, Treasurer, Gideons"

## Preparedness Class

Come join Pastor John and learn skills to prepare for emergency situations. Having been a survival instructor for the Air Force and Navy, John has skills that can help civilians in tough times as well.

This presentation will cover emergency food storage. Learn how to stock your pantry for short or longer term emergencies.

**Saturday, 30th Jan 2:30 to 4:00pm.**

## Seed Exchange

Ladies; it's the middle of winter, so it's time to think spring!

Do you save seeds for next year? Would you like to get started? If you think of indoor starts and garden planning, this will be a great day for you to visit church on a Saturday. You can visit and share ideas as well as seeds, and snacks will be provided. Bring your green thumb, and we'll see you there—

**Saturday, January 30th, Noon—2 pm**



by John Doyle

# Youth Stuff

GOOD BYE 2020!!! Hello 2021? Last year has been, well shall we say interesting. This Year we are planning big and great things. 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.

Youth Group will restart regular meetings January 10th.

## The Big Event

This month; the Youth GANG will be heading to Cocolalla Lake Bible Camp for Winter Camp. Jan 15-17. For Registration and more information go to clbcamp.org.

## Youth Leadership Training (YLT)

A more intensive study with an emphasis on Discipleship. Every Friday @ 4:30. YLT will restart regular meetings January 8th

## C&C Group (College and Career)

A fellowship for young adults 18 to ????. This month come join us for "Movie Night" Jan 8th 6pm at the Youth Ministry Trailer. Bring a snack to share.

## Upcoming Events

**Winter Camp**, Jan 15-17, Register at clbcamp.org

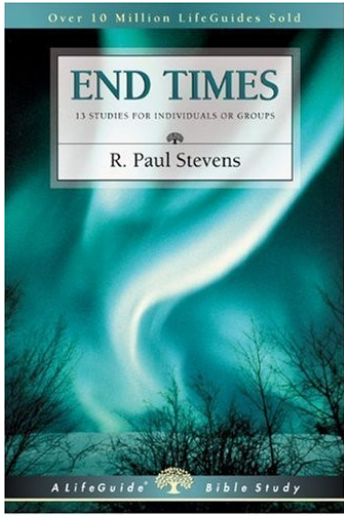


## Volunteer

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



New Ladies' Sunday School Class



After taking a few weeks off, the Ladies Sunday School Class will begin a study of End Times from the Life Guide Bible Study series.

We expect to begin this study on January 17th, but you are welcome to join us sooner as we finish our study of Galatians. The Ladies' Sunday School Class meets at 10:15 Sunday mornings in Room 1 of the Sunday School wing.

If you are interested, please talk to Debbie Bole-neus.



In celebration of Sanctity of Life Month this January, we are partnering with Life Services for their Baby Bottle Cam-paign. Starting Sunday January 17th, we will have Baby Bottles available in our lobby for our in-person audience.

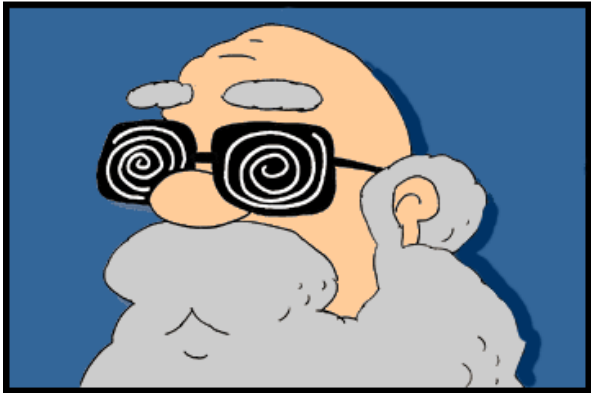
Please consider taking one home with you or making your own container at home. Over the coming weeks, you can drop coins, bills or checks into your baby bottle. You can also text "baby bottle" to 509-207-1712. We encourage you to also use this baby bottle as an opportunity to talk about the sanctity of life from a biblical perspec-tive with your family and friends.

For questions and more information visit life-services.org/babybottle/.



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Awana in the New Year

The big change we see in Awana as we move to the new calendar is—missing. It looks like we're going to continue as we have been doing. We plan for Sparks and Cubbies to continue meeting on Tuesdays, T&T and Trek & Journey to continue on Wednesdays.

Special Nights in January:

Jan 5-6	Middle of Summer Night
Jan 12-13	Sports Night
Jan 19-20	Duct Tape Night
Jan 26-27	Fashion Disaster night

Penny Parade Report:

Great job! We were able to send a check to Awana Mission-aries Jim and Bev VanMersbergen for \$467! \$200 of that came in a single donation from a church member, but the rest was raised by you. Thanks for being so generous.



Missionaries of the Month:  
Brad & Shilo Cain  
Serving in Mexico



# January 2021

Women's Ministry Leader: Janice Emery  
Group Members: Sara Wilkie



Wanda Bowman  
Tiffany Abell  
Trina Ball

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Coffee Fellowship	4	5 Awana 6-7:30 pm Middle of Summer Night	6 Awana 6-7:30 pm Middle of Summer Night	7 BSF 10:30 am Ladies Prayer 4 pm  Elders Meeting 6:30 pm	8 Youth Leadership 4:30 pm  CAC Movie Night 6 pm 	9
10 Youth Group 3:30—5 pm	11 Mission Committee Meeting 5 pm	12 Awana 6-7:30 pm Sports Night	13 Awana 6-7:30 pm Sports Night	14 BSF 10:30 am Ladies Prayer 4 pm  Quarterly Board Meeting 6:30 pm	15  Winter Camp @ CLBC January 15 & 16 & 17	16
17 New Ladies Sunday School Class Begins Life Services Baby Bottle Fundraiser Begins Youth Group 3:30—5 pm	18	19 Awana 6-7:30 pm Duct Tape Night	20 Awana 6-7:30 pm Duct Tape Night	21 BSF 10:30 am Ladies Prayer 4 pm	22 Youth Leadership 4:30 pm	23
24 Shumway's Share Mission Trip Plans  Youth Group 3:30—5 pm	25	26 Awana 6-7:30 pm Fashion Disaster Night	27 Awana 6-7:30 pm Fashion Disaster Night	28 BSF 10:30 am Ladies Prayer 4 pm	29	30 Seed Exchange Noon—2  Preparedness Class 2:30—4 pm 
31 Communion/Benevolence Offering  Youth Group 3:30—5 pm						