

Brookings Seventh-day Adventist Monthly Newsletter

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From the Pastor's Desk

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God Has Been With Us

"Forget the former things; do not dwell on the past. See, I am doing a new thing! Now it springs up; do you not perceive it? I am making a way in the wilderness and streams in the wasteland" (Isaiah 43:18, 19)

As we look back over the past months, we have seen God at work helping our church in new ways. When we had to shut down all meetings, God provided Zoom, conference calls, and Facebook Live. As a result, Sabbath School attendance increased -- people could more easily access the online classrooms. The number of people viewing our Facebook Live worship hour programs and mid-week prayer meetings also increased.

Financially, we have been pleased to see the tithe grow. Church budget giving needs a boost, and we trust the church will continue to be generous. We are doing what we can to cut costs. A cheaper, smaller dumpster will replace the large one. You can give to church budget by clicking at the top of the website, "online giving," at <http://brookingsda.org/>. If you prefer to send by mail, simply mark your gift Church Budget and send to Brookings Seventh-day Adventist Church, P.O. Box 777, Brookings, OR 97415. A tithe envelope is not required as long as the gift is marked for a particular fund. If you wish more tithe envelopes, please call our treasurer, Jan Winslow, at 707 954 1516 and she will send you some.

On Sabbath, June 20, we began on site worship services once again with the theme, "Justice And Mercy For All." The Lord blessed us with 31 attendees, including many participants who led out in different ways to make the event a success. The Facebook Live broadcast brought the service to those who cannot attend and it has already had 135 views.

God is doing a new thing. Let us trust Him to keep blessing us in the work of sharing His love with others.

Women's Ministries

There are a number of women in the Bible who inspire not only in how they lived, but also because of their strong faith in difficult circumstances.

We can learn a great deal from their stories. One example is the story of the five daughters of Zelophehad- Mahlah, Noa, Hoglah, Milcah and Tirzah. They came to Moses with a concern on how the Promised Land was to be divided in relation to their family. Referenced in Numbers 27:1-11, these young women stood fearless and firm and as result reformed the culture of their day. Because they spoke up they reversed precedent and claimed possession of their father's inheritance. The case of the daughters of Zelophehad expanded the legal rights of women. Due to this ruling, women were included in the list of eligible heirs of property.

Bible Brain Teaser

So Many Dreamers

1. Who told Pilate that a worrisome dream made it clear that Pilate was to have nothing to do with Jesus?
2. Joseph, Mary's husband, was warned in dreams to do four things. What were they?
3. In Nebuchadnezzar's tree dream, who is symbolized by the majestic tree that is cut down?
4. Daniel had a dream of four beasts rising out of the sea. What did they look like?

Angels All Around

Submitted by Shernette Wallace

[I'm going to share a remarkable story I read recently, written by Melony Coleman, the wife of a pastor in southern Oregon.]

My husband is a pastor in the US state of Oregon and it was opening night of our evangelistic series, "Revelation of Hope." I have been encouraging more prayer in our church, so I decided that I would oversee the prayer room during the series. My team consists of mostly homebound elderly friends or people praying from their homes, so I wasn't sure how much participation I would have during the meetings. I decided to create a prayer room anyway, hoping that some church members would be willing to come in and pray periodically during the meetings.

That first Friday night it was just me. I felt alone, but I prayed anyway. Again, Sabbath evening it was just me. I felt a bit more discouraged. I put on a beautiful rendition of "The Lord's Prayer." While it played, I prayed. "I know that where two or three are gathered together in Your name, You are there Lord, but what if it is just me?" I prayed silently.

When the song finished, I opened my eyes and the room was full of angels. I started crying as I looked around the room in amazement. The angels were tall, as tall as the ceiling, with broad shoulders. They stood shoulder to shoulder with their backs to the wall, around the edges of the room. I felt tiny compared to them. They had wings and wore flowing robe-like clothes. I was drawn to their faces. They looked like men, very handsome men. Their eyes were so kind and they smiled gentle, comforting smiles. Their facial features were defined and they had a warrior-like atmosphere of boldness about them. Their dark hair flowed down to their shoulders and they looked almost iridescent. While I couldn't see through them, I almost could. Their forms shone with a yellow white color. I was only able to see them for four or five seconds and then they were gone, but I couldn't stop crying for the rest of the evening.

I had been so discouraged, wondering if God could work if it was only me in the prayer room. He showed me in a miraculous way that if one person is praying, it is enough. I feel so unworthy and humbled that He would give me this great gift. I still cry often as I think about this sacred experience.

I continue to pray in our church prayer room alone, but I am no longer discouraged, for I know the room is full of angels even though I can't see them. I just had to share! We must never underestimate the power of prayer. Even if just one person is praying, that's enough. God is at work even when we can't see.

Coleman, Melony. "Angels All Around" www.revivalandreformation.org/uip/blog April 29, 2020

Upcoming Events

Pulpit Schedule:

July 4,11,18—Pastor Barry.
July 25 TBD

Sabbath programming:

For access to the online Bible study guide, visit: ssnet.org. This website has updated links to all Sabbath School lessons for all divisions.

There are two Zoom adult Sabbath School classes::

- Contact **Bob Biegel** 541-661-5161 for a link to the class.
- **Shantel Escobar : Zoom.com**
(Room ID: 737 254 0470)
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The Sanctuary Class Zoom Sabbath School can also be viewed on Facebook Live on Sabbath at 9:15 am on the church Facebook page

Midweek Prayer Meeting starting Wednesday, July 1 at 7pm by Zoom call. Meeting ID: 399 814 9561. Theme for July meetings-Winning Spiritual Battles.

Monday & Friday 7 am prayer call Conference call number: 1 503 300 6845. Code 887408

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Brookings Seventh-day Adventist Church.

For live presentations and recorded video messages.

Azalea Festival, July 17-19. Pray for this opportunity to reach out to the community. Our church is in the process of applying for a table spot.

Community Worship Service Sunday, July 19 at 10am at the band shell in Azalea Park.

Gladstone Camp Meeting July 21-25

Watch it on OregonAdventist.org, or Facebook at Oregon Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

July 17-18 is Spanish camp meeting. Check the website for details.

July 21 -25 is English camp meeting. Speakers will include evening presenter, José Rojas, and morning presenter, Sung Kwon. Daytime seminars will feature a variety of topics: Pam Strachan (Adventist Medical Center), Pastor Matthew Lucio (Adventist History Podcast), Tom Evans, Sung Kwon (NAD Adventist Community Services), Justin Khoe (I'm Listening YouTube Channel), Kaleb Eisele

The online Grief Recovery class

has been postponed to a later date to be determined.

- Brain Teaser Answers**
1. His wife (Matthew 27:19)
 2. Marry Mary, take different route out of Bethlehem, flee from Egypt, and return from Egypt (Matthew 1:18-2:23)
 3. Nebuchadnezzar (Daniel 4:5-17)
 4. A lion, a bear, a leopard, and a monster with iron teeth (Daniel 7)

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Heroes An online VBS program will be airing **July 6-10**. Those who wish to sign up can do so directly at <https://www.adventistvbs.org/explore/sign-up-for-vbs-updates>.

Here is a preview video:

<https://vimeo.com/429448428>

Oregon Conference is hosting online children's camp meeting programs,

July 21-25,

for two different age groups (age 3-5, and grades 1-4).

To get the kit for this program, visit;

<https://campmeetingvolunteers.wufoo.com/forms/zuk7ziji6c8v9f/>



There is a kids art contest sponsored by the General Conference for ages 5-14 with a deadline of

November. 1

For more information:

<https://children.adventist.org/kids-talents-for-jesus>

Children's Corner



The hummingbird is the smallest of all birds. It has a long needle-like bill which is used in sipping nectar from flowers. It also feeds upon tiny insects and spiders found in and around these flowers.

The hummingbirds carry pollen from blossom to blossom just as bees do. The hummingbirds dainty nest is placed on a branch of a tree or shrub. It is made of small plants formed into a tiny cup and covered with moss, bark and fibers, all bound together with spider webs. It is less than one inch across on the inside and holds two tiny white eggs.

Many types of these birds flap their wings 50-80 times per second. That's actually slow for them! When they dive they can flap their wings up to 200 times per second.

