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n Friday, October 28th we will once again host a night of fun, snacks, costumes, candy and outreach to our community. Can you help? We need people to help set up, run game booths, and clean up.

If you are interested or would like more information call the church office or see Charmaine Eggett. And watch for opportunities to sign-up to help or donate goodies.





Missions Fest Seattle

October 7-8, 2016
Westminster Chapel Bellevue, WA

"Global Disruption: Problem or Opportunity"

Contact Larry or Ruth Hartman at 675-0244

if you're interested in attending.



A Nationwide Call for Spiritual Awakening

October is Pastor Appreciation Month

Find a way to show your Pastoral Staff how much you value their ministry here at FBC!

ONECRY

The next OneCry Women's prayer time will be

Thursday, October 6, 6:45 to 8:00 PM

at Ruth Hartman's: 4470 Sunday Dr., Oak Harbor.

We have the privilege to pray together and seek our Father, our Savior and the Spirit as we ask for His healing and revival. We pray that each of us will discern with clarity the outpouring of His wisdom at this critical time in the history of our nation. It is a time for repentance and revival in our land. He says in His word:

"And rend your heart and not your garments. Now return to the LORD your God, for He is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger, abounding in lovingkindness and relenting of evil."

Joel 2:13 (NASB)

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The DeNeuis in France

An Unforgettable Summer: Two Teams and a Baptism

We knew before the summer got started that it would be anything but slow and boring! We were geared up to welcome two teams from California and ready to build, paint and teach English! In all honesty, we were a bit nervous, for several reasons: Did we prepare enough and take care of all the details for their trip? Would their experience serving our church in France be positive? Would our French church come around the two teams and show them love and take the time to get to know them? Would we have the energy to host two teams back to back?!!!!!

God answered so many prayers this summer and did an amazing thing in our church and even in our community. We had two incredible teams and were blessed by their hard work, fun spirits and love for the French people.

Team OCF

This work team came ready to help us fix up our church basement so that it could be used as a Sunday School or Youth Group room. They also helped us repaint the front of our church. Great friendships were formed and major work was com-



The California Dreamin' English Camp Team: Rosaline, Rich, Marie, Bret, Kim, and Yin

pleted. This team brought so much joy to our church and even blessed us with an amazing Mexican meal! Thanks Michael!!! Our French church was blown away by the fact that American believers would come all the way to France



to serve our church in this way.

Our French church in prayer to thank God for the OCF Team and to send them off with a blessing.



We were sad to see them leave!

Team Journey of Faith

Months before this team came, they were receiving training and meeting together to prepare an English Camp like none other!!! And no one was disappointed! As we taught English together to 18 young people (ages 9-32!) from a variety of spiritual backgrounds, the team's love for God and the students was so evident. A number of us were able to have one-on -one conversations about spiritual matters, which was very encouraging. After our morning classes, we would move to activities such as music and choreography, painting, baking and baseball! The student evaluations came back extremely positive and most said they would come back next year to a similar camp and would even like monthly gettogethers throughout the year! So that's what we plan on doing, with our first California Dreamin' reunion this Saturday! A local newspaper wrote a



very positive article about our English camp and an English Teacher from the local high school (the largest high school in our entire region of France) came and observed and said she would publicize this to her students next year and she'd love to

come and help! Praise God!

Anne's Baptism

After church one day in May, our Pastor, Christophe, took Anne aside and asked her how her spiritual life was going? He asked her if she wanted to be baptized. This really got Anne thinking. She came home and talked to us and decided that she was ready to take that step in following Jesus. She



began a pretty intensive class in preparing her for baptism. Anne was determined to be prepared for her bap-



tism in time for the visit of her sister

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Alison. It was a very special day for Anne and our whole family and an answer to a prayer that began in my heart a year ago. Thank You Jesus!

Our awesome construction team:

Some More Pictures!





Some serious construction

Fearless Karissa showing us how it's done

Under-Supported...

Recently we have learned that a long-time individual supporter and long-time church partner are no longer able to support us. We thank them for their faithfulness and generosity over the

years. Their regular support has helped to make our years of ministry possible. But this means we need new partners to be able to continue as missionaries in French-speaking Europe. If you are in-



A barbecue at the end of the camp for families and friends—a great way to finish!

terested in joining our support team or have questions about what that means, please go to the link shown below, or email us directly.

To make/modify a financial commitment or give a special gift towards the DeNeui's ministry, go to:

https://www.worldventure.com/give/select.php?id=a5OF0000004J3cMAE&type=m

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Greetings SOM Partners,

Trust everyone is doing OK. Here is a brief video one our team members (Billy Jackson) put together for us, as an update regarding our time here in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The reason for the video is that one of our supporting churches (Desert Springs Community Church, Goodyear, AZ) emailed asking for a video update that they could share at their upcoming Missions Conference in mid Oct.. Well, As only God could arrange, Billy (who has a ministry of photography/television production) was here at the exact time the request came through. So, he quickly did a brief interview with John and added a bunch of pics from the week and put together this wonderful presentation. We pray you enjoy it and please feel free to share. https://youtu.be/SUKz950YViM

As you know we have been here for 3 weeks now hosting work teams after the Flood Disaster that struck here. Our first week of team came from OH/IN/MO/CO/LA. What a great group to "kick-start" this project:):).

We ask that you keep us in your prayers as we continue this relief effort. Pray for wisdom and direction as we lead the work crews and for the devastated homeowners that are trying to put their lives back in order. Pray we are an encouragement to them and that they see the love of Christ in everything we do!

If you would like to help with this Disaster Relief project you can still do so, by sending your love gift to Steppin Out Missions P.O. Box 532 Sugarcreek, OH 44681. Please mark your gift - LA Flood Disaster. All gifts are tax deductible. 100% of your gift goes to this project.

Thank you, Shirley Corley Steppin Out Missions, 330-852-7855 www.somissions.com Gal. 6:2 - "Bear ye one another's burdens and so fulfill the law of Christ"



Youth Calendar for October 2016



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
acter; and character,	only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, charr; and character, hope. And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts ugh the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us." Romans 5:3-5 (NIV)							
2 SS 9:50 in C-6 Book of John	3	4	5 6:30 pm Dinner Sr. High ~ Poor in Spirit/hopeless Jr. High ~ Bible Names and Faces	6	7	8		
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16 SS 9:50 in C-6 Book of John	17	18	19 6:30 Dinner Sr. High ~ Meek Jr. High ~ Bible Names and Faces	20	atthew5:1-12			
23 SS 9:50 in C-6 Book of John	24	25	26 6:30 Dinner Sr. High ~ Desire for Righteousness Jr. High ~ Bible Names and Faces	27	Sr. High B	29 Bellingham		
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Bellingham Retreat								



DIY: God Qualifies the Called

by Stacy Edwards, from Devotions from the Front Porch

But Moses replied in the LORD's presence, "Since I am such a poor speaker, how will Pharaoh listen to me?" — Exodus 6:30 HCSB

It used to be that if you had a problem with your toilet, you would call a plumber. If you had some faulty lighting, an electrician was the person to call. Whatever your need may have been, the logical thing to do was to get in touch with an expert in that area. Most folks would never have considered shingling their own roofs or remodeling their own kitchens. There are professionals for that sort of thing.

Then the DIY movement took over. People began to realize that, with just a little guidance, they could do just about anything. Instead of reaching for the phone, a person can simply watch a how-to video and do it herself. A little confidence and the proper tools are all that is necessary.

Sometimes God calls people to do things that they may think would be better left to the professionals. The Bible, however, is full of DIYers. Moses didn't consider himself qualified to speak to Pharaoh, but he did. Even Paul admitted that he wasn't the most eloquent speaker, yet he preached the gospel everywhere he went. Gideon didn't feel like a warrior, but God called him to be one.

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From the Worship Desk

Now That You Believe: Jesus Christ name that is above every name,

Tebrews 12:2 calls Jesus the "author and perfecter of faith." Jesus Christ is essential to the Christian faith for without Christ there is no Christianity! To be a Christians means to be "like Christ." Without Jesus Christ there is no one

to emulate in Christianity. Little puts it this way, "Buddha is not essential to the teaching of Buddhism, or Muhammed to Islam, but everything about Christianity is determined by the person and work of Jesus Christ" (Know What You *Believe*, pg. 54).

So who was Jesus Christ and why is he so important? First of all, Jesus Christ was fully God! The Apostle John says

in John 1:1, "The Word was God" in reference to Jesus. Paul follows that in Titus 2:13 by calling Jesus, "our great God and Savior." Jesus also affirmed his deity with his statements about he and the Father being One. This was even understood by the reli-

being a statement of equality with God. This means that Jesus contained all the character of God that we discussed in last month's issue of the FamilyGram. Jesus lacked none of God's character.

Second, Jesus Christ was fully human. Hebrews 2:16-18 calls Jesus our great high priest, and having gone through all that humanity endures is able to understand and sympathize with us. He ex-

perienced humanity from a human perspective. Matthew 1:18 gives us the context of his natural birth to a human mother. John 1:14 says, "The Word became flesh and dwelt among us." Jesus experienced hunger and thirst (Mt. 4:2; Jn. 19:28), tiredness (Jn. 4:6), love and compassion (Mt. 9:36), grief (Jn. 12:27), and faced concern going to the cross (Jn. 12:27). However, in all things he was holy, righteous, and obedient to the Father.

Third and finally (for this article), Jesus Christ was the perfect sacrifice for humanity's sin condition. Being God himself, having experienced all of humanity's frailties, and being holy, righteous, and obedient in all things gave him,

and only him the opportunity to atone for humanity's sin condition. I would like to quote Philippians 2:5b-12 here as a reminder of one of the earliest statements about Christ that we have... 'Christ Jesus: Who, being

gious authorities in his day as **Pastor Drian** in very nature God did consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!

> Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the

that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue acknowledge that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father".

We will all one day bow our knee in honor to Christ but what does that look like for us now? It is one thing to "know about" Jesus and another thing totally to "KNOW" Jesus. One is a head knowledge that gives us a sense of hope and security but keeps Jesus at arm's length as we do our best run our own lives. The other is a head knowledge combined with a heart and spirit sensitivity to His leading in our lives that gives us not only a sense of hope and security, but the full certainty of the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. To "KNOW" God is to state with Paul in Romans 8, "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

If you are living with a "know about" Jesus relationship and not a "KNOW" relationship with Jesus come talk to one of the Pastors or Elders to begin going deeper in your relationship with Christ. Or pursue Jesus in scripture and prayer and begin to find out more about Him who is the "Author and Perfecter of faith." ₽

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Scripture is full of ordinary men and women doing extraordinary things with just a little courage and the willingness to obey. It wasn't a seasoned mother, but a virgin girl chosen to raise the Son of God. It wasn't theologians but fishermen whom

Christ called to follow Him.

Don't wait until you feel qualified to do what God is calling you to do. If He wanted a "professional," He would have chosen one! A willing and teachable DIYer can do more for God than someone who thinks they already know everything.

Prayer for Today:

I don't have to know everything, Lord. I just need to know and trust You. I offer my talents and my life to You to be used as You see fit.

From Devotions from the Front Porch by Stacy Edwards, copyright Thomas Nelson.



RAISE THE LORD!!!

It is such a blessing to be a part of Awana here at Family Bible Church!

How Far Does Awana at FBC Reach?

Through faith in the Lord, the blessing of our church and the commit-

ment of 35+ volunteers, 107 (and counting) children are able to learn about the Bible and it's teachings each week. These clubbers and volunteers represent 66+ families and 17 churches throughout the island! GOD IS GOOD!!

This ministry truly would not be possible without the volunteers who've answered the call and the monetary scholarship donations (to cover book, uniform and awards costs) for those families who desire their children to learn God's Word but may not have the funding to cover the costs of these supplies!

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For a continual response by those who are being called to this ministry to answer the call. We are reaching capacity with the leaders we have and we don't want to turn away any child/family with a desire for

learning and growing in God's word.

For our current leaders to continue to seek the Lord's guidance in reaching out to the clubbers each week. That their commitment and faith remain strong.

For our families to continue to be committed to bringing the children to club as schedules get busy and cluttered.

DON'T FORGET

Mt Vernon - Contact Tina King for info and/or to register (\$40 per person) 360-240-1451.
Anyone can attend - not just Awana leaders. Conference Workshops are posted on the Awana board by the Children's Ministry office. Registration is open through the beginning of the conference.

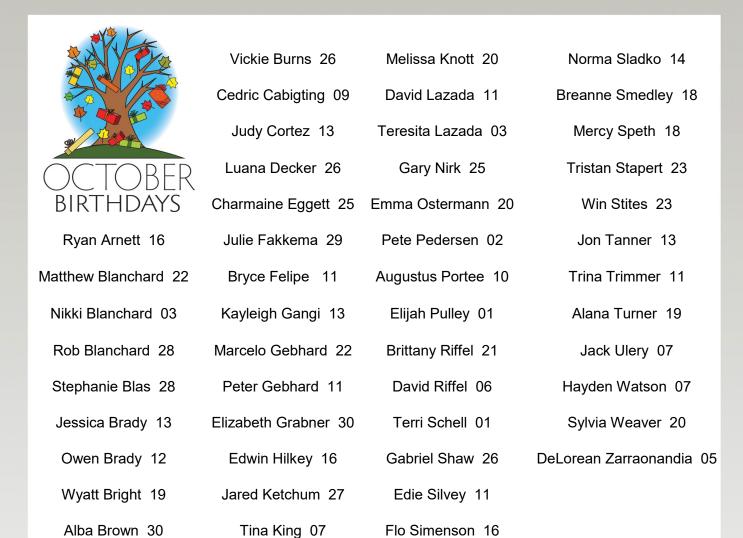
LOOKING AHEAD

- Nov 4th Awana Grand Prix -Weigh In/Early Check In - Foyer - 5-8pm
- Nov 5th Awana Grand Prix -Racing Starts at Noon ♥



AWANA Calendar October 2016

Sun	Mon	Mon Tue		Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 Trek & Journey 6:00	3	4 Cubbies, Sparks & TnT "Goofy Glasses"	5	6	7	8
9 Trek & Journey 6:00	10	11 Cubbies, Sparks & TnT "Bring Mom & Dad"	12	13	14	15 Grand Prix Cut out 9 AM-12 in C-6
16 Trek & Journey 6:00	17	18 Cubbies, Sparks & TnT "Silly Sox"	19	20	21	22
23 Trek & Journey 6:00	24	25 Cubbies, Sparks & TnT "Camo"	26	27	28	29
30 Trek & Journey 6:00	31	1 November	2	3	4 Grand Prix Check In 5-8 PM	5 Grand Prix Racing Starts at 12:00 Noon





Tammy & Derek Ostermann
Ashley & Jay Jones
Trina & Brad Trimmer
Wenbo & Fabyan Decker
Heather & Michah Franklin
Lisa & Jason Stapert
Stephanie & Peter Gebhard
Dorothy & John Schulz

Bev & Clay Miller
Paula & Rick Geist
Kathy& Brian Thompson
Ann & Jim Eelkema
Lynette & Jeff Tompkins
Jim & Elva Hannahan
Judi & Jack Ulery
Carol & J. Reverdy Allender



From the Halvorson Family:

We had a wonderful time with all of you this summer on August 7th. What a joy it was to see so many dear brothers and sisters in Christ who we have not worshiped with in so long. Dan enjoyed bringing the message to the congregation, and Lesli had a wonderful time sharing about life in Kenya in the Adult Sunday School class. The luncheon following the third service was a joy, getting the opportunity to talk with many of you one on one. Our only regret is that we did not have enough time to talk with everyone, and each conversation could have gone on much longer had we had

more time with you all. A huge Thank You to all those who worked hard on putting the luncheon together. Our time together reminded us how closely we are tied with you in love and friendship in the Lord.

We brought the greetings you sent back to Africa Inland Church Ngong Road, where we worship here in Nairobi, and they were received with a hearty clap! We miss and love you all, dear brothers and sisters, and look forward to the next time we will get to worship together with you! Thank you for walking closely with us, encouraging us, praying for us and supporting us in the work God has us doing here in East Africa with Africa Inland Mission!

Love,

The Halvorson Family



Lydia, Dan, Jon Michael, Abraham, Sarah, and Lesli

Family Bible Church is a non-denominational church. We are located at 2760 N. Heller Road, Oak Harbor. Our Sunday service times are 8:30, 9:50 and 11:20 AM with Sunday School running concurrently during 9:50 & 11:20 services.

Nursery is available for 9:50 and 11:20 services.

Church **office hours are 8:00 AM - 5:30 PM, Monday - Thursday.**You can contact us by calling 679-1585. Our FAX # is 679-6144.
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To All Silver Eagles & Friends

Note changes.

Beginning in October S.E. will go back to daylight functions.

October 21, 2016
There will be NO 12:00 potluck.
Movie Matinee on the BIG screen

in FBC sanctuary. :30 and movie runs from 2:00 – 4:0

Doors open 1:30 and movie runs from 2:00 – 4:00 No drinks or snacks will be provided.

Optional: 4:30 - early bird dinner at an Oak Harbor restaurant.

Questions? Call or email

Marjorie Kott at 360-675-3146 or mrkott@comcast.net

Upcoming **EVENTS**

Every Tuesday 6:00 PM The Pier—College & Career

Every Wednesday 6:30 PM Prayer & Praise—Library

Mission Fest Seattle
October 7-8 Westminster Chapel Bellevue

Silver Eagles 2:00 PM Friday, October 21st

9:15 AM, Wednesday 6:30 PM, Thursday Harvest Festival Friday, October 28

LOOKING AHEAD

AWANA Grand Prix Races Nov 5th