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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.”



Adornment not Necessary

I listen to sports radio out of desperation—in the desperate hope that someone can put a good spin on recent results. Sometimes I get what I want. But often, they’re talking about something not sports-related at all.

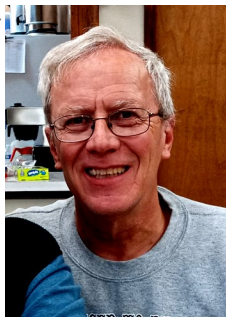
The other day, I couldn’t believe my ears when they were talking about a ‘Cannabis Dispensary’ next to a ‘Waffle House.’ They repeated both descriptions several times. I wondered why the one wasn’t a ‘Pot Shop’ and the other a ‘Breakfast Foods Dining Establishment.’

I didn’t wonder much. Apparently someone thought describing a pot shop in respectable terms makes it a respectable place. I will go out on a limb here and say no terms you can find will turn it into a respectable place.

I think I’m in favor of plain speech. We could encourage each other to sojourn at the praise and exaltation facilities, but I’m more comfortable with going to church.

The first four verses of Luke are written in classical Greek; sophisticated, aimed for the more educated audience. The rest of the New Testament was written in Koine Greek. This could be understood as street Greek, or common Greek. It was written in plain English (if you’ll pardon my French).

When Jerome translated the Bible into Latin, it was so the average man—because once the average man spoke Latin—could read the Bible. They called it the Vulgate because it was written in the vulgar language so the vulgar people could read it. When the King James Bible first came out, it was in the language of the common peo-



ple, who apparently were so classy they all spoke like Shakespeare. They were following the pattern of the original Bible writers—make God’s Word plain so it can be plainly understood.

In that plainly written Word, we read such plainly written things as, *“And when I came to you, brethren, I did not come with superiority of speech or of wisdom, proclaiming to you the testimony of God. For I determined to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and Him crucified. I was with you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling, and my message and my preaching were not in persuasive words of wisdom, but in demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith would not rest on the wisdom of men, but on the power of God”* (1 Cor 2:1-5).

Paul quoting what others said about him, wrote, *“they say ‘His letters are weighty and strong, but his personal presence is unimpressive and his speech contemptible”* (2 Cor 10:10).

Plain-spoken and unimpressive, but clear. And in that clarity the power of God is revealed.

The truth, like true beauty, does not need adornment. We can simply say what it is, and in the simplest and plainest way we know, and it will only be more clear because of that.

I could say, ‘So don’t be afraid to speak God’s truth,’ but looking at what is written above, I’ll say ‘speak God’s truth even if it is with fear and trembling.’ Because you don’t have to be fancy, it is better to be plain.

Photo of the Month



Missionary Robert McDowall appears to be in his element, speaking at the Men’s Turkey Shoot.

Elders Report

Thursday, 3 October 2024

Attendees: Steve McLachlan, John Doyle, Mike Bell, Dion Ricketts, Knute Hernas; Jeremy Eaton via phone

Previous minutes were reviewed and approved.

Reviewed the Membership rolls. Plan to review the "Removal from Membership" letter next meeting.

Pastor's report

- Helen Carpenter has asked permission to lead a SS class for "mature women." Approved.
- The Tuesday evening Doctrine class is going well, with 8 persons attending.
- Monday Night Football at Andrew Abell's house is being minimally attended, but he's a great host!
- Larry and Vonny Pratt with In-Faith will share at AWANA Oct. 9. Suggest a \$200 donation. Approved.
- Building Report: nothing new. Planning a prayer circle inside the shell on Sunday just before Coffee Fellowship.

Youth Pastor's report

- Youth Leadership
 - The first meeting on Sept. 16 saw a great turnout: 16 students!
 - Cancelled the Sept. 20-21 retreat; however, 10 YLTs did a service project.
- "See You at the Pole" on 9/25 was a success at CHS, DHS and RHS.
- AWANA Trek/Journey: Average turnout is 11. We are studying the high school book entitled: Witness.
- Youth Group: 16 youth attended this week, the highest number for the season so far!
- CJ Finch does great as assistant.
- The "Spokavenger Hunt" was a BIG success, with 25 youth.
- A visit to Walters' Fruit Ranch in Green Bluff for their Harvest Festival is set for Oct. 20.

Old Business

- Scholarship verbiage (Camp and College) will be completed by November meeting.
- Turkey Shoot is Oct. 19
- Nomination for Elder is suspended this year.
- Sermons on YouTube: Credentials went to Dion's 'Spam' folder; will report next month.

New Business

- Reviewed recommendations for Missionary raises. Approved, with modifications to CLBC.

Intercessory Prayer

Next Meeting: Tuesday, 12 November 2024, 6:30pm

Church Funds 9/30/2024

Benevolence Fund	1,472.61
Bus Fund	3,600.00
Missionaries Reserve	3,625.00
Missions Fund	8,132.41
General Fund	116,927.63
Total	\$133,757.65
Building Fund	\$169,836.46
	\$303,594.11

Special Saturday Mornings

Ladies Breakfast, Saturday, Nov 2, at 9 am



Mens Breakfast, Saturday, Nov 16, 8 am

Good food and a great time. Join us if you possibly can!

Monday Night Chili



Guys, join us at Andrew Abell's, 810 Main, Mondays at 5:15 for a good time hanging out and watching the game. Devotions are the best way to spend half time!

Voted yet?



Directory in the Works

So many changes—New people, growing families, changing kids—we need a new church directory!

Please be sure to fill out our 'Information About You' slips with all the correct spelling and dates, and make sure our photo of you is recent enough that we recognize the real you!

Not for members only—this is for all regular attenders—even irregular attenders if you come often enough to consider TBF your home church.



by John Doyle

Youth Stuff

The chill is in the air and getting chilly...er, must be Novem-burr! Before we say hello to November let's say goodbye to October. What a great month! Youth Leadership and Youth Group are in full swing and packed full of kids, fun and Jesus! The big event for October was a huge success. We packed the bus full of Youth and family and headed to Walters' Fruit Ranch for TBF Harvest Festival. Special thanks to all the adults that came and helped keep the Youth in line. A very special thanks to Mr. Downing for driving the bus!

This month we have scheduled not only lots of Youth Group and a couple of Youth Leadership meetings but we are headed to Cocolalla for the Fall Retreat. So Put on your Tuques (Beenie hats) and hold on! That's right!.....the Youth G.A.N.G. is on the move!!!

Youth Group G.A.N.G. (God's Anointed Next Generation)

Youth Group 3:30 to 5pm Sundays, come hang with the G.A.N.G. Discover the Word of Christ and maybe a game or two.

Youth Leadership Training

YLT Meetings for the month of November 4th and 18th 5:30-7:30pm.

Youth Group Big Event

Fall Retreat Cocolalla Lake Bible Camp. Nov 8-9th, Bus Leaves 3:30pm from TBF will be back 7pm on Saturday. Have your Youth sign-up for the bus when registered.

Upcoming Event

TBF Youth Christmas Party (Dec)

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, tbfpdoyle@gmail.com



Thank you so much for shopping and filling boxes for Operation Christmas Child. As of this writing, there are 85 full boxes up on the stage, and 11 boxes in the library awaiting just a few items. Some of you are filling boxes at home—thank you for doing that as well. Pray for all of these boxes, that God will bless them as they go out, and bring blessings through them.

Once again, we are a regional distribution center. Contact Annie Ricketts if you can help man the church during any of these hours from Nov 18 to 25:

Mon, 11 am—1 pm	Tues, 2 —4 pm
Wed, 11 am—1 pm	Thurs, 12:30—2:30 pm
Fri, 11 am—1 pm	Sat, 10 am—N
Sun, 11 am—3 pm	Mon, 10 am—N



Nominations

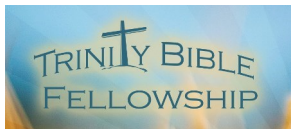


Mark your calendar for Sunday, November 17th, for our Annual Business Meeting. Of course it starts with a Pot Luck, which is followed by committee reports and voting on Budget items—including missionary support, board members, and any other business that comes up.

Nominations for this year are:

Trustee: Jim Buchanan and Wyatt Downing
 Deaconess: Sandy Buchanan
 Treasurer: Sue Warwick
 Secretary: Jana Scott
 Sunday School Superintendent: Tyson Lacy
 Missions Committee: Laurie Anderson, Sandy Buchanan, Janice Emery, Sharyn McClure

We will also be voting to add the Cocolalla Staff for \$200/month missions support

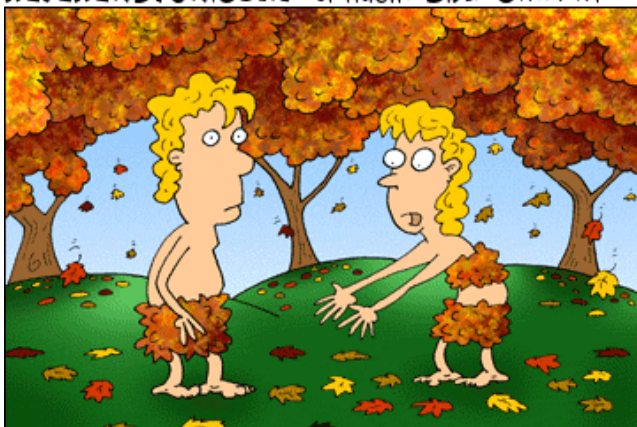


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Fall Back!
Saturday Night, Nov 2

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



Awana in November

We are already in our third month of Awana! Things are moving so fast, sometimes it seems we're just along for the ride. Parents—with the time change, things are going to be dark all the time. We try to keep the parking lot safe, but please be careful and drive s l o w l y!.

Special Nights in November

Nov 6	Baseball Cap Night
Nov 13	Patriots Night
Nov 20	Team Color Night
Nov 27	Thanksgiving Eve—No Awana

“In everything give thanks,
 for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus.”
 1 Thessalonians 5:18

Missionaries Of the Month:

Achmad & Dina Zeividavi



November 2024

Women's Ministry Leader: Janice Emery

Group Members: Rachel Lacy

Peggy Semprimoznik

Sandy Buchanan

Debbie Anderson



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
 <p>November 3rd Fall Back 1 hour</p>					1 Men's Coffee Connection 7 am 	2  9 am
3 Youth Group 3:30 pm	4 MNF @ Andrew Abell's Youth Leadership 5:30 pm	5	6 Awana 6 pm Baseball Hat Night	7 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	8 Men's Coffee Connection 7 am  Fall Youth Retreat @ CLBC November 8 & 9	9
10 Youth Group 3:30 pm	11 MNF @ Andrew Abell's	12 Elders Meeting 6:30 pm	13 Awana 6 pm Patriots Night Deaconess Meeting 3 pm	14 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	15 Men's Coffee Connection 7 am 	16  8 am
17 Annual Business Meeting/Potluck after church	18 MNF @ Andrew Abell's Youth Leadership 5:30 pm	19 Mission Committee Meeting 2 pm	20 Awana 6 pm Team Color Night	21 BSF 10 am Ladies Prayer 1 pm	22 Men's Coffee Connection 7 am 	23
<h2>Operation Christmas Child Drop -Off Week November 18-25</h2>						
24 Communion/ Benevolence Offering Youth Group 3:30 pm	25 MNF @ Andrew Abell's	26	27 NO AWANA	28 	29 Men's Coffee Connection 7 am 	30