Mid Week Letter 6-21-22

Well, it's pretty quiet at the office this week. Pastor Danny is serving as camp Pastor at Camp Yorktown Bay for the week and Pastor Kevin and MeLanie are taking a well deserved vacation to celebrate their 20th Anniversary while Charleigh is at said camp.

So, if you need any pastoral kind of assistance, you can reach out to our Head Elder, Steve Thompson, who, by the way, will be bringing us the Message of Hope **THIS SABBATH** about the Second Coming of Jesus.

One of our members, Paula Zorzin, is getting married! If you don't know Paula, she is the daughter of Rute and Carlos Zorzin. Paula will be marrying Alex Foy this Sunday and then the happy couple will be moving to Maine, where Alex's home state. We offer our **CONGRATULATIONS** and best wishes to Paula and Alex as they begin life together. May God richly bless your new family!

My other "news" certainly isn't news at this point. By now you all know about our **CELEBRATE FREEDOM** program that will be held in the church sanctuary, July 4th, from 5:00-6:00pm. As I was working on this program, I ended up going down a YouTube rabbit hole about our Constitution and Bill of Rights. I admit it's been a few years since I studied this in school, and I was struck by how amazingly the best form of government in history came to be. Surely God had a hand in leading our forefathers! For all our current flaws, America is still the freest, most prosperous, and most opportunity rich country in the world, and I'm proud to be an American! We hope you'll join us on July 4th as we thank God for our freedoms, and honor those who sacrificed to ensure those freedoms remain for us, our children, and our grand children.

Then stay by after the program to let the kids go crazy with all the free activities of our **FAMILY FIREWORKS FEST**. Park your lawn chairs or blankets under a tree, grab some concessions (Pathfinders will take cash or cards for burgers, hotdogs, and more), and settle in for the Burleson City fireworks display. Invite your neighbors to this community event.

One of the things we'll be doing at the FFF is signing up community kids for **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**. If you haven't registered your children yet you can do so <u>HERE</u>. And while you're at it, go ahead and check out all the ways you can volunteer and be a blessing at VBS! See you July 24th at 5:30pm!



Boy, has it been hot lately!! Well, now you can **ESCAPE THE HEAT WITH A FUN WATER DAY!** The first 30 Burleson Adventist Church kids, 4th grade and under that register, will get free entry to the BRiCk (Burleson recreation center). The fun begins Tuesday June 27th at 2:00 pm. Don't forget to register via the link below!

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Okay, that's it for this week. Do be careful in this heat! Hope to see you Sabbath. ☺ ~ Liz Simons ~

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Does fear sometimes persuade you that you aren't eligible for the gospel's promises of peace and restoration? Consider then, the vast variety of souls who found God's grace when they weren't looking for it.

A Jericho prostitute. A leprous general. A corrupt tax collector. A woman desperate for a child. A cultured religious leader. A demon-tortured wretch who gashed himself. A dying thief. A cheating king.

The list goes on and on, encompassing men and women in every imaginable life situation—the wealthy and the poor; the aged and the children; the slaves and those who imprisoned them; the doubting and the faithful; the obedient and those who broke God's law with wild abandon.

"For God has revealed His grace for the salvation of all people" (Titus 2:11).

The Bible is, above all else, a story of hope for broken, wounded, foolish folks like us. We were the people sitting in darkness on whom new light has dawned. "In Christ was life, and the life was the light of all people" (John 1:4). "God showed His great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners" (Rom 5:8).

Grace tells us that we're loved. Love teaches us to hope. Hope gives us wings to fly to faith. Faith coaxes us to trust in grace.

So stay in grace.

-Bill Knott

LET'S DO SOME RIDDLES FOR A CHANGE...SEE IF YOUR KIDS OR SPOUSE CAN GUESS THESE CORRECTLY.

- The more you take the more you leave behind. What am I? (footsteps)
- David's father has three sons: Snap, Crackle, and ? (David)
- I'm easy to lift but hard to throw. What am I? (a feather)
- What goes up but never comes down? (your age)
- How do you spell "cow" in thirteen letters? (SEE O DOUBLE YOU)
- A cowboy rode into town on Friday. He stayed for three nights and rode out on Friday. How is this possible?
 (His horse is named Friday)