

LAST SABBATH we had our Teacher/Student Blessing which was very nice. I thought I'd share a couple of pictures with you in case you weren't able to be present in person or online. I also want to give a thank you to our BAS teachers who so beautifully led our worship in music! Thank you for your willingness!



PLAYGROUND PROJECT And speaking of BAS, a shout out goes to the volunteers (including students) who helped spread the rubber mulch around the play areas on Monday. And a special and BIG thank you to Trevor Lane for bringing his bobcat to move the pallets, and taking pity on us in the heat and volunteering to finish the project with some of his workers today! Whew!

THIS SABBATH:

- Pastor Kevin will be bringing us the Message of Hope.
- We will also have the privilege of remembering the amazing sacrifice of Jesus by taking part in the Communion Service. I think sometimes we avoid Communion Sabbath. Maybe we feel uncomfortable or unworthy when this service focuses our attention on the cross. The reality is we ARE unworthy...that's what's so amazing about grace!! Praise God!!
- **POTLUCK** will be hosted this Sabbath by the Deaconesses. Bring a dish and plan to stay for good food and fellowship after church.

CLUB REGISTRATIONS This Sabbath our **Adventurer Club** will be holding registration in the church lobby before and after church. See graphic for all the details.



The graphic is a colorful flyer for the Burleson Cubs. At the top, a red ribbon banner reads "Burleson Cubs". Below it, another red ribbon banner says "Registration Aug 19th & 26th". To the right, contact information is listed: "Contact: Madilyn Gonzalez, Adventurer Director, 682-438-0568, burlesonsdacubs@gmail.com". The location is given as "Location: Burleson SDA Church Lobby". The text "Register your child ages 4-9 years old!" and "Meetings will be held two Saturdays a month from 4-6pm." is prominently displayed. A list of activities includes Campouts, Crafts, Snacks, Honors, Field Trips, and more. The bottom of the graphic features a cartoon illustration of children playing on a grassy hill with a small "ADVENTURER CLUB" logo. At the very bottom, it says "Parent Meeting August 26th @ 6pm - BSDA Fellowship Hall".

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Our **Pathfinder Club** will be hosting a vespers and family fun night on August 26th at the church at which time they will have registration. All are invited to this event whether or not you have a child in Pathfinders.

MEAL TRAIN: Christina Rocha, who is a member of our church, used to be our janitor for the church and BAS. She is a very hard worker who did an excellent job taking care of our facilities. Unfortunately, due to various health problems, she has not been able to work, or even walk well for some time. Christina is currently recovering from back surgery and a fractured foot. Let's bless her and her family with this Meal Train. Click [HERE](#) to sign up for a meal.

POWER WEEKEND: Many of you will remember the Power Weekend last year with Dr. Jorge Rico from Southwestern Adventist University. Back by popular demand, Dr. Rico will be presenting additional insights and study in the book of Revelation at our upcoming Power Weekend of Sep. 8-9. As is our custom, we will serve a free supper on Friday evening at 6:00 before the session. Dr. Rico will speak for

the worship hour and again Sat. night at 7:00 followed by refreshments and fellowship in the lobby. If you missed Dr. Rico's presentations last year you can watch them [HERE](#). Click on "view sermon by series" and scroll down to the "Three Angelic Voices for Today."



NEXT STEP WOMEN'S CENTER: Most of you know that our church has been working to bless and support a ministry in Burleson called Next Step Women's Center. We receive emails from them time to time where they share opportunities for the community to participate in their efforts to help women choose life for their unborn child. Today we received a message that we wanted to share with you and let you do with as you feel compelled.

Hello heroes!

I'm super excited about a new feature that empowers you to make an even greater impact through your donations. Introducing Round-Ups – a simple and effortless way to support our cause with every purchase you make.

Here's how it works: With Round-Ups, every time you make a purchase, the amount is rounded up to the nearest dollar, and the extra change is automatically donated to Next Step Women's Center. This small change can add up to a significant contribution over time, helping us create positive change in the lives of those we serve.

Your generosity has always been the driving force behind our work, and with Round-Ups, you can magnify the impact of your giving without any additional effort. It's a convenient way to turn your everyday transactions into meaningful contributions.

Ready to get started? Go to the link below and click "Round Up" to get started! It only takes 2 minutes, and you can set a maximum amount per month so you never go over budget.

<https://www.nextstepheroes.com/#donate>

Your spare change can make a world of difference. Thank you for your continued support. Together, we can make a lasting impact.

For life,

Magan Swaringen

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I believe that covers it for this week. I'll close with the last sentence of this week's GraceNotes: I hope you can take the time to read it in entirety. *"Grace calls us to receive the gift we cannot earn. Our acts of love are simply tokens of our praise."*



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 GraceNotes

Taking the stairs instead of the elevator. Giving money to a homeless man at the corner. Choosing fruit instead of ice cream for dessert.

All good things—but none will change your standing with God.

Rising at 4:00 a.m. to pray and meditate. Attending weekly worship services. Contributing 10 percent of your income to the work of ministry.

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"For by grace you have been saved through faith, and this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God—not the result of works, so that no one may boast" (Rom 2:8).

The good things grace inspires us to do are not the things that save us. Our forever destiny is assured only by trusting in what Jesus has done for us by laying down His life to pay the penalty for our sins. "But God proves His love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Much more surely then, now that we have been justified by His blood, will we be saved through Him from the wrath of God" (Rom 5:8-9).

So what good thing may we do to ensure our happiness both now and forever? "Jesus answered them, 'This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He has sent'" (John 6:29).

Grace calls us to receive the gift we cannot earn. Our acts of love are simply tokens of our praise.

So stay in grace.

—Bill Knott

FUNNIES:

If "selfies" were a thing in the Old Testament 😂❤️

BIRTHDAY CAKES IN GENESIS



It's so hot, I Just walked outside
and ran into Shadrach, Meshach,
and Abednego 😂🔥

God gets in the dirt 3x that I can think
of:

To create Adam
To bury Moses
& to defend a woman caught in
adultery

God is with us in the joy of birth
The pain of death
& kneels beside us in our shame
We can rest.

God can handle our dirt.

**Sister, when you
get on that scale,
remind yourself
that you are
wearing the full
armor of God and
that stuff is
HEAVY!**