

Mid Week Letter 10/11/23

### WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY:



### THOMSEN OBSERVATORY FUNDRAISER

Southwestern Adventist University is having another carwash fundraiser to support the Thomsen Observatory on October 12 & 13. If you are unfamiliar with the Thomsen Observatory you can check it out [HERE](#). The observatory is open the 1st and 3rd Friday nights each month to the community at no charge.

A promotional poster for a car wash fundraiser. At the top, it says 'Oct 12 &amp; 13' in large white letters. To the left, a list of services included with every wash: 'Vacuums &amp; Air Nozzles', 'Windshield Washer Fluid', 'Mat Cleaning Racks', 'Towel Exchange', and 'Window Cleaner'. A cartoon water drop character with sunglasses and a thumbs up is in the center. To the right of the character, it says 'USE CODE: 40300'. Below this, a section titled 'Select any single wash &amp; enter the code!' shows four options in circles: '\$10 Wash &amp; Wheels', '\$15 Wash &amp; Shine', '\$20 Wax &amp; Seal', and '\$25 Ceramic Shield'. The bottom section has a green background with the 'ClearWater Express Wash' logo and 'Cleburne &amp; Burleson Locations'. To the right of the logo, it says '20% OF SALES DONATED!'. At the very bottom, on a dark blue background, it says 'The Thomsen Observatory at Southwestern Adventist University CAR WASH FUNDRAISER'.

### THIS SABBATH

- Pastor Kevin will be bringing the Message of Hope from the book of Galatians.

- The offering emphasis is for Southwestern Adventist University

## OPEN GYM AND MOVIE NIGHT

It's time for more family fun and games at the BAS gym, this Saturday night at 7:30. The Adventurer Club will also be hosting an outdoor movie (bring a blanket or lawn chairs) and selling concessions. Come on out!



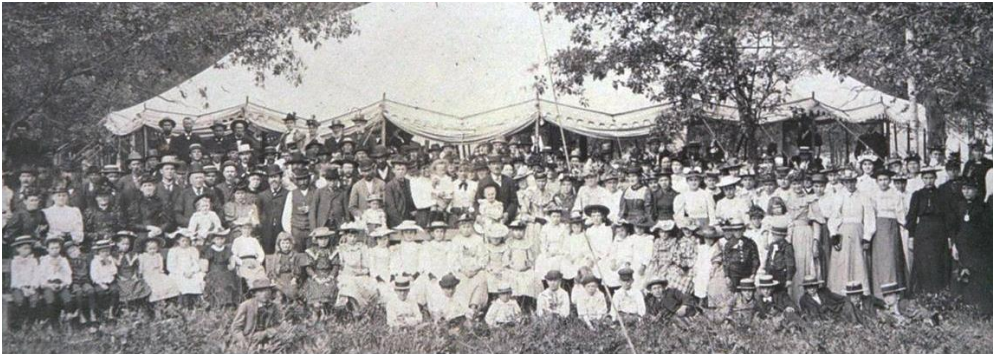
## YOUTH VESPERS

High Schoolers, join us for an outdoor vespers, October 20 at 6:30. Bring your blankets or fav chair as we receive the Sabbath together. Invite a friend for a chance to win some cool prizes! For more information call Pastor Danny: 626-243-3472.



## PIONEER SABBATH

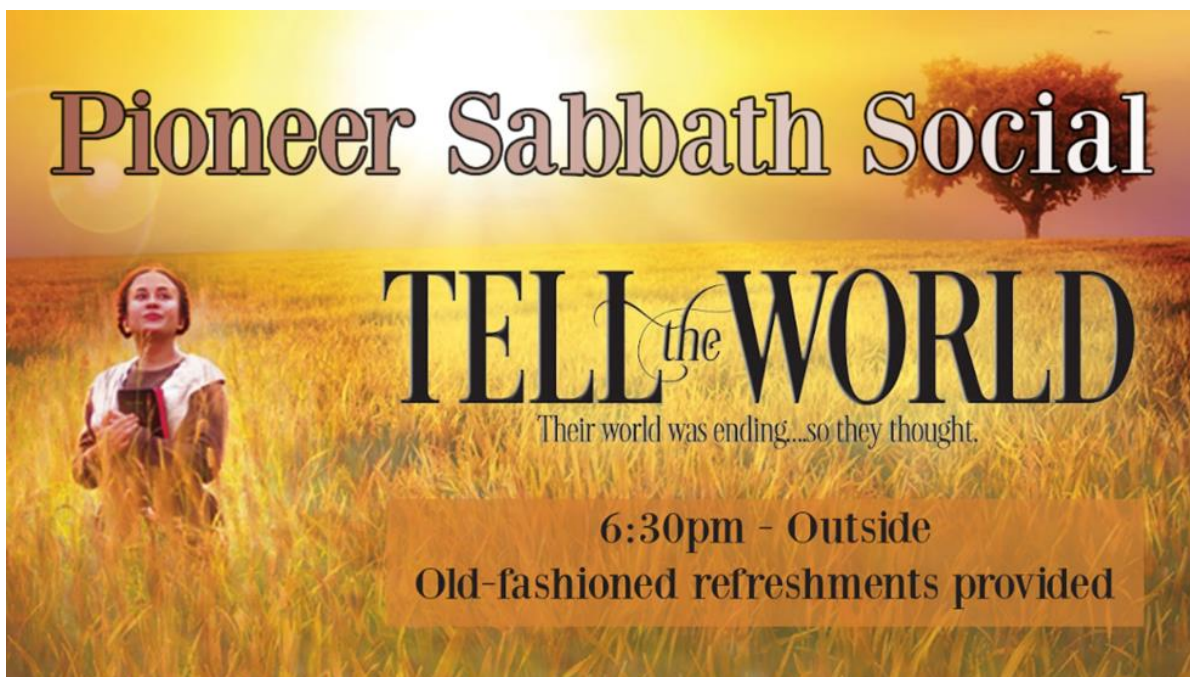
Our Pioneer Sabbath is just around the corner, October 21st. Think old fashioned tent camp meeting! Sabbath School will be held in the church, but the worship service and following **POTLUCK** will be held outdoors under a “tent”. There will be a pioneer sermon and lots of favorite hymns to enjoy. We encourage you to bring a blanket or lawn chairs for potluck, but there will be tables and chairs set up outdoors for those who prefer a finer dining experience. (1800's casual attire is totally acceptable. Horse & buggy not required!)



**SABBATH SCHOOL – INDOORS**  
**CHURCH & POTLUCK – OUTDOORS**

## CHURCH SOCIAL

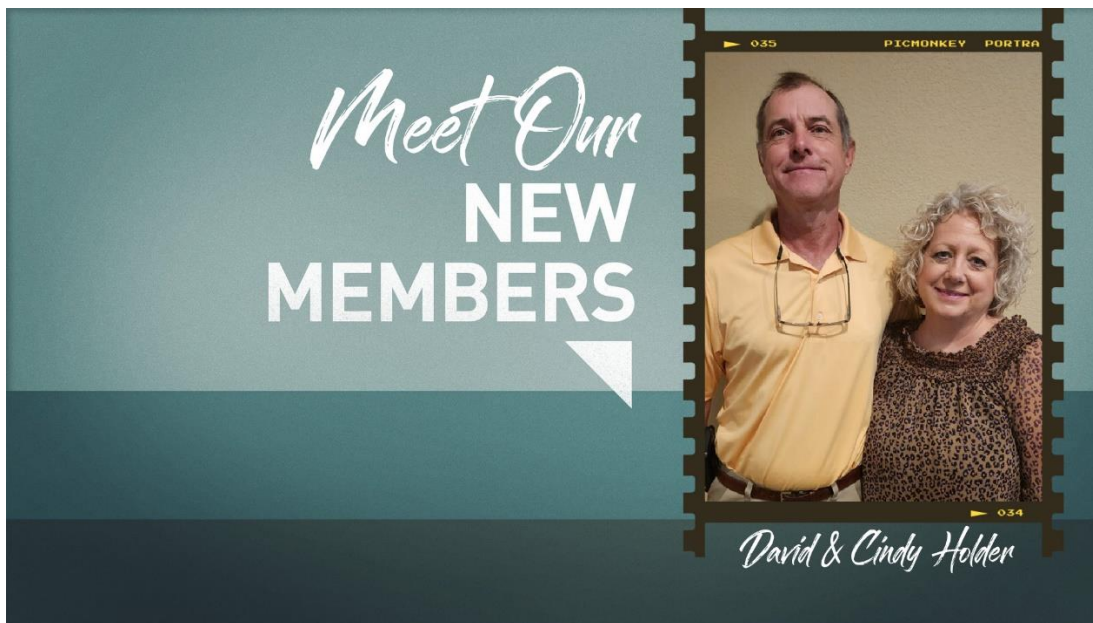
To end our Pioneer Sabbath, we will SHOW “moving pictures” outside! The historical drama of our church pioneers in *Tell the World*, lays out in great detail the colorful characters and events that forged not only a movement, but also the seeds of a church driven to declare the gospel to the whole world. Old-fashioned refreshments like apples with caramelized sugar coating, corn that has been popped, and peanuts that have been roasted over the hearth, will be provided as well. (Insect repellent will be available if needed, which is not exactly in the pioneer spirit, but hey...)



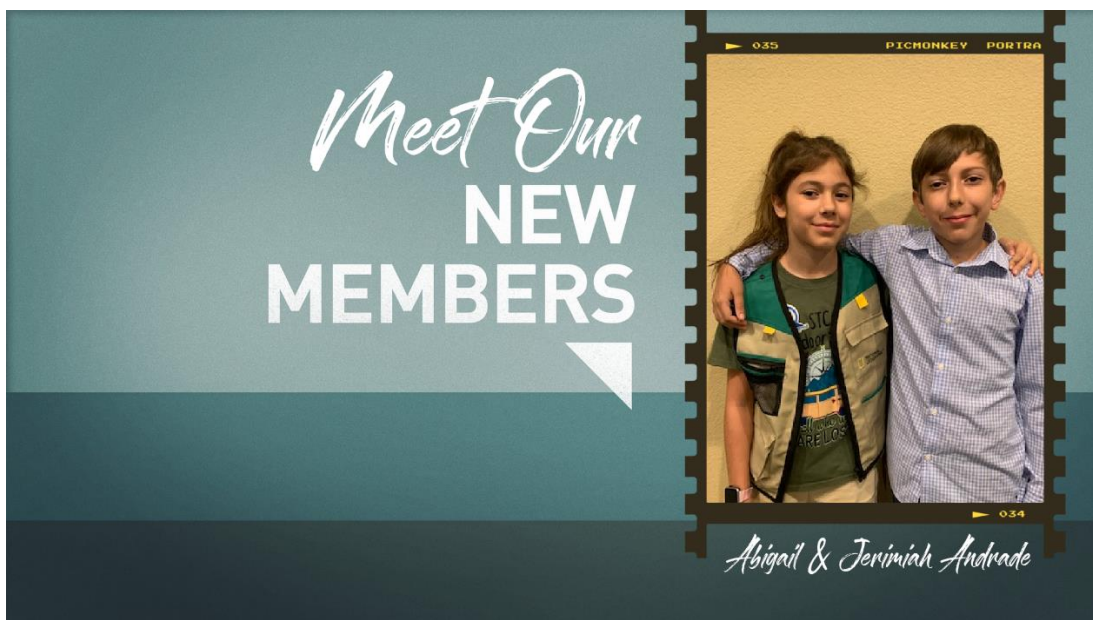


## NEW MEMBER INTRODUCTIONS


Many of you will know David and Cindy Holder who transferred to the Joshua church during the COVID pandemic. Well, they are back home and we want to give them a big Burleson Church welcome!



Jerimiah and Abigail Andrade transferred their membership here from Brazil. Their mother, Rebeca, is already a member here as her transfer came through much earlier. Jerimiah and Abigail have a younger sister, Ellen, attend Burleson Adventist School, and are progressing well with the English language! Family time is very important to Jerimiah and Abigail and they look forward to shared meals and devotional time together. They feel very welcome at BAS and church, and we are delighted to have these young people in our family!



As you can see, there is a lot going on that you can be involved in. We hope you will fellowship with your church family if possible and bond as brothers and sisters in Christ. By the way, October is **PASTOR APPRECIATION MONTH**, so take a moment to let our pastors, or any that you know, how much you appreciate their ministry!



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GraceNotes

**So what's the most valuable commodity in the world?**

**If you picked silver, gold, or platinum, 10,000 brokers might seek your business.**

**If you chose palladium or rhodium, you know your precious metals well.**

**But none of these—nor all of them—can light a dream or spark a prayer when fear and pain fill all our night. There's just one thing that billions want, including all who never own—or see—a precious metal.**

**That thing is hope, and it is found, not in the ground, but in the skies.**

**Hope is the trust that there is yet another truth about our lives—that we are loved and valued and worth holding. Hope rises high above our brokenness to affirm that God is not finished with us yet.**

**Whatever we own, whatever we cherish, we are precious to the God who gave us hope by giving us what is most precious to Him: “For this is the way God loved the world: He gave His one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life” (John 3:16).**

**Hope is our trust that God is good, that grace is ultimately what counts. All other value flows from trusting that our story need not end in dust.**

**Grace always points us to the skies.**

**So stay in grace.**

**—Bill Knott**

- A man visited his doctor, and the doctor checked him over before commenting, "It looks like you get a fair amount of exercise." The man replied, "Oh yeah, in fact, just the other day I walked 5 miles over rugged terrain as I climbed over rocks and trees. I also waded along the edges of a lake, pushing my way through tall thistles, and even slid down sandy slopes while getting sand in my eyes." The doctor was quite impressed. "Well, you are certainly a dedicated outdoor enthusiast!" "Not really, doctor," the man replied. "I'm just a really bad golfer."
- I can't tell the difference between a rose and a dandelion. So when it came time to fix up my garden I had no clue which plants to keep and which ones to remove. That is until my mother gave me this handy tip: "Pull them all up. If it comes back, it's a weed."
- It's evening and little Johnny and his friend are sitting by a campfire. They've been plagued by swarms of mosquitoes already for an hour and the assault only worsens when the darkness sets in. Suddenly, fireflies appear, and little Johnny exclaims, "These darn mosquitoes! Now they've even brought lanterns with them to find us!"
- If there's one thing I learned about hiking, it's that the early bird gets a faceful of spiderwebs.