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Bethel

## A word from our Pastor

he month of May is graduation month! This month we will celebrate the graduations of our students from High Schools and Universities. We will reflect on how fast time has gone by. It seems like these students who are graduating were just crawling around the church nursery last week and here they are filing in to get their diplomas. This part of their lives is finished and they are moving onto the next chapter in their lives. As I think about this transition I am reminded of how fast life goes by in our lives. The Psalmist wrote "You have made my days a mere handbreadth, the span of my years is as nothing before you. Each man's life is but a breath." (Psalm 39:5). Life on this earth goes by quickly but as followers of Jesus we have eternal life. When we reach the end of this life, we will go through a graduation to a new life with Jesus in heaven. The end of life here on earth is not the end. It is the end of the first chapter with and eternity of chapters yet to be written. We have a lot to look forward to! As you watch the graduations, be reminded that we all will experience a much grander graduation when we are graduated to the glories of heaven. Meanwhile, we should enjoy the life God has blessed us with here and seek to serve him in all we do.

Straight Ahead!

Pastor Doug

# **Church Events**

May 2019

- May 1 Lunch Bunch
- May 2 National Day of Prayer
- May 5 Missions Service
- May 11 Ladies Tea
- May 12 Mother's Day
- May 15 Last AWANA
- May 15 Board Meeting
- May 19 High School Senior Sunday
- May 19 Pastor's 20th Anniversary Dinner
- May 20 Bartlow Bridal Shower
- May 21 50-UP
- May 22 Summer Kick-Off Party
- May 27 Memorial Day

# Look what's happening...

Single Again Lunch Bunch - You are invited to LeBaron's Honker Café on May 1 at 1:30pm. Please RSVP to Bertie at 208-800-7541. Come enjoy some fellowship time with us!

#### **Tuesday, May 21st @ 5:45pm**. It's birthday celebration month! We'll have tables set for each month of the year. Dessert will be provided. Entertainment will be provided by our local Bethel talent. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk.

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

#### 50-UP Glenns Ferry Expedition - June 4

Meet at church @ 9am and bring a sack lunch. Cost is \$5 if you drive your own car; free in church van. Please sign up at the Welcome Desk.

#### Ladies Tea - May 11 @ 3:00pm (ticket required)

Special speaker Jamie Taylor will bring a word of encouragement. Tea and snacks will be served.

#### Wedding Shower - May 20 @ 7:00pm

All ladies are invited to celebrate the upcoming wedding of Janessa Bartlow and Marcus Waterman.

They will be married June 7th and are registered at Bed Bath & Beyond.

#### Summer Camp Announcement - Change in Date!

Bethel Scholarship forms are now due <u>May 20</u>! The deadline to settle camp balances is June 1, so we need to send scholarship funds before that date.

#### Save the Date! - Rummage Sale June 29

The teens will be hosting the rummage sale to raise funds for their next Work & Witness Trip to Guatemala. Save your treasures and we will let you know collection dates.

### "| will rejoice in the Lord! | will be joyful in the God of my salvation!" Habakkuk 3:18

#### National Day of Prayer- Thursday, May 2

We will have a special prayer time at 7:00am, Noon and 7:00pm here at the church. Please join us as we pray for our nation. "Love one another. Just as I have loved you." John 13:34

#### Missions Service - Sunday, May 5 @ 6pm

Please welcome Rev. Kevin and Jennifer Campbell-White! They will be sharing about their ministry in SE Asia and how God is using them in Thailand. There will be fellowship time following the service. Please bring finger food to share.

#### High School Grad Sunday - Sunday, May 19

We will be honoring our graduating High School Seniors this Sunday. Check out their displays in the foyer!

#### Final AWANA night - Wednesday, May 15 @ 7pm

This will be our awards night. Come see what the kids have accomplished this year.

#### Summer Kick-Off Event! - Wed., May 22 @ 6:30pm

The **WHOLE CHURCH** is invited to this fun event! BBQ Hot Dogs and Dessert will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share. We will have a volleyball and kickball tournament and a bounce house for the little ones. We encourage **EVERYONE** to participate in this great fellowship opportunity. Invite your friends and family too!

#### Photo Booth for Mother's Day!

We will be unveiling our new Bethel photo booth. Tag your pictures on social media with our new hashtag: **#BethelNaz208** 

# LET'S CELEBRATE!



It's Pastor Doug & Joni Wilson's 20th Anniversary of ministry at Bethel! Join us Sunday, May 19th after 2nd service for a celebratory dinner so that we may honor this amazing couple. Bethel Church has been blessed by their ministry and we want to offer a big "Thank You!"



Fried chicken & dessert will be provided. Please help us with the following items:

Last Name Beginning A-H: Rolls and/or Vegetable Last Name Beginning I-O: Salad and/or Fruit Last Name Beginning P-Z: Cheesy Potatoes (bring cooked) or Potato Salad