

### A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

t seems we have experienced a lot of grief lately as a church. We have lost several people who have made the transition from earth to heaven. We rejoice for those who have made this transition for there is no better place to be than in heaven. But we grieve with those who are left behind. Times like this remind us that grief is a part of our journey through this life. We need to remember that God is with us in our times of grief. There is an encouraging scripture found in Psalm 56:8 "You keep track of all my sorrows. You have collected all my tears in your bottle. You have recorded each one in your book." That tells us that God sees our sorrows and takes note of them. He is very aware when we are in sorrow and very available to help us in those times. There will come a time when all sorrows will cease, but for now we can be thankful that God is with us in our sorrow. Jesus said, "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will comforted." (Matthew 5:4). Let's hold onto that promise.

Straight Ahead!

Pastor Doug

"Give thanks for each new morning with its light, for rest and shelter of the night, for health and food, for love and friends, for everything thy goodness sends." Ralph Waldo Emerson

## **Church Events**

- Nov. 3 House of Prayer
- Nov. 6 Single Again Lunch Bunch
- Nov. 9 Christmas Craft Fair
- Nov. 16 Family Breakfast Event
- Nov. 17 AWANA Sunday;
   NMI council meeting
- Nov. 19 Upward Evaluations; 50-UP
- Nov. 20 FPU Live; Board Meeting
- Nov. 23 Prayer Converge
- Nov. 24 Guatemala Report
- Nov. 28 Thanksgiving

## Look what's happening...

With Grace & Goodies Christmas Craft Fair - Saturday, November 9 from 9:00am to 4:00pm Come check out the fun crafts and items for sale from a variety of vendors. Great for early Christmas shopping! A soup lunch will be hosted by the Women's Ministry team in order to raise funds for Ladies' Retreat in the spring.

<u>Single Again Lunch Bunch</u> - Wednesday, Nov. 6 @ 1:30pm at LeBaron's Honker Café. RSVP with Bertie @ 208-800-7541 if you'd like to attend.

**50-UP** - Tuesday, Nov. 19 @ 5:45pm. This month we will be having Turkey Casserole to start off the holidays! Entertainment will be the Single Car Garage Band. Sign-up at the Welcome Desk and we'll see you there!

Financial Peace University Live! - Wednesday, Nov. 20 @ 6:30pm. In this three-hour livestream, thousands of people across the country will watch as Dave Ramsey and Chris Hogan walk through the 7 Baby Steps and show that money stress doesn't have to be a forever problem. This will be held in the Fellowship Hall.

Prayer Converge - Saturday, November 23 @ 10:00am

Our District Superintendent, Scott Shaw, will be joining us for a special prayer time for our church and our surrounding community.

#### Guatemala Work & Witness 2019 -

Please be in prayer for the team as they will be in Guatemala November 1-9. They will be hosting a Pastors & Wives Retreat for 20 pastors from across the Mesoamerica Region, a youth retreat for 20 PK's and working on a roofing project for the chapel factory. Special prayer for those that are teaching and translating, that the message God has would be clear and understood. Team members are: Greg & Anki Matson, Pastor Doug & Joni, Pastor Bob & Kathy, Fernando & Rosa Gonzalez, Jana McKim, Kitty Leach, Steve Kauffman, Maggie Goings, Pastor Kym & Scott, Amy Slater, Kirk & Sharon Bartlow.

The team will be reporting on the trip Sunday, November 24 @ 6pm.

#### Young Adult Ministry -

Bible Study on Thursdays @ 7pm at the home of Crystal & Larry Nielsen. Come for great discussion, fellowship and THEY'LL FEED YOU! Their Sunday School class meets at 10:45am in Room 110. Like our new Facebook page (Bethel Young Adults Nampa)!

<u>Church Choir</u> - Christmas Cantata practice has begun! Please join us Sunday nights at 7:15pm in the choir room.



Thanksgiving Breakfast - Saturday, Nov. 16th at 9am The WHOLE CHURCH is invited to this fun event! We will be having a Thanksgiving themed breakfast of cinnamon rolls, eggs and bacon. Then each family will get to do a "Thankful Project" together. We'll have all the supplies to do this fun craft (it will be easy to do!) Cost is \$5 per family to be paid at the door. Sign-up sheet will be on the Welcome Desk or on the Bethel app.

Save the Date! Advent Fair - Sunday, December 1 @ 6pm. Kathy & friends are preparing another fun evening to celebrate the advent season. This year we will be having our KIDS choir share a special song with us. Please bring a pot of soup or bread/cheese/crackers to share. We'd like a donation of \$5 per family to cover the cost of supplies. Plan now to attend!

<u>KIDS Christmas Program Practice</u> - It's that time again! Both Kids' Departments have begun practice. Please be working on the songs/parts/verses with your kiddos.

# UPWARD BASKETBALL & CHEERLEADING

REGISTRATION IS OPEN ONLINE! FIRST EVALUATION IS NOVEMBER 19 DROP-IN BETWEEN 3:30-6:00PM

Register online at http://registration.upward.org/UPW70031, through the church website, or the Bethel app.

Early-bird price: \$85 until <u>Dec. 3</u> (includes shorts or turtleneck for cheer).

Add \$10 after Dec. 3 & deadline to register is <u>Dec. 17</u>.

New this year...multi-child discount of \$10 per additional child!

Call the office if you have questions or would like to coach or ref.

2020 Teen Guatemala Work & Witness Trip Our teens are working hard to earn money for this
trip next summer. They are available for leaf raking
or yardwork as fall hits. Let Jeni Franklin know if
you have some work to be done. Be on the lookout
for other fundraising opportunities coming soon!