



The Bethel Lighthouse

Season Two - Episode Three - March 2014

Shining the Light of Christ to a broken world.

From the Pastoral Staff - Please continue to pray for our church and the people we serve.



Baked Potato Potluck & Family Forum - The Bethel family gathered on March 16th over a meal of baked potatoes and all the “fixins” and many deserts. Celtic blessings were written to our Pastors and also to Dr. Mary. There was a presentation concerning the current financial situation of the Church. Those who could not attend should receive an informational packet in the mail. Please take some time to consider how you can be a part.

Our trustees have been busy making various repairs around the building. They have replaced light bulbs, done troubleshooting on heaters and lights and are in the process of dealing with making the back porch area safe and functional.

Bethel Men -

The Deacons are working on an adult Sunday School curriculum design based on Bethel’s Adopt, Nurture, Prepare, Serve plan. Based on scriptures like Mark 12: 30&31 and Luke 10:27 we will focus on these God values Heart, Mind, Soul and Strength

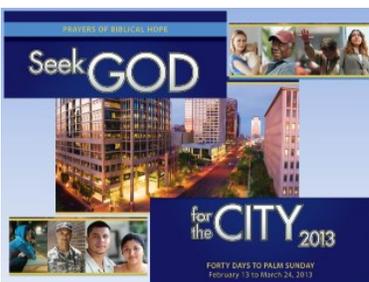
The Bethel Men’s Retreat is coming up May 16-18.

The Women In Our Lives - Second Saturday Sewing Circle (10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.) continues to be a great success. The fellowship is wonderful and we are making hospice gowns, butterfly pillows and other projects. You don’t have to know how to sew in order to participate. We need ladies who can iron, cut fabric and tell a good joke from time to time.

The “Bag Ladies Plus One” continue to serve the “under-resourced” in downtown Everett. They hand out sack lunches, hats, coats, gloves and dog biscuits!

Make plans now to attend the annual “Refresh” women’s retreat at Warm Beach from May 2nd-4th. You can ask Theresa for details.

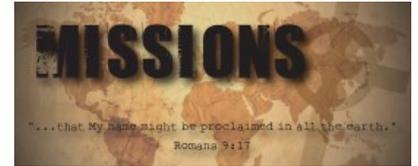
Prayer Ministry



“As we come to Him seeking His face, He comes to us bringing His Kingdom”. We are in the midst of a 40 day Prayer Emphasis that will conclude on Palm Sunday. Each day folks are encouraged to pray for people from different walks of life and groups and also a specific country. The devotional book is excellent and worth your time.

Missions News

March is Missions Month - Thanks go out to Elaine Dow for putting together the Missions Passport booklet. Also thanks to Binh Nguyen for the flags from the countries our missionaries serve around the world.



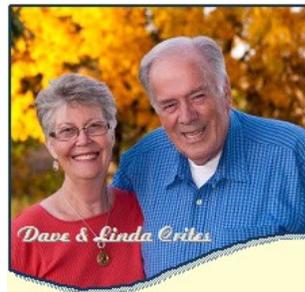
Congratulations to Sharon Steen on her successful trip to the Philippines as a Midwife intern.

An International Fellowship is hosted monthly each fourth Friday night at Steve & Diane Mosman’s home. This is a great chance for conversational English practice with a Gospel message.

We look forward to several upcoming visits from our missionaries in the month of April.

Dave & Linda Crites visit -

On Wednesday March 26th we will once again be honored to greet Dave & Linda for a joint Mens/Womens Bible Study night. They will speak on the topic “How To Live In Peace”.



Linda has written a book entitled “It’s Time To Go To God”. The premise of the book is that when we are ready to listen, God is ready to speak, and what He says will amaze us. His words are instructive and encouraging,

often surprising, always right on point. It is the author's hope that as you are allowed into the most private parts of her life you will identify with her weakness, understand and be patient with the process that produces change, be encouraged by insights that breed success, and join in this unbelievable life that God offers us. (Amazon.com)

Stewardship 2013	
Total General Fund Income Year To Date	\$ 41,108.00
GF Budget Needed Through March 16,2014	\$ 47,465.00
Percent Surplus / Deficit Budget	% 13.4
Monthly General Fund Need	\$ 18,275.00
General Fund Giving for March	\$ 9,788.02
Designated Fund Giving for March	\$ 846.67
Total Giving for March	\$ 10,634.69
Total Giving Year to Date	\$ 24,487.67

Awakenings Prayer Institute - (API Seminars and Retreats)

API ONE—first year seminars
will be from 9:00—1:00 ending with lunch

API TWO—second year seminars
will be from Noon– 4:00 beginning with lunch

Next API Soul Friendship Retreat will be March 28-30 at
Westminster Abbey - Mission- BC, Canada.

Are Bad Singers Better Worshipers? - Kim Snyder

Between my work in Christian radio for K-Love & Air1, as a worship leader, guest vocalist and workshop speaker I've had the opportunity to worship in a good number of churches and talk candidly with a whole bunch of singers who serve in worship.

We all take very seriously our job to remove distractions so other people can worship in song. But many of us are distracted too: distracted by not sounding 'good enough', not being loud enough or being too loud, and not sounding as good as the singer next to us.

Put us in a room of other singers who know (or think) we can sing and we are even more tempted by the distraction of our perceived imperfections and what the singers next to us think.

*What we're afraid to tell worship leading singers:
It's ok if you can't hold a tune in a bucket. God does say to make a joyful noise. It doesn't matter what you have as long as you give it to God*

These are the things we tell non-singers in the church all the time. But what would happen if we said them as often to our worship teams, leaders and choirs? Would everything actually become noise?

There are the 3 steps I teach every professional singers I work with:

- 1) You build your skills (ongoing personal training)
- 2) Then you fit those skills to a specific purpose (rehearsals for a show)
- 3) Finally, when you hit the stage you stop thinking about you (show time)

Why the last one? The goal of a great singer/performer is to grow a fan base to start or build a career. Thinking about how good you are (or aren't) might get you through a gig but thinking about your audience turns attendees into fans.

But if our brain is forced to choose between thinking of ourselves and thinking about our audience, it will inevitably choose 'me'.

When a singer has taken the personal prep and group rehearsal steps seriously, the quality of what they studied and what learned will kick in (aka, they'll become good), leaving the brain free to focus on the audience instead.

To refuse to be distracted by anything is to have the ability to give our full attention to our audience of One.

Worship Leader Magazine - The complete article can be found at <http://worshipleader.com/are-bad-singers-better-worshippers/>

Weekly Sack Lunch Ministry continues to THRIVE!



Donations of canned goods and sandwich making supplies are needed at this time. Please also bring new socks (all sizes), and new or gently used scarves, gloves and hats. They can be left in the Annex kitchen.

From the book "Lord, I Want To Know You"

by Kay Arthur

Adonai - The Lord and Master

Before you can ever really know God as El Shaddai, the all sufficient One, I believe you must bow before Him as *Adonai*, your Lord and Master. (Pg. 41).

Lord is more than a word; it indicates a relationship. The Lordship of God means His total possession of me and my total submission to Him as Lord and Master.

Adonai, Lord, is first used in Genesis 15:2. It is easier to call Him El Shaddai than it is to call him Adonai. You will never know His sufficiency apart from knowing Him as Lord, as Master. Only a servant can be totally dependent upon his master to meet all of his needs. (Pg. 42).

Do you see the need to bow before Him and say, "My Lord"? With submission comes all we need for the task He puts before us. Whatever it is, as Adonai He supplies what His servants need in order to perform their Master's will.

But as Adonai, God has a right to expect obedience. (Pg 48).

Our Lord—Our Adonai—is Jehovah, YHWH. As Jehovah He is to be obeyed. He is God; we are human. HE is the Creator; we are the created. Therefore, every knww should bow. (Pg. 49)

Many don't mind acknowledging Jesus Christ as a good man or even as a prophet, but they do not want to acknowledge Him as God. If He is God, then He must be honored as God. Every knee must bow and confess Him as Lord to the glory of the Father (Philippians 2:10-11).

Jesus' deity and His right to be worshipped as Lord is brought constantly to our attention. And we must make a decision. (Pg. 50).

1. Do you believe Jesus is God?
2. IF He is God, is He Adon, Adonai?
3. What type of commitment does it require on your part in order to call Jesus "Lord"? (Pg. 52).



MESSIAH **The Resurrection & The Life** **I AM**
The Great High Priest **The Gate** Deliverer **CREATOR**
The Light of the World **Son of God** **The Way, The Truth & Life**
Beginning & The End Alpha & Omega **MIGHTY GOD**
Prince of Peace **The Good Shepherd** **Immanuel**
Lord of lords **King of Kings** **Capstone**
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I Am the Root & Offspring of David, the Bright & Morning Star
Bread of Life
Lion of the Tribe of Judah
The Author & Perfector of our faith
Jesus
Blessed & Only Ruler



Dr. Mary Hoppa is available for personal or family counseling on Sunday and Monday afternoons and into the evenings on Mondays. You may sign up for an appointment on your blue registration card,

or contact Dr. Mary personally at 425.879.5283 or by email at lighthousecounseling@frontier.com