



The Bethel Lighthouse

Season Four - Episode Three - March 2016

Shining the Light of Christ to a broken world.

From the Church Council -The prayer of the Council is this: *Master Planner, Sovereign Lord, Grant your eternal vision. Lord Sabaoth, Commander of armies, compel us to action.*

The Deacons are evaluating our group life at Bethel and would appreciate your input. We'd like to know what groups are operating, what purposes they are fulfilling, and how we are doing expressing Bethel's mission to Adopt, Nurture, Prepare and Serve. Please fill out a survey and return it to the church office.

A Word from Pastor Abe & Ground Zero - Abe has a job with daylight hours now. It's been great to see him in church and leading worship too. Praise the Lord!



Jehovah Jirah Hispanic Church is now meeting on Friday nights in the Bethel Café & downstairs area. Pastor John Gavaria and his wife Gladys have been in ministry in Lynnwood for several years.

The Wednesday Night Men's group is studying "Faith That Works" from the Book of James. Join us!

Women's Ministry is reading in the Book of Psalms.

Every second Saturday is Church Work Day and 2nd Saturday Sewing Circle. Come on out and help us do the Lord's chores and serve those in hospice care.

Also women, save these dates for upcoming events -



April 29th to May 1st (Friday evening to Sunday morning) - Women's Retreat at Warm Beach Camp. Cost will be approx. \$200.00

June 24th & 25th - Priscilla Shirer Live (She starred in the War Room movie) At Overlake Christian Church in Redmond. Cost approx. \$100.00

(includes overnight accommodations.) Scholarships are available for both events. Just ask!

Children's' Ministry Mentoring Program Update

Beth Beamish baked seven dozen cut out sugar cookies in the shape of shamrocks. She brought the cookies and frosting to church, where Vanessa Vergala's Sunday

school class decorated them so that deaconesses and deacons could deliver 6 dozen to our shut-in members. Students participating were Alexis Horning, Bethany Hoppa-Baines, Jordan Vergala, Alexis Smith, and Bethany Nguyen. Thanks to Beth, and then the class for taking on this project during snack break and part of the Sunday school hour to complete their part of this ministry outreach. Plans for upcoming events will include projects directed by Margaret Steen, Kathryn Johnson, and Glenna Skegrud.



It would be much appreciated if all ministry teams would keep track of all young people who assist in the kitchen, nursery, worship, deaconesses and other teams to report to you once a month with the names of young people who participate in ministry.

Thanks to the church membership for picking up this challenge to help our young people become participants in ministry, not just observers.



Missions were highlighted during the morning services in March. Flags from various countries were placed around the Sanctuary.

Bruce Ingram traveled to Myanmar during the month of March. His team was able to lead three conferences to train a wide variety of Pastors, some with training and some with none. There are 40 new believers from the area who have no church. Pray for these new believers and for pastors who can train them.

Paul & Liz Godwin from International Students Inc. visited on March 20th. They were introduced by Bihn & An Nguyen. They shared about their ministry in the Worship Service and Sunday School hour. The possibility of starting a weekly Talk Time here at Bethel is being explored. There are 400 international students presently attending Everett Community College which is a mission field in our backyard. Volunteers are welcome to



Congratulations to Glen & Diane Sandvick who were baptized on Sunday February 28th! God bless them as they continue to serve the Lord.



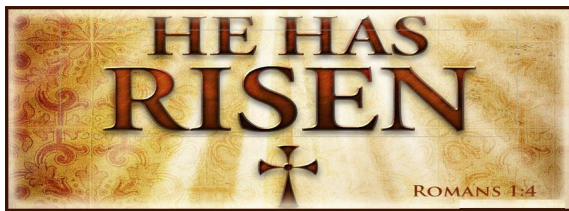
2015-2016 sessions.
 API #1 & API #2
 Seminar #7 Saturday April 2nd.
 First Year- 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
 Second Year- 12:00 Noon - 2:30 p.m.

Interested in getting a taste? Newcomers are invited to our introductory session led by year 2 API students from 12:00-3:00 p.m. Come enjoy lunch and learn fresh ways to commune with God.

help with English conversation, bringing food or leading games. Please pray for this new outreach. Contact Mary Nichols for more information at (360) 223-0994 or by email at mnichols634@yahoo.com



A Memorial Service for Ollie McCabe was held on Saturday March 5th. It was a wonderful time of remembrance and sharing stories of how Ollie blessed so many lives. A beautiful solo of Amazing Grace was sung by Dee Roberson. Alisha Joubert played the prelude and other musical selections on the harp. Ollie was a shining example of a godly woman who despite many trials in her earthly life, stayed close to her Savior and Lord. She always had a kind word to say or something wise to share. She loved working with the children in the Sunday School/Children's Program for many years. Ollie was a precious saint in the sight of the Lord.



God bless
 you this
 Easter!

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ **Saturday April 2nd** - API #1 from 9a.m. to 1p.m. API#2 from 12 noon to 3p.m. Newcomers welcome, lunch provided.
- ◆ **Tuesday April 5th** - First Tuesday Fast & Pray - Theme is The Elderly
- ◆ **Saturday April 9th** - Church Work Day & Second Saturday Sewing Circle.
- ◆ **April 15-17** - API Retreat
- ◆ **April 29-May 1** - Women's Retreat at Warm Beach
- ◆ **May 5th** - National Day of Prayer
- ◆ **May 7th** - World Concern "Free Them" 5K Walk/Run to end human trafficking. Shoreline, WA.

The 65th annual National Day of Prayer, **May 5, 2016**, will have profound significance for our country. It is an unprecedented opportunity to see the Lord's healing and renewing power made manifest as we call on citizens to humbly come before His throne.



Our theme for 2016 is **Wake Up America**, emphasizing the need for individuals, corporately and individually, to return to the God of our Fathers in reverence for His Holy Name.

"It is the Holy Spirit's job to convict, God's job to judge and my job to love."

"World events are moving very rapidly now. I pick up the Bible in one hand, and I pick up the newspaper in the other. And I read almost the same words in the newspaper as I read in the Bible. It's being fulfilled every day round about us." Rev. Billy Graham.

Good Movies & Good Books

"The War Room" - a compelling drama with humor and heart that explores the power that prayer can have on marriages, parenting, careers, friendships, and every other area of our lives.



"Risen" - The journey from un-belief to belief. What happens when the body of the risen Christ must be found?

"My Medley: Miscellaneous Memories" - by Juna Davies (Mother of Becky Woods) What are your thoughts about the feminist movement, the Tribulation, Armageddon, Marriage, Children? Includes various fictional and enhanced true stories.

"Trained or Transformed: Identifying Self In The Spiritual Landscape" - by Joyce Jones (Sister of Becky Woods) - A person who follows Christ can be expertly trained in the ways of the Bible and the church. But what about being transformed by the Holy Spirit? The author offers insights taken from personal experiences, while battling depression and learning much about herself in the process.



Borrow Stuff from Pastor Wes' Library

Available Titles include: Church Dynamics Leadership Training, The God Questions, Sprint Through the Bible, Military Ministry Basic Training, Small Group Leadership Training, Building the Church Through Strengthening Families. These are just a few of the titles. Check with Becky in the Church Office to see more.



Dr. Mary Hoppa is available for personal or family counseling on Sunday, Mondays & Tuesdays.. 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