



# The Bethel Lighthouse

Season Five - Episode Ten - October 2017

*Shining the Light of Christ to a broken world.*

**From the Church Council** - We have had the opportunity to discuss the results of our Council Retreat which was held last month. The question was asked about what needs to be the "tip of the plow" this ministry year while living in Jesus' easy yoke? Relationships need development both inside and outside the church. The recent emphasis on neighbor-ing is a great way to accomplish relationships. Think about what possible next steps could be taken for one-on-one neighbor-ing? Invite your neighbor to do something with you, perhaps a coffee/lunch time, or a movie. A great idea would be to invite them to Christmas Eve by Candlelight.

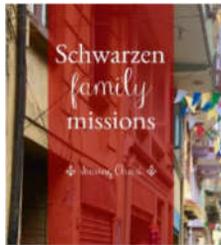
The best new initiative this year has been "Date Sunday", a simple way to provide a valuable service that strengthens young families; Adopting, Nurturing and Serving.



**Andy & Lynette Tillman** came to visit this month. It was great to see them and hear how God has been working in their

lives. Marissa is beginning Law School at University of Minnesota on a complete scholarship. Josiah is a Senior at Bethel University of Minnesota and has a full time job there, providing his tuition. He will graduate in May. Lia is beginning her career at Bethel University, as a Math major, and a minor in education.

**Christopher & Heather Schwarzen** - October means pumpkins, hayrides... and Asia. Now that we've sold all our pumpkins, it's time for Christopher to get back on the ground in Cambodia, Thailand and Myanmar, encouraging believers, training church planters, and sharing the Gospel with those who have not yet heard.



**Cambodia** - Earlier this year, Christopher began a three-year training program with longtime friend and mentor Joel Madson. Joel asked Christopher to lay out the foundations of faith to these pastors living and working in a country that is still recovering from the brutality

of dictatorial regime. More than 60 pastors and their families are expected to attend one of two trainings. While there last time, Christopher tackled the concept of the Trinity. This time, he will be focusing on man's salvation,

man's fallen nature and more. Please pray that those invited to training can make it, and that the team stays healthy and full of the Spirit while teaching.



**Thailand/Myanmar** - But before Christopher begins teaching in Cambodia, he will be traveling through Thailand, visiting dear missionary friends while finishing his training lessons. While here,

he also will meet with Lahu leaders to discuss next year's training possibilities, including teaching for as many as 100 pastors in Myanmar. The goal is to meet the leaders at the border and plan for helping them learn how to better teach faith foundations as well as other spiritual growth issues. Please pray nothing prevents these meetings and that a plan can be formulated for next year.

**Mosman Update!** - Diane writes, Steve is thankful for a wonderful staff and a good atmosphere within the staff this semester. Several new programs have been started that will develop the high school so that families can continue their work, rather than feeling they need to leave when their elementary age children become teen-agers. However, we're all still praying for the person CALLED BY GOD to be headmaster when Steve leaves! Ideally, this person would have experience and understand the academic requirements of students from many different "passport countries" whose parents' hearts are united in the purpose of bringing the LIGHT of Jesus to a majority of people who have never had a chance to know who He really is! (i.e. "M.K's") Just yesterday a father of three of our students told me they didn't want to stay if the school doesn't stay "good" for their children.



I (Diane) am REALLY HAPPY! This semester I have fewer English classes. Instead I get to do ESL as I have always been called to do! They share the truth of God's Word with others here so much more effectively than we would ever be able to do! One of them is even doing it through offering an English Conversation Club in her home on Friday evenings. Please pray for God's ways in all of this!

*Awakenings Prayer Institute*  
*Saturday November 4th*  
*#1— 9:00 a.m. Noon*  
*#2 Noon— 2:00 p.m.*

## Your Best Life In Jesus' Easy Yoke

*Rhythms of Grace to  
 De-Stress and Live Empowered*



Available at  
[www.betheleverett.org](http://www.betheleverett.org)

Current Wednesday Night Bible Study.  
 "Your Best Life" by Bill & Kristi Gualtiere.  
 Come for dinner at 5:30 p.m.



Deen's neighbor Stephen takes flowers to his wife who lives in a nursing home. He walked by one day and commented on how pretty the flowers were in Deen's garden. He told Deen about his wife and asked if he could take some of Deen's flowers to her. Deen said he could have all the flowers he wanted and, if she was not home to feel free to take them. Deen shared with her neighbor the story of Stephen in the Bible. They stop and talk once in awhile and Deen has many opportunities to tell this man about Jesus.



Please keep praying, for the Lord to add one more soul, one more leader, one more church and one more missionary.

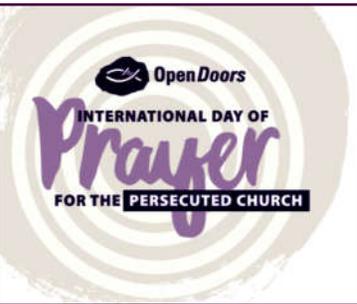
Some great books are available on the table in the Bethel Café. They are also FREE.



### November Calendar Events

- ◆ Saturday November 4th - API #1 9:00 a.m.-12:00 Noon  
 API #2 12:00 Noon-2:00 p.m.
- ◆ Sunday November 5th - End of Daylight Savings Time. Please turn your clocks back one hour. Thanks.
- ◆ Saturday November 5th - 6:00 p.m. Deacons & Deaconesses meet
- ◆ November 6th-8th - Pastor Wes co-leads Converge Northwest Pastors & Leaders Prayer Summit.
- ◆ Tuesday November 7th - First Tuesday Fast & Pray. The theme for this month is Giving Thanks.
- ◆ Saturday November 11th - 9:00 a.m. Church Work Day  
 9:00 a.m. Second Saturday Sewing Circle.
- ◆ Sunday November 12th - Congregational Budget Meeting.  
 Date Sunday - Child care until 4:00 p.m.  
 6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting
- ◆ Saturday November 18th - 9:00 a.m. Days for Girls.  
 8:30 a.m.
- ◆ Thursday November 23rd - Thanksgiving Day.
- ◆ Saturday November 25th - 10:00 a.m. Everett Prayer Walk.
- ◆ Sunday November 26th - Congregational Budget Vote.

Jehovah Jireh Church every Friday at 7:00 p.m.  
 All Saints Church every Saturday at 5:00 p.m.



**International Day of Prayer**  
*Sunday November 5th, 2017*  
 Yura Senchenko will be our guest speaker during the Worship Service. He was the translator during the time Pastor Wes traveled to Russia. Be thinking of a friend to invite and hear Yura's story.

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## Children's Ministry

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Thanks to Greg Kuper Sr. and the Children's ministry team for presenting an interesting and informative overview of the Children's Church and Sunday School program. It is easy to see that our kids are receiving the best in Christian education and a fine curriculum each week. And it was delightful to have the children join in the Worship Service during the month. They are learning some wonderful hymns, mixed in with children's choruses. Please pray that God would speak to these young souls and that they would know the blessings of Jesus early in life.

November is Staff Appreciation Month