

The Bethel Lighthouse

Season Six - Episode Five - May 2018

Shining the Light of Christ to a broken world.



Talents & Treasure Sunday Praying, pondering and investing. May 20th, 2018



Praise the Lord for a very fruitful Talents & Treasure / Pentecost Sunday. It was exciting to see and hear how Bethel folks used their many talents to invest in the Kingdom of God and the work here at Bethel Church. Quite a few people were pleased to take advantage of the wonderful baked goods made by Helen Mock and Freda McKernan. Carol Toikka and daughters Beth and Jessica displayed a variety of hand made jewelry along with aromatic and comforting natural products for home & body. They also made available various types of plants. Nancy Bruce created some beautiful greeting cards. Total talents and treasure giving was \$2,996.44. Online giving was \$5,057.00. Total giving in April and May exceeds our expenses so praise the Lord! The prayer is that giving would stay at or above current levels and that people would be encouraged to keep the "home businesses" going, sharing talents with neighbors and friends.



The Church Council has been working on trying one new type of outreach per month. So far, the live stream of the worship service via Facebook has been reaching

those who watch via the internet. Much thanks to Binh Nguyen for setting this up and recording the service each week. During the 4th Saturday of each month, we are canvassing the neighborhood to promote the upcoming MOPS program beginning in the fall and also the quarterly Sunday Play Days.

Another type of outreach takes place with visits, phone calls and cards to Bethel folks who are either in the hospital or confined to their homes. Thanks to those who take the time to make sure these people remain connected to our body of believers.

Safety at church is always a concern. There are four things to remember if an active shooter situation arises.

1. **Alert** other members to leave the building. If you ever hear an airhorn, leave immediately.
2. **Avoid** the perpetrator.
3. **Deny** access to the perpetrator.
4. **Defend** yourself. In addition, **Pray** for the church around the world and **persevere**; keep on serving Jesus.



Annual Clear the Clutter
Memorial Day Sale
treasures * baked goods * jam
Monday May 28th
10:00 - 4:00



Scott & Ruth Millar dropped by during one of the Wednesday night Dinner & Bible Study times this month. Scott shared about how he came to know the

Lord, living in Everett during the time he was growing up. He also spoke about the diversity of nationalities he and Ruth are able to work with in Toronto and the difficulty with language barriers and the wide variety of cultural differences.

Larry & Mary Harris Mixtec, Mexico. They write, Last fall we were testing the Mixtec translation of Genesis and had to stop before the end of Joseph's story. "OOHHH!" was the people's reaction to Joseph's "scheming" to test his brothers especially when he put his drinking cup in Benjamin's sack. The "checkers" were into the story. Some returned this spring to finish checking Genesis and discovered the marvelous end to the story.

God, his grace and power gets the credit for any progress made in, around and through interruptions during these two months in the village. Larry and Basilica completed the revision and checking of Genesis and made the necessary revisions in Matthew 1-10 as suggested by the consultant. They were also able to finish revising Philemon. That leaves only Jude to finish. Two young ladies came once a week to adapt Mark in Nuyoo Mixtec into the neighboring Mixtec dialect, completing the first five chapters."

Some challenges Larry & Mary have experienced during their time in the village. Shortly after they arrived, Mary injured her leg while harvesting coffee on a steep mountainside. After five weeks, she is walking normally again—almost. Larry has also been ill with a cold that affected his vocal cords and lasted for several weeks. Mary then caught the same cold and had some scary nights with difficulty breathing but she recovered more quickly. The transmission in the car gave out so now it's time for a new vehicle.

Pray for wisdom in finding a new vehicle that can handle the terrain. Praise God for all that has been accomplished during our stay here and for the special friendship with believers.



The Days for Girls Central Everett, WA, team continues to meet every third Saturday. Several members of the team recently returned from a trip to Peru.

At our last gathering, Karen Theisen shared photos from the trip and also expressed the excitement that the Peruvian ladies felt at the opportunity to learn how to put the kits together and learn other crafts and sewing skills. The team was able to transport a couple sergers and other supplies in order for the women to continue this valuable work. Even though her time in Peru proved to be somewhat challenging due to medical issues, Karen says "I would return in a heartbeat!" Thankfully, the medical issues have since been resolved. Another trip is planned for sometime in July.

Awakenings Prayer Institute
API Graduation Brunch & Fundraiser finishing up another great year!



Our MOPS group plans to meet on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month beginning on September 10th, 2018. Please contact Elizabeth Kessel at (425) 293-8675 if you would be interested

in participating or volunteering. Your prayers are most welcome for the start of something good for Bethel Church and the community.

A big thank you to Stan & Julia Youngs for hosting the API Graduation Brunch & Fundraiser again this year. Our speaker for the day was Dr. Kathy Troll, Dean of Seattle Bible College.



Receiving certificates this year were Kathryn Johnson, Richard & Carol Toikka, Diane Sandvick, Terri Wilson, Terry Morse, Louise Mori and Maria Tolare. Congratulations to all our grads. Well done! Terri says that she learned more about Breath Prayer and that God is present in all situations of joy, pain or struggle.

(1 Peter 5:7). Breath prayer gives pinpoint focus on what is really needed from God at all times.

API has been able to expand their horizons this year with several opportunities to share the curriculum with students at Seattle Bible College, Cascade Bible Church in Twisp, WA, the Northwest Ministry Conference and also in California with Drs. Bill & Kristi Gaultiere. We look forward to another visit with the Gaultieres in September. Thanks for all your prayers!



Children's Play Day 4/29/18

June 2018 Calendar Events

Salt of the Earth Ministries
 every Tuesday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
Jehovah Jireh Church every Friday at 7:00 p.m.
All Saints Church every Saturday at 5:00 p.m.

- ◆ **Sunday June 3rd** - 12:30 p.m. Worship Board Meeting. 6:00 p.m. Deacons & Deaconess Meeting.
- ◆ **Tuesday June 5th** - First Tuesday Fast & Pray. Theme is Outreach to Everett.
- ◆ **Saturday June 9th** - 9:00 a.m. Church Work Day & Second Saturday Sewing Circle. Lunch will be served.
- ◆ **Sunday June 10th** - 11:30 a.m. Birthday Celebration. 6:30 p.m. Church Council Meeting.
- ◆ **Saturday June 16th** - 9:00 a.m. Days for Girls (Annex). Lunch will be served.
- ◆ **Sunday June 17th** - Fathers Day
- ◆ **Saturday June 23rd** - 10:00 a.m. Neighborhood Canvassing.
- ◆ **Sunday June 24th** - 10:30 a.m. Pastor Wes preaching at Madison Community Church - Everett. 6:30-8:30 p.m. API at Madison Community Church. Also - Sunday June 24th is **DATE SUNDAY!**

The 10 Minute Prayer - Every Sunday from 11:20-11:30 In the Brashler Room - All are welcome!

FIND US ONLINE If you miss coming to church and would like to view the worship services, they are now available online via the Bethel website, www.bethelverett.org or watch live on our Facebook page. Thanks to Binh Nguyen for handling the technology and posting the videos. And thanks to our tech crew for their skills each week.



Dr. Mary Hoppa is available for personal or family counseling on Sundays through Wednesdays. 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



Available at www.bethelverett.org

ONE MISSION

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

One Soul Saved

One Leader Mentored

One Church Planted

One Missionary Sent