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PAES WORK BEE

BY JOSH BONIFANT

Another PAES work bee, another great turn out from the Sequim Church! On behalf of the school, thank you for all of the help preparing our school for the Open House and pre-registration event. I am consistently impressed by the quality and quantity of work that gets done at our work bees and I'm so incredibly grateful for your continued support.

Our open house was a tremendous success and it looks like we will be getting 5 new students for the 25-26 school year as a result. We had a very nice turnout from church members, current school families, and families interested in joining our school community. God is working in Sequim and I believe we will continue to see an upward trajectory with PAES enrollment. Please continue to keep us in your prayers!



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WELCOME TO DAILEYS!

BY STELLE KNAUFF

Loni and Jerrod Dailey, with Loni's children Alisha and Lucas, moved to Sequim from eastern Washington in August. Five days later, after their relocation, Loni and Jerrod were married! It was a busy summer for their family.

As with some of our other members, Jerrod had grandparents whom he visited in Sequim and he was anxious to get back to this side of the mountains.

Jerrod is a teacher with the Port Angeles school district and Loni is a cardiac sonographer at Olympic Medical Center. If Loni has any spare time, she spends it learning Spanish and exploring her new "home base." Jerrod enjoys golf and taking drives. A dog, Princess, and 2 cats, Benny and Stella, complete their family.

Their prayer requests are private and unspoken. We are a praying church and those requests will be remembered.

A big welcome to the Daileys into our church fellowship.

LIBRARY CORNER

BY MARY THAYNE

The following books are new to our library. They are on the Book Cart in the hall.

<u>Chicken Soup for the Soul Christmas Treasury.</u> Holiday Stories to Warm the Heart. Jack Canfield and Mark Victor Hansen

Overcoming Through Jesus. Embracing His Death and Receiving His Victorious Life. by Bill Liversidge.

The following set of five books are a series by Sally Pierson Dillon entitled <u>The War of the Ages</u>. They are roughly based on Ellen G White's <u>Conflict of the Ages</u> (<u>Patriarch and Prophets</u>, <u>Prophets and Kings</u>, <u>The Desire of Ages</u>, <u>The Acts of the Apostles</u>, and <u>The Great Controversy</u>. These are aimed for the age group of 10 - 14 but would be interesting reading for anyone who likes a good story.

Read them to your grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Survivors of the Dark Rebellion; God's Heroes friiom Adam to David

The Exile of the Chosen; God's Heroes from Solomon to Malachi

The Victory of the Warrior King; The Story of the Life of Jesus

Champions of the King; The Story of the Apostles

War of the Invisibles; The Amazing True Story of the Great Controversy

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CAMP MEETING

Mark your calendars and plan on attending the Washington Conference Camp Meeting at Auburn Adventist Academy June 16-21.

Keynote speakers:

Paul Dybdahl, pastor, teacher and author Craig Newborn, pastor, Bible teacher, evangelist,

field president, departmental director, and university chaplain.

All information about schedule, lodging, and speakers can be found on conference websitehttps://www.washingtonconference.org/camp-meeting-2025



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

It's time to sign up for helping with Vacation Bible School! Our theme this year is "Rescued, Safe in Jesus", and is the story of Noah and the flood. It is a program from Voice of Prophecy. You can look more into it at RescuedVBS.com. This program was chosen in part because kids and adults can follow along with the Discovery Mountain program. It is a free, fun, and energetic podcast

and facebook series in which children can identify with and follow the interesting characters. (Podcast Networks: Spotify, Alexa, iHeart, Stitcher, Google Podcasts, and Apple Podcasts)

We need helpers in all areas:

Registration

Leading music

Bible skits/puppeteers

Dinner

Crafts

Craft preparation

Yard games

Promoting with yard/road signs

Decorations

Praying for the event

Please email Marlene and/or Debbie with where you would like to be included. The dates are July 21st through 26th. It's going to be a lot of fun and we hope you will join us in making this a memorable and special year for the children of our beautiful community.



Your invitation

to participate in

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 7 Cindy Bacon
- 10 Stelle Knauff
- 16 Xaiyah Johnson
- 17 Mary Thayne
- 19 Linda Bauer
- 19 Ella Luke
- 19 Sheri Dixon (McDaniel)
- 19 Kim Stober
- 23 Jesse O'Dell
- 24 Lynn Berg
- 28 Delores Mead
- 28 Lila Petroff
- 28 Chris Pulley



ADVENTURERS

In March, Adventurers
learned about being friends
of people and of animals.
They earned the
Listening and Friends of
Animals Awards.

HEALTH EDUCATION CLASS

CPR & First Aid will be taught on Monday, April 28 in the fellowship hall beginning at 6:30 pm. This two-hour class will be taught by Joel, a firefighter Paramedic. If interested in

joining the class, please register by contacting the church, sequimadventist@sequimsdachurch.org, 360-683-7373.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ABC Bookmobile will be in Sequim April 6 from 3:30-4:30 pm in the church parking lot. Orders can be placed by Thursday, April 3 to be included on the van. Call 253-833-6707



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Sequim Adventist Church

30 Sanford Lane Sequim

@ 4:00 pm

Join us for music and readings as we reflect on what Jesus Christ has done for us.

ISN'T GOD GOOD!

SUBMITTED BY DOUG WOODS

A Dream to Serve by Lorin Wentland

My wife and I attended a regional *Adventist Laymen's Services and Industries* convention at Sun Valley, Idaho. We were inspired as we heard a prominent SDA businessman whom I had long admired tell of how God had blessed his business. Clearly God was using him as a channel through which His blessing could flow on to others. As I heard this man tell of his involvement in building mission churches in many Third World countries, I was moved to do the same.

I had a dream not only of participating in building a church with *Maranatha Volunteers International* but funding a church entirely as well. My family caught the vision, and we figured how much we would need to fully fund a church and pay the transportation cost for our family of six. Our business had never before seen that much profit in one year. We knew that God is pleased when we expect great things from Him, and we asked the Lord to bless as we began to set money aside for this dream. The account grew steadily, and we eagerly awaited the Maranatha newsletter to see what projects might be available.

In August we saw in the newsletter that Maranatha was making plans to build fifteen churches in Belize, some of them during the Christmas holiday. I called the Maranatha office and shared my dream with the staff. I learned that they didn't have the funding in place yet, but they were going forward in faith with these projects. I told them that, Lord willing, we would like to take one of the churches on as a project, to which they agreed. Now we were committed. However, we actually had only 60% of the money in hand and only two months to come up with the rest.

I knew that with God's help we could do it. In 7 months we had been able to set aside 60% of the \$, and I had made no change in the management of my business. If God wanted us to build a church in Belize, He would find a way to come up with the balance by October.

We eagerly watched our financial statement to see how much money we could set aside. Early in October God worked it out. The money was in hand.

But we also had a minimum of 25 people to build the church. We were sure that our relatives and friends at church would readily participate. We made up some flyers on our color printer, complete with pictures and maps. Many people were interested, but only a few made a commitment to go.

The deadline was fast approaching for finalizing our project with Maranatha. We had been praying earnestly that God would direct us to people who would like to share in our project. We had only a few more days, and we had only 10 people committed and about 12 or 13 "maybes." Even if they all decided to go, we still didn't have the 25 people necessary for the building project. And none of the "maybes" were skilled builders.

The deadline arrived. Greatly discouraged, I called the Maranatha office and told the staff that even though we had the money in hand, we were going to have to cancel because we didn't have enough people, either skilled or unskilled.

Late that afternoon I received a return call from Maranatha. They told me there was a group from Canada who also was planning to go to Belize during the Christmas holiday. They, too, were recruiting people but were also short of the necessary 25. We were put in contact with each other and decided to join our two groups. This turned out to be a double blessing, because several from their group were professional builders as well as some having the other skills that we needed.

As the work on that little church went forward over that Christmas season, I marveled at how the Lord had brought these people together. We had among us an engineer, a mason, a welder, builders, an administrator, a doctor, a dentist, a nurse, a cook, a VBS leader, a bus driver, and plenty of young and willing workers for all the general labor of building the church.

As we worked, played, and prayed together, we experienced the joy of being together in the service of the Lord.

"It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up." Ephesians 4:11, 12, NIV.

April 2025 Church Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 ACS 10am-12pm	2 MOMCo 9:00am Prayer Meeting 6:30pm	3 Backpack Program 8:00am Adventurers & Pathfinders 6:30pm	4	5 Speaker: Bill Needham Fellowship Meal 12:30pm
6 ABC Bookmobile 3:30-4:30pm	7 Elders Meeting 6:30pm	8	9 Prayer Meeting 6:30pm	10 Backpack 8:00am Ladies Bible Study 2:00pm Pathfinders 6:30pm	11	12 Mission Spotlight Speaker: Greg Reseck Shape Note Singing 3:00pm
13 Adventurers TBA	14 School Board Meeting 6:30pm	15 ACS 10am-12pm	16 MOMCo 9:00am Prayer Meeting 6:30pm	17 Backpack Program 8:00am Pathfinders 6:30pm Church Use 4-8pm	Church Use Sanctuary 11:00am-2:00pm	19 Children's Church Speaker: James Whitney Fellowship Meal Easter Program 4pm
20	21 Church Board Meeting 6:30pm	22 Church Campus Use (Heart of Jesus Church) 8:00am-4:00pm	23 PAE School Science Fair	24 Backpack 8:00am Ladies Bible Study 2:00pm Pathfinders 6:30pm	25	26 Speaker: Mike Hakanson Church Use - Fellowship Hall 2:00-8:00pm
27	28 Health Education Class (CPR & First Aid) 6:30pm	29	30	June 4 PAE	S Year End Picnic S 8th Grade Gradu p Meeting	ation

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