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September & October 2023 Church News





From the Pastor

An old song declared that "Love makes the world go 'round." While the songwriter probably didn't mean God's love, that really is what makes that statement true—God's love makes the world go around. For love

to be truly love, it has to be put in action. Too often we say we love others, but do our actions back up our words?

God's love for us is backed up by action:

- "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son ..." (John 3:16 NIV).
- But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us (Romans 5:8 NIV).
- We love because he first loved us (1 John 4:19 NIV).
- This is how God showed his love among us: He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through him (1 John 4:9 NIV).

How do we back up our words with loving action? Paul described a love that is backed up with action in 1 Corinthians 13:

- Love is patient—Love has a long fuse!
- Love is kind—Love does intentional acts of service.
- Love does not envy—Love does not boil over.
- Love does not boast—Love is not a "Me Monster."
- Love is not arrogant—Love is not overinflated.
- Love is not rude—Love is not like a blob of Play Dough.

Join us this fall as we continue to flesh out a love that is intentional, for love is what we are called to live out in living color every day.

Blessings,

Pastor Steve Kufeldt

FROM THE LEADERSHIP COUNCIL



October is "Pastor Appreciation Month." As a church, we will celebrate "Pastor Appreciation Day" on the third Sunday of October with a special appreciation dinner following the morning service (see below).

An appreciation message from each of us is a token of our honor, support, and gratefulness toward our pastor. There are many ways to express appreciation, not just limited to these suggestions: a card, text, or phone call; take him out for tea, lunch, dinner, or a round of golf. Of course, most important is keeping our pastor in your prayers. While we have only one "paid" pastor, our congregation includes several retired pastors, who you also might want to include in your appreciation and prayers.

Craig Roenicke
Chair, Leadership Council



Pastor Appreciation Day Church Dinner Sunday, October 15 — 11:30AM

The church will provide all of the food. Donations will be accepted. See Beth Roenicke, Shirley Martin or Mary Danielson for more information.

(NOTE: Those who ride the church bus can either stay for the celebration or can go back home after the worship service. Transportation will be provided for both options.)

Children of Promise Sunday

Sunday, September 10

Q&A Time: 9:00AM

Morning Worship: 10:00AM Possible

Guest Speaker: Kyle Hayes



Sunday Prayer Time Sundays at 9:45AM Prayer Room (Room 150)

Join others for a brief time of prayer for the Sunday morning worship time each week in the Prayer Room (the former choir room—room 150).



Pick up your copy of the new updated church photo directory this month. Use them to connect better with one another. They also are a great tool to use in praying for one another.

Children of Promise is making "wholeness possible" for over 4,500 children in 31 countries across the globe by meeting the needs of children and their families in four core areas: nutrition, education, healthcare and discipleship. The official "child sponsorship" ministry of the Church of God, Children of Promise connects the local church with the international church. Our congregation

historically has been big supporters of this ministry, with more than 30 children sponsored by our church family. Kyle Hayes, Development Director for Children of Promise, will be our guest speaker on "Children of Promise Sunday" on September 10. He will share in



our morning worship service as well as share about Children of Promise in a special Q&A time during the 9:00AM LIFE Hour. We encourage you to pray about sponsoring a child and "making wholeness" possible for one more child!

Pastor Steve plans to go on a Child of Promise trip to Cote d'Ivoire February 22-March 3, 2024 and will help interview children who are part of the program. He also



hopes to meet one of his sponsored children. Jenny & Bobby Mihsill serve in Cote d'Ivoire. Jenny also serves as the Children of Promise Director for this country (the former Ivory Coast in Africa). Your prayers and support for this trip are appreciated!

Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

We are continuing to collect items this summer as part of our support of "Operation Christmas Child." Here are suggested items for BOYS AGE 5-9:

<u>SEPTEMBER</u>

⇒ Soap

⇒ Toothbrushes

- ⇒ Wash Cloths
- \Rightarrow Combs

OCTOBER

- ⇒ Pencils
- ⇒ Pencil Sharpeners
- ⇒ Boys T-shirts
- ⇒ Boys Underwear

Updated Addresses

Here are updated addresses for former members:

Dan & Darla Smatlak

9107 E Pendleton Road

Benton City, WA 99320

Don Stone

3110 19th Ave Apt. 208

Forest Grove, OR 97116

Quarterly Change Offering Sunday, October 8

Your generous donation of "loose change" helps support the church in Rwanda. Our gifts over the past couple of years



have supported a fund that provides animals to families and especially single moms. We have been challenged to give to a more urgent fund that supports the same people but in a different way. The Church of God in Rwanda owns property, but in order to receive a permit from the government to build a building, they need additional land. The property next door is being purchased for this purpose. Our Change Offering will help this local congregation to be established and grow. It also helps with pastoral development and microenterprise training and loans to build up the congregation's sustainable economic capacity. You can help "change" lives with your gift!



LIFE Hour Returns Sundays at 9:00AM (Starting September 10) Meets in the Fellowship Hall

September 10—Children of Promise Q&A with Kyle Hayes

September 17—Bible Study with Pastor Ron Palmer

September 24—Jonah Bible Study begins



Jonah, the Reluctant Prophet

New Class taught by Pastor Danette Beisley

Come join us on Sunday mornings as we study the life and attitudes of Jonah, the reluctant prophet.



By your words I can see where I'm going; they throw a beam of light on my dark path (Psalm 119:105 The Message).

Women's Fall Retreat
September 15-17 at Camp White Branch

Moving Forward ...

Cost is \$105 and includes lodging for two nights and five meals. Registration forms and brochures are available at the Resource Table. At press time Camp White Branch is under threat from wildfires and this retreat may be cancelled. Stay tuned for details.

Baptism Service—Sunday, October 22



Have you made a public proclamation of your faith by being baptized? You can be part of our next baptism service. See Pastor Steve for more information.

Faith Promise for Missions

"For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" (Matthew 6:21).



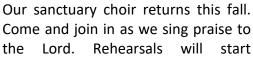
Your generous gifts to Faith Promise supports missionaries and ministries in Woodburn and around the world. Through August, our church family has given \$6,858 to Faith Promise for Missions this year. Anyone can participate and contribute. Simply note that your gifts are for "Faith Promise." Brochures are available at the Resource Table that explain what Faith Promise for Missions is all about.



Small groups are a great way to grow as Christians and to serve our world. Be a part of this ministry starting in September. Hosts are

needed. See Pastor Steve for details.

Choir Returns! Rehearsals begin October 22





approximately 10 minutes after the service ends each week. See Hannah Healey for more information.



Pregnancy Care Center's
Gala (Fundraising Banquet)
Thursday, October 12
6:30-8:30PM

Join our church table for this annual event.

Mexico Mission Report

Our short-term mission team had a great time as they served with Welcome Home Outreach last month in Mexico. Pray for the recipients of the home: Luis & Janeth and their children, Elian and Andres. Pray that they will come to know the saving knowledge of Jesus as their Lord and Savior!





	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
S	Septem	ber	· Co	Ct	Sep	1	2
	3 Communion Sunday 9:45A Prayer 10:00A Worship Service	4 Office Closed LABOR DAY	5 Ruth Palmer	3:00P Leadership Council Meeting	7	8	9
	Jeanette Cornell 10 Children of Promise Sunday	Bob O'Connell 11 Office Closed	Norma Slaughter 12	13	14	15	16
	9:00 LIFE Hour (Q&A with Children of Promise) 9:45A Prayer 10:00A Worship Service	Jonathan Carlson Bette Guyer	Conrad Falardeau Melvin Lanting Craig & Beth Roenicke (celebrating 42 years)	Joanie Gibson		Women's Retrea	t at Camp White Branch
	9:00A LIFE Hour 9:45A Prayer 10:00A Worship Service & Baby Dedication	18 Office Closed	1:00P Cascade Park Study Lois Christensen	12:00P Danielson's Study (Meal)	21	22	23 FIRST DAY OF TALL
	24 Friendship Sunday 9:00A LIFE Hour 9:45A Prayer 10:00A Worship Service Carol Yoder	25 Office Closed	26 1:00P Cascade Park Study	2.7 1:30P Danielson's Study Jon Cates	28	29 Jaime Adney	30 Sharon Foster
	9:00A LIFE Hour 9:45A Prayer 10:00A Worship Service	2 Office Closed	3 1:00P Cascade Park Study	4 1:30P Danielson's Study Ken Foster Betty Kahle	5	6	Jaime Hudson Marlene Swanson
O C T O	8 Change Offering Sunday 9:00A LIFE Hour 9:45A Prayer 10:00A Worship Service 11:15A Board of Outreach Meeting	9 Office Closed	1:00P Cascade Park Study	1:30P Danielson's Study	Come Grow With Us 6:30P PCC Gala Larry Johnson	13	14
	15 Pastor Appreciation 9:00A LIFE Hour 9:45A Prayer 10:00A Worship Service 11:30A Pastor Appreciation Church Dinner	16 Office Closed	1:00P Cascade Park Study	1:30P Danielson's Study Patty Lamberson Kathy Zimmerman	19	20	21
	9:00A LIFE Hour 9:45A Prayer 10:00A Worship Service and Baptism 11:15A Choir Rehearsal	23 Office Closed	24 1:00P Cascade Park Study	25 1:30P Danielson's Study Bill Burt Dolly Yarnell	4:00P Bd. of Property Management Mtg.	27	28
	29 Friendship Sunday 9:00A LIFE Hour 9:45A Prayer 10:00A Worship Service 11:15A Choir Rehearsal	30 Office Closed	31 Halloween 1:00P Cascade Park Study	CHURCH OFFICE HOURS Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday (9:30AM—12:00PM) (Contact the office for an appointment with the pastor) NOTE: Birthdays are in BLUE. Anniversaries are in RED.			



Have an urgent prayer request? Activate our Prayer Line Ministry by contacting Ruth Palmer: 503-544-1318 (CALL or TEXT).

To join this prayer ministry, also contact Ruth.

SUNDAY WORSHIP OPTIONS:

Join us at 10:00AM in-person or online (YouTube Live).

Video is also available online later on demand
on our church's YouTube channel.