# Newsletter



### BROOKINGS SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

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### **Lead Story Headline**

Dear Brookings Family,

We have all been saddened by the passing of Chuck Gehnert and Gene Thompson. Please pray for those in our church family who are struggling with health issues that they may be healed and strengthened. We appreciate those who worked so hard to provide food for picnic-in-the-basement, two memorial service meals, and the soup kitchen.

A death in my family, and subsequent funeral, calls me away from church the last Sabbath of August. And a doctor's appointment and Labor Day weekend prevent me from being with you on the first Sabbath of September. I return Sept 7. Our all -church potluck will take place as usual the 2nd Sabbath of the month, September 12.

The Nominating Committee has met and is making good progress toward filling the various ministry positions necessary for the orderly functioning of our church. We appreciate the service of those who served so well in the past and pray that, if asked to serve, you will be impressed to say 'Yes'. An agenda item for the next church board meeting will be a recommendation that the Nominating Committee meet every two years, rather than every year.

We had a nice turnout for the 2nd Evangelism Town Hall. Our next Community Outreach event is scheduled for Sabbath afternoon, September 26, at 1:30 pm. Dr William McDougall will be here to speak to us about healthy lifestyle from a physician's point-of-view. He sees lots of sick people and we would do well to listen carefully to insights that he has about how to stay healthy. Haystacks will be served between the Sabbath worship service and Dr. McDougall's presentation for visitors and those of you staying for the program. If you are willing to help with

this meal, with greeting, or be a "table host", please contact my wife, Linda.

We are taking a survey to see what you think we should do about having a fall evangelistic series this October. Linda and I have a commitment with Gospel Outreach and their work in Nepal that causes us to be away this year from October 7 to November 6. (In the future, we hope to change the schedule of our annual mission trip so we do not have this conflict again in October/November of 2016.) I would prefer to be here during the evangelistic series so that I can meet and bond with those who attend. The survey also asks for your ideas about outreach for 2016. Please, share your ideas. We all want to do all we can to hasten the return of Jesus.

Love, Pastor & Linda Shultz

#### Did you know?

- CANARY BIRDS HATCH IN 14
   DAYS
- BARNYARD HENS IN 21 DAYS
- DUCKS AND GEESE IN 28 DAYS
- MALLARDS IN 35 DAYS
- PARROT AND OSTRICH HATCH IN 42 DAYS (NOTICE THEY ARE ALL DIVISIBLE BY 7!)
- ELEPHANTS FOUR LEGS ALL BEND FORWARD IN THE SAME DIRECTION (NO OTHER QUAD-RUPED IS LIKE THAT).
- THE HORSE RISES FROM THE GROUND WITH IT'S TWO FRONT LEGS FIRST.
- THE COW RISES FROM THE GROUND WITH IT'S TWO HIND FEET FIRST.
- EACH ORANGE HAS AN EVEN
   NUMBER OF SEGMENTS
- EACH EAR OF CORN AS AN EVEN NUMBER OF ROWS.
- EACH WATERMELON HAS AN EVEN NUMBER OF STRIPES ON THE RIND.

WITH SO MUCH ATTENTION TO VARIETY AND DETAIL, HOW COULD YOU THINK GOD DOESN'T HAVE A UNIQUE PLAN FOR YOUR LIFE? THE LIVES OF EACH OF US MAY BE ORDERED BY THE LORD IN A BEAUTIFUL WAY FOR HIS GLORY, IF WE WILL ONLY ENTRUST HIM WITH OUR LIFE.

## **Upcoming Events**

- Ladies Study and Prayer Group will begin meeting again on Tuesday mornings starting September 8, 2015. They meet in the Pastor's office at 11 AM.
- Adventist Book Center is also trying to save mon-

ey by not mailing out the sales fliers. So far, only 5 % of their members have signed up to get the information by email. Sign up at www.abcflyer.com by September 6, open the email they send and

finish the quick sign up process to get your flyer. They will be here in November for book display and delivery.

