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From the Pastor's Desk

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Endurance

“...we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance” (Romans 5:3 ESV)

The story is told of a man who got lost in the Australian outback, the vast uninhabited desert interior of the land “down under.” He hiked for days and grew more hopeless with each passing hour. He saw nothing but sagebrush, sand, and blue skies. There seemed to be no sign of human life anywhere.

Then he saw it.

An old rusty can lying in the dirt.

“People!” he cried. “Someone has been here.” The can was evidence of intelligent life. He kept walking in the direction of the can and eventually saw more evidences of humanity until he finally reached a town.

A round, rusty piece of tin never looked so good, that day in the wild. It was a small thing, but it gave promise of nearby civilization. A bit of hope that strengthened him to press on.

Today we need hope. The long season of COVID fear, masks and distancing is getting us down. But there are small signs here and there that can inspire us. The opening of churches, schools, and local state parks should encourage us. These are evidences of hope of greater freedom in the future.

God is helping us to develop endurance. Rescue will come. Let us trust.

Comfort for the Day Seminar

In August, Karen and Steve Nicola presented a seven session Zoom training entitled “Real Help for Grieving Hearts”.

It was a rewarding journey to better understand the process of grief recovery. Losses are common in our lives and those around us and many feel ineffective in comforting others. Topics included “Forgiveness”, “Understanding Grief Emotionally and Physically”, “What Grievors Need Most from Us” and “What Not to Say and What to Say”. A theme throughout the seminar was that it’s the grievors story to tell. No need to superimpose our feelings and experiences onto their story, or judge their experience, or even try to become the “fixer”. It was noted that in practice this can be harder than it sounds!

At the last session, the importance of providing support as a team was highlighted. Since then a Grief Care Team has had their first meeting and plans to meet regularly.

“Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted” Matthew 5:4

Website: www.comfortfortheday.com

Bible Brain Knowledge

Gates

Location, Location, Location!

1. What kind of gate did Jesus say leads to destruction?
What kind of gate leads to life?
2. On the day known today as Palm Sunday, Jesus entered the gate of what city?
3. In Jesus’ parable, at whose gate did the beggar Lazarus sit?
4. In John’s vision in Revelation of the New Jerusalem, how many gates were there?

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Upcoming Events



Sabbath programming:

For access to the online Bible study guide, visit: ssnet.org. This website has updated links to all Sabbath School lessons for all divisions.

Zoom adult Sabbath School class:

- Contact **Bob Biegel** 541-661-5161 for a link to the class.

Services at the church starts at 11:30 a.m and can also be viewed live on Facebook and YouTube.

Please visit us on  and at  **Brookings Seventh-day Adventist Church**, for live presentations and recorded video messages.

The church hosts prayer meetings each week. 1) Monday and Fridays at 7 a.m. by conference call. Call 1 503 300 6845 Code 887408 2) Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. via ZOOM 3) Whichever prayer you wish to join, let us all pray according to the instructions in James 5:16. "Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much." **No prayer meeting October 14**

Thank you to everyone for continued strong support of our local church, August church budget received: \$6964.98. To give online please visit: <https://adventistgiving.org/#/org/ANIFCB/envelope/start> Or send your tithes and offerings to: Brookings Seventh-day Adventist Church, P.O. Box 777, Brookings, OR 97415.

October 9-18 at 6:45pm each evening Richie Halversen presents Unchained: Hope and Health from Addiction. Register at <https://bit.ly/richie-unchained>

Tuesday, October 27 at 5pm-6pm: ABC will deliver food items that you have pre ordered. There will be no book sale or dinner. Look for the order brochure in the mail the second week of October.

Women's Ministries Outreach

In the last two years our outreach to the local community included a donation of 60 bags of school supplies to Kalmiopsis Elementary. These bags were given to students whose families couldn't afford them.

This year due to Covid restrictions the school is providing the basic supplies. When we inquired the principal let us know that in lieu of the bags, a monetary donation to the student association account would be much appreciated.. This would help teachers to supplement the supplies as needed throughout the year.

A \$600 donation was given and very thankfully received by the principal on behalf of the school.

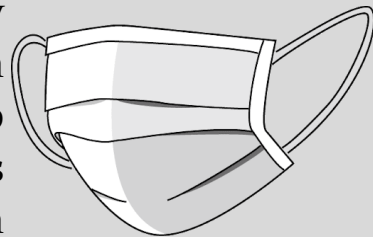
Pencils and other items were also donated to Crescent City Adventist Christian School and the Grants Pass Adventist School.

- ◆ If you have time to worry, you have time to pray
- ◆ Untold millions are still untold

Hello Church Attendees

Just a friendly reminder that in order to keep those around us protected, when attending church services masks must be worn 'properly' covering mouth and nose and must remain on while in the building. This includes people at the microphones, in the balcony and pulpit.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Children's Corner

Jesus made all the animals, big and small, tiny and tall, loud and fast!

- Largest animal- blue whale
- Loudest animal- blue whale
- Largest land animal- African elephant
- Loudest land animal- Howler Monkey
- Tallest mammal- Giraffe
- Fastest mammal- Cheetah
- Fastest air-traveling animal- Peregrine falcon
- Smallest mammal- Bumblebee bat



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Answers
Wide; Narrow. Matthew 7:13-14
Jerusalem. Matthew 21: 9-10
Gate of a rich man's house. Luke
16: 19-20
Twelve. Revelation 21:10,21