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The Compass

A Few Words from Ben....



The last month, with the spread of the cyclospora parasite, has made people stop and rethink the things that they are putting into their bodies. Lots of people have questioned the food they buy at the grocery store or which restaurants they are willing to eat at because of the possibility of eating contaminated lettuce or a few other leafy greens. It's funny how when uncomfortable trips to the bathroom are on the line people are much more willing to be picky about what goes into their bodies. This is a really good reminder for us that we need to be showing that same kind of caution all the time when it comes to spiritual things also.

33 "No one lights a lamp and puts it in a place where it will be hidden, or under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, so that those who come in may see the light. 34 Your eye is the lamp of your body. When your eyes are healthy, your whole body also is full of light. But when they are unhealthy, your body also is full of darkness. 35 See to it, then, that the light within you is not darkness. 36 Therefore, if your whole body is full of light, and no part of it dark, it will be just as full of light as when a lamp shines its light on you."

Luke 11:33-36 NIV

19 My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, 20 because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires. 21 Therefore, get rid of all moral filth and the evil that is so prevalent and humbly accept the word planted in you, which can save you.

22 Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says. 23 Anyone who listens to the word but does not do what it says is like someone who looks at his face in a mirror 24 and, after looking at himself, goes away and immediately forgets what he looks like. 25 But whoever looks intently into the perfect law that gives freedom, and continues in it—not forgetting what they have heard, but doing it—they will be blessed in what they do.

SUNDAYS

9am

Sunday School

1:30am

Worship Service

5pm

Youth Group

WEEKLY

Tuesdays

Soul Sisters

10am SWCC

Wednesdays

Life Group

6:30pm SWCC

Cory Lemke

Life Group

6:30pm

1635 Crescent St.

Ben & Laura Powell

Life Group

6pm

14025 Keno Terrace (Keno)

Lee & Tricia Brewer

Life Group

6pm

34320 Brittany Way

Chiloquin

Greg & Stephanie

Sullivan

Saturday

7am

Men's Group - SWCC



26 Those who consider themselves religious and yet do not keep a tight rein on their tongues deceive themselves, and their religion is worthless. 27 Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.

James 1:19-27 NIV

It's good to be careful about what we are eating, but the more important thing is to be mindful of what we are putting into our hearts. Jesus taught His disciples that what we eat can't defile us but what comes out of our mouths is from our heart, and that is what makes us unclean (Mt 15). If we are continuing to feed darkness and evil to our hearts then that is what it will grow on, and in the end that is what it will become. This is not to say that we should hide ourselves away and try to never come in contact with bad things, but we should make sure that they are not what we are sustaining ourselves with. If we do, then, in the end, that is what we will become. As the old saying goes, "you are what you eat."

Ben





Faith Promise - SWCC's Missions Program

Faith Promise is reaching towards its goal of \$40,000 in support of selected missions both internationally and locally. As of June 30th, \$18,703 has been received for support of this program. Thank You to all of you who have contributed- both financially and with your prayers. *Even if you did not participate in submitting a "faith promise card" last March, you can always give your support to our mission's program - just note on your donation that it is for missions or faith promise.*

SWCC monthly sends out support checks totaling \$3,300 going to 11 different mission fields. In addition to the monthly support, SWCC also provided "one-time" donations to the Christian Music Festival in Sprague, River, Oregon and to our short-term mission's team. *Our team will be ministering to refugees in the Salem area August 9-14th.*

Your missions committee meets periodically to review the faith promise finances, special requests, and share reports of our supported missionaries. Dates for these meetings will be in the bulletins and newsletter. Team members are: Chris, Jennifer, & Israel Chandler, Cory & Janice Lemke, Lee & Tricia Brewer, Bill & Virginia Hirengen, Chuck & Debbie Powell, Laine & Christy Johnson, Randee Foster, Diana Moore, Natalie Hively, and Sally Marshall.

thank you

Wow! Have you noticed all the school supplies that have been donated for the mission's trip in August? We first thought there might be a tote full maybe two for our team to share. But GOD had bigger plans for us. We are now at 3+ totes and more supplies are expected to come in. **A BIG THANK YOU** to all who have contributed to this project. Blessings to each of you from your Mission's Committee.



AUGUST 9-14th
Short-Term Mission Trip
To: Salem, OR

Please be praying for the team as they prepare to go and pray for their safety and as they witness about Jesus.



ALL CHURCH PICNIC
August 15th - 11am to 4pm
At: Malin Park

Our area at the park is by the bathrooms. You can bring a pop-up canopy if you want shade and lawn chairs.

Potluck lunch:

Please bring to share: A main dish or a salad, or fruit or veggie tray, or desserts or chips.



There is a sign-up sheet for those who are wanting to swim in the pool. The Malin Park needs a count. The last day to sign up will be August 9th.

ANNOUNCEMENT:

Current Events Discussions: There will be NO Current Events discussion during the months of August and September. Will resume in October.



BLUEGRASS CONCERT
September 20th

Church BBQ Followed by a
 Blue Grass Concert
 BBQ will be following the
 worship service and concert
 will be at 4pm

We will have corn hole plus a
 bouncy house for the kids
 Join us for a great time or
 food, fun and fellowship.
More information to come



FOOD BANK ITEMS FOR
AUGUST

Canned Soups and
Canned Meats

You are chosen,
now and
always,
by a Father
Who calls
you His.



