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Our newsletter has a new look and thanks to our daughter, Dawna, our ESM web site has been completely overhauled. If you haven't done it before, please take a few minutes to type in the web address above, browse the site and let us know what you think. Put the site in your favorites, because we will be adding information and links often. Not only does it have a new look, there are additional features to challenge and encourage particularly those in vocational ministry. If your pastor and church leaders are not familiar with Eagle Summit, let them know as well. If you have suggestions for improvement, links that would be beneficial or ideas that may be of encouragement, e-mail me or give me a phone call.

The new site has been set up so that will be able to self-manage and to make additions and changes without the need to go through a web designer. There is another learning curve required, but it will be simpler freeing up time and resources for our daughter. She has faithfully assisted us with our web site for over fifteen years. Her husband, Rich, has also assisted us with computer issues and software training. Dawna and Rich organized and video taped our original introductory ESM video. They have saved Eagle Summit thousands of dollars in IT expenses. We are very thankful for their faithful assistance.

SPECIAL PROJECT Here's a thought that may seem disjointed, but there is a connection. I have three projects in mind that require extra funding not included in our current ESM budget. I am asking God to lay it on the hearts of interested partners to meet these goals. A portion of this is linked with our web site. If God blesses you and you are able and impressed to help, I can explain more if you contact me. Another option is to designate a gift to **"SPECIAL PROJECTS."** I know this is a bit enigmatic, but it will be interesting to see what God will do. We have always faithfully utilized funds as directed and been frugal. Take a leap of faith with us and I will explain specifics in future newsletters.

Summer and fall ESM income tends to fluctuate. In addition, as our donor base ages, we have seen a number of friends enter Heaven. Others have had personal income decline so they can no longer financially support ESM. Please to continue pray with us, let others know about our ministry and give as God enables.

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New Laptop Is In Hand

We have been consulting with our son-in-law, Rich Stafford, about what to look for in a new ESM computer. We made a purchase and are working to get all our information transferred. Rich has been assisting us for years with computer problems, additions and upgrades. He has been a tremendous encouragement to us. He spent at least eight hours the first week of June, patiently transferring 10 gigabytes of documents and programs from our old computer to the new one, along with adding new programs, virus protection, a backup program and explaining new functions. **THANK YOU, RICH.**

We are so grateful to those of you who have been faithfully giving to meet this need. You have made this new purchase possible. Your partnership is a constant encouragement and we will think of you every time we use this new ministry tool. **THANK YOU, DEAR FRIENDS.**

GENEROUS GIFT TO BARNABAS FUND



A friend of encouragement recently sent a generous gift designated for our Barnabas Fund.

This is the first significant financial gift we have received and will be used wisely to stimulate and encourage those God directs us to.

I remember the television show, "The Millionaire," which aired when I was growing up. I always thought it would be one of the best jobs in the world to find people in need and change their lives. I have grown to realize that sometimes meeting needs can be the wrong thing to do. At times, God places us in difficult situations so we can grow and learn to depend upon Him even more.

Sometimes, it is wrong to help. The question again must be, "What does God want?" Our heart is to know and do the will of God even in distributing to meet the needs of others. Pray with us for wisdom to know and do exactly what God wants. If you are impressed to give to meet needs of those serving in ministry, simply note that with your gift. It will be used carefully, prayerfully and thankfully.

CONTINUE TO PARTNER WITH US IN PRAYER

Your Prayers & Gifts Sustain Us to Serve

- I am headed to Central Mexico July 15-30 working with veteran missionary, Steve Montgomery, and sixteen national churches. I will be holding 3-day workshops in 4 different locations. The schedule is very full. Pray for strength, stamina and effectiveness. Pray also for Steve. He has been undergoing cancer treatments. He has been told by his doctor that he is cancer free, but treatments have left Steve's energy level low. He is planning on traveling with me and serving as my interpreter. Pray this will be so ("flexibilidad").
- Please continue to pray with us for wisdom and grace in regard to Diane's continuing health challenge. With the summer off work, hopefully some rest and change of pace will help. She is on a second round of antibiotics for the month of June fighting another lung infection, complicated by allergies and asthma.
- Our son is facing potential surgeries. We need wisdom in regard to this as well. We will be closely involved with his recovery if this takes place, putting additional responsibility on his Mother. This will carry into the fall after school starts, which will be an added stressor. Thankfully we have a God who is in control.
- Pray with our ESM board as we look to the future and seek new board members to partner with us.
- Pray that God will continue to use friends of ESM to meet financial needs.
- Pray for ongoing effectiveness in serving and encouraging those who minister, facing difficult challenges.



Thoughts from Diane . . . THE GOOD OLD DAYS



Climbing trees was something I did well. Most of my life's challenges were against myself. I liked getting better at what I did. Climbing anything was one of the first things I remembered as being fun. My mother told me when I was a toddler that I walked out onto the back porch of the second story apartment we lived in, climbed the rail and was hanging by one foot when she grabbed me. I progressed to abandoned houses, airport fences and tree's before I was five. I loved climbing those trees. My challenge was always to wrap my legs around the thickest trunk and see how high I could go. I have distinct memories of swaying in the breeze. It was wonderful. One vivid memory was climbing a tree in the front yard when I was probably four or five. I'd made it to a thick branch that had a rope swinging from it. My big brother was standing around somewhere when I decided to swing down. Apparently I didn't have a great grip because I can still remember falling. That fall seemed to last forever. My brother got his bike, somehow hiked me up on it and wheeled me to the house. He then helped me hop up the stairs. I sprained my leg from the tip of my toes all the way up the thigh. No doctor visits in those days. Thankfully after a very long time it healed.

Ecclesiastes 7:10 "Say not, 'why were the former days better than these?' For it is not from wisdom that you ask this." Oh those good old days. They make for great memories and really good stories. I climbed trees after that but I don't remember swinging from any more ropes. As a matter of fact, I had a healthy fear of taking on any more ropes. I didn't want to repeat that horrible sprained leg. Wisdom came in the form of much pain when I was young. ". . . the advantage of knowledge is that wisdom preserves the life of him who has it." Ecclesiastes 7:12 b



I learned, gained knowledge of life and acquired wisdom before I knew anything about God or who Jesus was. I have loved reading the writings of Solomon again. God honored Solomon's prayer to gain wisdom. If we listen to what he says in Ecclesiastes we could avoid a lot of pain. As I've grown older I realized so much more of the awesome wisdom and wonder in God's Words. The more I read about God, the more I regret not taking more time when I was younger. All the "if only I had" or the "I wishes" can't change the past and I surely don't want to go back in time at all. I'll leave the beautiful memories and the huge mistakes behind and be content to live the life God has preserved to gain more knowledge and understanding of who God is. The former days are nothing compared to the time God has given me to know Him more deeply than I've ever known Him before.

1 Corinthians 15:58 Standing Firm, Diane



A democracy cannot exist as a permanent form of government. It can only exist until the voters discover that they can vote themselves assistance from the public treasury. From that moment on, the majority always votes for the candidates promising the most benefits from the public treasury with the result that a democracy always collapses over loose fiscal policy, always followed by a dictatorship. The average age of the world's greatest civilizations has been 200 years. Where do you think we are as a nation in the accompanying list?

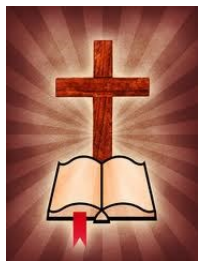
Great Nations Rise and Fall

1. From bondage to spiritual truth/faith
2. From spiritual truth/faith to great courage
3. From great courage to liberty
4. From liberty to abundance
5. From abundance to selfishness
6. From selfishness to complacency
7. From complacency to apathy
8. From apathy to dependence
9. From dependence back again to bondage.

Psalm 33:12 "Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord . . ."

Our Continuing Mission Is To . . .

"Serve God's Servants"



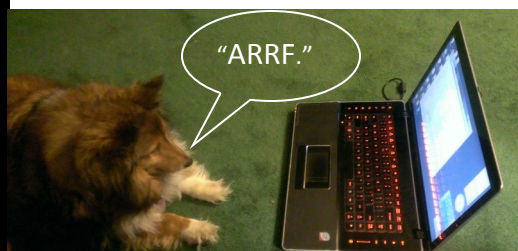
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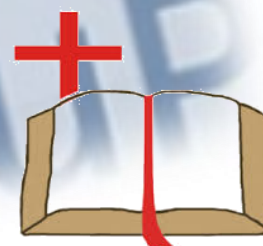


Everyone's Checking Out Our New ESM Web Site

If you have suggestions on how we can improve even more, please contact us with your ideas. We'll be adding more resources and links often. Even our dog, Scooter is impressed.

Where We've Been, What We've Been Up to & Where We're Headed Next . . .

May 2-3—OAC conference, ALACCA Bible Conference Center, Harpster, ID
May 18—Opportunity Baptist Church, Spokane Valley, WA
June 4—Training session with Mark Kennedy and Shield of Faith students
June 15/22—Opportunity Baptist Church, Spokane Valley, WA
June 16—Leadership Meeting, Mending Fences Fellowship, Spokane, WA
July 6—Valley Bible Church, Kooskai, ID
July 15-30—Mission Trip to Central Mexico
August 1—Valley Bible Church / VBS / Spokane Valley, WA
August 23—ESM Board Meeting



We have no "marketing agent, marketing plan, marketing goal" or "ad campaign."

We rely on the Spirit of God impressing the people of God to support the work of God.

As we continue to "Serve God's Servants," be sensitive to God's directive in partnering with us through prayer and financial gifts this summer & fall. God uses you to make this ministry possible.

We Are Available for Pulpit Supply, Even on Short Notice.

Does your church need a speaker for a special outreach program, AWANA or Kid's Clubs, Sunday School, teen or kid's camps, family camp or other special events? Contact us by phone or e-mail. We are here to serve.