

FROM THE NEST OF . . .

# SUMMIT

## EAGLE SUMMIT MINISTRY

Volume 19 Number 6 BEGINNING OUR 20TH YEAR OF SERVING GOD'S SERVANTS NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2015

## PERU CREW II

Dates have been set for March 31—April 14, 2016 for a second mission trip to Lima, Peru to assist Steve and Kelley Frerichs. I will be leading the group. Our plan is to serve in Lima as opportunities open, to assist with a building project in the community two hours south of Lima, where we helped on our first visit and to hold outreach services in the highlands where Steve and Kelley desire to see a new church started. We need your prayer for the following:

- For God to bring together just the right team
- That team building and training will be effective
- That housing and travel plans will come together
- Health and safety for all on the team
- That language and culture differences would not hinder
- That all financial needs would be met

It may look  
strange here,  
but it's hilarious  
in person.



We were able to help the Frerichs family with a special financial gift on our last trip that allowed them to purchase a desperately needed washer and dryer. We would like to be able to bless them this trip as well. Any funds given beyond expenses will go toward this gift of encouragement. Not everyone will be impressed or able to give, but all can pray with and for us. If God impresses and enables you to give toward this adventure, simply note that with your gift. The word **"PERU"** will alert us to designate your gift accordingly.

I would also like to purchase another ventriloquist tool to take with us that I think would be quite effective in drawing a crowd together. This is a remote controlled mask that turns a spectator into an instant vent figure ("dummy"). This is quite expensive, but would be a great attraction and provide opportunities to present the Gospel. If you would like to help with this project, just note the words **"VENT MASK"** with your gift.



## What Do You Have to Do to Get to Heaven?

After carefully explaining the plan of salvation to his third grade boys Sunday School class, teacher Gordon asked his students what a person has to do to get to Heaven. Gordon hoped the boys had listened carefully and could readily explain that a person needed to admit they were sinful and accept Christ's death as payment in full for their debt of sin.

Billy's hand shot up instantly. He knew the answer to this question for sure. "Yes, Billy. What does a person have to do to get to Heaven? Billy's immediate response was, "Ya gotta die." Not quite the answer teacher Gordon was looking for, but it's true.

**I'm reminded often that every day brings us one day closer to Heaven.**

Our friend, Sharon Fossum, completed her journey here on earth just a few weeks ago. Sharon made sure we had a new computer and gave regularly to make certain that happened. Just a few days before her passing, she left one last gift for Eagle Summit. There were also several memorial gifts sent to Eagle Summit in her honor. This is heartwarming and humbling. We will miss Sharon's faithful encouragement along with a number of other friends who have made their new residence - HEAVEN.



## Beginning Our 20th Year of Serving Through Eagle Summit

In October of 1996, with the clear direction of the Lord, we began Eagle Summit Ministry to serve pastors and leaders of small and rural churches here in the Inland Northwest and to serve as a Chaplain with the Spokane County Sheriff's Office. Our first board president was Dr. George Rodkey who served for over ten years. His faithful encouragement and that of other board members, donors and prayer partners like you made this possible. I have asked the Lord for ten more years to serve, knowing full well that tomorrow may be the last day He has planned for me. **THANK YOU FOR BEING THE HUMAN INSTRUMENTS GOD USES THROUGH PRAYER AND FINANCIAL GIFTS, MAKING THIS MINISTRY POSSIBLE.**

### Please Continue to Pray with Us . . .

- ☐ Pray for LaRae Damschen's health improvement.
- ☐ Pray for our friends in ministry, Dick & Lil Shanks. Dick had a stroke about two weeks ago requiring related surgery. Dick is having speech and physical therapy. It is our will that he be healed completely. Yielding to God's will is always our challenge. Pray for Dick and Lil, as they face this difficult challenge.
- ☐ Please pray for Diane as she faces daily challenges with keeping her lungs free from infection.
- ☐ G2 has had a new complication and was in emergency again last week. This time it is kidney stones. He continues to follow the doctors instructions to get well.
- ☐ Continue to pray that two new churches will officially partner with us.
- ☐ Pray that we will continue to be effective in ministry and meet needs of those we serve and for safety as we travel.
- ☐ Praise—for God meeting financial needs and goals. THANK YOU ALSO.



## Thoughts from Diane: **Sea to Sea**

I remember the first time I went to California. George and I flew to meet with pastor Bill Kellogg in Redondo Beach. George was being considered for a position in the church. We stayed with a couple from the church when we arrived. I don't remember much more about that trip, however, I do remember driving to California from Illinois when we moved a month later. I can still remember the distinct smell of the ocean as we got closer. It was wonderful! Before I was married, I didn't travel anywhere, so everything was new to me. To this day, I absolutely love to go to the ocean. I also spent half of my life growing up by a lake in Minnesota. It was possible for a poor family in the sixties, but not anymore. In fact, the folks who bought our family house, tore it down. I do have great memories of lake life, but the ocean still stirs my soul. Zechariah 9:10 "... His rule will extend from sea to sea and from the River to the ends of the earth."



I admire God's creation every day. That's one wonderful thing about driving a school bus. I'm up early enough to enjoy sunrises. I soak in every season and especially wait for spring-time. I look forward to the renewal of life. Now I look at the imperfect. All that Jesus is preparing for those of us who have accepted Him as Savior will then see the perfect. He will rule justly. He will show us things we cannot even imagine.

Zechariah 9:12 "Return to your fortress O prisoner of hope . . ." God is speaking to the Jewish nation in this passage. However, God has promised those of us who live in the age of grace that we have a hope (confident expectation) that is secure. He will

fulfill every promise He has made to Israel and to us. He will make all things new. Just meditating on this hope gives me such peace. In the meantime, we work to tell others that God has offered this same hope to all. He did not just die for me and give me new life, His death and resurrection offers salvation to all who call on Him. The simple truth of John 3:16 is evidence enough.

Zechariah 9:14 "Then the LORD will appear over them; His arrow will flash like lightning. The Sovereign LORD will sound the trumpet . . ." I'm waiting for that trumpet call. What's to come is more magnificent than the spectacular lakes and magnificent oceans we enjoy here on earth. Our eternal future is more beautiful than anything we enjoy in this life. The most wonderful expectation is to see Jesus face to face. If you don't have that hope now, search for Him and He will be found by you also.

Isaiah 55:6 "Seek the LORD while He is near; call upon Him while He may be found."

**1 Corinthians 15:58 Standing Firm, Diane**

### **DATE CHANGE**

### **PAL WORKSHOP 2016**

Plans continue to develop for our second **PAL Workshop**. Pastors & church leaders, mark your calendar for

**Saturday, April 26, 2016**

LOCATION: Valley Bible Church, Spokane Valley, WA.

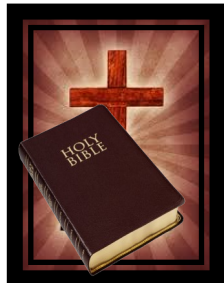
With our mission trip to Peru scheduled just before our original workshop date, we have moved our meeting back one week from our initial plans.

**FOCUS: DEVELOPING A MORE EFFECTIVE MINISTRY TEAM**



**Our Continuing Mission Is To . . .**

**“Serve God’s Servants”**



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May this Thanksgiving and Christmas Season bring you opportunities to learn more about Who God is and how He wants to work in and through our lives. This is a wonderful time of the year to be reminded that we are NOT here on planet earth for ourselves, but for others. It is also a time to especially remember that every breath we take brings us one breath closer to the pure air of Heaven and that each day brings us one day closer to the perfection God has awaiting for all who have received God's greatest gift, HIS SON.



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

August 30—Valley Bible Church, Kooskai, ID  
September 12—ESM Board Meeting, New Hope Bible Church, Spokane Valley, WA  
September 20—Missions emphasis, New Hope Bible Church, Spokane Valley, WA  
October 3—Harvest Party (mission fund-raising auction) New Hope Bible Church  
Oct 19/ Nov 16—Mending Fences Fellowship, Spokane, WA, Leadership Meeting  
November 14—ESM board meeting  
March 31-April 7—Mission Trip to Peru  
April 26—PAL Workshop, Valley Bible Church, Spokane Valley, WA



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**Need a speaker for a creative outreach program, AWANA or Kid's Clubs, Sunday School, teen or kid's camps other special events? Contact us. We are here to serve.**

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