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WELCOME TO



New blessings, new beginnings, new challenges and opportunities lie ahead for all of us. This is especially true for our ministry. Our focus remains the same as it has for the past ten years, but we are constantly looking for ways to better meet the needs of the pastors and churches we serve. We strive to stay relevant, incorporating the tools of a constantly changing culture in an attempt to meet the unchanging needs of the human heart. This is an ongoing challenge. To reach the mind to reach the heart to affect life change is our goal.

Another component of our ministry is the fact we are dependent on God and God's people to fulfill the calling He has put in our hearts. This is a team effort and cannot be fulfilled without your generous gifts, prayers and encouragement. From a human perspective, what we are doing is not only foolish, but impossible. Yet this is what God has burdened us to do. Our energies are directed to the purpose of helping as many pastors of the smaller and rural church as we are enabled for as many years as the Lord allows.

In dreaming with our board about the future, I would love to see someone else come alongside and be able to partner with us in carrying on and expanding this work. I believe I have at least twenty years of ministry service left, but God may have other plans. "Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is the LORD's purpose that prevails." Proverbs 19:21 (NIV)

God has designed and destined us to be involved in His kingdom work through Eagle Summit. I am more convinced of this than ever. It is the tension of dreams and reality that tend to keep us all in balance. This is God's way of giving us perspective and direction on the road of life.

The past year was full and we expect 2006 to be just as productive, if not more. I was able to preach and teach at least 70 times in 2005 at camps and churches. At least a dozen came to know Christ as their personal Savior. We have several camps, a VBS and a Bible seminar already scheduled along with assisting at Elk Community Church until they find a Pastor.

I am no longer working with the Sheriff's Office Chaplaincy, so that will free up more time to serve churches. I am occasionally working with the county Crime Prevention Deputy, Greg Synder, using our puppet dog, Scruff, in school McGruff assemblies. I will continue my teaching at Moody Northwest and will be driving school bus part-time for Central Valley School District.

Pray with us that we will make a difference and be effective for God's Kingdom.

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DVD NEARING COMPLETION

I received word today that our ESM DVD should be completed by the beginning of the New Year.

One of our dreams is to see 10-15 new churches assist us as encouragers. If we have \$50-\$100 increased monthly support from a number of churches, we would have our monthly budgeted goal met and our prayer base dramatically increased.

Our 2006 budget is the same as the past year. It would be great to see this fully met. In conjunction with this, we have our

updated brochure ready to go to the printer as soon as funding is available. This will be part of an informational package that we hope to have available soon..



Welcome to Our Newest Board Member



We welcome Mr. Chris Young to our Eagle Summit board of directors. With the recent retirement of Dr. and Mrs. Rodkey from faithfully serving with us for nearly ten years, we have been asking God for new board members. He has provided.

Chris is a deputy with the Spokane County Sheriff's Office and a member of our home Church, New Hope Bible. He has been a friend of our ministry and brings with him a love for the Lord, energy, enthusiasm and a desire to meet the needs of God's servants. Chris is a great addition to our team.



Welcome into the Nest.

family.org

Pastors, if you have not visited Focus on the Family's web site family.org. you will want to do so. Locate the "Pastor to Pastor's" page for some great resources and encouragement. This may be just the jump start you need for the New Year.

2006 Ministry Desires & Dreams . . .

"Attempt things so impossible that unless God is in them, they are doomed to failure."

As with all dreams, there must be an investment of time, money and resources. As God provides funding and resources through you, we are able to invest more time, see needs met and our dreams become reality. Being dependant upon God and God's people partnering with us is both a great blessing and a constant challenge. Your gifts are in a sense a stamp of approval from God on our ministry. We cannot do this work without you. Thank you for caring & giving as God enables & directs.

Here are a few direct, practical ways you can help us:

- Special tire purchase \$150 (four like-new tires for ESM van, balanced and mounted)
- Retire current credit card debt \$2,500
- Updated ESM Brochure / Printing Cost: 5,000 copies \$930 (plus tax)
- "That the World May Know" DVD series from Focus on the Family (series 3 & 4)
- New Laptop Computer \$2,500



The following is a great testimony of those who were closest to Jesus, which you may be able to use as a powerful witnessing tool or as an encouragement to a fellow believer.

. . . and they believed

by Dawna Stafford



John 1

In John Chapter one John says, "I have seen and I testify that this is the Son of God." *John Believed.*

Andrew heard John say this about Jesus, "Look the Lamb of God!" Andrew followed Jesus. *Andrew believed.*

Andrew went to find his brother Simon to tell him that he had found the messiah, the Christ. Andrew literally brought his brother to Jesus. Jesus looked at Simon and called him Peter. *Peter believed.*

Philip found Nathanael and told him, "We have found the one Moses wrote about in the law, and about whom the prophets also wrote – Jesus of Nazareth..." When Nathanael first met Jesus, Jesus knew who he was. Nathanael declared, "Rabbi, you are the son of God, you are the King of Israel." *Nathanael believed.*

John 2

In John Chapter 2 many people saw the miraculous signs Jesus was doing. *Many believed.*

John 3

In John Chapter 3 Nicodemus speaks to Jesus and says, "Rabbi, we know you are a teacher who has come from God. For no one could perform the miraculous signs you are doing if God were not with him." *Nicodemus believed.*

John 4

In John Chapter 4 a Samaritan woman says, "I know that Messiah is coming. When he comes, he will explain everything to us." Jesus answered, "I who speak to you am he." Jesus tells the woman from Samaria that he is the Messiah. *The Samaritan woman believed.*

The Samaritan woman goes back to the town to tell people of the Christ who knows her. Many of the Samaritans from that town believed in him because of the woman's testimony. *Many Samaritans believed.*

In Galilee a royal official asks Jesus to heal his son. Jesus says, "You may go. Your son will live." The man took Jesus at his word and departed. The man's son lived. *The man believed. All of his household believed.*

John 5

At Bethesda in John chapter 5 a man who had been crippled for 38 years is told by Jesus to "Get up! Pick up your mat and walk." At once the man was cured. The man walked away to tell others of the man who healed him. He wasn't sure who the man was but later Jesus found him at the temple and said to him, "You are well again. Stop sinning." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well. *The man who for 38 years had not taken a step, but then in an instant walks because of Jesus, believed.*

John 6

In John Chapter 6 Jesus feeds over 5,000 people from 5 loaves of bread and 2 fish. After the people saw the miraculous sign that Jesus did, they said, "Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world." *Many people on the shore near the Sea of Galilee believed.*

John 7

In John Chapter 7 on the last day of the Feast, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink. Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him. By this he meant the Spirit. On hearing His words, some of the people said, "Surely this man is the Prophet. Others said, "He is the Christ." *On this last day of the feast there were those in the crowd of people who believed.*

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Open for Ministry Opportunities

Jan 1 & 8 — Elk Community Church, Elk, WA
Jan 15 — First Baptist Church, Electric City, WA
Feb 3 — ESM Board Meeting, New Hope Bible Church
Feb — Serving at Elk Community Church as available



Thoughts from Diane . . .



I was home one night in December, watching television. Not very spiritual you say? This night turned out to be one that was quite a revelation. There was a reunion special about a program that had aired more than twenty years ago. The actors met together to reminisce about the work they had done and recreate some memories. What startled me were two things. One, that I had watched that program enough to remember these actors and secondly, the way they all looked now, disfigured from facelifts and time. It was a pitiful sight, but they had my attention, so I decided to continue watching. What happened to me next was embarrassing.

I was overcome with incredible shame that as a believer, I had ever watched such programming on television. It would be nice to be able to edit out that part of my life and other parts for that matter. My thoughts raced to the Apostle Paul’s words “...When I want to do good, evil is right there with me. For in my inner being I delight in God’s law; but I see another law at work in the members of my body, waging war.... What a wretched man I am! Who will rescue me from this body of death? Thanks be to God—through Jesus Christ our Lord!

My instant and overwhelming shame and embarrassment caused me to realize that I had wasted my time, my thoughts and my life’s energy on something meaningless and fleshly. I am so thankful for God’s provision of confession and forgiveness, for each new day, each new year and the opportunity for new beginnings and a deeper relationship with my Creator. Aren’t you?

Standing Firm, Diane 1 Corinthians 15:58