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Memorable Resurrection/Easter Display Available to Your Church

Experience an Easter Sunday you will long remember. Our Resurrection/Easter Display is available to your church. This consists of a realistic replica Roman flagrum (cat-ofnine-tales), Roman spears, 30 pieces of silver as given to Judas, crown of thorns, Roman

crucifixion spikes and many other items along with appropriate Scripture.

We can display this on Palm Sunday, remaining on display for your Easter Sunday service. For many,

this has made the Lord's life and death even more credible and helped those of every age understand in a deeper way what Christ went through to pay the price for our sin. Contact at 995-6777



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Financial Blessings & Challenges

- Giving has been down the last half of the month of February. Keep pouring on the prayer.
- We will be attending an auto auction in late March with a friend of ESM to see if there is a potential van available. Pray that God will clearly direct. We are more than willing to WAIT.
- Pray for more churches to partner with us to share in our challenges and blessings





This May Be Just What You're Looking for To Involve Your Teens In an Outreach Ministry Potentially Coming to the Spokane Area in 2008 Contact Mr. Adrian Stumbaugh for details. Phone: (509)999-2378 / E-mail: ads50@msn.com

Group Workcamps has nearly thirty years of proven success that pairs hundreds of teenagers and adult sponsors with communities like yours. Over the course of one week, the campers interact with the community by completing basic home repairs, painting, light carpentry and weatherization for the elderly, disabled and disadvantaged at no cost to them.

Teens are challenged to deepen their faith as God's Word is shared daily in group settings. How Group Workcamps Impact a Community:

- At a typical camp, approximately 400 students and adults provide more than 12,000 hours of free service-time worth more that \$65,000.
- The Foundation will supply \$9,000—\$12,000 for building materials, depending upon the actual number of registered volunteers.
- Support local agencies with their backlog of home repair and weatherization projects.
- Repair and restore 60-80 homes
- Create better living conditions
- Boost community pride.
- Bring people together—civic clubs, businesses, churches—all working together toward a meaningful goal.
- Bring thousands of dollars into the local economy.
- Generate favorable publicity by offering local media heart-warming stories.
- Send a message of caring to the disadvantaged in your community.
- Teach the adults of tomorrow the value of serving others.

Through Group Workcamps, one week doesn't have to last for only one week. As one 86 year old resident from Lockport, NY said of the young people in the work crew repairing her home, "It was like having God's little angels around my home for a week."



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JUST FOR FUN

The Tate Family How many members of the "TATE" family belong to your church?

There is old man DIC-TATE who wants to run everything, While Uncle RO-TATE tries to change everything. There's sister AGI-TATE who stirs up all the trouble she can, With help from her husband, IRRI-TATE. Whenever new projects are suggested, HESI-TATE and his wife, VEGE-TATE, want to wait until a later date yet to be determined. Then there's Aunt IMI-TATE. Who wants our church to be just like all the others. DEVAS-TATE provides the voice of doom, while POTEN-TATE wants to be a big shot. Thankfully all the members of the family are not bad. Brother FACILI-TATE is quite helpful in church matters. A delightfully happy member of the family is Miss FELICI-TATE. Cousins COGI-TATE & MEDI-TATE always think things over & lend helpful steady hands. Of course, there is the black sheep of the family, AMPU-TATE, who has completely cut himself off from the rest of the church. Do you know anyone in the "TATE" family?



Thoughts from Diane . . . Remember your journey

One of the first things that God emphasized to me through His servants was to spend time in His Word. One of the first books of the Bible I read was I John. When I came to chapter 4, I was impressed by God as to how much He really loves me. I'll never forget it! God surrounded me with such a supernatural knowledge of

His love, a love I'd never known before. I'd gone from the emptiness without God because of my sin to a security with God and a relationship that continues to grow.

In the book of Micah God told his people "Remember your journey...that you may know the righteous acts of the Lord." He reminded them of how He led them out of Egypt and how He protected them along the way. His people had turned away from Him and their worship became no more than religious acts. Micah admonished them for their lack of faith.

Sometimes I forget that I actually hold the very Word's of God in my hands and in my heart, do you? Has your faith become no more than acts of required worship, empty and meaningless? Has this life become more important than the life to come? Then let the words of Micah bring you back. He has said it so much better than I could.

"He has showed you, O man, what is good. And what does the Lord require of you? To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." Micah 6:8

Take time to look back and see what God has taken you through. Thank Him for His saving grace. Thank Him for those moments He has revealed His word to you and met the needs of your heart. Today I looked back to a moment that He filled me with His love as I read I John 4. Please, take time, look back and refocus. Then go, act justly, love mercy and walk humbly with your God.

Standing Firm (another moment), Diane I Corinthians 15:58

Our Continuing Mission: "Serving God's Servants"

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

- January 8 met with local ministry team to assist with organizational challenge
- January14 Sprague Community Church, Sprague, WA
- January 28 Grace Church, Deer Park, WA
- February 4 Mending Fences Ministry, Spokane, WA
- February 19 Meeting with Mending Fences leadership team
- February 25 Mending Fences Fellowship, p.m. church meeting
- March 3-4 Libby, Mt / Upward Basketball Awards Program—Evangelistic Outreach
- March 10 ESM Board (TEAM) Meeting, 10:00 a.m. at New Hope Bible Church, Spokane Valley
- March—April available for ministry opportunities

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Please Do not be alarmed if you phone our ESM office and find that the number has been disconnected. We have not "gone out of business." Very few people actually phone our office and I am seldom able to be there to receive the calls. This change saves both time and money. Our cell phone is the most efficient way to make ministry contacts. Qwest has recorded our cell number to forward calls.