

## Eagle Summit Ministry

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## Beginning Our 16th Year of "Serving God's Servants"

We are asking God for at least another decade of health and passion to serve Pastors and church leaders throughout the Inland Northwest. We are also asking God to provide us with a "Timothy." As we look to the future, we are trusting the Lord to direct us to the right man to partner and eventually assume leadership of this ministry. This will of course involve meeting the financial needs of another person on staff. We are once again in a place where we must "attempt things so impossible that unless God is in them, they are doomed to failure."

I was also reminded by one of our faithful and insightful board members that when my work is completed and if Eagle Summit should not continue, this is not a failure. God is using us collectively to meet a unique need, in a unique way, at a unique time. There is certainly ebb and flow in life. There is birth and death and change. Our friend and member of our ESM advisory board who just entered Heaven, Ray Eberle, was heard to say, "If the horse is dead, get off." That is wise advise, often ignored. If our ministry is no longer effective or necessary I trust we will follow the direction of God and step aside. We truly do consider it a privilege to serve as God enables and empowers.



There have been a recent series of ministry changes that have presented some challenges. Our board president, John McCain resigned. John and his wife, Cinda, have moved back to Missouri to assist John's aging parents. We will miss his heart for ministry, his friendship, his passion and insight. Our friend Betty Starr has also resigned. Age and health challenges have made it more difficult to serve. She will still be involved in an advisory capacity and helps us in many ways behind the scenes. She continues to faithfully pray and support our ministry.



In an ever-changing culture guided by shifting standards and variable values, we are challenged afresh to consistently live and share one constant, the truth of the Gospel. God's unchanging love for a lost and dying people is one certainty upon which we can count. God's law is fixed. His truth is absolute. His love is changeless. He is the same, yesterday, today and forever. With all the changes life can throw at us, it brings peace and security to remember that our relationship with the Creator of the universe is one HOPE ("confident expectation") upon which we can be certain.

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## Would You or Your Church Consider a Gift That Will Keep On Giving? Here Are A Few Ideas . . .

Can you help with a software upgrade to our Bible Study program. Contact me for details.

### VIDEO PROJECTOR



As mention in our last newsletter, we need to upgrade our video projector. The price range for a projector and floor stand that will meet our needs is between \$600-\$800.

- "Doing The Right Thing" Study Material to share with churches we serve—\$200



## "God is most glorified in me when I am most satisfied in Him."



This paraphrase of a quote from John Piper focuses on our real purpose in life as followers of Christ. How can I bring attention to our Creator in everything I do, everything I say, every place I go?

## TWO WONDERFUL ANSWERS TO PRAYER: We Welcome Our Newest Board Member



We are very pleased to have Todd Lathan as a new partner of our ministry TEAM. Todd is a member of New Hope Bible Church and he and his wife and daughters are involved in a number of ministries there. His heart for the Lord and desire to serve are great additions. Todd is the Vice President of the Digital Division of CBS television.

### Welcome Our New ESM Bookkeeper

We have been in need of a bookkeeper for some months. I received a phone call a few days ago from Cindy Lathan, Todd's wife. She has a background in bookkeeping and has offered to use her expertise to help us. She is another definite and direct answer to prayer, meeting a great need. I was able to share this with our former bookkeeper, Grace Trescott, who is battling cancer. After praying with Grace, she prayed and thanked God for Cindy and prayed that the need of Eagle Summit would be met.



THANK YOU, CINDY FOR RESPONDING TO THE LORD'S URGING.

## ESM VAN UPDATE

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY AS GOD REMINDS YOU,  
GIVE AS GOD ENABLES YOU.



**\$26,500**

**GIVEN TO DATE**

Your gifts help  
keep us on the road.  
Thank you for  
partnering with us to  
"Serve God's Servants."

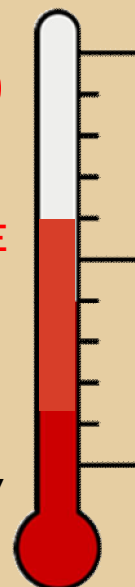
You **ARE** Making a Difference  
THANK YOU, SO MUCH

**GOAL  
MAY 2012**

**\$15,500**



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## Thoughts from Diane . . . NIGHT



When I was nine, our family moved to Medicine Lake, near Minneapolis, Minnesota. I loved it there and I enjoyed the friendships I had in the neighborhood. The house we moved to was just a small cabin and it was an old one at that! Back then I never thought about inconveniences such as space. We had all we could want when we walked out the door. What kid wouldn't want a lake in their back yard? We even had a dock and boat. None of it was "safety rated" and I could tell you stories about how I came close to death a time or two. There were few safety regulations and that was all the better for a child's imagination.



One thing I didn't like was the dark. My big brother Robert was twelve, two and a half years my senior. Mom and dad were out one night and left my brother Robert in charge. I remember sitting in the living room alone. It was a beautiful summer evening and I thought I heard a noise outside. There was this scratching sound coming from the window. It sounded like someone was scrapping across the screen. I remember sitting there in sheer terror. I was certain



someone was trying to get into the house and that I was a sitting duck. I know I started to cry and I have no idea how long it was before my mom and dad came back. I was so thankful when they finally made it home. They found me in tears and then found my brother Robert. I believe he thought (as any good brother would) that it was great entertainment to see how he could frighten his little sister.

God speaks about the darkness in Romans 13:11-14. "Besides this you know the time that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly as in the daytime . . . but put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires."

It's time for us to stop acting like childish Christians. So many of us have had time to grow up through a deeper understanding of the Word of God yet we choose to indulge in desires that don't honor God. We speak of our anticipation to see Jesus and yet we dishonor His name by the choices we make while we're still on this earth. It's time for us "to cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light." We have a job to do. We have good news to share. We need to be prepared. If we don't gain an understanding of what God expects of us, we will never be able to stand against the works of darkness. Stay in the Word because in knowing God we gain firm ground upon which to



stand against Satan's scheme's. There is no more time to waste. **II Corinthians 15:58 Standing firm!**



### Partnering Through Prayer

- **Praise:** For Todd & Cindy Lathan who are meeting two great needs as a new board member and bookkeeper respectively.
- **Praise:** God granted justice in a legal matter affecting our grandson, Ben.
- Please continue to pray for our son, George II. He may be facing surgery to correct nerve damage in his leg caused by the clotting. He is still unable to work or even walk for more than five or ten minutes without severe pain. If the surgery could help correct the problem that would be fantastic.
- Pray for Grace & Bob Trescott as Grace faces her final days battling cancer. We pray for peace and a special sense of the presence of God. Grace said to me, "I hope this doesn't take too long." She is still concerned about those around her knowing Christ and is looking forward to seeing her Savior.
- **Praise:** Normally at the end of month we receive few if any financial gifts. In the past two days, we have received over \$2,000. We are most thankful. This will go a long way toward getting us back on target for meeting our 2011 budget. PTL
- Pray for healing for Pastor Gary Ogden serving at Elk Community Church. He is facing potential surgery to repair a tear in his hip, made more serious by heart complications.



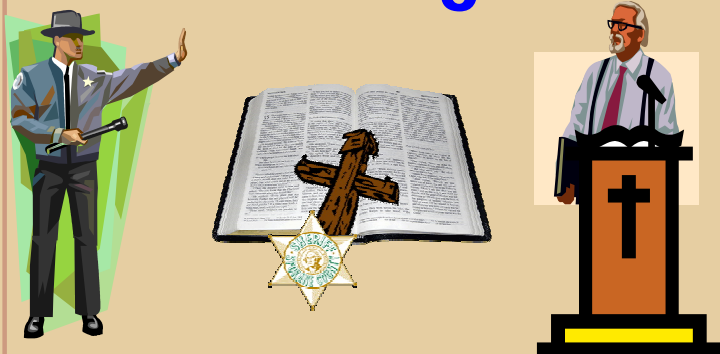


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**Where We've Been, What We've Been Up to  
& Where We're Headed Next . . .**

September 18—Opportunity Baptist Church, Spokane Valley, WA  
September 19—Mending Fences Fellowship, Spokane, WA / Leadership Meeting  
October 9—Mission's Conference, New Hope Bible Church, Spokane Valley  
October 11—AWANA Club, New Hope Bible Church, Spokane Valley  
October 15—Family Camp, Silver Lake Bible Camp—Sprague Community Church  
October 17— Mending Fences Fellowship, Spokane, WA / Leadership Meeting  
October 23—Cedonia Community Church, Cedonia, WA  
October 29—ESM board Meeting  
October 30—Spokane Valley Wesleyan Church, Spokane Valley, WA



**TO SUMMIT UP**

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

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