

Volume 18 Number 6 BEGINNING OUR 19TH YEAR OF SERVING GOD'S SERVANTS NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 2014



YOU MAKE IT POSSIBLE

When we started Eagle Summit in 1996, we were encouraged not to pursue this avenue of ministry. We would probably not survive even two

years. You have made it possible to "serve God's servants" for yet another year. Thank you for your words of encouragement, your prayers and your financial gifts. With the Holiday Season and the close of 2014 fast approaching, this time of a year often gives pause to think back on what God has done and to look ahead to what He may do. We realize that any goals we set are subject to His approval and correction. So often goals involve finances. We share these goals for your prayer and opportunity to give as God enables and directs you. We fully recognize that not all of our readers are able or impressed to give directly to ESM. We do ask that you continue to remember us in your prayers.

You have no idea how it encourages us when a friend phones, stops by our house or drops us a note to let us know they are praying for us. It truly is fresh oxygen for our souls. In fact, I just spoke with a friend a few minutes ago who said, "We pray for you every night." We have had recent phone calls from friends to just let us know they love us and are praying with us. People have stopped us in stores to let us know we are in their prayers. Thank you, thank you.

Here is a summary of what we would like to do in the months ahead:

- Expand our Barnabas Fund to encourage those we serve who have specific needs.
- Purchase a new printer (\$500-700) At least half of this amount is in hand.
- A new logo for the front of the ESM van. The vinyl logo is not holding up well. I have looked into having a logo painted on and then clear coated. The cost quoted was \$750. If you have a less expensive source, please let us know.
- Purchase of a new ventriloquist "character." Contact me for details.

 Funds for potential return mission trips to Central Mexico in 2015 & Peru in January 2016 God has blessed us through you. In turn, we strive to bless and encourage those we serve, as your partners. We also work to be faithful stewards of the financial gifts you have shared with ESM. We look forward to the New Year and to the blessings and challenges 2015 affords.

> May this Thanksgiving Season be just that, a SEASON FOR THANKSGIVIN May this Christmas be a time to remember why we are here on earth. We are here to serve the Savior, to become more like Him and to share the truth of the Gospel with others.



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PUPPETS AND GOSPEL MAGIC AVAILABLE

Do you have an interest in ministry involving ventriloquism or Gospel magic

(surprise object lessons)? Maybe you want to add to what you already have. Zola Breeden has vent figures, puppets and magic supplies available at very minimal cost. If interested, contact her via email at zbreeden@juno.com. She will give you contact information and a description of items available.





This is the art work similar to what we would like to add to the hood of the ESM van, tying in to the Isaiah 40:31 theme. The Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) is not a call to comfort, but a call to conflict. The Gospel message carries with it the sting of sin. This message brings with it resistance and antagonism. The truth of the natural condition of our souls is painful.

It is humbling to think that we need a Savior, that we are sinful, that there is nothing we can do ourselves to gain Heaven. This truth is in direct conflict with the pride of man. Salvation is God's

gift to us. "... it is the gift of God, not of works, least any man should boast." Ephesians 2:9

The reason Jesus came was to die for us, making Heaven a possibility for all. If you know Christ as Savior, share the message and thank God for His gift.



Your Opportunity to Pray with Us . . .

Pray for LaRae Damschen as she undergoes aggressive cancer treatment. LaRae's husband, Pastor Warren, served at Seven Bays Community Church for twenty

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years. He went to Heaven just over eight months ago. She needs God's special encouragement and healing.

Diane has had two more bouts of pneumonia (#'s 14 & 15). G2 was in emergency Wednesday night, September 24th,

with blood clotting issues and Diane was in emergency Thursday night the 25th. She was off work for a week and

went back feeling quite weak. She was hospitalized again October 18-21. The challenge continues . . .

Please continue to keep our son, G2, in prayer. He is scheduled for surgery the Monday before Thanksgiving. He will

be spending a time of recovery with us. Pray that there will be no complications.

Pray with us for ten new ESM partners.

Pray that two new churches would officially partner with us.

Pray with us for wisdom in planning for 2015 and for potential new board members.

Pray that we will continue to be effective in ministry and meet needs of those we serve.



Thoughts from Diane . . . Contentment



Sickness has been the bane of my existence for the last three years. I've always had health issues but nothing that has gotten the best of me like pneumonia. It looms over me like those horse chestnuts that fall on my head in autumn (or as I really believe, the squirrels take aim at me to keep me out of their way when their busy gathering). I start feeling exhausted even though I get to bed early. There might be the start of pain in my sinuses or a cough that antago-

nizes. I ignore the signs, I refuse to give into the thought that it's something I can't conquer on my own. I'm a big health nut. I work hard to eat right, take any vitamin or mineral that may cure me. I've even gone into the unknown with "interesting" cures. Nope! There goes that stabbing pain in my back and my fever pops up to 104 degrees in a flash. I'm down and out and it's frustrating. Not only am I down, my poor husband loses sleep, adds my work to his and carries on his own daily schedule.

These latest attacks, two in the month of October, have stopped me from moving much. I've been reminded by God to focus on what matters in this life. Our attention should be narrow as Christians but we get so caught up in the day to day that we don't take time for the basics of our Christian lives. Yes, here it comes! Bible reading & prayer. I've actually been reading my Bible through chronologically this year. I have absolutely been over the top blessed. George and I were headed down the road yesterday, my first day out and I said to him, "Why is it I struggle with prayer so much? I have access to the Creator of the universe. Why is it so hard to take time?" I've always strived for a constant attitude of prayer and pray along the way during my day. What I struggle with are all the people on my prayer list. That list cannot just be inserted into a certain time each day. It can't just be a ritual, an empty habit. It needs to be complete concentration on a Holy God, brought into fellowship through Jesus to a place of contentment, where everything else falls away. 1 Peter 4:7 "The end of all things is at hand; therefore be self-controlled and sober-minded for the sake of your prayers."

I have loved wandering in our back yard to gain strength this past month, the space God richly gave to us when He gave us this house. It's been perfect for our family. There's nothing as enjoyable as taking a stroll in the beautiful outdoors. I'm certain that's why God led me into bus driving. Our world is big, we have a huge colorful universe. There are so many aspects of our individual existence that are unique and will require prayers only we can pray. Take time to be sober, to be diligent to remember we have been chosen by God and have access to Him every single day.



MAY WE BE CONSUMED WITH THE CREATOR OF ALL THINGS RATHER THAN ALL THINGS CREATED. I Corinthians 15:58 "Therefore my beloved brothers, be steadfast..." Diane

Contentment is not the fulfillment of what I want, but the realization of what I already have.



Some of the best medicine for curing discouragement is to look for someone else to encourage. If the enemy can keep us discouraged and defeated, he will keep us silent concerning the goodness of the Lord. 1 Thessalonians 5:11 "Therefore encourage one another an build one another up . . ." LOOK FOR A WAY TO ENCOURAGE YOUR PASTOR AND FAMILY.



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As a Christian, VOTING is both a privilege and a responsibility. Take advantage of the opportunity you have as an American. Nake your vote count. Bathe your decisions in prayer. Who does God want to be our public servants? Do proposed new laws honor God's Word?



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

August 26, 27-Christian Heritage @ Riverview Bible Camp August 29 -September 1-Family Camp @ ALACCA Bible Conference Center, Harpster, ID September 14-Elk Community Church, Elk, WA / Mission's Conference September 15-Leadership Meeting, Mending Fences Fellowship, Spokane, WA September 21-New Hope Bible Church, Spokane Valley, WA / Mexico Mission Trip Report September 27-New Hope Bible Church, Spokane Valley, WA / Missions Fund Raiser October 1-Valley Christian School Elementary Chapel, Spokane Valley. WA October 12/26-Lake Roosevelt Bible Church, Seven Bays, WA October 20 -Leadership Meeting, Mending Fences Fellowship, Spokane, WA November 15-ESM Board Meeting HAVE A BLESSED THANKSGIVING, A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A NEW YEAR FILLED WITH OPPEOTUNITIES TO DEEPEN YOUR RELATIONSHIP WITH YOUR CREATOR.



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