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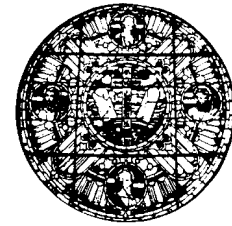
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Pastoral Perspective Dying for Love

It gets a bit tedious for people of other faiths, particularly Jews, who hear Christians argue that our tradition is the market leader of love. "Haven't you ever read Leviticus?" they cry. And rightly so! The whole thrust of Jesus' language about love borrows deeply from Leviticus 19. All his justice-based notions of caring for the poor, blind, deaf, and alien, etc., are encapsulated in verse 18, "Do not seek revenge or bear a grudge against one of your people, but love your neighbor as yourself. I am the LORD."



From the Pastor's Desk

Why then do we think of Jesus as the unique voice of true love? If the language he used isn't new, what is it about his message that distinguishes him from other prophets, such as Moses, who wrote Leviticus? The answer is seemingly down to timing and location, location, location. Jesus was poised to die. And in the crucible of the Passion Week, he called on his disciples to ready themselves for an unprecedented challenge, "Love me even if it kills you."

In short, Jesus moved our heart-shaped goalposts. He asked us in John 15: 12-13 for a kind of devotion that outstrips tradition, "My command is this: Love each other as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that he lay down his life for his friends." Within a few short years, nearly all of his disciples were nailed up in one way or another. But the bloodletting fertilized the faith, and the ideals of true love captured the imagination of an empire.

If all this sounds like a history lesson, you've been deceived. Jesus' version of true love matters in your own life. It's about exposing oneself to risk; it's about making your love count in the tightest corners of your relationships and with the most unlovable people with whom you deal. It's about following the pathway of extreme courage, not unlike Martin Luther King, Jr., in the face of hostility. It's about delivering compassion no matter the inconvenience.

Why follow such an agonized path? In Dr. King's "I See The Promised Land" sermon, he uttered the immortal lines, "Let us develop a kind of dangerous unselfishness. The question is not, 'If I stop to help this man in need, what will happen to me?' (The question is) 'If I do not stop to help these sanitation workers, what will happen to them?'"

In other words, real love makes life worth dying for, even for the lives of those we're taught to hate. How is this possible? It happens every day with parents who would instantly give up their lives for their children. It happened with Jesus who gave up his life for you. And it can happen inside us when the world needs changing.

God bless you this summer.

David Wood ♦



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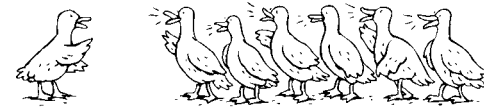
Preaching Schedule

2008-2009

BE NOT AFRAID OF GREATNESS

Summer 2009: Flying Our Flag

August 1	<i>Now or Never</i>	David Wood
August 8	<i>A Twist in Time</i>	David Wood
August 15		Bryan Cafferky
August 22	<i>Bunker (City on a Hill)</i>	Tim Dunston
August 29	<i>A Good Hair Day</i>	David Wood



COMMITTEE MEETINGS

and other events

Bible Study..... Resumes in September
 Hospitality Potluck..... August 8, 12:30 p.m.
 Newsletter Deadline August 25
 Women's Study Group August 10 and 24, 6:00 p.m.
 Worship Planning August 6, 6:30 p.m.

Potluck Schedule



August 8

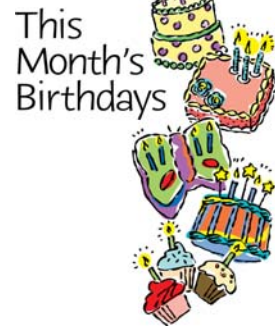
Sabbath School Programs

August 1	<i>Global Climate: Implications of Predicted Change</i>	Wes Lauer
August 8		Simona Vuletic
August 15	<i>The Hazards of Prophetic Interpretation</i>	Curtis Lacy
August 22		Glenn Henriksen
August 29		Ruth Christensen



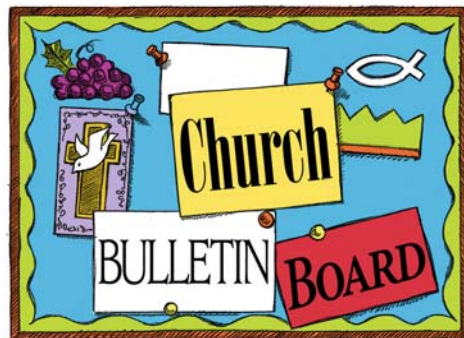
August Birthdays

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| 1 Katsumi Koyama
Tatsuhiko Uehara | | 19 Keith Edholm
Darla Klokeid
Lorinda Koller |
| 2 Mary Takamori | | 20 Marvin Talavera |
| 3 Lowell Dunston
Myrtle Mitchell
Dorothy Walker | | 21 Brenda Kapush |
| 5 Theo Williams | | 23 Aidan Joseph |
| 6 Miriam Vaira
Mary Valenta | | 25 Mary Jean Frank
Melody Bennett Gayle |
| 7 Karen Brentnall
Leal Dickson
Verla Kwiram | | 27 Nola-Jean Bamberry
Virginia Bock
Niko Oster |
| Brian Lundstrom | 14 Sheila Graden | 28 Spencer Gibson
Beverly Veal
Heather White |
| Erik Lundstrom | Brian Klokeid | 29 Laura Heisler
Dan Murrell |
| Thea Vernoy | Sureya McGrath | 30 Roger Quimby
Karen Willard |
| 8 Robert Hennemann | 16 Mike Kubecka | 31 Erwin Mallernee
Larry Roth |
| Alex Koh | 17 Tanner O'Donnell | |
| 10 Rosalinda Hoskins | Sally Roberts | |
| David Olson | 18 Kathy Herbert | |
| 13 Jennifer Cummings
Anley Mazila | Barbara Prowant
Asa Takamori
Daniel Wassé | |



Save the Date

Mark Voth and Viktoriya Gruntova are most pleased to share their wedding plan news with you for November 8, 2009, at Green Lake Church. A big thank you to those sharing in the celebration plans already. On November 8, plan to attend and enjoy the day with them. ♦



Lost and Found

Bota found after July potluck at Woodland Park.
Contact the church office.

Church Retreat at Rosario
September 25-27

Summer Hikes

The Social Committee has scheduled the following Sabbath afternoon summer hikes:

Date	Destination	Leader
August 1	Discovery Park*	Ken Fairchild
August 15	Mt. Pilchuck	Brian McGrath
August 29	Mt. Dickerman	Mark Haun

* Ice Cream afterward at the home of Don and Shirley Mehrer, 3774 West Lawton, Seattle 98199. Everyone is welcome, including non-hikers. ♦



Church Retreat at Rosario September 25-27, 2009



Cabins at Rosario 2 Nights

Sorry—pets are not permitted at Rosario.

Reservations accepted beginning September 1
Reservation deadline September 21, 2009

Cabin #	# Bedrooms	# People	Description	\$ (2 nights)	Cabin #	# Bedrooms	# People	Description	\$ (2 nights)
1 Bf	2	6	k,b,db,bb,h	200	25 Rs	2	4	k,b,db,bb	115
2 Bf	2	6	k,b,db,bb,h	190	26 Rs	2	4	k,b,db,bb	115
3 Bf	2	5	k,b,db,bb,h	190	37 Rm	2	5	k,b,db,bb,h	190
4 Bf	2	6	k,b,db,bb,h	190	A New	2	6	k,b,db,bb,h	200
16 Rm	2	5	k,b,db,bb,f	160	B New	2	6	k,b,db,bb,h	200
17 Rm	2	4	k,b,db,bb	160	C New	2	6	k,b,db,bb,h	200
18 Rs	2	4	k,b,db,bb	125	D New	3	8	k,b,db,2bb,h	260
19 Rm	1	3	k,b,db,f	140	E New	3	8	k,b,db,2bb,h	260
20 Rs	2	4	k,b,db,bb	125	F New	3	8	k,b,db,2bb,h	260
21 Rs	1	3	k,b,db,f	115	Dorm	7	2/room	b, 7bb	35/person
22 Rs	1	3	k,b,db,f	115	RV	3 sites		No Hookup	30
23 Rs	2	4	k,b,db,bb	125	RV	3 sites		Full Hookup	37
24 Rm	1	2	K,b,db	140	Self-contained RVs only. No bathroom facilities available.				

Maps of camp layout are available on the narthex table.

Legend	Meal Packages	Meal Prices
b = bath bb = bunk beds db = double bed f = futon h = hide-a-bed k = kitchen Bf = Beachfront New = New Rm = Remodeled Rs = Rustic	(Single meal tickets are available) Friday: Supper Saturday: Breakfast, Lunch, Supper, Campfire Sunday: Breakfast, Lunch Meal tickets must be purchased in advance	Adults: \$5/meal or \$25 for 6 meals Children, age 5-12: \$3/meal or \$15 for 6 meals Children under 5: Free Linens: Not furnished

Please reserve the following overnight accommodations for me on October 3-4. **Reservations must include payment in full.**

Cabin # _____ / number of people _____ Lodging for 2 Nights \$ _____

Dorm Room (# of people) _____ # _____ of Meal Packages @ \$25 (adult) \$ _____

RV Site _____ # _____ of Meal Packages @ \$15 (child 5-12) \$ _____

Name _____ # _____ of Single Meal Tickets @ \$5 (adult) \$ _____

Telephone _____ # _____ of Meal Tickets @ \$3 (child age 5-12) \$ _____

E-mail Address _____ Total Lodging and Meals \$ _____

List the names of everyone in your cabin/dorm room _____

Drop in wire basket on the narthex table or mail with check payable to:
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Musical Opportunities at Green Lake Church

Many exciting musical things are happening here at Green Lake Church, and YOU are invited to be a part of it. Our wonderful Green Lake Choir rehearses every Friday evening in the sanctuary from 7:30 to 9:00, beginning Friday, September 11. This is a non-auditioned group. Previous choral experience is a plus, but if you're new to choral singing, that's not a problem—we'll teach you what you need to know.

In case you're concerned that you'll be too tired by Friday to last through the rehearsal, you'll be interested to know choir members report that, while they often arrive feeling exhausted from the week, by the end of rehearsal they feel energized and renewed. This sense of renewal comes not only from the music but from the wonderful fellowship and camaraderie that has developed within the choir. This is a great group of people who not only enjoy singing, but also enjoy each other and support one another through difficult times.

For more information, contact our Minister of Music, Wanda Griffiths by e-mail, wrgrif@earthlink.net, or phone, 206-542-2558, or just come to the first rehearsal fellowship time from 7:00 to 7:30 p.m. on Friday, September 11, in the

chapel. We'll share cookies and juice, catch up on our lives, and meet new singers prior to going into the sanctuary for the rehearsal at 7:30.

Other opportunities for involvement in our Green Lake Music Ministry exist. Our terrific inter-generational Green Lake Orchestra, under the direction of Alex Gagiou, assisted by Roy Naden, begins its seventh season this year. If you are interested in becoming part of this ensemble, contact Alex Gagiou via phone at 206-368-2480, or e-mail, ahgagiou@comcast.net.

Heather Dye continues this year leading the Children's Choir. A graduate of Andrews University with a degree in vocal performance, Heather has brought the gift of music into the lives of some of our youngest Green Lake children. For more information about this group, which rehearses on certain Sabbath mornings, contact Heather via e-mail, isingforpennies@hotmail.com, or phone, 253-347-2777.

We will be continuing our tradition of giving our members and friends an opportunity to share their musical gifts in worship. If you or one of your children or grandchildren have a musical gift to share with the congregation, contact Wanda (see above for contact info) and let her know of your interest. ♦



Sabbath Flowers

If you would like to sponsor the flowers for Sabbath, contact Jan Johnson, 206-523-5082 or janetjohnson307@comcast.net. Cost of the flowers is \$40; after the service, you may take the flowers home or give them to a friend.

Easter Lily and Christmas Poinsettia

Jan is the person to contact if you would like to sponsor an Easter lily for the Easter service (\$12 each) or a poinsettia for two weeks at Christmas (\$12 each). At Christmas, the poinsettias stay at the church for two Sabbaths, after which you may take the plants home.



GLAFA summer camp is just around the corner!

The dates have changed for the week serving our local Seattle Boys and Girls Clubs. We'll now be meeting August 12 through 14, on those days prior to the regularly scheduled week-long camp. We're following the "His Kids" model for this camp and are planning a wonderful mix of choirs with Tim Amukele, Improv with our original superstar team, and art with Jeremy Mays and Carrie Wilbur. **We're depending on our own GLC kids to host these guests**, so please contact Michelle Naden or

Wendy Kleppe if you haven't already to let us know you'll be there to help make these guests feel completely welcome in our church.

The week of August 17-21 still has available spaces for any kids who want to participate. There is something fun for anyone, even for those without prior music experience. **Contact Wendy Kleppe if you know of anyone who would like to attend** who hasn't already registered (kwkleppe@comcast.net). The worship service on the 22nd will feature some of the beautiful music and art prepared during the week. You won't want to miss this experience.

We also **need adult volunteers** for both weeks to help with all kinds of details from food preparation to helping the children find their classes. Please contact us if you have ANY time to help during these two weeks of August (12-14 or 17-21).

Thank you for keeping this exciting new ministry in your thoughts and prayers.

The GLAFA Planning Team ♦



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Can't attend a church service?

Green Lake Church **worship services** are now available through the Green Lake Web site, www.greenlakesda.org.

If you'd like to listen to anything in our growing archive, simply follow the link from the home page. Click on the date of the service you'd like to hear, and the service will start to play in your browser window. ♦

Need a Vacation?

Can't afford a vacation this summer, but still want to get away? Take a daycation at Sunset Lake Camp. From August 3 to 7, Sunset Lake will open its doors for families looking to vacation for a day.

Daycationers can arrive at 9:00 a.m. for worship and stay through the day until supper time. A wide variety of activities will be available each day. A full lunch and picnic supper is included in the cost. For more information and pricing, call Sunset Lake at 360-829-0311.



WWU Alumni

Walla Walla University alumni and friends are invited to join Dr. Loren Dickinson on August 29 at the Rosario Beach Marine Station near Anacortes, Washington. The day will include breakfast, Sabbath School, church service, lunch, nature walk, supper, sundown worship, and a bonfire on the beach.

For information regarding meal tickets, cabin rentals, or general questions about this event, call the WWU Alumni Center at 800-377-2586 or

www.alumni.wallawalla.edu/events/rosario-sabbath



Washington Conference Fall Women's and Teen's Retreat

October 16-18 at Ocean Shores

Registration forms are available in the narthex literature rack.

GLAFA



Church School

SUMMER IS DISAPPEARING FAST

Preparations for a new school year are progressing daily. Mr. Roberts and Richie are nearly finished with floors. The shine is amazing! Mr. Weaver is doing many repairs so everything will be school-ready by August 24.

Mrs. Richmond and Mr. Dunston handle office issues—enrollment, book orders, finances and registration. Teachers: Mr. Roberts, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Bienhoff, and Mrs. Dougherty are in deep-planning mode to ensure another exciting academic year.

The Cypress Board and Staff have approved some grade combination changes. Next year we will have a stand-alone Kindergarten. It is nearly full. Mrs. Bienhoff will teach grades 1-2, Mrs. Wright will teach grades 3-5, Mr. Roberts will continue to teach grades 6-8. Mrs. Ruffcorn will be a floating assistant as needed. Mr. Dunston will assist in grades 6-8. Class sizes will be in the 15-20 range per room. We are approaching caps in some rooms.

REGISTRATION

Registration is Tuesday, August 11, from 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. If you cannot register that day, please call to schedule another time.

SCHOLARSHIP ASSISTANCE DEADLINE

The deadline to apply for scholarship assistance is August 4. Please call the office for an appointment. Summer office hours are daily 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Leave a

Principal's Message

message, and we will call you to make an appointment. Please do not plan to apply for scholarship assistance on registration day.

ROSARIO /GRADES 6-8

We have Rosario booked for September 14-16. Don't let anything cause you to miss three of the best days of the new school year.

GET ACQUAINTED BREAKFAST

We are excited about the coming school year. There will be many new faces. The Cypress Volunteers plan a get-acquainted breakfast at 8:15 on August 24, the first day of school. Plan to enjoy great food, and bring your best smile to greet both old friends and new students.

THE REST OF SUMMER

Enjoy the last few weeks of summer break. Get out and savor western Washington's scenery—some of the best in the world. Relax, read a book or two, and be "brain-ready" for a great academic adventure.

Lowell Dunston, Principal ◊



Cypress chime choir at Green Lake Church

A Letter from the Principal of Cypress Adventist School

Dear Friend of Cypress,

I have some good news to share. Enrollment projections for next year look strong. Kindergarten is nearly full and the other classrooms are filling rapidly. Word-of-mouth reports continue to spread that Cypress Adventist School is indeed a "good place to grow."

Cypress is increasingly becoming a diverse community. Two-thirds of our students are Adventists and one-third are from the community. In recent years our school family has included Adventist, Bahai, Baptist, Buddhist, Catholic, Islam, Methodist, LDS, non-denominational community church, Orthodox, and Pentecostal faiths. Our school family embraces a dozen different cultures. The opportunities that the Lord has opened up for us are indeed exciting.

Let me share some stories to help you feel the pulse of our school family.

- An Islamic dad dropped by one noon hour to watch our students play. He commented, "Wouldn't it be nice if the whole world could get along as well as these students do!"
- I was on a summer picnic with some Cypress students. A summer day care bus unloaded. A little Ethiopian Orthodox girl darted our way. After a bunch of hugs she said, "These day care kids are mean. I can hardly wait for Cypress to start school. My Mom says, 'Cypress makes you smart.' Did you know that my little sister is coming to Cypress next year?"
- Recently, I had the privilege of sharing in a Christian education Sabbath at the Lynnwood Spanish Church. A Catholic father gave the following testimony. "I am a Roman Catholic, but I've been married to an Adventist for 20 years. Six years ago our daughter was having trouble in a large public school. We decided to try Christian education at Cypress. In 7th and 8th grade our daughter learned to study. She was prepared to do well at PSAA. How she has been accepted at Walla Walla



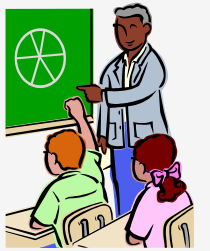
University. Those years at Cypress changed our daughter's life. It was worth every penny."

Cypress is indeed an exciting mission field! Our dedicated, experienced staff remains committed to making Cypress "a good place to grow." It is very exciting and rewarding to be a part of our little United Nations—to see many students from many walks of life have the opportunity to grow in a strong academic and spiritual environment.

Once again we come to you with a request for scholarship funds. Last year over \$57,000 was donated. We need a similar amount this year. Our main source of scholarship funds is Friends of Cypress. Gift options can be a single sum or a specific amount per month.

We thank you in advance for your gifts, large or small. When you contribute through your local church, mark the offering envelope "Friends of Cypress" or "Cypress Scholarships." Thank you for helping us to make a difference in this world and in the world to come.

Lowell Dunston ◊



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