

Look to  
the LORD  
and his  
strength;  
seek his  
face always.  
(1 Chronicles 16:11)



# good NEWS



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## A Word from Pastor Chad

Dear Church Family,

It is incredible to watch the seasons change. Just a few weeks ago, the ground was covered with cold white stuff, which I believe the locals call “snow,” and now grass is growing and turning from a dismal brown to a bright green! What a sight to behold! As the seasons change a few things have come to my mind. First, even though the seasons change, our God does not. He remains the same yesterday, today and even tomorrow! (Hebrews 13:8; James 1:17). Second, with the changing of the seasons, and with the weather changing, it's easy to desire to fill our time with things to keep us busy. Mountain Biking, hiking, fishing, simple outdoor walks, soaking up the sun! There is absolutely nothing wrong with these things. In fact, I would encourage you to spend time outside in God's glorious creation! However, we must not let these "good things" distract us from the goodness of God. It's important that we set aside quality “quiet time” with the Lord. In fact, I would take this a step further... In Luke 5:16, we see Jesus even stepping away from the crowds of people who were seeking healing that only Christ could do, and He'd spend time in “desolate places and pray.” Desolate places can be understood as “the wilderness.” Even though the crowds kept coming, and the demands on Jesus' time to heal were unceasing, He would continually slip away to spend time in prayer. Jesus showed the importance of “QT” (Quiet Time), and we need it too! Spend time daily in prayer, whether you are in the “wilderness” or not, but don't let the busyness of the season distract you from your “QT” with Christ!

David has a song of thanksgiving to the Lord in 1 Chronicles 16. I love the entire prayer (1 Chronicles 16:8-36) but I want to focus on verses 8-11. He says, “*Oh give thanks to the LORD; call upon His name; make known His deeds among the peoples! Sing to Him, Sing praises to Him; tell of all His wondrous works! Glory in His holy name; let the hearts of those who SEEK the LORD rejoice! SEEK the LORD and His strength; SEEK His presence continually!*”

*Seek the LORD, my friends!*

*In Him,  
Pastor Chad*



Chad, Noemi & Obadiah

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## CrossFit with Deb

by Deb Krum



# The Simplicity of Showing Up

The table was set for five. Four chairs for the women who signed up to study Ephesians and one for me. Perfect.

The four women arrived a little early. Then two more arrived. Then another. Then three. Then four more. Two more. They kept coming until 20 women squeezed in around the table. My heart was bursting with joy for the Lord.

After the women introduced themselves; where they were from and their religious backgrounds, I shared how the study would be approached. One woman on my left, said she wanted to know what I thought about predestination, because she didn't think it was fair for God to choose some and reject others just because they didn't believe in Him. Then her friend chimed in and said she too was always put off by that word and since Paul makes such a big deal of it in the first chapter, she wanted to know what that meant. A few women offered their take on predestination and the night was off with a bang!! You can imagine the chatter with a room full of Presbyterians, Baptists, Assemblies of God, Methodists, and several non-denominational believers all wanting to discuss the meaning of "that" word! After the dust settled, they all turned to me and waited for my take.

It was a pregnant moment for me. Just a few weeks prior, I left Boise without the slightest idea how things would unfold. After I arrived in Desert Hot Springs, CA, I wasn't sure what ministry opportunities would arise. God knew. I knew to wait on Him. When I asked if I could teach a Bible study, the activities director was thrilled. Then I learned several women were actually praying for someone to arrive who would teach a study. Then here we are, all eyes on me to settle the controversy over a confounding theological concept called predestination. Talk about a pregnant moment.

I smiled, then proceeded to share with them the importance of beginning with God. What happens when we begin with

ourselves? Our opinions, the opinions of others and our past experiences can cloud our interpretation of Scripture. What is God's intent? What does God have in mind in having the Apostle Paul write this letter of Ephesians? Is there something in that word "predestined" that God intends for us to know so we will see His heart toward us? Then I quoted **Isaiah 55:9, "For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are My ways higher than your ways and My thoughts than your thoughts."**

As I looked around the room, women were leaning in and quiet. There was awe for God being restored to their minds. Even the two women who stubbed their toes on "that" word, realized that maybe there was more to see. They were at least intrigued.

For the next three months, we unpacked the significance of those amazing verses in Chapter 1 of the Letter to Ephesians. I witnessed the Lord changing women's hearts. I saw women discover for the very first-time truths about God and His word that actually answered so many true longings they didn't even know they had. At the end of every evening, one of the women would say, "Am I the only one in the room that's never heard this before?" And with that, heads would nod, and laughter would arise to the glory of God.

Nestled in Paul's letter are these amazing words, **"For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them."** **Ephesians 2:10.** No one needs to convince me that God determined in advance of my arrival in Desert Hot Springs that a Bible study would be taught to precious women who would come to realize more fully His love for them. Absolutely! All I needed to do was simply show up! Glory to God! And Donnelly Bible Church, thank you for sending me out there!



# Missions and Outreach

Remember to keep the Chamberlain Family (Carissa, Travis, Tavi and Gemma) in your prayers as they continue to do God's work in Hyderabad, India.



DBC continues to support those who are heading out on Missions Trips. The team of Mike Crase Jr., Emily Crase, their children: Olivia, Zane, and Reagan, and Kylie and Ty McClanahan have just returned from Yucatan where they were in Yucatán furthering God's work.



# NEWS

**MAY 2023**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
21 8:30AM Adult Study 10AM Worship Service 11:30AM Elder Bd Mtng 6PM Ladies Bible Study	22	23 10AM Ladies Bible Study	24 6PM Fellowship Night	25 8:30AM Men's Bible Study 9:30AM Men's Pickleball Food Pantry-Set-up: 2-4PM Distribution: 4-6PM	26	27
28 8:30AM Adult Study 10AM Worship Service 6PM Ladies Bible Study	29	30 10AM Ladies Bible Study	31 6PM Fellowship Night			

**JUNE 2023**

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# Children, Youth & Family Ministry

NEW DATES

**VBS**  
**JULY 9TH-13TH**  
**5:00PM-7:30PM**  
**PRE-K - 6TH GRADE**  
**DINNER PROVIDED!**  
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## GOOD NEWS CLUB

We're coming to the end of the Good News Club season. There was a total of 19 children signed up for the club and, on any given week, we averaged about 10-12 participants. It has been amazing to see God work in the lives of these kids. Some of these children do not attend church, but their parents wanted to give their kids an opportunity to learn about the Lord Jesus Christ. We have been meeting at Donnelly Bible Church, but hopefully and prayerfully we will be meeting next year inside the school building.

Shiloh Bible Camp hosted the first **Teaching Children Effectively** Level 1. This is a 33-hour course teaching believers how to evangelize, how to prepare a gospel centered Bible lesson and how to establish a Good News Club. We had five students including three from Donnelly Bible Church.



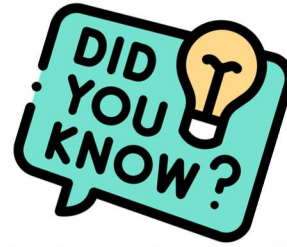
# DBC Ladies Ministry


The Hawaiian themed Women's Spring Luncheon was held on May 6<sup>th</sup> and had a great turnout with approximately 30 ladies in attendance. The guest speaker was Heather Hoe who spoke on Encouragement and Joy (How we find Joy through Jesus). A good time, good food, good conversation, and good fellowship and relationship building could be seen throughout the afternoon.





# Did You Know?



- We recently celebrated Easter Sunday. To many, Easter Sunday has always been “Easter Sunday” which equates to the resurrection of Christ. However, the name Easter and its origin are somewhat vague so at Donnelly Bible Church the term “Resurrection Sunday” is preferred.
  - From Encyclopedia Britannica: <https://www.britannica.com/topic/Easter-holiday>
  - The English word Easter, which parallels the German word *Ostern*, is of uncertain origin. One view, expounded by the Venerable Bede in the 8<sup>th</sup> century, is that it was derived from *Eostre*, or *Eostræ*, the Anglo-Saxon goddess of spring and fertility. So, to better align with the Bible and to the miraculous rise of Jesus from the grave, “Resurrection Sunday” is a much more appropriate term.
- Donnelly was named after Mr. Donnelly who was a prominent railroad man during the early 1900’s.
- Mark your calendars “Free (or Reduced Prices) Dump Days” scheduled for Wednesday, June 14 - Saturday, June 17.”
- You are never too young or too old to start serving! 



# DBC Financial Update

The financials for the first quarter for Donnelly Bible Church showed us being behind expected receipts by \$17,425. We had anticipated incoming tithing for the first quarter at \$63,144 while actual tithe receipts came in at \$45,720.

A little bit of explanation here about the budget: Basically, the Church budget is the breakdown of what is needed to keep the Church operational for a year. This includes salaries, operating expenses, building repairs, care team and hospitality work, missions support, etc. We then divide that cost over the twelve months in the year. However, costs don’t always fall that systematically. Please pray that the funds continue to come in to support the Lord’s work in our Church. **Proverbs 3:9** “Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops.”



# The Food Pantry

by Allison Hatzenbuhler (408-891-1441)

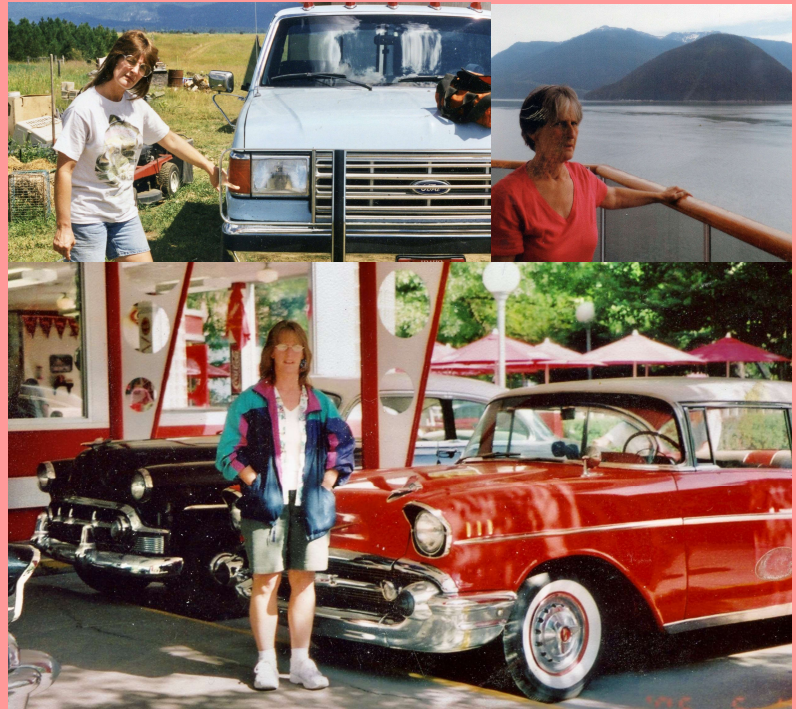


If you would like to consider spending a couple of hours on a Thursday helping out at the pantry while client's shop, this is a great time of year to do just that! We also need help with many other, smaller tasks. Some on a weekly basis, some every other week... would you be interested in organizing our "Warm Coat Closet"? What about spending an afternoon or evening each week organizing the storage area? Or organizing the freezer? Or bagging spices for our Meal-in-a-Bag promotions? Would you be available to help with the grocery pick-ups? Be a back-up Grocery Guy/Gal? We'll even train you - it's certainly not hard and a great way to help out! There is so much to do, and a few extra hands would make things so easy!

The pantry is a busy, busy place on Thursdays serving an average of 50-60 families coming through our doors. As the largest mission outreach for Donnelly Bible Church, it's important to keep our doors open and access available to any members of our community who need our help. What a blessing it is to serve the Lord! If you have questions about what is needed and how you might be able to help, please don't hesitate to call and ask questions! I'm more than happy to guide you through the steps and see if there is something you can do to help this ministry! Allison Hatzenbuhler 408-891-1441.

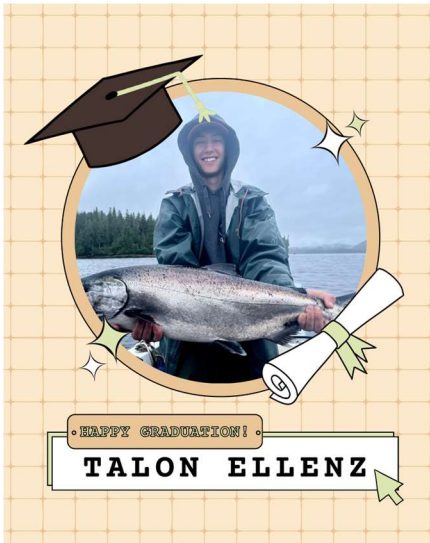
## Kathy "Sue" Stewart 1955-2023

We wish to extend our prayers and condolences to the Stewart family. Sue Stewart lost her battle with Alzheimer's Disease March 5, 2023. She was born July 31, 1955, in Columbus, Ohio. Sue attended Bishop Kelly High School. After graduating, Sue went into the Army in which she completed her Medic training at Fort Sam Houston. After leaving the military, Sue went further into the medical field and graduated from Roper Hospital School of Nursing in Charleston, South Carolina, and then was employed by St. Francis Xavier Hospital in Charleston, South Carolina, before finding her way to St. Al's in Boise! Sue loved fishing, photography, painting, and cooking. Sadly, Alzheimer's, also known as the long goodbye, would eventually claim her life. Her celebration of life was held at Donnelly Bible Church on April 23rd.





# 2023 Class of



Talon will be attending Boise State University this fall. He plans on majoring in Business with a minor in Construction Management.



Cora will be attending George Fox University in Newberg, Oregon in the fall to major in Cinematic Arts and minor in Graphic Design.



Tucker will continue attending Penn State World Campus where he is majoring in Parks, Tourism, and Recreational Management and minoring in Organizational Leadership.

*Congratulations Talon, Cora and Tucker.  
We will be praying for you!*

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MONDAY, JUNE 5 (6-8PM)

**SUMMER CLOTHING SWAP @ DBC**

**SUMMER SECRET SISTERS**

June - August  
Sign up in May.  
The "Reveal" will be held in September

MONDAY, JULY 17 (5-8PM)

*Ladies @ the Lake*

Boulder Creek Campground

WOMEN'S MINISTRY SAVE THE DATES

IF YOU FEEL LEAD TO SUPPORT THE WOMEN'S MINISTRY AND WOULD LIKE TO DONATE TO THE FUND, PLEASE DESIGNATE IN A MEMO "WOMEN'S MINISTRY". THANK YOU!



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