



SBA Weekly News

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Hi everyone!

I hope you all had a wonderful Thanksgiving Holiday. We had a great one with both Granddaughters and a plethora of uncles. Of course the two grandmas and grandpa and a mommy. It was a fun time. Still do not like the drive down there to CA!!

I do not know of anything new other than what is in the Calendar Information. More info for the Youth retreat is on a PDF attached to this E-mail. You should get the other info from an E-mail from Sherry.

Trinity is making cookies for a group of service men and are looking for the cans from Pringles chips to pack them in. Please call either of these numbers to arrange for getting the items to Trinity. 541-826-3572 or 541-878-7379 They will need it before the 10th of December.

Sixth Street in Gold Beach: Friday nights until December 14th we will be having a Bible Club and practice for Christmas program. This is our Fall Outreach and we are praying that many un-churched children will attend. On December 14th, we will be having our Christmas Program for the parents of the children. We are praying that many parents who would not normally attend church would come. I would like to request prayer for this and ask that something be put in the weekly newsletter.

Reminders of upcoming Current Calendar Information:

541-659-7261 or E-mail office@siskiyoubaptist.org

The rest of this year's calendar for SBA is listed here. Please make note and attend as much as possible.

Office Schedule:

The office will be closed on:

December 24 2012 - January 2, 2013 This is an especially dead time for the SBA so no reason to be open.
No Weekly News this week

I am always a phone call away and if I'm in town would be happy to help in any manner I can.

Senior Adult Appreciation Luncheon November 29th at Lozier Lane - 11 AM-2PM Tomorrow

at Lozier Lane, Medford. They are busy getting ready today (28th). lennynsherry@msn.com or leave a message at 541-582-1617

December Birthdays and Anniversaries: Please remember to pray for these on their special days.

Bruce Pearson - 2nd; Zach Badley - 4th; Richard Williams - 8th; Mike and Teri Franell - 22nd; Janet Delgado - 27th; Dwayne and Tammy Johnson - 28th; Karen Barnett - 30th; Lenny and Sherry Brewer - 30th

Week of Prayer for International Missions: December 2-9 (or when you want to)

Contact the NWBC if you have not received your packets and envelopes by November 16th.

<http://www.imb.org/main/give/pagelm.asp?StoryID=8078&LanguageID=1709> This link will get you to all kinds of information.

Looking Ahead:

January 2013

Youth Retreat - Rogue Union Baptist Camp - January 19-21 \$25 per youth See attached flyer. Call 541-582-1617

Deadline: Jan 10, permission slips etc need to be in

Pastor's and Wives Getaway - Gold Beach January 24-26 \$40 per couple Call 541-582-1617

February 2013

Cozy Mountain Lodge Retreat - February 22-24 Galice Lodge \$45 Deadline: Feb 7 Call 541-582-1617 for more information.

VBS/Children training - February 28 - Mar 2, 2013. More info to follow

March 2013

Winter Mosaic Retreat - Gold Beach March 14-16 \$75 per person RSVP by February 25th Call 541-582-1617 Ladies 19 and older. Missions focus. More info to follow.

• Prayer Needs and Praises:

- Let me know if your church has a prayer concern it will be posted here.**
- Updates are a great thing.**

- Sixth Street Baptist Church** - Fall Outreach with Christmas Program. Pray that many children and their parents will be saved through this ministry.
- The weather** coming through the West coast. Starts today and will include high winds, lots of rain and in the higher areas snow. Pray for travelers and those in flood prone areas.
- SBA teams to be energized with new participants and helpers -**
- NWBC leadership as they continue to lead.**
- NWBC Search Committee:** Clint Ashley, Barry Campbell, Ben Davis, Jamie Sims, Leslie Toll and Steve Schenewerk.
- Building projects around our association: Prospect and Grace. Lampman needs one!**
- For upcoming events, that they would encourage and edify the Body of Christ here in So. Oregon. That He will be glorified in all that happens, that many would come to know Jesus as Lord and Savior.**
- For So. Oregon New Work and Church Renewal** that we will seek to see where God is leading and follow Him to reach many for Jesus.
- College Heights - For transition and settling in for the church and the Woody's.**
- Pray for these Pastors and their wives:**
 - Bruce and Cheryl Pearson, First Baptist, Phoenix
 - JC and Karen Barnett, Foothills, Medford
 - Brian and Arlene Farrar
- Pray for our Pastor's and wives, Region 4 Team, Missionaries (IMB and NAMB) and NWBC staff** that God would build strong teams among each group working together so that He gets the glory. 1 Cor 3:7-9
- Be in prayer for Bill Crews,** NWBC Executive Director, for his health and his family.

- **Be in prayer for Sara Wisdom**, Retired Women's Strategist/WMU Director of the NWBC. For her health.
- **For ministries throughout our SBA area that are reaching out to their greater community.**
- **For the planning and execution of those plans here in SBA.** Mission trips, outreach ministries, etc.
- **For our churches that are struggling with both much and lack of growth and financial issues.**
- **The Branch in Corvallis, OR**, Pray for Pastor Josh Howeth, the leadership team and the many partners helping start and grow the work.
- The Cure - Sean Sullivan -

This was presented at the NWBC Annual Meeting a couple of weeks ago.

Is There Hope for Revival?

From the Desk of Franklin Graham

November 27, 2012 - To find out more about how you and your church can be a part of this nationwide outreach, visit MyHopeWithBillyGraham.org.



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Dear Friend,

Can revival come to America?

If revival can come to a wicked city like Nineveh in response to the preaching of God's Word by Jonah, then I believe there is hope for our nation.

The results of the recent election show a definite move toward secularism and a shift away from Christian values and biblical morality. In some states, same sex marriage was approved and marijuana was legalized. Unbelievably, whether it was apathy or indifference, there were millions of evangelical Christians who stayed at home and did not go to the polls. Had more Christians exercised their right and privilege to vote in this election, perhaps the outcomes on the national and state levels could have been quite different.

However, I believe that followers of Jesus Christ can still make a crucial difference in our country going forward.

I would like to call on Christians in America to especially pray for our president and all those in authority. God desires that "*petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—for kings and those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness*" (1 Timothy 2:1–2, NIV).

While I don't think our nation can experience God's hand of favor if we continue to turn our back on Him, I do believe that praying Christians who take a bold stand for Christ can help stem the rising tide of godlessness in our nation.

Because God is slow to anger and merciful to sinners, it is important that we do all we can to bring the message of repentance of sins and forgiveness through Christ to as many people as we can—and to do so with a real sense of urgency. We need to pray diligently for the lost, for revival in our own hearts and in churches, and for a turning of our nation to God.

Nineveh repented at the preaching of God's Word, and what happened in Nineveh can happen in America today. We are launching the most aggressive and largest evangelistic effort in the history of our ministry—*My Hope with Billy Graham*. Instead of a citywide Crusade in a packed stadium, this outreach will occur all over America in living rooms like yours.

I'm inviting you to be a part of this, starting right now. Every great evangelistic effort begins with prayer, is sustained with prayer, and ends with prayer. So I urge you to make a list of unsaved friends and family, then begin praying regularly for their openness to the Gospel and their salvation. What better Christmas gift could you give them?

To find out more about how you and your church can be a part of this nationwide outreach, visit MyHopeWithBillyGraham.org. If you do not have access to the Internet, call us at 1-877-7MY-HOPE (1-877-769-4673) and we will send the information you need.

When I was in South Sudan just a few weeks ago, I couldn't help but notice the sharp contrast between what has been happening in America and what God is doing in this, the newest country in the world. I preached the Gospel to 100,000 people who stood in the hot African sun to listen to God's Word.

When I gave the invitation each afternoon, I reminded people that I could not save them—but that the One who could save them is Jesus Christ, who died on the cross for their sins, rose again, and offers forgiveness. People literally ran forward to receive Christ. It was a thrill to see, and we say with the psalmist: *"This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes"* (Psalm 118:23, NASB).

It is the church in South Sudan that is forming the backbone for the country's future. Many government leaders and cabinet members are strong believers—some are even preachers. Church leaders are eager to have the preaching of the Gospel as a foundation of their emerging country.

We called our evangelistic Crusade in the capital city of Juba *Hope for a New Nation*. A jubilant 600-member choir, the largest Christian choir ever assembled in the Sudan, ignored the stifling heat and sang in worship to the Lord in both English and Arabic. Thousands—young and old—received the message of repentance and forgiveness and ran forward to make public professions of their faith in Jesus Christ.

A prominent local bishop summed up his thoughts on what had happened. "God has visited us. South Sudan is not going to be the same. The churches of this land are not going to be the same. God is blessing this nation. God is reigning in this nation. God is bringing hope to this nation. God's Name will be exalted."

We have a busy year of ministry ahead of us. Along with the *My Hope* project across the United States and Canada, there are Crusade events scheduled in a number of places around the globe during 2013, including South Carolina, India, Kenya, Australia, Japan, Thailand, Bolivia, Iceland, and London, England.

These are enormous undertakings, and we can only carry them out through faithful prayers and regular gifts from friends like you.

May God richly bless you and your family with peace and joy this Christmas.

Warmly,

Franklin Graham



President