



SBA Weekly News

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Welcome to Summer in So Oregon!

We had a wonderful vacation. Wedding was interesting and beautiful. God showed his grace and mercy throughout the whole event. Some stories were just beyond belief. I know the Johnson's had a beautiful wedding as well. 'Tis the season I suppose.

One thing we did was really close to home. Our, near annual, Crater Lake trip was awesome. Short and sweet, it was brimming with God's magnificent creative power and beauty. At one look out we could see three other volcanic mountains. This is the South end of a string of volcanoes in the NW. When you see the valleys and ridges below, the colors most beautiful and our own eyes gazing on this all belong to Him.

We were gone from our church 3 Sundays. But since we try to go to church anyway, we did. Three distinctive churches (2 SBC) all having the same message of hope and redemption through Jesus Christ our Lord. Three distinctive worship services: Liturgical, Very contemporary, and one more toward a modern blended service. God is Alive and well in all three churches!

Our folks in the Dominican Republic are looking like they are doing well. Some may be getting a little home sick but doing well with the team being close. I'm looking forward to the amazing stories. They travel back this weekend. I know some arrive home on Sunday. Please pray for safe journeys.

Do not know if you got the mini note earlier this week. Pat Barrington passed away and her service will be at Lozier Lane, Saturday the 5th at 10 AM.

5th Sunday Sing was a blast as usual. We had most of our churches represented. Count was any where from 120 – 160. It is hard to count moving targets.

I sent out an E-mail to those who do the Annual Church Profile. Yes it won't be long now. This is the time to look at your membership and if needed do a cleaning. It needs to be done according to your By-laws if it is addressed there.

I just checked the E-mail and did not receive anything new so here we go with what I know.

Have a great day.

Nancy

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

Addison Merritt, 5th; Sawyer Badley, 9th; Zack Merritt, 17th; Carolyn Dawson, 21st; Rhonda Smith, 24th; Bob and Betty Batte, 25th;

William and Brandie Woody, 25th; Teri Franell, 28th; Stan Smith, 29th

VBS Dates

Grace Baptist - July 7-11

Trinity – July 7-11; Pray for the group coming down to help them with a number of outreach efforts.

Lozier Lane – July 20-25

July 12 - Trinity – A Loving Church is having a block party with live music, food, other events to be announced. 8:00 AM – 3 PM

[July 18-19 8P – 8A– Grants Pass YMCA Youth Lock-In](#) – Sponsored by College Heights Baptist Church \$10 per person. Call Brenda Phelps for more information – 541-659-2415

Youth Camp

[Youth Camp: July 28 – August 1](#) at Camp Apserkaha Group Camp at Howard Prairie Lake. The registration, what to bring and flyer were sent out a week or so ago. I will get it on the Web page today. Lenny Brewer is the contact point: 541-582-1617

August 2014:

[Children's Camp: August 18-22](#) at Fir Point Camp. Lenny Brewer is the contact point: 541-582-1617 Tammy Johnson is to mail out the flyers when she gets back from the Dominican Republic.

VBS Dates

First Phoenix – August 4-8;

College Heights – August 18-22

5th Sunday Sing – August 31st at Gold Beach

If you plan to stay the night find a place now! It is Labor Day weekend. Is there any other information? I thought that there was but cannot find it now. Call the Dawson's for more information 1-541-247-6298

○ **Prayer Needs and Praises:**

○ **Let me know if your church has a prayer concern it will be posted here.**

○ **Updates are a great thing.**

- Pray for the Children/Youth Team as they plan and work towards effective camps.
- **Continue to pray for the Baptist Disaster Relief folks.**
- **For our missionaries who are in areas of high danger. Most would ask for a holy boldness rather than their safety.**
- **For Revival in our land**
- **For So. Oregon New Work and Church Renewal** that we would be reaching out to our neighbors in a way that gets them to thinking about God and Jesus.
- **PTL for growth in our churches.** For God's divine guidance and appointments as we go along our way.
- **Prospect Baptist** as Bob and Betty have retired.
- **For the planning and execution of plans made here in and through SBA and our churches. For the Mission trips** (3), outreach ministries, Children's and Youth camps, VBS, etc. coming up as well. That He will be glorified in all that happens and that many would come to know Jesus as Lord and Savior.
- **Pray for SBA Pastor's and Wives:**
 - Bruce and Cheryl Pearson, First Baptist, Phoenix
 - Waters of Life, Medford as they go through the current process
- **Pray for our Pastor's and wives, Region 4 Team, Missionaries (IMB and NAMB) and NWBC staff** that we all would regularly seek examination by God and to repent from any errors that have crept into their/our lives. Psalm 139:23-24
- **NWBC Executive Director/Treasurer Randy Adams and wife Paula** for God's direction and timing of things to come.
- **NWBC leadership as they continue to lead and serve Northwest churches.**
- **Health issues:** Pray for Ken and Pat Barrington, Nordeca Irvin, Richard Giles, Rick Horton and several other veteran SBA folks as well.
- **For ministries and outreaches throughout our SBA area that are reaching out to their greater community.** (SOS, Lozier; U-Turn, Lampman Rd; River Valley New Hope Church; Truck Stop Ministry and others) Want to join them give them a call!
- **For Youth Ministries in our churches:** College Heights, First Baptist, Grace, Lampman Road, Lozier Lane, New Horizon, Prospect, Sixth Street, Trinity, River Valley New Hope Church
- **For our churches that are struggling with both much and lack of growth and financial issues.**
- **For our churches that are in the midst of remodels/redecorating.**

- **SBA teams to be energized with new participants and helpers** – Pray about how you can be serving our churches in our association.
- **For the Admin Team, Fellowship Team, Missions Team, Children & Youth Team as we work to accomplish the task that you have assigned us to do, that we would be unified in what God would have us to do.**
- Potential **Church Revitalization/Church Planting Partnership** with River Valley Community Church, Grants Pass, OR
- **NWBC I-5 Corridor Vision Tour** during **August 10-16, 2014** with potential partners from Texas. You can check it out @ www.oregonchurchplanting.com/vt
- **NWBC REGIONAL "COWBOY CHURCH" PLANTING TOUR** with Pastor Gary Hunt of Texas. Pastor Hunt will be traveling within the NWBC during **July 22 - August 6**
- **NWBC East Asia Partnership. See note below regarding this opportunity.**

Region 4 Church Plants: Pray for these Pastors, their leadership teams and the many partners helping to start and grow these works.

- **River Valley New Hope Church** - Sean & Christina Sullivan –
- **The Branch in Corvallis** - Pastor Josh Howeth
- **Freedom Pointe Church** - Bobby J. Blake Church Planter, Willamette Valley Baptist Association
- **Two Micronesia Churches** –Kieny & Antonette Aisek, Tigard and Salem. The language group is Chuukese.
- **A church plant for Vietnamese in Salem.**
- **Pray for those who are considering coming to the NW to either plant a new work or to take a pastorate.**



- **NWBC Region 4 Leadership Summit**
- **SAVE THE DATE -- September 27, 2014 (more information to follow)**
 - **What: NWBC Region 4 Leadership Summit**
 - **When: Saturday, September 27, 2014**
 - **Where: Riviera Baptist Church, 3071 River Rd., Eugene, OR 97404**
 - **Who: Pastors, Staff, Worship Leaders, Ministry Team Leaders, SS/Small Group Leaders, etc.**
 - **Why: Leadership Development/Church & Kingdom growth**



Randy Adams article click below or copy and paste the link to a very interesting and informative article.

- <http://randyadams.org/2014/06/27/information-for-churches-interested-in-joining-the-northwest-baptist-convention/>



Regarding the East Asia Tour:

Dear Pastor and Church Staff Member,

On June 23-24, 2014 our NWBC Executive Board met in their semi-annual meeting and I wanted to share with you about one of the actions that they took in their meeting because of the impact on your calendar, and, I pray, on your ministry. I also enclosed two articles. One was written after I returned from a vision trip to East Asia in April. The other article was written last week, following a meeting with a church interested in affiliating with the NWBC.

The Executive Board voted to enter into an international missions partnership with the East Asia Affinity Group of the International Mission Board (IMB). Specifically, the partnership focuses on the unreached peoples of East Asia. This is an historic first for the NWBC as we have never before had an international missions partnership.

In order to jump-start the partnership, the IMB is sending 10-15 missionaries presently serving in East Asia to tour our convention and help our churches know how to participate in reaching peoples who have never heard the Gospel. Called *East Asia One Day Conferences (EA1Day)*, the missionaries will meet in nine locations, from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM each day, October 9-19, 2014. Some of the locations are still tentative, but the level of certainty is such that I want you to have the dates so you can make plans to attend one of them:

October 9 – Portland, OR

October 10 – Eugene, OR

October 11 – Redmond, OR

October 12 – Speak in churches

October 13 – Richland, WA

October 14 – Pullman, WA

October 15 – Spokane, WA

October 16 – Ellensburg, WA

October 17 – North of Seattle, WA

October 18 – South of Seattle, WA

October 19 – Speak in churches

The commitment of the IMB to send so many missionaries to travel our convention is unprecedented. They are making a huge investment in us. Never before have our people had the opportunity to meet so many missionaries, coming to a city near them. Also, they will talk to our churches about how people can participate in reaching East Asia who cannot travel there. Prayer ministry is a huge part of what we can do for them and with them.

Thank you for all that you are doing to reach the people of the Northwest. I believe that as we help our people reach to the ends of the earth, it will increase our impact at home. Helping God's people develop a lifestyle of looking up and looking out is what it is all about – look up to God in prayer – look out to a lost and hurting world in witness.

It's a good day to serve the Lord in the Northwest!

Randy Adams

Executive Director-Treasurer

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