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# Roseburg, Oregon Seventh-day Adventist Church Newsletter



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## Events.

May 4, Pastor Tom's 1st Sabbath at Roseburg!

May 4, Supper/Vespers Lynden & Margie Kruse—Belize!

May 11, Supper/Vespers—Nature Slides & Music by the Casebolts!

May 24, Jamie Jorge, Vespers, Sanctuary!

*Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love. 1 John 4:7-8*

## A Spirit of Cooperation By Tray Williams

"Pelle's New Suit" is a story of a young boy who wants a new suit, but in order for him to get it, he must cooperate. His sheep kindly gives up his fleece for Pelle, his grandmother spins the wool, his grandfather dyes the wool and then his mother weaves it into cloth. Finally, the local tailor takes the cloth and sews Pelle's suit for him. It is only by all these people working together that Pelle manages to get his new suit.

I thought about this story today as I was reflecting on the success of the cooking class that took place on April 28<sup>th</sup>.

As I was watching those who were involved in the class, I was struck by the cooperation that was taking place. Several people of

various ages, various talents, various ideas and skills all working together for the overall good of the class and especially, for the Glory of God.

As those who demonstrated their recipes were in the forefront, there were several who were working behind the scene to get the ingredients prepared for the demonstrations. There were some who took phone calls and pre-registered the participants. There were those who brought the samples to the participants enrolled in the class, and there were others who decorated, arranged the room and still others who registered and enrolled the participants who showed up at the last minute. And last, but certainly not least, there were pray warriors who were

praying for the guests, the demonstrators and their demonstrations.

All these people working together for the good of others, the good of the public and the Glory of God is what made this class such a success.

*If you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any fellowship with the Spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded having the same love, being one in spirit and purpose.*

*Philippians 2: 1-2*

## Jaime Jorge Concert May 24

Jaime Jorge! His forceful, expressive mastery of the violin has delighted audiences around the globe. Jaime has dedicated his talents to sharing the love of God through sacred and classical concerts and special appearances the world over.

From High School auditoriums to magnificent cathedrals, from simple church

programs to Carnegie Hall, Jaime's music can inspire, uplift, and bring peace. For over two decades, through 15 albums and more than



2,500 concerts in North and South America, Europe, Australia, and Asia, Jaime's

music has touched the lives of millions. It can touch yours too.

Jaime will be at our Roseburg Church May 24, 2013 at 7:00 PM. Come, invite a friend to this special evening of wonderful music.

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*Thank you!*

*But whoever listens to  
me will dwell  
safely,*

*And will be secure,  
without fear of evil.*

*Proverbs 1:33*

*No temptation has  
overtaken you that is  
not common to man.  
God is faithful, and he  
will not let you be  
tempted beyond your  
ability, but with the  
temptation he will also  
provide the way of es-  
cape, that you may be  
able to endure it.*

*1 Corinthians 10:13*

## Finance Report from the Church Treasurer

The Pastor Search committee has completed their work and our new pastor *Thomas Bentley and his family* should arrive in Roseburg in May. Our Roseburg church leaders have provided spiritual and cohesive direction for our church family during the search process. This transition does also require from our congregation an extra effort to help provide for the needs of the church.

To begin our review of first six months of our 2012/2013 budget year, the monthly budget goal was \$13,237. For the last six months offerings received were;

**October:** \$10,379,

**November:** \$14,275  
**December:** \$22,262  
**January:** \$7,486  
**February:** \$10,363  
**March:** \$15,178.

The total offerings for the local budget exceed the total budget by \$701.

Donations to the local budget when compared to the first six months a year ago have decreased by 2.8%. The total tithe for this same time period has decreased by 9.8%.

So as it stands, as of March 31, 2013, you are able to surmise by the above numbers, the monthly donations for the local budget do

greatly swing up and down. It is recognized that each family's timing of returning their monthly tithes and offerings does reflect the monthly totals which I am reporting. The good news is that we have no deficits at this time. As a result our new Pastor will be arriving with no deficit to deal with. Thank you for your faithful support of the local church needs. The church needs **consistent monthly support of all members** to provide the means to pay the church bills for our ministry to the Roseburg Church

## Witnessing! By Cam Litvin

Witnessing! Just saying the word opens up many thoughts! For me, I think of “knocking on doors”, ingathering, walking up to a complete stranger on the street and asking them if they know Jesus. All of those ways of witnessing are fine, but all of them are ways of witnessing that most of us don't do.

So how can I witness? First, what is witnessing? Isn't it simply sharing what Jesus has done for me? What is my testimony?

When I look back on my life, I was blessed. I grew up in a Christian home, with Christian parents. My first recollections of Jesus are Arthur Maxwell's, Bible Stories. These were read to me in my early years. Also, Christian music, hymns being played on the piano.

As I grew older, I went to church school, 12 grades. Though there could be negative influences there, the influences were mostly positive and I chose the positive over the

negative for the most part! I am thankful for my Christian Education. I am the person I am because of it.

Now as I am upper middle age, I look back and see all the times God provided guidance and I heard and obeyed. He provided a job for over 34 years where I was able to witness to my work colleagues on a daily basis. He blessed me with a wonderful wife when I least expected to find one. He has constantly been there, showing His love to me.

That is my testimony! God has led through everything in my life and blessed me beyond what I am deserving of.

The exciting thing is, the “Signs Of The Times” prove that Jesus is coming soon. How easy does that make it to witness. So ask God to help you with your testimony and then share it. Who knows what might happen!

## Recipe...

### Pan Roasted Carrots with Barley Risotto

2 Tbsp. Grape Seed Oil  
 4-5 Carrots\*, peeled and sliced in half lengthwise and cut into thirds (chunks)  
 3 Tbsp. Olive Oil  
 2 sprigs of fresh Thyme or 1 tsp. dried thyme  
 2 cloves garlic, peeled and quartered lengthwise  
 2 cups vegetable broth, reserve 1/2 cup of the broth  
 1 Tbsp. Bragg Liquid Aminos  
 1½ cups barley  
 3 heaping Tbsp. Nutritional yeast  
 Sea salt

Put 1 ½ cups vegetable broth and the Bragg aminos in a saucepan with 4 cups water and bring to a boil. Add the barley and cook for 45 – 50 minutes, stirring often, until the barley is soft but not breaking up.

While barley is cooking heat the grape seed oil in a sauté pan on med. Heat. \*\*Add the carrots and cook for 8- 10 min. or until carrots are caramelized, making sure to turn the carrots often so they are browned well on all sides. Add the 2 Tbsp. olive oil, thyme, garlic, and the reserved ½ cup of vegetable broth to the pan. Season with salt. Cover the pan with tight fitting lid and cook over medium

heat for 15 – 20 min. Then take off of heat.

After the barley has finished cooking you may find there is still a lot of liquid. Pour it off and save it. Stir into the barley the nutritional yeast and mix well. It will be creamy. Put the cooked carrot mixture on top of the barley and serve.

The extra liquid from the cooked barley is good to use when reheating any leftover barley as the barley may get sticky after being in the refrigerator or after it has cooled for a time.

\*Can use baby carrots

\*\*Can roast carrots under the broiler instead of pan caramelizing.

Variation:

The cooked carrots could be put over a bed of cous-cous or left to cool and tossed in a salad with beets and toasted pine nuts.

## Classified Ads and Announcements...

Looking for a small, affordable rental for Christian single. Needed starting May 1st. Call 643-0174.

Needed small table for a typewriter. Audrey Cravey – 541-464-0728

Southern Oregon Christian women's Retreat, June 7-9, 2013, Milo Academy. "Simple Moments, Great Discoveries" with Sue Patzer. *There will be a special segment for teen-agers with Rise Rafferty.* Come join us for a full weekend of Christian Women's companionship with old & new friends, activities, good food & most important- a time to renew your relation-

ship with your "Best Friend, Jesus" Registration Brochures available in the foyer on the table under the Ten Commandment picture. ***If you have never attended a retreat but would like to go, contact Margie Kruse to have your name entered in a drawing, Women's Ministries will be sending one blessed person for free.*** For more info. contact Margie [541-673-4864](tel:541-673-4864) or [541-643-1650](tel:541-643-1650)

Mother's Day Sabbath, May 11, there will be a short program between Sabbath School & church, at 10:45, Sabbath school classes will dismiss at

10:30 that Sabbath. Please plan to be there to honor the mothers in our congregation. Also that evening at 5:30 there will be a Soup & Sandwich supper sponsored by Women's Ministries to be followed with a Musical concert by Shirley Casebolt.

The Oregon Conference sends us ***The Stewpot.*** It is a potpourri of practical ideas to help you become a better steward. As new issues come in, it will be announced in the bulletin and they will be put on the table in the foyer for you to pick up.

"Stewardship is a total lifestyle. It involves our *health, time, talents, environment, relationships, spirituality and finances.*"

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## Wide Spread Apprehension about the future!

The present is a time of overwhelming interest to all living. Rulers and statesmen, men who occupy positions of trust and authority, thinking men and women of all classes, have their attention fixed upon the events taking place about us. They are watching the relations that exist among the nations. They observe the intensity that is taking possession of every earthly element and they recognize that something great and decisive is about to take place—that the world is on the verge of a stupendous crisis.—Prophets and Kings, 537 (c. 1914). {LDE 11.1}

The calamities by land and sea, the unsettled state of society, the alarms of war, are portentous. They forecast approaching events of the greatest magnitude. The



*Jesus, the light of the world!*

agencies of evil are combining their forces and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis.

Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones.—Testimonies for the Church 9:11 (1909). {LDE 11.2}

***Coming to Roseburg in October 2013, Islam and Christianity in Bible Prophecy with Tim Roosenberg!***

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