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### Roseburg, Oregon Seventh-day Adventist Church Newsletter



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### **Events**

Christmas Social Dec. 7, 6:00 pm BLC

Handel's
"Messiah"
Umpqua
Chamber
Chorus,
Dec. 8, 3:00 pm,
Tickets required,
Church
Sanctuary

Then the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:10,11

## Pastor's Notes... By Pastor Thomas Bentley

Solomon reminds us in his reflective sermon we call Ecclesiastes that, for everything there is a season. He is so right.

Here at the Roseburg Seventh-day Adventist Church we are transitioning from a very successful series with Tim Roosenberg, into the holiday season. Thanksgiving and Christmas are just around the corner and with them we hope to see our families and be inspired with the joy of the season. If you could pick a holiday that truly could be God centered, it is Thanksgiving. Imagine a time set aside once a year to reflect on the providence of God in your lives, and, to acknowledge and thank God for His blessings. Thanksgiving can also be filled with service for others who at this time are lonely.

Christmas has always been for me a time to reflect on the fact that Jesus will be coming again. It is a perfect time to share your faith with unchurched people. It is during this time of the year that they are the most receptive to spiritual things. Perhaps you could make a point of sharing some literature with someone, or invite them to church. It is a great time to make friends for Jesus.

It is my prayer that during this time you would reflect on the fact that you are so blessed in Christ. Before we start the new year, plan some time to ask how, in the coming year, you will plan to serve the Lord who is so good to you.

Also, don't forget our project to repair the house of the Lord. Many people will be blessed as we provide a way for handicap people to use the restroom.

May God richly bless you this season! Pastor Tom

# Islam and Christianity Series Report...

The recent evangelistic meetings were a great success with an average attendance of over 230 each of the ten nights. We now need prayers that the many friends made during these meetings will continue studying with the Sabbath morning lesson studies.

"Every sincere prayer is heard in heaven. It may not be fluently expressed; but if the heart is in it, it will ascend to the sanctuary where Jesus ministers, and He will present it to the Father without one awkward, stammering word, beautiful and fragrant with the incense of His own perfection." The Desire of Ages, p. 667

**Thank you** for your continuing support of God's Church in Roseburg with your prayers and financial support.

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The first of **December our** current roster list will be in the foyer on tables for you to review and say ok or make changes. There are many of you, we do not have phone numbers to contact. Please add your numbers if you are willing to have them in the directory. It is also a chance for you to add your email address. Thank you!

Christmas The Adventist Home Chapter 77

Our prayer... that
God Blesses you
and your family with
a wonderful
Thanksgiving,
Christmas, and New
Year. May His
Spirit fill you with
Peace, Love and
Joy, drawing you
close to Him, as the
Final Events unfold
in this earth's
history!

### Finance Report from the church Treasurer...

Thank you for your continued support of the local Church budget. On September 29 the members voted a new budget for our fiscal year starting on Oct 1. To review, our monthly budget goal is \$13,090/monthly. The offering for Oct 2013 was \$9,890 leaving a deficit of -\$3,200 (not a good start for our new budget year). The total local budget offering shows a decrease of 4.7% compared to the same time last year. The total tithe showed a decrease of 6.8% compared to last year.

**Stewardship** is the personal acknowledgement on our part that God is owner and provider of all the basic good of life - spiritual, physical, and material. As Christians, we are called to be faithful and responsible with the resources entrusted to us by God – our time, our talents, our assets, and the use of our spiritual gifts. As we start a new budget year it is suggested that each of us do the following:

- Pray Consider what God has done for you and how He has filled your life with every good thing.
- Return Tithes You love God. Acknowledge and honor Him by returning the part He requests. Be mindful, however, that your tithe does not fund the Roseburg Church's ministry. Your entire tithe is sent to the conference office to fund ministry in Oregon and around the globe.
- Contribute Joyfully Offerings are voluntary. They come from a
  heart overflowing with grace. The entire ministry of our local church is
  funded with offerings for our church budget. If you are currently contributing toward the Church Budget, thank you. But would you be so
  bold as to ask God how you could help your church even more? And if
  you haven't yet experienced the joy of supporting your church on a
  regular basis, there is no better time to start than now. God will bless
  you so amazingly.

Your strong support of the current building project has been a blessing. The parking lot has been repaired and we just completed a successful and spiritual series of evangelistic meetings. To date over \$99,000 have been donated towards the project, this represents 60% of our goal of \$165,000. It is now time to continue our donations and build the **security wall** and **new restrooms**.

Sunday evening September 29, there was a Church Business Meeting to discuss the proposed church budget. After approving the new budget a proposal was made to paint our church. Brent Hinger has volunteered to paint the church along with other volunteers. We needed to raise approximately \$7,000 to buy the paint and supplies for this project.

A motion was made to ask the church members present to pledge funds to go forward with the painting ASAP. This motion was seconded and approved and then the pledges were counted. Over \$11,600 was pledged. The spirit of the meeting was excellent and raising the funds was a miracle. We now need to pray for good weather so that we can paint the church! Our God is amazing and Praise God from whom all blessings flow! Though the goal was exceeded, the extra funds were voted to go to the Repair the House of the Lord project for new restrooms.

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# Vegetable Burger Recipe...by Chef Mark Anthony

Ingredients

1 cup garbanzo beans, rinsed

1 cup fresh cilantro, chopped

1/2 cup carrot, chopped

1 Tbsp jerk rub

1 tsp sea salt

1/2 tsp red pepper

1 jalapeno, chopped

2 pounds peeled red potatoes, cut into 2-inch pieces

1/4 cup red onion, diced fine

1 cup dry breadcrumbs

### Preparation

Combine first 7 ingredients in the bowl of a food processor; process until finely chopped.

Boil potatoes and onion until tender, drain and cool. Place potato mixture in a bowl and mash. Stir in chickpea mixture and breadcrumbs, then cover and chill overnight.

Divide potato mixture into 8 equal portions, shaping each portion into a 1/2-inch-thick patty. Pan fry on medium-high with a little vegetable oil for about 5 minutes on each side and they are ready to serve with all your burger condiments.

http://www.chefmarkanthony.com

## Announcements...

KLLF 106.7 FM: Last May, the pastor at the Roseburg SDA Church approached us regarding airing his sermons and announcements of this station. We were thrilled with the interest but had to share the sad news that we did not have the equipment to make that possible. We have been working with the engineer at 3ABN radio for equipment that will help us put a local voice on the air and make it possible for the local Adventist churches to make an announcement of programs they wish to invite the community to at-

A year ago, we started a website for KLLF radio, which we need to improve upon. If you have internet connections, you may want to check it out and give us

your opinion www.kllfradio.com. Between the website and the new radio equipment for announcements, we hope to increase the outreach for the surrounding listening area which may bring some financial help in growing the listenership. Amazing Love, Inc. 3001 Wild River Dr. Roseburg, Oregon, 97470-7998 www.kllfradio.com 541-496-4446 voice

**URGENT!** Better Life TV urgently needs funds to maintain its current Oregon coverage and to expand to include the San Francisco-Santa Rosa opportunity. Please send your monthly or one-time donations to them at PO

Box 766, Grants Pass, OR 97528. or online at www.betterlifetv.tv Thank You.

Women's Ministries is planning to offer a 10 week Bible Study Series by Elizabeth Talbot, called "Surprised by Love", starting in January. This series focuses on the surprising & amazing love of our Savior. Each session has a presentation by Elizabeth Talbot. If you would like to take part in this Study, please contact Margie Kruse, 541-673-4864, Cell. 541-643-1650, or e-mail, margiekruse1@gmail.com. Margie would also like to hear from you as to what day of the week & time would work best for you.

"You've Got Mail!" is this year's theme for the Southern Oregon Christian Women's Retreat, June 6th-8th, 2014, Milo Academy. The Keynote speaker is Tawny Sportsman. To register: e-mail miloretreat2014@gmail.com or call Pat Young 541-601 -8694. Single Occupancy \$110.00, Double Occupancy \$100.00. Handicap rooms are limited so if you need one, register soon! For more info. you may also contact Margie Kruse, 541-673-4864, Cell. 541-643-1650, or e-mail, margiekruse1@gmail.com.

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## Steps to Christ...by Ellen G. White

Nature and revelation alike testify of God's love. Our Father in heaven is the source of life, of wisdom. and of joy. Look at the wonderful and beautiful things of nature. Think of their marvelous adaptation to the needs and happiness, not only of man, but of all living creatures. The sunshine and the rain, that gladden and refresh the earth. the hills and seas and plains, all speak to us of the Creator's love. It is God who supplies the daily needs of all His creatures. In the beautiful words of the psalmist "The eyes of all look expectantly to You, And You give them their food in due season. You open Your hand And

satisfy the desire of every living thing. *Psalm 145:15, 16.*God made man perfectly holy and happy; and the fair earth, as it came from the Creator's hand.



Jesus, the light of the world!

bore no blight of decay or shadow of the curse. It is transgression of God's law—the law of love—that has brought woe and death. Yet even amid the suffering that results from sin, God's love is revealed. It is written that God cursed the ground for man's sake. *Genesis* 3:17

The word of God reveals His character. He Himself has declared His infinite love and pity. When Moses prayed, "Show me Thy glory," the Lord answered, "I will make all My goodness pass before thee. "Exodus 33:18, 19. You can read the entire book online at http://www.whiteestate.org/books/sc/sc.asp

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