



TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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NEWSLETTER AND MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

To The Saints:

In an effort to make his church grow, Dr. Schmalenberger of Des Moines, Iowa, held his services on the banks of Gray's Lake. The sermon was delivered from a boat in Biblical Galilean style. Rev. Maurice Gordon took a different tact. He held a city wide B-B-Q. What did he grill? The Good News Bible!! It seems that he was sure that people would want to join a church that preached only the "literal word" of the King James Version. He used the B-B-Q grill because of a city ordinance against open burning and to all who attended the service he gave a KJV Bible. Evangelist and pastor Tony Leyva tried something a bit different. He dresses like Superman when he preaches. With his open Bible in hand and his cape adjusted so as to allow his finger to point in judgement, Leyva calls himself "SUPER-CHRISTIAN". Another preacher actually pours lighter fluid on his body and lights it during his sermons...to show the torment of the fires of hell. There is a church that has handed out money to all who attend the service. There are Pastors who preach while breaking boards with Karate chops, some who preach while pulling train cars with their teeth and even one who preaches while standing on his head.

How do you grow a church? How do you get the people in to the fellowship?

There is a church in Tualatin, Oregon...a new church...that preaches, teaches, prays and plays. It concentrates on giving the Good News to people who need good news. It focuses its attention on building relationships with each other and with our God. It is warm and friendly and loving and open. It is low on gimmicks but high on the Gospel...and it hopes that that is enough to call people to be a part of its adventure of faith. There will be no Bible B-B-Q, no Super Christians, no Preacher-Fires or Headstand sermons in our schedule for the Fall-Winter. There will be Good News and a bunch of fun and joyful ways of celebrating it!!! Look what's happening and get into something that will help you grow in God's Love. *John*

THE AMAZING EXPANDING STEERING COMMITTEE

Three people have been called to service on the Steering Committee of our church. Del Judy, Kathy Bond and Connie Myers are the newest members of this important committee.

The steering committee is this congregation's "session" until the time comes when we are chartered as a church. Please congratulate, thank and pray for Del and Kathy and Connie and for all the members of the committee,

We feel that this expansion will allow us to be more inclusive in everything we do. "More people more involved" is the idea. Included in the next column is

the committee structure of our church, We hope everyone is on at least one of these important committees.

TUALATIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH COMMITTEE STRUCTURE

Call them committees, task forces, teams or whatever ... this is the structure of our church.

EDUCATION: Peggy Hodge

ADMINISTRATION: Jim Skinner

STEWARDSHIP: Mike Nelson

BUILDING AND PROPERTY: Wayne Prindiville

MISSION: Del Judy

OUTREACH: Kathy Bond

WORSHIP: Connie Myers

FELLOWSHIP: Don Schmidt

CLERK: Lynne Bolton

CHOIRS BEGIN FALL SCHEDULE:

The youth choir will meet the first 3 Wednesdays of November at the home of Dale Prindiville. The time is 7:00 P.M. Once again Dale and Rick are leading the group. If you want info--call Dale. Kids sing on November 20.

The Adult Choir--a new opportunity for you--will meet Wednesday evening at the Prindiville house on November 30 and December 7. The choir will sing in worship on December 11. Membership in this choir demands only the willingness to sing. There are a few men types that are going to sing but are looking for someone who knows what they are doing so we can stand next to you,

STEWARDSHIP DRIVE IS HAPPENING:

Mike Nelson has sent two boxes around to the people of the congregation, Pledge cards are included along with the name of someone who will receive the box after you, Please send the boxes on a speedy run. The stewardship campaign at this time will get us back on the same time frame as Presbytery.

MISSION SUNDAY:

Sunday, November 13 at 10:00 A.M. worship we will welcome Rev. Rodney Sundberg, He has been involved with world wide Presbyterian Mission at all levels and will be in the pulpit with a message about what we do around the world in the name of Christ. Come and learn and welcome Rod to our worship celebration,

ADVENT DINNERS:

We are going to get together and eat a simple meal one night a week during Advent. We hope that you can join us. The meals will be from 6:00-7:30 P.M. so you can eat and run to your evening meetings or whatever, Sign-up on Sunday with your preference of days,

NURSERY TEACHERS ARE NEEDED:

We need people to be with the little ones in their brand new room, See Ronnie Mullens to sign-up,

ASTOUNDING--ISN'T IT?

turtles are deaf...72 muscles are used in speaking one word ...and the I. Q. of Martin Luther was an estimated 115.

WEDNESDAY MORNING STUDY GROUP:

You are invited to join us for conversation and study centered on the book of Romans. We meet at 9:30 A.M. in the office building and child care is provided, You can pop in for a week if your schedule doesn't let you attend every week..but we would love to have you join us ... it is fun.!!

WELCOME TO NE MEMBERS:

Mike and Linda Taitt and their sons Ryan and Justin come to us from the Presbyterian Church in Albany, Oregon. Welcome!!

Cathi and John McLain come to us from the Lake Oswego Methodist Church although they were members of the Trinity Presbyterian Church in Pasadena, California before they moved to Oregon not too long ago. They have a daughter Katherine and a son Sean,

GUITAR CLASSES TO BEGIN SOON:

There are a half dozen folks who have expressed interest in learning more about playing the guitar. We are going to begin right quick by meeting at someone's home and learning some songs. You can be "sort of good" or "just startin" and be welcome. Talk to Thom or Jim Skinner soon. It is free and fun.

News Flash!!!!!!

Rev. Jonathon Edwards returned to his own congregation after preaching here. He has run into trouble over his stern style and insistence on fencing the communion table and has been assigned to missionary work in Western Mass. with the Indians.

A PRAYER BY SHARI, MERI, CHRIS AND MATT:

Our Father who is always with us, we thank you for our families, the food that we eat and for the sun that shines light upon us In Jesus' name we pray, AMEN.

DON'T FORGET TO GIVE TO THE PEACE OFFERING, IT WILL SUPPORT BREAD FOR THE WORLD AND BUY CHICKENS FOR AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT IN JACKSON, KENTUCKY,

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE: Yes already !! Christmas play Dec. 18 at worship service Christmas Eve Service: 5:31 P.M. Dec. 24 Christmas Day Worship Service: 11:31 A.M.

AN END TABLE AND LAMP ARE NEEDED FOR THE OFFICE.