

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH NEWS

A Word From Pastor...



"(15) "If you love me, keep my commands. (16) And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another advocate to help you and be with you forever-- (17) the Spirit of truth. The world cannot accept him, because it neither sees him nor knows him. But you know him, for he lives with you and will be in you. (18) I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you." (Jhn 14:15-18 NIV)

"(7) But very truly I tell you, it is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you." (Jhn 16:7 NIV)

Dearly Beloved,

Living the Christian life can be overwhelming. We have unseen demonic forces opposing us; we have a sin nature within us hindering us; we have a world around us that neither sees Jesus Christ for who He truly is nor knows Him that mocks us; and Jesus Himself states, "If you love Me, you will obey what I command" (John 14:15). Attempting to follow Christ in our own strength and wisdom is an impossible task! Jesus Himself know that it is. That's why in John 14:16-18 He adds: "And I will ask the Father, and He will give you another Counselor to be with you forever-the Spirit of Truth....But you know Him, for He lives with you and will be in you. I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you."

Jesus has told the disciples that He is leaving them. They can hardly follow Jesus when He is beside them. His presence has changed their lives, but even with Him being in their company, they continue to struggle with self-centeredness, pride, confusion, misunderstanding, doubts, and despair. How can they go on spiritually if He departs.

Jesus promises that He is not abandoning them like street orphans in a ruthless setting where some rebel group is going to sweep them up and overtake them. Jesus know their weaknesses and their opposing forces. He knows what they need in order to successfully follow Him and genuinely express their love for Him! They need another Counselor. They need the Spirit of Truth! They need someone who will not only be with them, but be in them (Jn. 14:17)!

In John 16:7, Jesus makes an amazing statement to His followers, "But I tell you the truth: It is for your good that I am going away. Unless I go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send Him to you!" How can it be advantageous for Jesus to depart? How can it be beneficial to be without His presence and His teaching and His miracles and His friendship and His hope?

J.D. Greer says:

"At the ascension Jesus did not become an absentee God. He, as God, simply came to His disciples as a different Person. The mystery of the Trinity is that only one God exists in three Persons. Each Person is from the other Two, but in experiencing One, you experience the One God Who is them All. (If your mind feels as if it just exploded, that's okay, Christian theologians have been wrestling with that for centuries!) In the same way that He could tell His followers, "If you have seen Me, you have seen the Father," so it would be true for Him to say, "When you hear the Spirit, you hear from Me." And, remarkably, He told His disciples that His presence in them would be even better than His presence beside them. Wow. Think about that" (from Jesus, Continued..., pp. 20-21).

As we enter the New Year of 2019, let us thank the Lord that Jesus has given us His Holy Spirit to live with us and to be in us! The Holy Spirit is looking for us to rely on Him through prayer and friendship to follow Jesus and demonstrate our love for Him. The Holy Spirit is not a downgrade from the presence of Jesus! He has equal omnipotence, equal omniscience, and equal omnipresence as Jesus! Ask the Holy Spirit to daily demonstrate how His presence in us is better than Jesus' presence beside us! Happy New Year!

Shepherding you in Christs' love,
Lance

MOMS' CORNER

I was in attendance of the Whole Gospel Workshop presented by Deb Krum and Lori Lowe of Grace Tapestries, Inc. It was a great time of fellowship with other women from local churches. The food and beautiful décor provided by Cindy Buttici added an extra welcoming experience for all who attended.

We discussed that most Christians today agree that prayer is a vitally important part of our faith walk. Still many of us struggle with finding the time to pray or feeling inadequate to pray. 1Thessalonians 5:17 reminds us to pray without ceasing while Romans 12:12 reminds us to let our hope keep us joyful, be patient in our troubles, and pray at all times. It is vital that we maintain a constant spirit of prayer if it be in the quietness of our hearts or outwardly when assembled together. This is not non-stop talking with God but an awareness that God is with us and always involved and engaged in our thoughts and actions. The last part of Romans 12:12 reminds us to pray at all times. This reminds us that we are to go to the throne of grace continually for the light and the power of the Holy Spirit to maintain joyful hope and to be unrelenting in the midst of troubles. If our hearts are communing with our loving Savior then we become the dwelling place of God. *"Christian, look up then and rejoice. There is always an open ear if you have an open mouth. There is always a ready hand if you have a ready heart."* Spurgeon

Pam Goff



Operation Christmas Child Update

623

**shoeboxes were sent from Gem
County**

17,682

**shoeboxes were sent from the
Boise, Mt. Home, McCall area**

Emmett's Multi-Church Musical was held in December and many from FBC performed... Rachel Ayres played a role in drama. Bill Buttici played a role in the orchestra. Kelly and Brooke Ayres sang in the choir along with Margaret Castle and Suzi Morgan.

Ice is available to use from the church at your convenience. It is free. Donations are accepted. There are some bags of ice in the freezer. Ice can be bagged as needed.

The LORD [is] my strength
and song, And He has
become my salvation; He
[is] my God, and I will
praise Him; My father's
God, and I will exalt Him.
Exodus 15:2 NKJV

Cathedral Pines needs your help!

Two special projects are now underway. First, collecting funds to replace all the mattresses in the cabins. Each mattress is \$75.00. Second, needing to replace 1 queen size mattress and box spring and 2 twin size mattress and box spring in Nightingale cabin. Your contribution to these projects is greatly appreciated. For more information or to make a donation, contact Cathedral Pines at 208-726-7522 or www.cathedralpines.org

Valentine's Friendship Banquet

First Baptist Church
Fellowship Hall

February 9, 2019

6:00 p.m.

Please R.S.V.P and pay by
February 4

Make checks payable to FBC

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Catering by Tom's Cabin

\$18/each (includes tip)

Choice #1: Prime Rib

Choice #2: Chicken Parmello (hand breaded chicken breast served over Alfredo sauce and noodles)

Each comes with:

Special Green Beans

Salad

Choice of Bread: Cheddar Biscuit OR Breadstick
AND

Choice of Dessert: Best Ever Cake (pineapple cake with cream cheese frosting) OR Cheesecake



GEM COUNTY -- January 2019

Thomas Hamilton



THE CORNERSTONE OF CREATION: Jesus, Genealogies, Noah's Flood and Information (Dinosaur DNA)

Thomas Hamilton has a B.A. in history and a Masters Div. in theology. He has researched the Creation/Evolution issues for more than 40 years. He published, "He Spoke and It was Done, a Biblical and Scientific Critique of Evolution Theory." He taught at Multnomah Bible College and Indian Bible College. He is a board member of Northwest Science Museum.

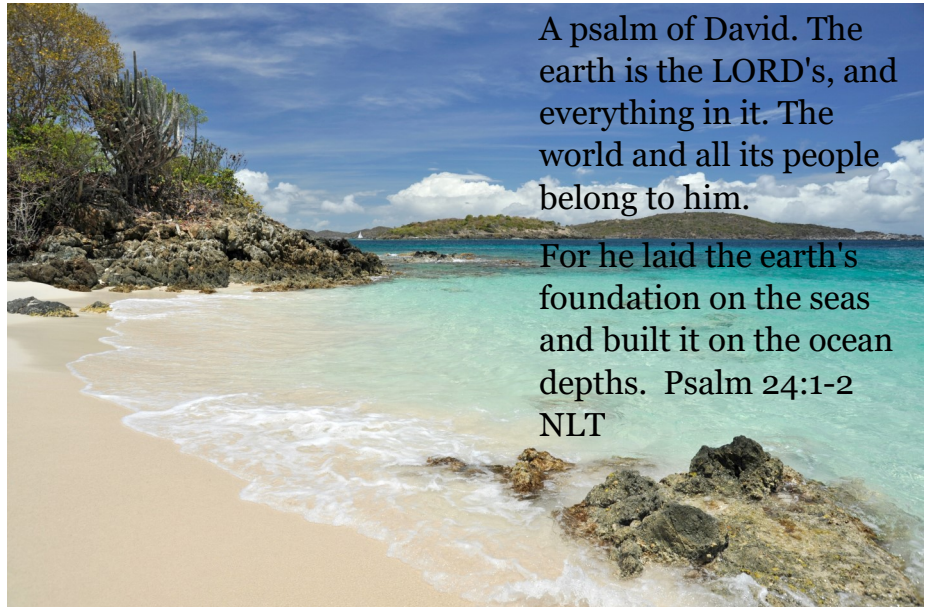
Wed, Jan. 23 at 7:00 p.m. Emmett	Heritage Christian Church, 1648 North Washington Ave, Suite 104, Emmett
Thurs, Jan. 24 at 12:30 p.m. Emmett	Gem County Homeschoolers at Emmett Highschool in the Cert Building, 619 West 12 th Street
Thurs, Jan. 24 at 7:00 p.m. Boise	Heritage Bible Church 7071 West Emerald, Boise
Fri, Jan. 25 at 1:00 p.m. Nampa	Homeschoolers Group at the Nampa Library 215 12 th Avenue, Nampa
Fri, Jan 25. at 7:00 p.m. Nampa	New Hope Baptist Church 1829 West Iowa, Nampa
Sat, Jan. 26 at 2:00 p.m. Ontario	Celebration Church of God 585 N.W. First Street, Ontario

SCHEDULE: Admission is free to all events (a goodwill offering will be taken)

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About Foundations in Genesis in Idaho (FIGI) The mission of Foundations in Genesis is to equip people to know how to defend the biblical worldview as related to science, origins, history, and precepts for living and to teach all who ask the harmony between Biblical revelation and the scientific understanding of the Creation.

For the Northwest Science Museum's information, please visit their website at www.northwestsciencemuseum.com



A psalm of David. The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it. The world and all its people belong to him.

For he laid the earth's foundation on the seas and built it on the ocean depths. Psalm 24:1-2 NLT



Elvis Presley (Evan Randall), Garth Brooks (Jonah Campbell), and James Brown (Nakya Buck) played major roles in Three Wise Men And A Baby! (Left)

2 stars (Karizma Gragg and Lexi Humphries) sing a duet! (Right)



The 3 wise men talk with King Herod (Cole Randall) in search of the newborn king. (Above)



The 3 wise men present their gifts to the baby Jesus and wot ship Him as King! (Above)




Heather Spears sang a solo. (Left)



Kemper Gragg played the Star in the East and did a great job with his many lines. (Above)


All the children did a magnificent job this year!!!

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH YOUTH FUNDRAISER
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SUPER BOWL LIII PIZZAS

WE MAKE-YOU BAKE



Please pick up your order from the church between 11:00am – 12:00pm Saturday, February 2, 2019

Cheese _____ Pepperoni _____ Can. Bac. & Pin. _____ Combo _____
 Amount Due _____ Amount Paid _____

12 Inch Size Pizzas Only

Type	Quantity	Price	Total
Cheese	_____	\$9.00	_____
Pepperoni	_____	\$9.00	_____
Canadian Bacon & Pineapple	_____	\$9.00	_____
Combo (Saus., CB, Pep.) Olives, Mushrooms)	_____	\$10.00	_____

DONATIONS ACCEPTED

NAME _____
 PHONE _____
 ORDER TAKEN BY _____
 AMOUNT DUE \$ _____

*****ORDERS DUE BY JANUARY 31ST*****

THANK YOU & GOD BLESS!

The Preschoolers gave a great performance at the Christmas Program! Thank you to Jolene Zagaris for working with them!



WHAT'S COOKING?

CRISPY BAKED CHICKEN LEG QUARTERS (VERY EASY, ONE DISH)

READY IN: 1hr 30mins

SERVES: 4

INGREDIENTS

- 4 skin-on chicken leg quarters, with bone
- ½ cup soy sauce, divided
- 1 teaspoon garlic powder, divided
- 1 teaspoon seasoning salt, divided
- 1 teaspoon dill weed, divided

DIRECTIONS

1. Preheat oven to 375.
2. Line a large glass baking dish with foil. You can also add a baking rack to the pan to keep the chicken out of the grease and to help air circulate and make it crispier.
3. Remove excess fat from chicken quarters.
4. Separate the skin from the chicken, taking care that the skin stays attached at most points on the chicken. (You just want a flap. Do not remove the skin).
5. Brush the chicken (under the skin) with soy sauce.
6. Sprinkle some garlic powder, seasoned salt and dill weed on the chicken under the skin (I estimated the 1 tsp measures. Use as much or as little as you're comfortable with) and rub into the chicken.
7. Arrange the leg quarters in the pan, skin side up, taking care not to crowd. They need space to cook properly.
8. Brush both sides of the leg quarters with soy sauce.
9. Sprinkle the skin with garlic powder, seasoned salt and dill weed (to taste).
10. Place on middle rack in oven and bake uncovered for an hour.
11. After an hour, increase oven temp to 400 and bake 15 minutes.
12. Chicken is done when internal temp reaches 165 (insert meat thermometer at thickest part of thigh, taking care not to touch the bone).

Let stand for 5 minutes before serving.

<https://www.geniuskitchen.com/recipe/crispy-baked-chicken-leg-quarters-very-easy-one-dish-449452>

We had a fun family game night at church on New Year's Eve. We played games, learned how to make balloon animals ... thank you Jim Foster ... that was a big hit ... enjoyed finger food and fellowship. We topped the evening off by ringing the church bell for 1 minute and asking the Lord to work in us and through us in 2019!



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Happy Birthday & Anniversaries to the
above listed. We pray your day is blessed!

JANUARY 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 New Year's Day	2 Small group cancelled, resumes the 9th	3 All Boards Meeting 6:30pm	4	5
6 Sunday School 9:30a Worship 10:45a Grief Share 3pm Teen Room	7	8 Lance attends LLC @ Summit Church	9 Small Group Bible Study 9:30a	10	11	12
13 Annual Meeting & Potluck after Worship Grief Share 3pm Teen Room	14	15	16 Small Group Bible Study 9:30a	17	18	19
20 Sunday School 9:30a Worship 10:45a Grief Share 3pm Teen Room	21 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	22	23 Small Group Bible Study 9:30a F.I.G.I 7pm	24	25	26
27 Sunday School 9:30a Worship 10:45a Grief Share 3pm Teen Room	28	29	30 Small Group Bible Study 9:30a	31 Turn in pizza forms		
		F.I.G.I, Wed, Jan. 23 at 7:00 p.m. Heritage Christian Church 1648 North Washington Ave, Suite 104, Emmett				