



THE NEWSLETTER OF BOULEVARD PARK CHURCH



HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES 2026

Farouq Hammo, Ingraham High School will attend Shoreline Community College for a year and then the U.W.

Natasha Hartley, Raisbeck High School, will attend WSU in the fall.

Chloe Ihm, Summit Atlas High School, will be working while pursuing a midwifery license.

Sarah Lindquist, Lincoln High School, will attend the UW majoring in Environmental Science.

Naya Martinez, Numonohi Christian Academy, Papua New Guinea. She will attend the Ethnos360 Bible Institute.

Alexis Miller, Auburn Riverside High School.

Addison Partridge, Seattle Christian High School, will attend the University of Washington, Prescience Biology.

Brooklyn Partridge, Seattle Christian High School, will attend Grand Canyon University.

Dillon Volkers, Mount Rainier High School, and A.A. from Highline College, Running Start Program. He plans to continue at Highline College in the fall.

Eli Wagner, Raisbeck Aviation High School, will attend the University of Idaho to study Mechanical Engineering.



HIGHER EDUCATION GRADUATES

Julia Barton, Bellingham Technical College. Surgical Tech.

Elijah Rainey Gibson, University of Washington. B.S. Degree. Elijah will be entering the U.W. School of Medicine in the fall.

Noah Harder, Central Washington University. B.S. in Electrical Engineering with minor from Douglas Interdisciplinary Honors College. He will be attending the Ethnos360 Bible school next year to begin training for future service in PNG.

Sean Kent, Texas Tech University School of Law. J.D.

Daniel Neumann, Purdue University. Masters in Materials Engineering.

Katie Siedenbug, Taylor University. B.S. Multimedia Journalism.

This monthly PAGE 2 column reminds us that a partnership takes two. We should all be active, on-going SENDERS partnering with the SENT.

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PAGE 2: YOU AND YOUR GLOBAL WORKERS

Twosomes Partnering with God around the World

Grateful in Uganda, But Please Pray!

By K.D.*

The last few months in Uganda have been a blessing, as I have mainly continued to work remotely for AIM Chad, with a bit else for the regional office here. Despite so much uncertainty, I have been thankful to start to get to know my colleagues here and to enjoy the cooler temperatures and beautiful surroundings, among many other blessings. I was also glad to serve in South Sudan for a month, appreciating many of the similarities to Chad. Sadly, the U.S.-Chad visa situation continues, and it has been a difficult journey, with many implications and much discouragement recently. There have been glimpses of hope but no resolution, and the last of the Americans have now left. We're now a year into the blockage



Photographer: KD*

I'm thankful for the chance I had to help at Juba Christian Academy in South Sudan – and to make a visit out to a more remote location in the country where colleagues are working (picture in Torit).

and some people are making permanent ministry changes... and there will be more doing so if there is no change soon. I would appreciate prayer for deeper

trust, surrender, comfort, and perseverance. Shukran [Arabic for thank you].

Thanks so much!



By Ellyn Roe

THANK YOU, dear church family, for once again participating so enthusiastically in the recent Care Net Baby Bottle Fundraiser. A stalwart team of Care Net volunteers has been counting the donations from the many participating churches, and BPC should be notified in August of our total contribution. **If you have a Care Net bottle you forgot to return (even from a prior year) don't be embarrassed to turn it in (empty is ok) to Care Net volunteers Steve or Ellyn Roe, or Care Net Mobile Director Lisa Siedenburg** so that Care Net does not have to purchase new bottles for next year's fundraiser. Thanks again, everybody!!

THE CARE NET ANNUAL BABY BOTTLE FUNDRAISER

You Already Know How to Do This

By Pastor Bud

For whatever reason, in the summer people get a little looser, a little more open. The summer is a time when most people are between periods of busyness, and as a result, often begin to search for spiritual fulfillment through the church. Many who have not been attending church in the past year have, during the summer, “feelers out” to see whether they should look into getting involved with a church. However, the reality is that mostly they aren’t going to knock on our door. They won’t come to us unless someone invites them. That someone is you.

There is something that I think we make far too difficult in our lives. Every Christian has the call to be a witness for Jesus. Sometimes we act as though the call to be a witness to Jesus is a church program and therefore the responsibility of the church staff. Other times, we make it seem like it’s a skill only certain people possess. But when we read the New Testament, it says that every believer is a witness. Everyone has the same capacity and the same responsibility to Jesus our Lord.

We in the West are often confused about our role in evangelism. We read about how Jesus sent out the 12 and the 70, but we think that requires some special call or training. We seem to think that only the super-bold or the extroverted can share their faith with others. We tend to overcomplicate what the New Testament presents in a rather simple way.

John 1:41-42 tells us, *“He first found his own brother Andrew and said to him, ‘We have found the Messiah’ (which is translated as “Christ”). He brought him to Jesus...”*

Andrew found Jesus, and then he went and got his brother Simon (who was Peter). This is our model. No curriculum, no program, no memorized gospel presentation, just a man who had found something real and then wanted to share it with the person closest to him.

Many see how Jesus lived, and then they want to find that same kind of life. Jesus told His followers before He went back to heaven that they would be His witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth (Acts 1:8). A witness doesn’t try to prove that he or she is a witness. Instead, a witness tells others what he or she has seen and heard. What is your

story of how God has worked in your life? Have you been telling others about that?

Note: The church can be very good at organizing “corporate evangelism,” or reaching out to others as a body of believers, through community service, outreach events, etc. But even these outreach efforts will be more effective if individual believers reach out to others in the name of Christ and bring them to the church’s services and ministries. In the end, the church can open the door to Christ, but only individual believers in an ongoing relationship with Christ can introduce others to that same relationship.

For the rest of the summer, could you think of one person? One person in your life who does not go to church. One person who may be thinking of God right now. One person that you know would trust you enough to say yes to going to church with you. It could be a neighbor, someone at work, or a family member that you have been praying for. It could be someone that you have been wanting to invite to church for two years. Bring them with you this summer.

Don’t worry if you don’t know all of the answers to give to someone. You don’t have to be able to explain the resurrection to someone. But you can say, “This church has meant a lot to me. Would you come with me sometime this summer?” That is not a scary thing to say. That is just a friend asking another friend to go with them to church sometime.

Summer is a great time to invite others to check out your church. Many Christians have less active spiritual lives during the summer and are looking for a way to get back on track. Often, the best way to get them to return to church is to invite them to visit as your guest.

No. Andrew did not change the world with a great evangelistic speech. He changed the world by going to get his brother, and he succeeded when he found Jesus, brought his brother to Jesus, and it was the Apostle Peter who Jesus used greatly to establish the church.

You never know who your Peter is. But I’d encourage you to go find out.

For His glory alone,
Pastor Bud

Milestones

Deaths

Rolf Amundson

May 31, 2026

husband of Doris Amundson

Russ Pritchard

June 2, 2026

brother of Penny Clifton

Milestones Correction

Bob and Vicky Steiner are the great-grandparents of Robin Steiner. The June 2026 Press listed them incorrectly.

Thank You

To our dear friends at BPC (especially the Voyagers and Outriggers): Thank you for the lovely floral arrangement that perfectly matched with the other floral arrangements. We appreciate your prayers, thoughtfulness and friendship. With our love, Doris Amundson and family. [Ed. note: a memorial service for Rolf Amundson was held on June 23.]

Thanks to everyone who has signed up to serve at and pray for Sports Camp. We are truly grateful!

Special Note

FOR SPORTS CAMP TEAM LEADERS AND HELPERS

For those who will be leading or helping a small team at Sports Camp, please join us **every Sunday at 10 a.m. in Room 151**, to learn the camp songs and motions.

Please watch for additional emails and updates as we prepare for Sports Camp. Thank you for your faithful commitment and support!

Get These Dates on Your Calendar:

Work/Prep Party

Tuesday, July 14, 10 a.m.-12 p.m.

Pre-Camp Meeting

**Sunday, July 19, 8-10 a.m.
(Before Church Service)**

MORE WAYS TO HELP AT SPORTS CAMP:

Please, donate non-perishable and nut-free snacks. Label items for 'Sports Camp' and drop off at church.

Requested Donations:

Ritz crackers, Graham crackers, Goldfish crackers
Fruit snacks
Rice Krispie treats (store bought)
Granola bars (Kirkland or Quaker brands)
Cases of bottled water (16.9oz)
Snacks for volunteers (cookies)



**July 20-23, 2026
(8am-12:30pm Mon-Thur)**



THEME: PRESS ON

**Philippians
3:13-14**



**Have any questions: contact Jed at
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Pastor Bud Authors New Book

The BPC Press recently received a query, “Did Pastor Bud write a book?” After some sleuthing, we obtained this blurb describing *The War You’re Already In*:

Every Christian is engaged in a spiritual battle, whether they recognize it or not. Yet many believers have never been taught how to understand that battle or respond to it biblically.

The book provides a Scripture-first examination of spiritual warfare that avoids both sensationalism and skepticism. The book teaches who the enemy is, how spiritual attacks often take place through deception and false beliefs, and how God’s Word equips us to stand firm and walk in victory over recurring temptation, discouragement, anxiety, doubt, or spiritual stagnation.

The book is available on Amazon in Kindle, paperback, and hardback formats.

When asked about the book, Pastor Bud said, “I wrote the book to correct a lot of wrong thinking about spiritual warfare, and because I believe the biblical information in it will be of great help to struggling Christians.”



Calendar Events

JULY-AUGUST 2026

REGULAR SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00A Sunday School for Adults
9:15A Ladies Sunday School
9:15A Sunday Sch. KIDS/Youth
10:00A Sports Camp Songs
10:30A KIDS Church
10:30A Worship In Person and Live Stream

Sunday, July 5

9:00A Prayer Meeting
10:30A Worship/Communion

Sunday, July 19

8:00A Pre-Camp Meeting for
-10:00A Sports Camp

Summer Wednesdays

6:30P Youth Group

Friday, July 3

Church Office Closed

July 10-13 (Fri.-Mon.)

Youth Retreat

Tuesday, July 14

10:00A Sports Camp Work/Prep

July 20-23 (Mon.-Thurs.)

8:45A Sports Camp
-12:00P

August 17-20 (Mon.-Thurs.)

9:00A Youth Staycation
-3:00P

Saturday, August 22

10:00A Ladies Book Club

LOOKING AHEAD

September 4 & 7

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, September 8

9:30A MOMLife

Wednesday, September 9

1:30P Care Partners

Sunday, September 13

12:00P Deacons' Brunch

Monday, September 14

11:00A Ladies Circle

Tuesday, September 15

Ladies Bible Studies
begin

Saturday, September 19

10:00A Ladies Connect

Sunday Setlist Playlist

By Josh Richins

Want to become familiar with the songs we'll be singing on Sunday? Our Sunday Setlist YouTube playlist is updated regularly with upcoming worship songs to help you listen, learn, and prepare your heart throughout the week.

Simply scan the QR code or visit the Boulevard Park Church YouTube page and look for the “Sunday Setlist” playlist. It’s a great way to worship throughout the week and become more familiar with the songs we’ll sing together each Sunday.

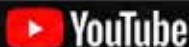
As Jesus reminds us in John 4:24, “God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.” We pray this playlist helps prepare our hearts to worship our Lord together in spirit and truth each Sunday.



SUNDAY SETLIST

— PLAYLIST —

Worship with us throughout
the week by listening to
the upcoming songs.



— SCAN HERE —

Swatch This!

If you have noticed various shades of color on the office and sanctuary walls, be watching for some Trustee-approved remodeling. Thanks to Linda Huck and Sharon Nickells for their involvement.

- The church office is undergoing a makeover, with installation of a new cabinet, painting the walls, and the return of the mail slots.
- The sanctuary will be repainted, including the main arch, beams, walls and trim.
- Following Sports Camp, the office wing hallway will be upgraded with installation of drywall, refurbishing of the doors (all ten of them), addition of moulding, as well as painting. Roger Cox is heading up the hallway remodel. NOTE: the hallway will need to be closed for a portion of the remodel.

What are these Laws in the New Testament?

By David Siedenbarg, Elder

I was reading in Galatians 6 and came across the phrase “the **law of Christ**” in verse 2.

Galatians 6:1-2 *Brothers, even if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of gentleness, each of you looking to yourself, so that you too will not be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the **law of Christ**.*

What is the **law of Christ**? I had an idea from the context, but I do not remember looking at the phrase deeply, so I made an attempt. The apostle Paul makes it clear in the earlier chapters that this law is not the Mosaic covenant with its many imperatives. Verse 2 indicates it is a “law” that believers are commanded to fulfill; therefore, we attend to it after salvation. At least one way to fulfill this law is to bear one another's burdens, which indicates that agape love is strongly tied to “the **law of Christ**.” So, the **law of Christ** is the requirement for believers to do the things Christ tells us to do.

This phrase shows up in 1 Corinthians 9:21 as well.

1 Corinthians 9:19, 21 *For though I am free from all, I have made myself a slave to all, so that I may win more....To those who are without law, as without law, though not being without the law of God but under the **law of Christ**, so that I might win those who are without law.*

Here Paul indicates that, in order to proclaim the gospel well, he will strive to respect customs and traditions as long as he can do so while remaining “under the **law of Christ**.” So, the **law of Christ** also contains limits to our conduct. It tells us there are things we must not do, and Christ is the One telling us these things.

I found other references to “law” in the NT that are clearly not the Mosaic law and seem closely related to the **law of Christ**—references such as “the law of faith” (Romans 3:27), “the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus” (Romans 8:2), and “the law of freedom” (James 1:25, 2:12). So I took a look to see how they might interrelate.

Law of Faith

Romans 3:21-24, 27-28 *But now apart from the Law the righteousness of God has*

*been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, even the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; for there is no distinction; for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; ... Where then is boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? Of works? No, but by a **law of faith**. For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from works of the Law.*

Romans 3:27 tells us that the **law of faith** is “apart from the (Mosaic) Law.” It excludes boasting in our own acts of righteousness and reserves that glory to God alone. Unlike the **law of Christ**, the **law of faith** emphasizes that salvation comes through faith in Jesus Christ and has nothing to do with our works.

Law of the Spirit of Life in Christ Jesus

Romans 8:1-2 *Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. For the **law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus** has set you free from the law of sin and of death.*

Since the **law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus** sets the believer free from the law of sin and of death, it is also apart from the (Mosaic) Law and is similar to the **law of faith** Paul discusses in Romans 3:27.

Law of Freedom

James 1:22-25 *But prove yourselves doers of the word, and not just hearers who deceive themselves. For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks at his natural face in a mirror; for once he has looked at himself and gone away, he has immediately forgotten what kind of person he was. But one who has looked intently at the perfect law, **the law of freedom**, and has continued in it, not having become a forgetful hearer but an active doer, this person will be blessed in what he does.*

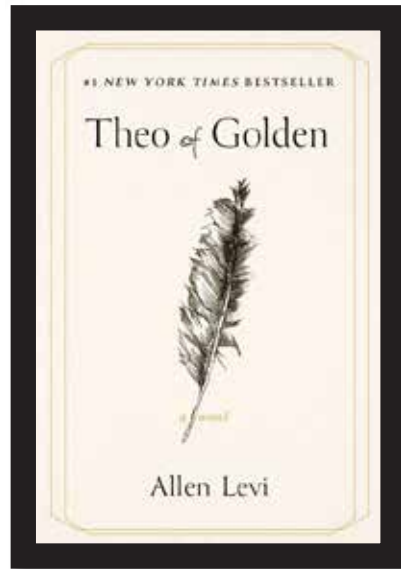
James commands us to be “doers of the word,” and we do this by “looking intently” at the **law of freedom** and abiding by it. So, there is a commandment regarding freedom. Freedom from what? Paul tells us in Romans 6:22: *But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you have your benefit, leading*

Ladies! Come and join us for our

Summer Book Club

on August 22nd at 10:00 am to noon
upstairs in Room 431!

We'll be discussing this incredible book together over
coffee, tea and pastries!



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to sanctification, and the end, eternal life.

The freedom here is freedom from bondage to sin, along with the enablement to obey God. So, like the **law of Christ**, the **law of freedom** calls us to obey Christ once we are believers clothed in His righteousness. But this law of freedom requires the daily attitude that, by grace, we have been saved from God's eternal wrath and given both the desire and the ability to obey Christ.

James 2:9-12 *But if you show partiality, you are committing sin, being convicted by the law as transgressors. For whoever keeps the whole law and yet stumbles in one point, he has become guilty of all. For He who said, "Do not commit adultery," also said, "Do not murder." Now if you do not commit adultery, but murder, you have become a transgressor of the law. So speak and so act as those who are*

to be judged by the law of freedom.

Here James indicates that the **law of freedom** also includes the reality that believers will be judged by Christ's righteousness, and believers should speak and act with that reality at the forefront of their minds.

According to Paul, the **law of Christ** includes Christ's imperatives and commands for God's children under the New Covenant, while the **law of faith** points to Christ's work alone that ushers us through faith into His forever family. James then brings these truths together in the **law of freedom**, exhorting believers—freed from sin and clothed in Christ's righteousness—to live as obedient servants of God and of the Lord Jesus Christ.

Celebrations!

July Birthdays

- 1 Jonathan Roenicke
Makin Yee
- 2 Harvey Siedenburg
- 7 Jan Deda
- 8 Jayce Graham
Addison Partridge
Brooklyn Partridge
- 9 Illa Pomeroy
Ron Weller
- 10 Annette Lowen
- 15 Samuel Ly
- 18 Isaiah Ly
Nikkii Recker
- 20 Bruce Lindquist
- 24 Marty Bennett
- 27 Isaac Thangthat
- 29 Don Hale
- 30 Antoine Hammo
Yousef Hammo
- 31 Gail James
Rebekah Thangthat

August Birthdays

- 3 Leilani Hale
Tim Harder
Peggie Recker
Jannette Welch
- 7 Mark Henry
Sherri Henry
- 8 Lynn Edgar
- 10 Katy Lynch
- 13 Judy Pugh
- 14 Luke Diener
Sharon Simmonds
- 15 Penny Ellefson
- 16 Dustin Arnesen
Cayla Diener
- 18 Allen Bowen
- 19 Gary Parish
- 22 Mary Miller
Scott Schroedel
Bob Steiner
- 23 Mo Hammo
- 24 Mark Mackey
- 26 Jill Boyd
- 27 Marlee Dubnow
Marlene Etter
- 28 Erika Richardson
- 31 Katie Teeler

If your birthday is not listed,
and you would like it to be,
please contact the church office.



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