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THE NEWSLETTER OF BOULEVARD PARK CHURCH

Sports Camp is July 22-26, 8:45am-Noon at BPC

1st-5th Graders:

Choose Soccer, Cheer, Flag Football or Art

4-5 Year-Olds:

Kickstart – a variety of age-appropriate games & sports must be 4 by July 17 to participate)

Register through the QR code or at www.bpcburien.org



THEME: COURAGEOUS

We'll see how Esther gains courage as she trusts and obeys God!

MEMORY VERSE: Deuteronomy 31:6

Be strong and courageous. Do not fear or be in dread of them, for it is the Lord your God who goes with you. He will not leave you or forsake you.

Volunteers Needed! Sign up here!

Lead a group of 8-12 kids, no sports skills needed...just a love for Jesus and the kids He brings to your group. Youth, please have your parent's approval when you sign up. Contact children@bppc.org or Lisa at 206-334-6775 to get in on the action!



Already signed up? Save these dates & times!

- Volunteer Training & Lunch: July 21, after church/12:00-2:00 p.m.
- Volunteer Schedule During Camp Week Check-In & Devotions: 8:00 a.m.
- Camp: 8:45 a.m.-12:00 p.m.
- Volunteer Debrief: 12:15-12:30 p.m.

You Can Help Us Get Ready

DONATE: Non-perishable camp snacks. Label items for Sports Camp and drop off at church: Ritz crackers, fruit snacks, graham crackers, Goldfish crackers, packaged Rice Krispie Treats, granola bars (Kirkland or Quaker brands) ZipLock bags (sandwich size)

DONATE: Snacks for staff. Please contact Linda Huck for suggestions and details. 206-715-2788

JOIN US FOR A PREP PARTY:

TUESDAY, JULY 16, from 9 a.m. to noon.

This big job requires many hands to help prepare and organize all the materials and equipment for the week. Please save the date!

HOST A DINNER FOR OUR BASE CAMP

ATHLETES: Choose one evening to provide dinner in your home for the 4 or 5 leaders assigned to us for Sports Camp week. They will need a host home for each of the five nights of Camp, from Sunday, July 21, through Thursday, July 25. If you are willing to serve a meal, please contact Lisa Siedenbug to schedule your night.

PLEASE BE IN PRAYER FOR THESE REQUESTS:

1. Pray for the continued Recruitment of volunteers and appropriate placement.
2. Pray that we can get out the message to the unchurched community through all of our publicity efforts.
3. Pray we will be welcoming and show grace to our churched community as well. We have over 21 churches represented.
4. Pray for our Base Sports team leader and his/her training and preparations.
5. Pray that God will be preparing the Base Sports athletes who will be coming to our camp.

I would have despaired had I not believed that I would see the goodness of the LORD in the land of the living. Wait for and confidently expect the LORD; Be strong and let your heart take courage; Yes, wait for and confidently expect the LORD.

– Psalm 27:13-14

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

Compiled and edited by Ellyn Roe

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PAGE 2: YOU AND YOUR GLOBAL WORKERS Twosomes Partnering with God around the World

First Report from Papua New Guinea

By Noah Harder

Apinun yupela (afternoon you all)! There were a few challenges in getting here, but it is a blessing to be back. On May 29th I flew to L.A. to meet up with my team, and from there most of us were able to board a flight to Australia. One guy had to stay behind and find a different route because Australia wouldn't let him come without a special visa. When we got to Australia we had to land at a different airport because there was bad fog in Brisbane and no planes could land. We spent most of the day getting through Australian customs and busing to Brisbane for our flight to Port Moresby. Thankfully our connecting flight was canceled which meant that the airline had to reschedule and put us up in a hotel for the night.

The next day we were all able to get to Port Moresby in PNG, and then to Madang where the Interface Campus is. Some of the people from other countries had other difficulties but we all made it only 1-2 days late. Since we were late, our schedule was messed up, so we jumped straight into classes the next morning. We've been going through the Bible from beginning to end, similar to the way missionaries teach it to their tribes once they have a Bible translation for them. We have already made it through all of Genesis as we don't have time to go as slow as they do in the tribes. We are also doing a class on learning the local trade language, Tok Pisin, like bush missionaries do. This is going fairly slow, but I am remembering a lot from the last time I was in PNG. Right next to Madang Center is a Christian school for local 7-12 graders. They are helping us with language and culture and it's fun to interact with them.

I am really looking forward to spending more time outside the gate. We have gone on one village walk so far where I got to practice my Tok Pisin a little, but I really want to spend more time with the local people.

While you are reading this, I will most likely be spending several days with nine teammates in the Yifki tribe. We will stay in an old missionary house but since there are no full-time missionaries in Yifki anymore, we are expecting to find a lot of bugs and small creatures living in it. We also don't know the state of repair the house is in so we're praying that the water is still working or at least that we can fix it when we get there. I am really looking forward to meeting and sharing stories with the local people. It'll be great to learn about their church and how it has grown the last 20 years.

If you want to picture and learn more about the Yifki, here's a great report with photos from MAF (Mission Aviation



The men of the interface team along with some of the Christian School students



Our classroom has a nice view!



Class time

Fellowship): [Remote village life embraced by a modern-world teenager | Papua New Guinea \(mafnt.org\)](https://www.mafnt.org)

Thank you to all of you who have supported and prayed for me and my trip; I wouldn't be here without you. I'm excited to share all my stories of what God is doing in my life and in PNG when I get back to the States.

How's Your Vision??



By Ellyn Roe

Are you ready to "I Spy with My Little Eye" (as the children intone) one of our beloved Global Workers who will be visiting us soon? At Press time, S.S.* who is with Radius International, is scheduled to visit BPC on Sunday, July 7. Be ready to welcome her home and expect to hear from her in person how God is at work in her area of service.

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My Summer Reminder

By Pastor Bud

Since spending a decade in Africa, Summer is my favorite time of the year. Of course, the warm summer sun reminds me of the balmy days with the African sun. But there is more to it than just temperature. Summer also reminds me of the hope that is in Jesus.

In Romans 8, the apostle Paul states, *“For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us.”*

Wow, that is some statement! I have witnessed a lot of suffering in my nearly sixty-five years. To think that the glory of heaven outclasses suffering to such a degree that no comparison is valid says a lot about the glory of our inheritance in Christ.

So, why does Summer remind me of glory? In Romans 8:19-21 Paul writes about the anxious longing of creation, which is waiting eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God (our glorified selves). Creation groans, according to Paul, because God subjected it to futility. Genesis 3:17-18 records God’s punishment for Adam’s sin in the garden. Unlike Eve’s punishment, God cursed the ground because of Adam. Instead of producing only good fruit, the earth was now subjected to futility, producing thorns and thistles (Gen. 3:18). The four seasons we experience are a visual reminder of the earth’s futility and groaning. The winter months are dead and barren, cold and bitter. But then Spring comes with the budding of new life and the hope of recovery. Spring gives way to Summer, and life appears everywhere we look. It is the Summer that reminds me of eternal life and redemption. Although I live in the body of this death (Rom. 7:24), I will be changed. The mortal will put on immortality, and the perishable will become imperishable. The futility of my earthly existence will one day give way to the eternal joy of my glorified body dwelling in the presence of my Savior forever.

But I am still on the earth in this feeble tent that is wearing out and is destined to fail with time. With the too-soon arrival of Autumn, when leaves begin to fall, the futility to which the world is subjected becomes evident again.

Thankfully, we are not there yet! We still

have a few months of sun, green foliage, and freedom. For a moment, we can leave the world’s futility behind us and enjoy the fun and hope-filled season.

Before I end this article, I want to encourage you to make the most of this Summer. Let’s not race through this season without thinking beyond today and the next adventure. This Summer, I want to urge you to order your mind to think about three truths:

- Jesus, as the Savior of the world, offers those who trust in Him alone for their salvation the hope of endless Summer. Although Summer is a temporary flourishing of growth and life, heaven is the eternal realization of hope and life. Paul also wrote of this truth in Romans 8:23. We ourselves groan eagerly waiting for our adoption and the redemption of our body. Summer reminds us that the world’s futility is not eternal.
- Because Jesus is our hope, trials are only temporary. Paul wrote to the Corinthians that momentary light affliction (and compared to the length and joys of heaven, all earthly affliction is always momentary and light) produces an eternal weight of glory beyond all comparison. Let Summer remind you of the unseen reality of your inheritance, which is so great and eternal that your temporal trials are not worth comparing. Invest extra time this Summer reviewing what Scripture tells you about the brevity, benefits, and provision you have amid trials.
- Finally, enjoy your Summer. It is a universal blessing given by a gracious God, and when we recognize it, we bring Him glory in our enjoyment. Before each adventure, I suggest you pray, thanking God for His grace to you and asking Him to help you enjoy His grace to the fullest for His glory. Ask Him to help you be aware and not miss the gracious gifts He has in store for you.

I love Summer. And while I don’t know about you, I will enjoy it for God’s glory. Do you want to join me?

For His glory alone,
Pastor Bud

Milestones

Graduates

Julia Barton graduated from high school and will finish her Highline College AA in August. She will be home for the summer to attend Tacoma Community College to finish the prerequisites for her Surgery Technology program. Julia will begin the one-year Surgery Technology program in the fall at Bellingham Technical College and graduate in the Spring of 2025 with her AAS. Julia is the daughter of Doug and Lisa Barton.

Lorena Gonzalez graduated from Big Picture High School. Lorena will be attending Seattle Pacific University in the fall to work toward getting her degree in Clinical Counseling. Lorena is the daughter of Gerardo and Serena Gonzalez.

Death

Michael K. Nichols
May 17, 2004
husband of Diana; they had 9 children and 14 grandchildren.

Calendar Events

JULY 2024

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00A Adult Sunday School
9:15A Youth Sunday School
10:30A Children's Church
10:30A Worship in person
& Livestream

Sunday, July 7

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

Sunday, July 21

12:00P Sports Camp Volunteer
Training and Lunch

Monday, July 1, 8, 15, 22, 29

6:00P Men's Bible Study

Thursday, July 4

Church Office Closed

Friday, July 5

Church Office Closed

Tuesday, July 16

9:00A Sports Camp Prep Party
-12:00P

Mon.-Fri., July 22 – 26

8:00A Sports Camp
-12:00P

July 27

9:00A Men's Golf Tournament

AUGUST 2024

SUNDAY SCHEDULE

9:00A Adult Sunday School
9:15A Youth Sunday School
10:30A Children's Church
10:30A Worship in person
& Livestream

Sunday, August 4

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

Sunday, August 18

12:00 P All Church Picnic
- 3:00P

When Opportunity Calls in the Form of Carpet Samples

By Linda Huck

I was called to go pick up some carpet samples to begin the process of replacing the carpet in the sanctuary, and Kathy, our church secretary, was getting bids and samples from other places. In April, I had the chance to meet a sweet sales lady named Typhinee from Great Floors in Kent. We became fast friends. She was very willing to spend time with me, moving the samples into different lighting areas, asking if we should take them out into the sun, etc. Sharon Nickells and I went back and forth with samples for church staff and others to look at and give their opinions.

Typhinee's special touch allowed us keep the samples for a week instead of the usual three days.

The time came to get the measurements taken and the bid finalized, so there were about three weeks where no contact was really needed with Typhinee. To go over the final paperwork, I wanted to meet her in person at the store. At that time, I discovered she'd been out with health issues, confiding in me that she'd had a mild heart attack and had been in the hospital for stents. She expressed great concerns as her mother had died very young of a heart attack and her brother was right then in Valley Hospital struggling with his own heart issues. Typhinee was a single mom with a stressful job in sales and knew that she needed to take better care of herself.

I felt I needed to ask her, "Do you know where you're going when you die?" Her exact words to me were, "Food for thought." I asked, "Can I pray for you?" and she answered, "Yes, and my brother, too." I did that right under the fluorescent lighting at the carpet store. I left her with a hug and said, "I'm going

to check on you, Typhinee." Those were my last words to her. She died in early June of a heart attack.

Typhinee left behind a young daughter, Darynne. Because BPC maintains a Benevolence Fund, we as a church body were able to access that fund on Darynne's behalf to help with her acute financial needs.

In our hearts, we've already dedicated the carpet to Typhinee.

Blessings,

Linda Huck, Dave Huck and
Sharon Nickells

Boulevard Park Church MEN'S GOLF TOURNAMENT SATURDAY, JULY 27TH 9 AM FOSTER GOLF COURSE 13500 Interurban Ave S. TUKWILA Best ball format



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Tending the Flock

Staying on Target

By Jon Recker, Elder

...and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of faith...

– Hebrews 12:1-2

My daughter, Lauren, is currently enrolled in driver's ed, and one of the first concepts she learned is called targeting. This simply means looking far enough down the road to see where you are headed and any obstacles in your path. Novice drivers tend to focus immediately in front of the car and are thus caught off guard when something unexpected happens. But as we gain experience, we learn to look farther ahead. This helps us react appropriately either to hazards (like debris in the road) or opportunities ("Water Park, Next Right!")

A similar principle should guide us as we follow Jesus. The author of Hebrews employs the metaphor of running a foot race rather than driving a car, but in both cases we recognize the importance of keeping our eyes fixed on our target. Christ Himself is the target of our faith – its "author and perfecter" (Heb. 12:2) – and looking steadily towards Jesus as we run our race provides several invaluable benefits.

First, we will not be blown off course by the winds of false teachings. As Paul wrote the Ephesians, we pursue maturity in Christ, "so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes" (Eph. 4:14). We know that our enemy is the "father of lies" (John 8:44), so we must remain laser-focused on Jesus, who came into our world, "to bear witness to the truth" (John 18:37).

Second, fixing our eyes on Jesus keeps us from being shocked and overwhelmed by trials. Consider how often Jesus and the apostles instruct us not to be surprised by trials and temptations:

- John 15:20 – "Remember the word that I said to you: 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will also persecute you."



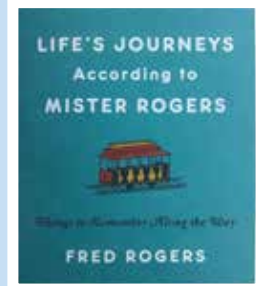
- I Peter 4:12 – "Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery trial when it comes upon you to test you, as though something strange were happening to you."
- I Cor. 10:13 – "No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man."

When life throws us curve balls, a natural reaction is to panic or lash out in frustration. "God, how could you allow this to happen?" But when we look to Christ, we realize that He both warned us of these challenges and set the example of how we should respond: by trusting and obeying our heavenly Father (Phil. 2:8, I Peter 2:23).

Finally, as we look upon our Lord we realize that the Holy Spirit is transforming us to be like Him. Paul explains in Romans 8:29 that God has predestined us, "to be conformed to the image of His son." This amazing process unfolds as, "we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another" (II Corinthians 3:18).

Since Christ's ascension we no longer see His physical body (Acts 1:9). Yet every believer is able to see Him clearly in the Word. As Jesus explained to the religious scholars, "You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me" (John 5:39). So let us fix our gaze on our perfect Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, as revealed in the Word of God. For if we always steer towards Him, not swerving to either side (Prov. 4:27), we are guaranteed to hit the right target.

Check It Out!



New at the Church Library

A new book is now available in the church library: "Life's Journeys – According to Mister Rogers". Drop by the library in Room 240 in the MPR.



Coming this Fall!

Cottage Club is a new homeschool club that will be meeting at BPC on Friday afternoons this fall and spring! Check out the September issue of the Press for more details.

– Eryn Kowallis

Something Is Coming!

By Bud Diener

Many in the BPC neighborhood are employed but struggle to make ends meet, especially now due to inflation. Gail James has felt a calling to establish a food pantry here at BPC, to provide some relief and to show the love of God to them in a tangible way. This ministry would not compete with Transform Burien since the clients are not unhoused individuals but families in our own community. Many low-income families do not own cars, and in some ethnic groups, the women (who are responsible for getting ingredients for meals) do not drive. Our church would provide a source closer to home and on a bus route. If anyone would like to be on the planning committee,

contact Gail James, Peg Frederick, or Pastor Bud. Letters have already been sent out to local grocery stores, inviting them to participate with us in this endeavor. We will be preparing one of the rooms off of the MPR to house donated goods in early July and hope to begin serving the community sometime in August.

Pastor Bud will email pertinent details when we are ready to collect food donations. We wanted to alert people now so that you can pray about how you can help, and perhaps think about it when shopping. We will need people to volunteer to help in the food pantry, share the gospel, and show Christ's love in action.

Celebrations!

July Birthdays

- 1 Jacob Barton
Makin Yee
- 2 Harvey Siedenbug
- 7 Jan Deda
- 8 Jayce Graham
Addison Partridge
Brooklyn Partridge
- 9 Ron Weller
Illa Pomeroy
- 10 Annette Lowen
- 18 Nikkii Recker
- 20 Hannah Barton
Jon Hartley
Bruce Lindquist
- 21 Jon Mogren
- 25 Becky Burton
Shari Hall
- 27 Erryn Kowallis
- 29 Don Hale
- 30 Yousef Hammo
Antoine Hammo
- 31 Bob Burton
Gail James

August Birthdays

- 1 Ruth Sievert
- 3 Peggii Recker
Jannette Welch
Tim Harder
Leilani Hale
- 4 Jeannie Buck
- 7 Mitchell Henry
Sherri Henry
Mark Henry
- 8 Lynn Edgar
Steve Nickells
- 10 Katy Lynch
- 14 Luke Diener
Sharon Simmonds
Nathen Kowallis
- 15 Penny Ellefson
- 16 Cayla Diener
- 18 Allen Bowen
- 19 Gary Parish
- 20 Fletcher Kowallis
- 22 Bob Steiner
Mary Miller
- 23 Mo Hammo
- 24 Mark Mackey
- 26 Jill Boyd
- 27 Marlee Dubnow
Marlene Etter
- 28 Erika Richardson
- 29 Kathy McFayden
- 31 Kari Burt

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

Recipes! Recipes! We need your recipes!



Calling all Cooks!

We're putting together a church cookbook, and we need your recipes! We're looking for your favorite recipes, as well as recipes you may have from former BPC members and attenders.

This cookbook will be a very special one, in that along with each recipe, there will also be a little mention about the person who belongs to the recipe! It's our hope to have this be a book that tells a bit of history about the people who have called and currently call BPC home, as well as fill your tummy with some delicious food!

You can submit your recipes through August 1st, by email* or drop off a hard copy in the church office. If you have questions, you may contact Kathy Rainey, Eva Lee Henderson or Lisa Bowen.

NOTE: For those of you who turned in recipes earlier last year, we have those on file and are planning to include those.
*To submit your recipes by email, you can send them to: lisa.bowen@bpcburien.org, kathy.rainey@bpcburien.org or seaelh@icloud.com.

YOU DID IT AGAIN!

By Ellyn Roe



THANK YOU, BPC ADVOCATES FOR PREBORN LIFE! Once again you displayed incredible support for the Care Net Mother's Day-to-Father's Day Baby Bottle Fundraiser! At Press time, you had returned most of the Care Net baby bottle banks and a wonderful assortment of cash-filled zip locks, bags and jars. 😊 And many of you dropped checks or cash into the giant baby bottle! Your generous donations are about to be counted at Care Net Admin., and we will receive a BPC total in August.

Friends, do NOT be embarrassed to still return your bottle or to make donations in any container or envelope. (Make checks

to Care Net of Puget Sound), BUT, please—only give your contributions to Care Net volunteers Steve or Ellyn Roe in person... as leaving them in the church office creates a security issue for the staff. While “late” donations are welcome and always helpful, only contributions received “soon” will count toward the BPC total for this year's Baby Bottle campaign. And if you didn't find any spare change or checks for your bottle, please return it empty, so Care Net does not need to replace it. Call the Roes if you need us to collect your bottle at your home.

Thanks, everybody!

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Marts on the Move

We thank God that the Martinez family has all their documents and will leave for the field very shortly. In the goodness of God we send you!

Graduating in Spite of Everything

By Mark and Joanne Mackey

In spite of bombings in the city, air raids, power outages, supply shortages, losses and more, Zaporizhzhia Bible Seminary (ZBS) is thriving. This spring, THREE different graduation ceremonies were held on two campuses in Ukraine plus one in Germany.

Germany was first, in May, where 52 Ukrainian-speaking students received certificates. In June, two graduation exercises were held, first in Zaporizhzhia itself with 156 graduates completing one-year programs in various fields of study. Later, in Western Ukraine, 40 additional students graduated. Many of these graduates of the one-year programs will continue to study during the coming school year, as they desire to pursue Bachelor's and Master's degrees.

THANK YOU, BPC, for your continuing interest and help for Zaporizhzhia Bible Seminary. Thanks to you and other donors, over 200 additional workers are equipped to spread the Gospel in our world and to help people grow closer to Jesus!



Photo credit: D.P.

The Zaporizhzhia graduate standing with ZBS Director A.K. is a 79-year-old grandmother!



Photo credit: Courtesy of A.K.

ZBS, Germany Campus graduates, May, 2024



Photo credit: D.P.

Right: Zaporizhzhia Campus Graduates, June, 2024



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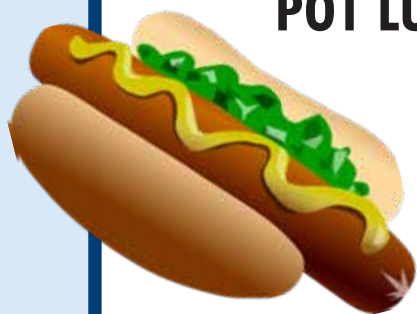
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SUNDAY, AUGUST 18, 12 p.m. – 3 p.m.

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