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"This relationship begins with

HEARING THE WORD OF GOI

acknowledging that it is the truth, then making an intellectual decision to establish a personal relationship with Jesus Christ now."



9:00-9:45-Adult Sunday School

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:00 - 11:30

Children's Church Fellowship after the Service WATCH ON FACEBOOK @ ABUNDANT LIFE FELLOWSHIP, **CHEWELAH**

IN THE CHEWELDH PORK



celebrate christ risen WITH OUR CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY!

time to be announced.....

SPONSERED BY: FOITH COMMUNITY CHURCH & BUSTIN' LOOSE COWBOY CHURCH.

CHURCH ACTIVITIES

PRAYER

Monday 3pm with Judy Rarrick Wednesday 4pm in small group, contact Debbie 509 675 7872

BOOK STUDY



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WEDNESDAY @ noon; Galatians in the church's conference room & live video.



SOUP'S ON!

Wednesday's at 5pm in the church fellowship hall. Invite a friend or neighbor!

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday

March 16th @ 8am

Abundant Life Fellowship Church-use E. entrance with John and Ruth Filler



Hosted by Aurelia Espericueta (509) 640-8600

> Friday March 15th 6:30pm Worship & Word

John & Ruth are overseers of Gateway Int'l and an Apostolic team of R.A.I.N. Ministries.

Saturday March 16th 11am - worship/lunch 4:30pm "Night of Worship"

St. Patty's FREE Community Meal

Sponsored by Chewelah Faith Resource Group

Beef Stew Supper * Serving starts @ 5pm 🎎

St. Mary's Catholic Church

Tuesday, March 12th





Brenda Nagunst



From the Pastor's Desk

We're two weeks into our journey of the Lenten season. Many of you are have been intentional about spending time in prayer with the Lord, setting aside time you normally haven't done before. Some of you are using the book, "Dynamite Prayer" as a guide for this time

of prayer. Sometimes we need a guided time of prayer. It's amazing to me how even a guided prayer can be very personal. Maybe you're just doing your own prayer time with the Lord. Never the less, we follow Jesus, as he was led by the Holy Spirit, into the wilderness for 40 days. During that time, he had a unique opportunity to spend time with the Father in prayer and fasting. During your Lenten journey, I hope you've been led by the Holy Spirit, maybe to fast and to pray.

One thing I notice when I spend time with the Lord in prayer, is that my faith in God gets stronger. It affects me in a practical and logical way, but it also affects me emotionally. I feel more tenderness, respect, and admiration for God, thus my knowledge of him grows. The way I'm using the word "prayer" here is not merely sharing with God a list of desires, but also sitting with him listening to what he has for me. What does that look like, how do you listen to God? It may start with a key verse that you ponder.

Let's take our verse of the month for example, and let it speak to you. To help, maybe start by asking some questions. You can take the first phrase of it and ask yourself, "How is the Lord my strength?" Pause for a moment and think about that, write it down if you like, but you don't have to. Then you could ask yourself, "How is the Lord my song?"; "Is he my strength or my song at all?" You could ask the Lord how he can become your strength or song, or how you can see his strength or song in your life. Move on to the next part, how is he your salvation? What does it mean for God to be your God? How do you praise him? When was the last time you exalted him? So, you see, prayer is how you grow in your relationship with God. Let God reveal himself to you through his word, and maybe even show you what your true thoughts are about him. I think you understand what I'm getting at here.

Verse of the Month

The Lord is my strength and my song, and he has become my salvation; this is my God, and I will praise him, my father's God, and I will exalt him.

Exodus 15:2

If you haven't stepped into a time of prayer so far during Lent, it's not too late. God doesn't put these kinds of parameters on us, we do it in order to step out of ordinary life and recognize our extraordinary God. Maybe you can start with our verse of the month. No need to hurry, you can take several days with it, maybe even weeks if you feel like the Lord has more to show you. Seek the Lord for the Lord's sake alone, with your only agenda as to get to know him more.





Greetings to our brothers and sisters at ALF from Hands Across Nations (HAN). We (Keith and Carolyn Jones) are still in the USA due to Carolyn's health issues but Lucy is continuing the work of HAN quite well. The new HAN office in the center of Lira is working out well so that we can soon downsize this year from the large house/office we have been renting for many years. The literacy classes in the Lango language and in English are continuing in both the Lira men and women's prisons. Below is a short part of a much longer letter from a prisoner who wanted to express his appreciation for HAN and from his viewpoint to explain his part in the literacy program and how it has affected many prisoners:

"I, Obaa Denis, was appointed the inmates' coordinator (for literacy). But though we had faced some challenges, we never failed completely thus we tried our best to raise trainers among ourselves (inmates) to train the fellow inmates of which they did their best by training and graduating about three thousands inmates both from male and female sections.

The lessons learned from reading the Bible are positively changing our life of interaction with others leading to co-operative leaders and churches where classes have taken place when prisoners returned to their home villages and started community programs. Men and women who have learned to read and write are becoming teachers themselves and are training others of Bible discovery with small reading groups starting with the "Easy to Read" Lango Bible which HAN has fully translated. We also do thank HAN for the distribution of reading glasses to our learners who were unable to see during reading and writing.

Thanks, yours sincerely, Obaa Denis"

(Denis was transferred to another prison recently and we are hoping the prison commander will allow him to restart the literacy program there, which was apparently not continued during Covid)



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(this letter is sent from Myanmar's Superintendent of Free Methodists, PaKep to Carol, so he can share what is happening in Myanmar. I encourage you to click on the link or copy and paste the link address into a search engine and read the article that he is referring too.)

I am always happy to send updates of our ministry, praise and prayer points.

Praise the Lord that we finished our three days CBS (Community Bible Study) training for some of our leaders and our Light and Life Bible College Students last week.

Our Bible College will close physically during this summer and the plan is to reopen the first week of June. During this summer holiday the Bible students will present Community Bible Studies to their churches and to their community. They will keep doing online classes as much as they can. Please pray for the internet line.

Please pray for the safety of the Bible students as they to go home this Saturday. Some will spend about a week to get home because traveling in the country is not safe and smooth. Recently, the government has declared that it will start to enforce military service laws for our young people.

Myanmar's junta declares it will enforce military service laws for young people | Myanmar | The Guardian

In some areas of the country, this law is being enforced even as people are traveling locally. Please pray for the safety of our Bible College students as they return home, and for the safety of all of our people and the people of Myanmar. Please pray that this conflict will be completely over soon. As you can imagine, as parents we are very distressed about the current situation. Thank you very much for your faithful prayers.

Blessings! Pa Kep



On the lighter side.....When I (Carol) was in Myanmar, I worked with 2 ministry families. I bought a toaster oven-they normally don't have ovens in their homes. I made desserts, but I also made pizza. The husband of the family who enabled me to get a business visa, Kaung Zan, told people he never liked pizza until he ate the ones I made.

This week, one of my Philippina housemates, Ruth, sent me a message and picture of a pizza that one of her twin daughters made saying, "Meaty, Cheezy pizza by Phosa Girl-Your protegee.



On the road to Damascus, Jesus said to Saul...."I am sending you to them, to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me." Acts 26:17b-18

It ran in your family until it ran into you. God says, You've been anointed to break the cycle. Generational curses stop with you.

But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light; 1Pet 2:9

His goodness will reign down upon your family for generations to come.

You are highly favored. His hand is upon your life. But it won't be easy. This calling comes with a price. You will need to learn to battle like you never imagined.

The enemy is going to do everything he possibly can to keep your family walking in darkness, but you are more than a conqueror in Christ. You are the Lord's Chosen. You are armed with His weapons.

You have a mighty armor placed upon you, and a hedge of protection surrounding you.

DECLARE that your family will serve the Almighty God for generations to come.

He is God, there is no other. You will come against all idols that have been worshipped in past generations and smash them to the ground. Listen to them falling and shattering.

LISTEN cause the chains of darkness are breaking.

LISTEN as you hear the mighty Lion of Judah roaring and echoing behind you. Amen.

WATCH as the Holy Spirit guides you in truth. You have a great calling on your life.

Romans 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life has set you free in Christ Jesus from the law of sin and death.

YOU are the one that God has raised up to bring change. Keep praying.

KEEP DECLARING HIS WORD. And watch as your family lineage begins to shift and change. Hallelujah! Amen.



Matthew 16:19 "I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven."



Ephesians 6:12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

CALL THE PRAYER CHAIN: Mary 509 936 0319 or Kim at 208 553 2184

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