

HEARING THE WORD OF GOD,

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

Worship With Us

**SUNDAY
WORSHIP SERVICE**

10:00 - 11:30

Children's Church

WATCH LIVE/RECORDED ON FACEBOOK @
ABUNDANT LIFE FELLOWSHIP, CHEWELAH

2nd Sunday: Communion

WEBPAGE www.abundantlifechewelah.com



Brown Bag
Bible Study
Noon
Wednesday's

We going through the book of Acts! Questions? Call Trish at 675-5967.



The Yada Yada group is meeting @ noon on Tuesday's. They continue in Self To Lose, Self to Find. Call Linda, 936-0031 for info.



To join in a prayer group or to be part of a new one, call Debbie Barbee 935-6269 or Carol Stickney (509)563-9725.

May 1, 2021 from 9AM – 3 PM



Chewelah's 11th Annual Community Yard Sale

The Lost but Found Thrift store goods will be set up at the N. end parking lot of Abundant Life Fellowship Church.



About a month ago we could no longer have our weekly Tuesday night prayer meeting with several of our American ladies and three or four Myanmar ladies because of security concerns, but we continue to pray separately. The last prayer requests they sent us: "Our ladies pray for the ending of the conflict soon. They also pray for the many people who are hungry. They pray for many people to receive Jesus through this difficult situation.

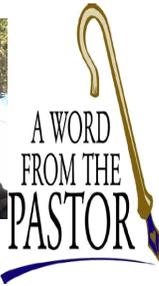
And one of the latest reports from our Free Methodist Church Asia Area Director, Eric, regarding Myanmar:

Things are the same, friends. Please continue to pray. I hear each day that our FM family in Myanmar is safe, but that many are suffering from hunger. Banks are closed, and for the most part, many shops are closed as well.

Some good news: At the beginning of the year, before the coup, Supt. Pa Kep called the FM pastors to pray for 50 baptisms in 2021. Then the coup started, and movement was further restricted--however, the Holy Spirit continues to move, and already the Myanmar FMC has seen over 110 baptisms, most of which are new decisions for Jesus! God is the blessed controller of all things! Praise the Name of the Lord!



Pastor Brenda



May brings a huge hurdle for me this year. As many of you know, it's the one-year anniversary of Craig's passing away. It's one of those hard to approach milestones. It comes with mixed feelings. The reality of moving on and living life anew has really begun to sink in. Most of us have experienced things in life we don't want to face, things that force us to change the way we live. Sometimes we welcome those changes and sometimes we wish we didn't have to experience the changes in front of us. Yet, with change comes new life, growth takes place we never imagined could happen. It's like a plant that is pruned coming back stronger and with deeper roots (gotta love those dandelions). We have a lot of people in our church and in our community who are facing difficult changes right now. We continue to pray for God's miraculous intervention and his loving transforming power.

One of the things that **may** change for the church is the direction for the thrift store. As you know, we don't have a building so all of the stuff is stored in the fellowship hall. We keep looking, but God has not opened up a location for us to move it to. We still don't know what God has in store for us with this ministry. However, I know the pruning-taking place will bring another opportunity that we would have never thought of without this forced change.



Verse of the Month

Ephesians 3:20

Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us.

Many of us are familiar with this verse. It's the end of a prayer that Paul prays for the Ephesians. Do you know what his primary prayer for them is? It is for them to genuinely know the love of God, to experience it, live in it, be rooted in it, and filled by it. There is nothing more important than that. If we can be rooted in God's love when the difficulties of life come our way we know without a shadow of a doubt we are loved by God. We can then allow him to use it to transform us into the person we were created to be. Let's join Paul and praise God for His miraculous work of instilling his love in us.



May is quickly arriving and the HAN staff has been busily helping the “least of these” once again! There are many dire needs all around us so we must pray to the Lord of the Harvest, how to help those who come asking and to verify that the expressed needs are actually true. Sometimes, they are not, so we are becoming wiser in discerning and doing checks on a person’s story before giving out money or food. We are coming to know many by name and have visited where they live. Putting a name to a face, and praying for them definitely softens our attitude toward that person.

Nelson, the leper whose daughter recently died, has now started a literacy class of 15 people in his village! Peter and Carolyn delivered the materials last week! Praise God for the repaired Ford Explorer so we can visit the villages more easily. We’ve only had one time of getting stuck on the muddy paths and some local men with hoes and an axe rescued us. God is good!

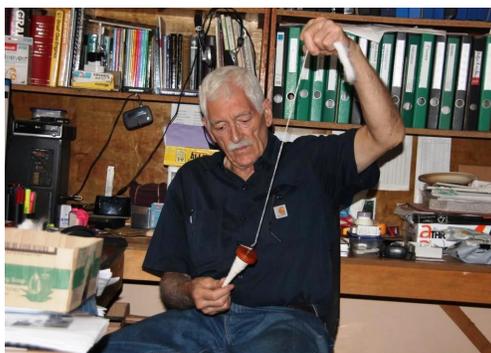


Obaa Denis, who was stabbed multiple times in Lira Prison last month, is doing well back at the prison, walking on his own several times a day with his wounds and surgical incision healing well. He now has his “5 body guards” that saved his life, protecting him each day.



Jenifer, who has been paralyzed, can now walk with a new folding walker which was donated to HAN recently. Her longest distance is about 50 feet with a person using a strap to guard her as her left leg remains quite weak and can easily collapse.

This past week, Jonathan and Martin, HAN staff, spent a day filling cracks in the walls of their small home to keep the rain from coming inside. They also added rows of bricks to the edges of the roof to prevent wind from lifting the metal sheets. It still needs more work but for now it is doing the job! And the two men celebrated as Carolyn took photos!



Keith is continuing to progress with planning the “technical school” for Lira Main Prison. He’s producing the tools the inmates will make and learning the cotton spinning process, loom making, and weaving.

Go with God my friends, Keith & Carolyn

(Editors Note: Please visit HAN @ www.handsacrossnations.org to learn about past projects, read newsletters or to donate.)

SOMETIMES THE SMALLEST STEP
IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION,
ENDS UP BEING THE BIGGEST
STEP OF YOUR LIFE.
**TIP TOE IF YOU MUST,
BUT TAKE THE STEP**

God's simple requests of us are oftentimes stepping-stones to His greatest blessings. Although we may view these lesser events as unimportant, the Lord sees them as a big deal. The apostle Peter is a wonderful example of a man who took small steps that led to a great destiny.

When Jesus asked to be taken out in Peter's boat, the fisherman could have said no. After all, he'd put in a full night's work and was probably exhausted. But by taking this small step, Peter received a front-row seat to hear the greatest teacher on earth, and he began a life-changing adventure.

Although Jesus' first request was fairly ordinary, His next suggestion would challenge everything Peter knew to be logical. Heading into deep water at midday for the purpose of catching fish was ludicrous to this fishing expert. Sometimes the Lord asks us to do what seems unreasonable. We should remember that the Lord is not obligated to work within the realm of what's normal or logical. If Peter had refused this unusual request, he would have missed the biggest catch of his life—and I don't mean just the fish. This miracle opened Peter's eyes to catch sight of his Messiah. When he got out of that boat, the fish meant nothing to him because Jesus became his everything.

The Lord isn't waiting for us to do some big, impressive task for Him; He's simply calling us to obey Him one small step at a time. Don't miss the great adventure God has for you. Even when His ways seem unreasonable, follow Him faithfully, and your destiny will unfold before your eyes. –In Touch Ministries; Dr. Charles Stanley

NEED PRAYER?
CALL THE PRAYER CHAIN:
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OR
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