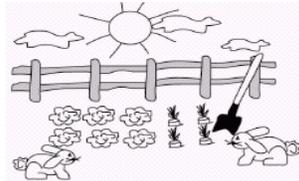


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FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

Robert Robinson was a troubled young man. His dad died at a young age. To make matters worse, you could always find young Robert hanging around the wrong crowd, getting into trouble, and disregarding authority. Although he had a bad temper and neglect toward his Heavenly Father, God had His eyes on young Robert. It was not long before God stepped into Robert's tangled life and lifted him up from the pit of despair. One afternoon Robert's life was changed for the better. He decided to attend a meeting that was held by the Methodist preacher George Whitefield. Robert was convicted and by the age of 20 years old he gave his life to God. He later wrote the hymn that is found in our Hymnal entitled "Come Thou Fount Of Every Blessing." As the last stanza says, "Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, Prone to leave the God I love." It wasn't long before Robert Robinson's hymn came true in his very own life. Robert left his newfound faith. How could this happen to a man such as this; a man who gave his life to God? Well, the very words of Paul tell us in Hebrews 2:1 "Therefore

we must give the more earnest heed to the things we have heard, lest we *drift away*." (Italics added). There is no effort to drifting away; we just simply float as if in a hot air balloon traveling by the gentle breeze of the wind, in which the movements are hardly noticed. Then, once we have drifted so easily down this pathway to destruction, we look back at our experience and say to ourselves, "How did we ever get here?" In order not to drift we must give the most earnest heed to the things we have heard. Keep the things



you learned about Christ in your heart and constantly go over them, constantly think about them. We must pay attention to these things! We must value the words of the Bible, and value Jesus for who He is every single hour of every single day for the rest of our lives. Wake up and listen to the words of the Lord speaking to your heart. Let it change you and mold you into the man/woman that He would have you to be.

Pastor Christian Bull



*The day is thine, the night also is thine:
 thou hast prepared the light and the sun.
 Thou hast set all the borders of the earth:
 thou hast made summer and winter.
 Psalm 64:16, 17*



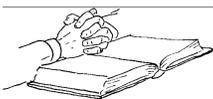
CHURCH NEWS

EVANGELISM



Pastor Bull will be presenting a series entitled “Revelation of Hope.” This is planned for October 9-16 at the church. Everyone is encouraged to bring at least one person.

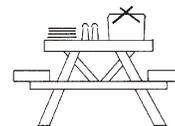
BIBLE STUDY



There is no Tuesday evening Bible Study during the summer months. We plan to resume September 8, 6:30 p.m.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEONS

A regular luncheon is planned for August 8, . Please bring a dish to pass. The stove and the oven will be off for the summer months. Please do not bring hot dishes unless they are in a crockpot. A picnic at Mormon Lake is planned for August 22, weather permitting.



OUR SYMPATHY

is extended

. . . to the family of Doris Stewart who passed away July 7.

...and to the family of Owen Corcoran who passed away July 8 at the age of 93.

THE CHILDREN'S OFFERING

The children's offering taken during the worship service each Sabbath sponsors our children at Camp Cherokee. Six of our young people were able to attend this summer. Thank you for your generous support of our children and youth.



LABELS AND BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION



Please continue to save your General Mills Boxtops and Campbell's UPC symbols for the Holbrook SDA Indian School in Arizona. Boxtops and UPC symbols can be given to Joyce Cmelko. Thank you for your help.

PRAYER LIST

Doris Burgess
Alice Congdon
Linda Probst



Harold Washburn, Jr.
Ongoing Bible Studies
Our Shut-ins

*Why should the sons and daughters of God be reluctant to pray,
when prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock heaven's storehouse,
where are treasured the boundless resources of Omnipotence?
Steps to Christ, pp. 94 & 95.*

If you have someone to be added to our prayer list, please let us know.

Check out our Church website at: www.elmirasda.com

Downloadable sermons are available at this site.



*Make it a rule
never to utter one word of doubt or discouragement.
You can do much to brighten the life of others
and strengthen their efforts,
by words of hope and holy cheer.
Steps to Christ, p. 119*

SABBATH SCHOOL



We continue our study of *Biblical Missionaries*, during our Sabbath School class time. All are encouraged to study daily and come for our class discussion on Sabbath morning.

Please join us each Sabbath morning. Song service begins at 9:20. Classes are provided for adults and children.



Mission DVDs are shown each month. This quarter's videos are from the Southern Asia-Pacific Division: August will be from Bangladesh and September will be from Sri Lanka

INVESTMENT



Thank you for saving cans and bottles, and health food labels for Investment. Please be sure the UPC symbol is on the food labels. Labels that are accepted are Worthington, Loma Linda, Morningstar Farms, Morningstar Farms Organic, and Natural Touch. Labels not accepted are: Cedar Lake and Vibrant Life.

We are no longer accepting newspapers and magazines for Investment.

NATURE'S GARDEN STORE HOURS

Thursday, 4:00-6:00 p.m., OR by appointment,
Call Harold Washburn, Jr. – 733-6367, Or Mac Dwyer – 739-7748.

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – September 20 – CONTACT Sharon and Jim Reynolds at 734-1560 with newsletter information. You may also send your articles to: 813 Maple Avenue, Elmira, NY 14904 or e-mail us at: shareyn@gmail.com



***Keep your wants, your joys,
your sorrows, your cares, and your fears before God.
You cannot burden Him; you cannot weary Him.
He who numbers the hairs of your head
is not indifferent to the wants of His children.
Steps to Christ, p. 100***



*Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace,
whose mind is stayed on Thee:
because he trusteth in Thee.
Trust ye in the LORD for ever:
for in the LORD JEHOVAH is everlasting strength.
Isaiah 26:3, 4*

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

