

Coming August 31

Old Faithful Association Churches' Association Meeting at 4:00 p.m. followed by the Annual Labor Day Picnic at Mt. Top!



THE CALL OF GOD

OLD FAITHFUL ASSOCIATION LADIES RETREAT

(Ages 16 and up) Cost: \$15

September 5-6

at Mountain Top Baptist Assembly

Featured Speaker: Weiser Duvall

Bible Study, Worship, Fellowship and Fun!!!

Registration forms are available in the church foyer

or call Debbie Zastrow at 265-6877

Please pre-register by September 1



eXtra Years of Zest

for Seniors Adults

August 19th
COOKOUT

We're Having a
COOKOUT!



at
Edness
Kimball
Wilkins
State Park

Meet at the church at 10:30 a.m. to carpool or caravan

Meat, buns, condiments and plates provided. Bring your own drink and a side dish to share.

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Events of the Month

Regular Schedule

AUGUST 2008

- 15-16 - LADIES' FAITHBOOKING EVENT
- 17 - POTLUCK following 10:30 a.m. worship
DEACON'S MEETING 5:30 p.m.
- 19 - XYZ 10:30 a.m.
- 20 - QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING ... 7:00 p.m.
- 24 - CARE SUNDAY
- 31 - OLD FAITHFUL MTG./PICNIC..... 4:00 p.m.
- CARE Ministry Activities each Mon. or Tues. (6:30 p.m.)

SUNDAY ACTIVITIES

- Early Morning Worship.....8:00 a.m.
- KUYO Radio Program, 830 AM.....9:00 a.m.
- Bible Study for all ages.....9:15 a.m.
- Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
- Midwest Worship Service.....3:00 p.m.
- Youth Bible Study 6:00 p.m.
- Evening Worship 7:00 p.m.

MONDAYS

- Men's Morning Prayer.....6:30 a.m.

TUESDAYS

- Financial Peace University..... 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAYS

- Preschool (3-K)/Children/Youth Activities..... 6:30 p.m.
- Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.
- Bible Study 7:00 p.m.
- Choir Rehearsal 7:45 p.m.

THURSDAYS

- Men's Discipleship Brkfst at the Platte River.....6:30 a.m.
- Midwest Activities - Adults, Youth & Children..... 6:30 p.m.

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FROM PASTOR QUIN

As the seasons in Wyoming turn, I find the countryside and the differences from year to year to be very thought provoking. As I write this article, July is beginning to wane away, but there is still green in the prairie. As you well know, the late running winter along with a wet (by Wyoming standards) spring and early summer has kept our landscape green. It is a nice variation from our usual pattern.

When our countryside turns green every spring, as the snow disappears, we turn our thoughts to the renewal of life. In a spiritual application, we see that life returns to a person when they come to Christ as Lord and Savior. Life really "greens up" when Jesus comes to us and we respond to Him.

All too often, we tend to get dry spiritually. When this happens, we begin to wonder where the freshness of our life in Christ went. Generally speaking, we dry up spiritually due to a lack of attention. We cannot simply depend on renewing rains that may or may not come along. But rather, we should put in a spiritual irrigation system. Notice, I said an irrigation system, not a mere sprinkler system. Farmers put in irrigation systems, because their livelihoods depend on a consistent and abundant water supply. They take no chances because watering their crops is simply too important.

We should take our spiritual lives just as seriously. God provides many resources to adequately water our relationship with Him. Bible study, private prayer times, worship services, and many other options are sources for spiritual refreshing. Several times, over the years, I have seen people take a "break" from church. Sometimes it is intended to be for weeks sometimes it goes on for years. Most of the time, when these folks decide to come back, they find something has changed. The change is that they have dried up spiritually. There is very little "green" left to nurture back to life. At best, it takes a long time of intense cultivation to get their spiritual lives to flourish again.

It is much wiser to keep up with the irrigation of our spiritual lives. That way, we can avoid the dry spells that will inevitably come if we let things happen by chance. God wants us to walk with Him everyday. So let us do the hard work needed to install a spiritual irrigation system. That way, we can enjoy and ongoing "green up" and continue to see beauty and the new life that always springs forth. Nothing "greens up" our lives like the living water of Jesus.

In Christ,
Pastor Quin

AUGUST IS CARE MONTH AT BOYD AVENUE

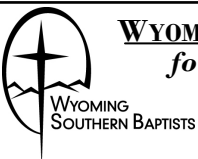
During the coming month we will focus on our CARE ministry, how it impacts our church and how you can be involved by investing just one hour a month!



- "C" Team - Monday, August 4th - 6:30 p.m.
- "A" Team - Tuesday, August 12th - 6:30 p.m.
- "R" Team - Monday, August 18th - 6:30 p.m.
- "E" Team - Tuesday, August 26th - 6:30 p.m.

There is *always* room in our CARE ministry for additional faithful team members! Contact Heather Valdez at the church office, 261-9896, or at home, 472-0734.

You will be richly blessed as you richly bless others!



WYOMING SOUTHERN BAPTIST CENTER for Leadership Development Class Starting August 25

Golden Gate Seminary sponsors this center and its diploma programs.

Becoming a Life-Changing Teacher and Preacher

is the next class for the Wyoming Southern Baptist Center for Leadership Development, meeting on Monday nights at the WSBC Office in Casper.

Fred Creason & Pastor Buddy Hanson will be the instructors.

For more information, call Fred Creason at 266-6880 or 267-4235. You will need an application from Fred & you will want to obtain the textbooks prior to the first class meeting.



Fun, Fellowship & Faithbooking

Do you like to scrapbook!?
Maybe you'd like to learn!?

Join us for a ladies' faithbooking weekend!

Join us August 15th & 16th!

Stacey Owston, of Yuma, CO, has an incredible testimony of love, loss and God's amazing grace. She'll be here to spend time with us, teach us about "Faithbooking" our cherished memories, and share her story.

Please let Jessica Baxter, Barbara Smith or Shelly Anderson know by Aug. 10th if you plan to attend

We're having a ...

Sunday,

August 17th

following the 10:30 a.m. worship service

Meats provided - Bring sides

Back to School Potluck



Hey, Choir! ... and all interested in singing!



Save the dates
September 19th & 20th
for our Choir Workshop

More details will follow.

STUDENT MINISTRY REFLECTIONS

I once heard a great quote and wish I could remember who said it and give them credit. "In the economy of God, nothing is ever wasted." What an amazing thought. Often times I will do something, be involved in some ministry, go on a mission trip, and wonder, what did we accomplish? This quote reminds me that it is God's economy and He is the one to bring results.

God is in the business of reaching out to people. He loves them and has a desire to see them come into a relationship with Him. He chooses to do this through us. We have the responsibility to share His love with those we meet. We may never know this side of heaven how our efforts are used for His purpose.

I guess that this is something that I have always known, but it never fully sank into my thick head. We need to have the mindset that everything we do is for Kingdom purposes.

Every worship service, special program, ministry, mission trip, and fellowship that we do as a church should be done with the thought that God can use this for His purpose. Often if we don't immediately see the results, we don't think it is a success. Even in church, we measure success by the world's definition and not on God's.

This has been true in my life. There are people who had an impact on my life and never knew it. People who shared with me, set an example for me, and ministered to me. They may have thought that they wasted their time, but God used each of them in my life. I pray that our lives would cross so I can say thank you. If not this side of heaven, then when we spend eternity together I can share my gratitude.

Let's keep this in mind as we minister. God is bigger than us and our efforts. Our job is to do the work. We must trust that God will work above and beyond our efforts.

In Him,
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