

The Trinity Times

March 2014

1101 First St.
P.O. Box 853
Davenport, WA. 99122
(509) 725-3270
tbfdavenport@hotmail.com
www.tbfdavenport.org

Steve McLachlan, Pastor
(509) 725-1832
prchr_steve@hotmail.com

Josh McLachlan, Youth Pastor
(509) 215-0554
joshuamclachlan@yahoo.com

Board of Directors

Elders:

Knute Hernas
Mark Smith
Mike Anderson

Deaconesses:

Allyson Morrison
Debbie Boleneus
Sandy Buchanan
Joan Wintersteen

Trustees:

Ken Horner
Jim Buchanan
Mike Bell

Treasurers:

Sue Warwick
Debbie Anderson

Secretary:

Wanda Bowman

Sunday School Superintendent:
Robert Boleneus



Not Ashamed



Which side of the closet am I on, anyhow? For decades now, people have been ‘coming out of the closet,’ and encouraging others to do likewise. The ‘closet’ is where shameful deeds were done in private, and to ‘come out of the closet’ is to declare “I am not ashamed of the deeds I have been doing.” I have two responses to this.

First, there are deeds that are shameful. We should not do them in the closet or anywhere else. The Apostle Paul referred to these deeds when he wrote, “*What benefit were you deriving from the things of which you are now ashamed?*” (Romans 6:21). We did shameful deeds, Jesus saved us from the penalty of those deeds, and freed us from the power they once held over us. The Church is not made up of people who never did shameful things, but people who have been freed from them. But the deeds are still shameful. Declaring them not shameful changes them about as much as declaring a penny to be gold changes the copper.

Second, many of those same people who encouraged others to come out of the closet are trying to force people like me into it. And, to a great extent, they are succeeding. A florist or a photographer refuses to serve a homosexual wedding, because they believe to do so is wrong. They are sued, and

lose their business. Others, who agree with them, go into the closet. They still believe the deed is shameful, but will not let their beliefs be known. Landlords do the same thing. One is bullied, others go into the closet.

This is not a hypothetical situation. In Arizona, lawmakers recently passed a bill that would allow business owners (meaning small business owners, like florists, bakers, photographers and landlords) to refuse service to homosexuals based on their religious convictions. The governor has yet to sign the law (but must take action on it by Saturday, March 1), and is receiving intense pressure from all parts of the country to veto the bill. Gay rights groups have not only been joined by politicians and celebrities, but also major corporations. Apple, American Airlines, Delta, AT&T, and Marriott Hotels are among those lobbying for a veto. Even the NFL is pressuring the governor to shut down the bill. Clearly, those recently out of the closet are now trying to force Bible-believing Christians in.

For me, not much is at stake. These faithful business owners stand to lose their livelihood and property. For me, it’s much easier. My job description is written in the Bible. “*Preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great patience and instruction*” (2 Tim 4:2). Conveniently, the passage goes on to

Photo of the Month



“Our mission is to proclaim the Word of God, leading people to a saving faith and a growing relationship with Jesus Christ.”

After a several year hiatus, the Giant Banana Split is back! The banana split was split into three sections—but the 50 feet we had was barely enough. Look out for even bigger and better next year :)

describe what ‘out of season’ means. “*For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but wanting to have their ears tickled, they will accumulate for themselves teachers in accordance with their own desires.*”

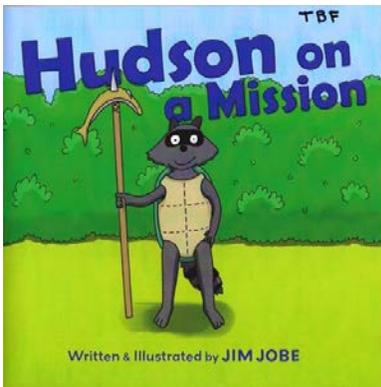
Doctrine is a deceptive word. It sounds ominous, but it simply means ‘teaching.’ The Bible is a big book with many teachings. It would be possible to stick to the popular ones and offend no one. For instance, ‘Jesus loves you’ offends no one. But some are offended by ‘Jesus died for you,’ so we’d better leave that out. Everyone likes ‘Jesus loves the little children,’ but many don’t want to hear that applied to abortion, so out it goes. We like to invoke God’s blessing on our marriage, but don’t want to hear about God when we break our vows. We want to hear heaven, but don’t mention hell.

Ear ticklers don’t mess with the nice doctrines, but invent all kinds of alternatives for the difficult ones. Claiming to represent God while ignoring His word, they declare what is contrary to the Bible but pleasing to their audience. Society descends to what the Bible describes this way: “*And although they know the ordinance of God, that those who do such things are worthy of death, they*

not only do the same, but also give hearty approval to those who practice them” (Romans 1:32).

And the shoe is on the other foot. Those who were in the closet now see the closet as a fine place for those who disagree. But the closet is where you go to hide, and no one can force you there if you refuse to go. Jesus first said, “*You are the light of the world.*” Then He followed it with, “*Nor does anyone light a lamp and put it under a basket.*” He is the Lamplighter, we are the lamps. We are to do what is right, speak the truth, and oppose evil. He does not intend for us to hide. Let your light shine. Boycott the closet. Live on the outside.

New in the Library



New to the church library, donated by our missionaries Randy & Laura Damschen.

Hudson on a Mission was written by a missionary couple Randy & Laura helped train. They wrote it for their son, to help him understand what they would do on the field. Anyone wanting an easy-to-read and understand story about the work of New Tribes Mission work should read this cute story.

Inscribed on the inside:

“This Hudson on a Mission is presented to Trinity Bible Fellowship by Randy & Laura Damschen, New Tribes Missionaries. Thank you for praying for us! Our part of missions ministry is training people like Hudson’s parents (Yes, we DID train Hudson’s Mom & Dad!) how to do the things they talk about in the book.



Heart Talk

by Mark Smith

A seminary professor of mine liked to discuss what he called “the three tenses of salvation.”

“I have been saved” is the *past tense* – and I hope every reader of this column can say that. If not, please consider placing your trust in Jesus Christ and what He did on the cross to bring God and us back together again. Jesus paid the penalty of sin and gives us eternal life in Him. When you receive Him by faith, you join His family and are secure in Him.

“I will be saved” is the *future tense*. At this point, I still wait for my complete deliverance from sin, death and the devil. Our Lord has planted the seed, but the harvest is yet to come. When I see Him face-to-face, then I “will be saved” ultimately and forever. That I “will be saved” is as solid and secure as the fact that, through faith, I “have been saved.” My assurance is that Jesus has done what the Bible says concerning my relationship and my destiny with Him.

The *present tense* of salvation is that “I am being saved.” In this life, I am in the in-between period from when God (past tense) “saved” me and when He (future tense) “will save” me. How, then, shall I live? It’s in the thick of being presently delivered by my Savior from the whole heap of trouble that this life often includes.

The saints of the past knew this as sanctification – the present-day work of the Holy Spirit to enable my experiencing in the here-and-now what God says I am and what He declares I will someday be. He desires that I would “*grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ*” (2 Peter 3:18). The New Testament describes a

process of my becoming “*holy,*” of “*working out my salvation,*” of being “*doers of the Word,*” of “*being filled with*” and “*walking in the Spirit,*” “*walking in the light,*” and having “*fellowship*” (things in common) with the Lord and His people.

As life unfolds each day, I renew my commitment to the One who loved me and died for me, the One who will one day raise me up and take me home to be with Himself, the One who is even now preparing a special place for me that will last forever.

I walk in dependence upon Him. “*As you have received Christ Jesus as Lord, so continue to live in Him*” (Colossians 2:6). I “was saved” (past tense) when I received Him and His grace gift by faith. I “will be saved” (future tense) by His power, not mine (for I have none). Thus, I “am being saved” in the present by following Him intentionally, living obediently to His Word, keeping the communication lines open between us, cultivating relationships with His people.

When I mess up, I have an Advocate (Jesus) with the Father (1 John 2:1) and I have been given the means of restoration. When I acknowledge my sin, He doesn’t hold it against me, because Jesus already paid for it. When I slip and fall, my heavenly Father lifts me back to my feet and encourages me to continue to walk forward, “*forgetting what is behind ... press on toward the goal*” (Philippians 3:13-14).

I rejoice that I “have been saved.” I eagerly anticipate that I “will be saved.” Now it is my desire to actively participate with my Lord in the process of “being saved”!



Another change
coming for
Tim & Teresa



A Thank You
from
Brad & Shilo

God has truly blessed us. On December 30, 2013, God blessed us with Samuel Isaac Karr. He was born at 6:47 am and weighed 7 lbs 14 oz. Our new bundle of joy has been an amazing blessing to our family. We pray that God will grow him into a man of God, who can reach the nations with the gospel. We thank you for your prayers and encouragement for our little boy.

“Whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel’s will save it.” Mark 8:35b

This passage has always been challenging, mysterious, and compelling. Recently it has taken on greater meaning and application in our lives. The call to follow Jesus anywhere always comes with a cost. For many it means losing their health, freedom, and even their lives. For some it means moving away from comforts, friends, and family.

For the past year or so we have been asking God to teach us about the future ministry He has in store for us. We believe that God has called us as a family to begin pursuing a pastoral ministry position. In late December, I, Tim, was offered the Senior Pastor position at Crossroads Bible Church in Kennewick, WA. Through much prayer and wise counsel, I have notified CBC that I will accept the position. This new chapter will begin June 1st.

Making the decision to leave our current ministry has not been easy. God has blessed us immensely with InFaith and Cocolalla Lake Bible Camp. We love this ministry, and it is hard to say goodbye. Even still, we are confident in God and His purposes. We will be working hard to finish well over the next few months. We will continue teaching Youth Leadership, Launch Pad, preparing summer camps, and training a replacement until we move at the end of May. Please join us in prayer through this transition. We praise God for the people that we have built relationships with over the years with In-Faith and CLBC.

**“Let us know; let us press on to know the Lord!”
Hosea 6:3a**

Dear Church Family,

Words fail to express the depth of my gratitude for the way you have surrounded us with love at this difficult time. The meal following Dad’s celebration of life was such a comfort. Having time to connect with those who loved my Dad was precious to me. I was surprised to be able to say at the end of the day that it was wonderful—not to say good-bye to my Dad, obviously, but to be comforted and encouraged by this people and to be loved tenderly by our church.

I also thank you for your concern that this trip not become a financial burden or impediment to our ministry. An outpouring of love can’t be measured certainly, but your offering indicates that you consider us your own dear brother and sister and are willing to sacrifice for us.

We are grateful and moved beyond words. We love you all.

Shilo for Brad too.

An Update from Robert McDowall



Assistant Director’s Report
February 15, 2014

Robert

Ministry: Since the last board meeting, officiated three funerals, attended five others. Attended Winter Camp at Cocolalla. Attended two wedding ceremonies, visitation of supporters. Preached for church and taught the adult Sunday school class at Valley Bible Church two different Sundays. Preached at Lake Roosevelt Bible Church last Sunday, will preach

there tomorrow. Next Sunday will preach at Cottage Fellowship. Played drums with the worship team one Sunday at Calvary. Currently helping Lake Roosevelt Bible Church since the death of their pastor. Finished the camp taxes and organizing a trip to Israel next January- COME WITH US! Have had the privilege of sharing the Gospel a number of times and a number of people indicated trusting Jesus as their Savior.

Personally: Colonoscopy went well, next one in five years. Went fishing once with my dad and caught a nice bunch of fish.

Cindy

Ministry: makes me a great secretary. Cooked at Cocolalla Winter Camp, spoke at Calvary Lady’s Bible Study. Will be speaking four times at Priest River Community Church Women’s Retreat in April. She counsels other women and youth often. Will be at Quilt Camp in March and

may be cooking for Women’s Retreat at Cocolalla.

Personally: Had the experience of being a juror for two days this week.

Jared-Please keep praying for him.

Katie-Gets to come home February 24th for ten days, way cool. Still works two jobs (nanny and Hall-mark). Serves her home church faithfully. We are praying that she will find one job that will meet her needs. Still wants to be in full-time ministry someday.

Joshua-Doing great at his CNA job. His health is slowly getting better from his hospitalizations three years ago. Has lately been hanging around a cute little gal named Ayla.

Davenport will soon have a Women's Satellite BSF Group!!!

by Kim Tarbert

Can a little faith really move mountains?

Yes. If it serves God's purpose to move a mountain and he calls you to do it. If you obey in faith; indeed, you can move a mountain. I fully believe this and now God has allowed me the privilege of experiencing His truth.

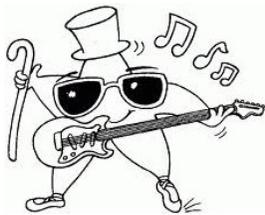
How, you're wondering, is starting a Bible Study Fellowship a mountain moved? When God led me to initiate getting a BSF class in Davenport, we needed a population of 200,000 within a 25 mile radius and 400 women signed up to start a class. Oops! Now, exactly a year since we began praying for BSF in Davenport, a mountain has been moved. Praise God!

What is BSF? It's Bible Study designed to produce in all participants a vibrant relationship with God. I appreciate BSF because it grows the one who's never opened a Bible without intimidating while strengthening the Bible scholar so they may better serve our Lord. It encourages members to become active in their own church and community and is excellent at correlating the old and new testament.

Details on time and place are pending but please consider discovering why it was a privilege to pray for the impossible. If you have questions feel free to call Kim at 725-1810. tarbertsp@gmail.com. For more information about BSF see: www.bsfindernational.org

Free your schedule for May 30—31 for work days. This is the weekend where we do clean-up and repair at camp, and earn those fifteen dollar off coupons we pass on to our kids.

Got Talent?



Sunday, March 23rd we will find out just how talented we are! Plan to stay after church that day and have a great time.

Traditional talents (song and dance) are welcome, but other talents are welcome too. Cooking has been mentioned frequently and energetically. We'd love for you to demonstrate your culinary giftedness. Write poetry? Fold the world's greatest paper airplane? Break boards with your fists? You know you've got talent—let us see what it is!

Good morning, Pastor Steve,

We've been counting coins all week and are excited to let you know that Trinity Davenport Church has raised \$1,677.38 for Life Services! We still have a few churches left to come in, and will be announcing our grand total on our Facebook page next week. Thanks again for participating with us this year!

God bless,

Courtney Snailum, Life Services



Church Funds

1/31/14

Benevolence Fund	1,336.47
Missionaries Reserve	2,100.00
Missions Fund	3,820.00
<u>General Fund</u>	<u>8,976.82</u>
<u>Total</u>	<u>\$16,233.29</u>

Building Fund \$226,937.83

Overall Total \$243,171.12

Thank you from the Damschens

We are deeply grateful for each and every expression of love and support we have received since Warren was promoted to heaven. You served us in so many different ways and each one is precious to us. Thank you to all who provided food for our family and for the dinner following the memorial service. Thank you to our friends and neighbors who opened their homes to our out of town family. We appreciate all of the beautiful flowers and plants, cards, memorial donations and especially your prayers. May God bless you, as you have blessed us.

~The Family of Warren Damschen



Spring all-ages Backpacking Camp

April 2nd—5th.

This group will hike into beautiful Hell's Canyon to enjoy God's creation. Campers will learn the principles of lightweight backpacking and backpacking ethics in a Gospel environment.

You will be equipped with basic backpacking essentials. Each person will carry his own gear.

To join the trip, pick up a registration form at church, or visit online registration at www.clbcamp.org/springallagesbackpacking.



by Josh McLachlan

Youth Stuff

HEAR YE
HEAR YE!!

Read all about it!

We want you to come and join us at

Trinity Bible Fellowship March 14th at 7 p.m. to watch the movie, The Climb. This movie is rated PG for thematic elements. There is a little love, suspense, humor, danger, and of course the gospel. Do you know someone who needs to hear the good news of the gospel of Jesus? Have you been too scared to tell them? One of the purposes for showing this movie is to have an opportunity for our unsaved friends to come and hear the gospel.

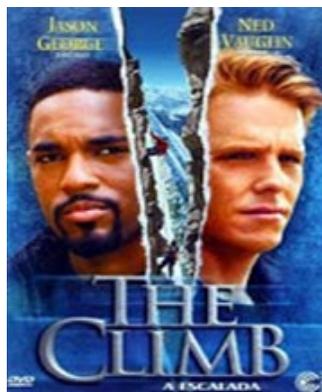
People are not going to know the gospel

if we don't tell them. **Romans 10:13-14** says *Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? NIV*

Does your best friend know the gospel? How about your best teacher, or your neighbor, the little kid at school who looks up to you just because you're a "BIG kid," or even the awkward kid down the hall? God doesn't need you to share the gospel, but he wants to use you! Be bold and share!

"Reach them to teach them, Teach them to reach them"

Josh McLachlan





by Robert Boleneus

Sometimes when we are new to something it is hard to feel like we fit. One could sit and wonder, "How do they know this? How did they find that? Where do I go to find the basics?" Well, I say, "Sunday School." The best place to learn Bible basics is in Sunday School. I know that if one is new to any class it is easy to feel like everyone else know so much, and ask, "How did they learn all that?" Well, they learned it by going to Sunday School.

It is just like watching any sport. Let us take the Seahawks. If you have never watched football even things like "first and 10" does not make sense; let alone the names of all the players. (Maybe you only know names like Peyton Manning and do not know any Seattle players. Watch and you will start to get

Teachers Corner

important names like Russell Wilson, and Richard Sherman.) The more you watch the more you learn. It works that way with God's word too.

You do not need to know all the books of the Bible in order to look something up (they are listed in order in the front of your Bible). The more you look things up, the easier it gets. You do not need to have any verses memorized, because the ones you like will start to jump out at you. Little by little week after week (brick by brick) your knowledge of the Bible will increase. I know many Christians who did not even open a Bible until they were nearly "middle age" and yet today one might think they grew-up in church. Come join us for Sunday School and learn the basics and a whole lot more.



Trinity Bible Fellowship
P.O. Box 853
Davenport, WA. 99122

Time Change, - Spring
Ahead March 9th



REVERENDFUN.COM COPYRIGHT BIBLE GATEWAY



Thanks to Patricia (See Galatians 5:16-26) 06-29-2006

Awana Grand Prix!

- March 5 Uniform inspection night
- March 12 Come as a family member night
- March 19 Sports night
- March 26 Awana grand prix

Yes, it's that time of year again, the "Awana Grand Prix." T&T, Leaders, and Trek build a car out of a kit you can buy for \$3 at Awana. If you'd like help, we will have a clinic to help cut out your cars here at church March 15th from 9-12. The cars need to be turned in by Sunday March 23rd at 2:30. Cars turned in after that may not be accepted.



Cubbies and Sparks race Hot Wheels® or Matchbox® size cars.

There will be hotdogs, chips and pop available to purchase at low prices. Cookies and coffee will be free.



Missionaries of the Month:
Randy & Laura Damschen

Serving New Tribes Missions
In Roach, MO

March 2014

Women's Ministry Leader: Sandy Buchanan

Group Members: Carol Horner

Tiffany Abell

Julie Elledge

Leslea McLachlan

Joan McLachlan

Verneta Carstens



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Krissi Bell Josh & Leslea McLachlan
2 Coffee Fellowship Youth Group 6:30—8	3 Men's Coffee 8:30 am Deaconess Meeting 9:15 am Youth Leadership 7—8:30	4	5 Awana 6 pm Uniform Inspection Night Chris Falk	6 Ladies Prayer @ Abell's 6:45 pm Worship Team practice 6:30	7 Robert Boleneus Sabrina Stone	8 Harriet Denson Randy & Lynne Anderson
9 Daylight Savings Time Youth Group 6:30—8	10 Men's Coffee 8:30 am	11 Robert McDowall John Regan Missions Committee 9:15	12 Awana 6 pm Come As A Family Member	13 Ladies Prayer @ Abell's 6:45 pm Worship Team practice 6:30	14 TBF Movie Night "The Climb" 7 pm Robert Abell Kurt Elledge Maryann Scheiffle	15 Spokane Orphan Summit CHS Auction/Rummage Sale Grand Prix clinic 9—N Fred & Mary Bell
16 Youth Group 6:30—8	17 Men's Coffee 8:30 am Youth Leadership 7—8:30 Dick Wandling	18 M & M's 6 pm	19 Awana 6 pm Sports Night	20 Ladies Prayer @ Abell's 6:45 pm Worship Team practice 6:30 Justin Regan	21 Jimmy Faulkner James & Kym Falkner	22 Wanda Bowman Jude Falk Ken & Allyson Morrison
23 CLBC Visits TBF TBF Talent Show Youth Group 6:30—8	24 Men's Coffee 8:30 am	25	26 Awana 6 pm Awana Grand Prix Madison Tarbert Justin Vaughn	27 Ladies Prayer @ Abell's 6:45 pm Worship Team practice 6:30	28	29
30 Communion/Benevolence Offering Youth Group 6:30—8 Lexine Eaton Melanie Laflin	31 Men's Coffee 8:30 am Victoria Cain					

