



Bear Creek Church

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BCC Women, young and old: discipleship is meant for us to grow in our faith. It is a one on one study with another woman. It will also help to equip you to share your faith with others. There are women wanting to take you through the study book. If you are interested in this study, contact Marla Lance, 664-5796 or bormlance@charter.net.

Help wanted: the disability ministry is in need of more people to put onto the buddy list. These are males and females aged 16-adult who would love and encourage a child with a disability. As a buddy you will not be required to teach any classes, you are just there to support the child and help them as needed. If selected to assist a child you will be put on a rotating schedule with several other people, and again, no teaching is involved in this role. If you are interested in getting on this list or would like some more information on what this role entails please talk to Faye at Church or at FayeJH@gmail.com.

Help wanted: Sometimes Miracles Hide is on Sat. April 17th and our help is needed. This event is a morning-long treat for families with members with disabilities. Families come, buddies pair up with the children for fun, moms are treated to a nice lunch, etc. There are many different areas for which to sign up: set up on Friday, tear down, in the kitchen making amazing lunches for the moms, making sack lunches for the children & volunteers, at a fun booth during the carnival, and by being a buddy with a child. If you are willing to help in any of these areas or for more info please see Faye or contact her at FayeJH@gmail.com.

We rejoice at news of the safe arrival of little Rachel Joy Pritchett, born Thursday afternoon, February 11, to parents Bill and Jessica and sisters Anna, Rebekah and Abigail! Praise the Lord for his blessing in these gifts.

Explore another option for Christian education: Classical Conversations is decade-old national program that arrived in Medford two years ago. Its purpose is to support homeschooling parents through its curriculum and weekly student classes with a trained tutor. Designed for K-12th grades, CC offers a God-centered classical approach to education. If you are wondering about home schooling, classical education, or what to do for high school, please come to an informational meeting to learn more. Meetings will be at Cornerstone Christian Church at 6:30 PM on these dates: Tuesday, February 16; Thursday, March 25; and Tuesday, April 20. To RSVP or for questions, please contact Penny Green, Director (rgreenplus3@charter.net or 772-4158).



From Barbara Taylor: "The next Ladies Prayer Meeting will be Thursday, February 18th at 1 at my house at 145 Willow Bend Way, Central Point (541-664-2620). All ladies are welcome and encouraged to join us."

Ladies, please join us for food, fun and fellowship at a craft night held at St. Mary's library, Friday, February 26th from 6PM to midnight. Soup and dessert will be served. Bring your own crafts and have lots of room to spread out or if you're not crafty just come and visit, eat and see what others are up to. If you would like to learn how to knit a scarf or dishcloth contact Karen Green to find out what to bring. Please RSVP to Karen at greenlab@charter.net or 776-1018 to let us know you are coming. We would love to see you there.

From Karl and Devon Rickabaugh: "'Grey hair is a crown of splendor, it is attained by a righteous life. Proverbs 16:31.' Please join us for Bob Rickabaugh's 95th birthday celebration next Sunday, February 21st at 1 pm in the Bistro at Pioneer Village, 805 N. 5th Street in Jacksonville. No gifts, please. Instead, please share a note of appreciation with Bob on cards made available at the party."

At the Book Table: Total Truth by Nancy Pearcey. From a review on Amazon: "Her central thesis is that Christianity is not just religious truth, but truth about all of reality...This includes not just the Great Commission to bring others to faith, but a cultural commission to bring health to every aspect of human experience...She traces the long tradition in American evangelicalism of emphasizing the spiritual dimension and denigrating the intellect. Total Truth will help readers see more clearly the flawed view of knowledge that has relegated Christianity to the private sphere and muted its witness...When Christianity is no longer just an affair of the heart but a total picture of the world as it actually is, its power is unleashed to transform not only souls, but culture." (From Lynn Barton: one of my all time favorite books. Its conversational tone makes history, philosophy, and science accessible to anyone. Read this book - especially the chapter on Darwinism's flaws and fraud - then never again be intimidated by unbelief masquerading as science or intellectualism.) paperback, \$17.

Do we have all your family's email addresses? We use email to communicate important church news. Be sure that you are on the list by sending all relevant addresses to pastordale@aol.com

Find a complete list of all of Bear Creek Church's small groups at www.bearcreekchurch.org.

Help wanted: celebrate our seniors! Would you like to help us recognize our seniors, their birthdays and anniversaries, at BCC? If this is of interest to you see Dianne Heitmanek or contact her at dine@tndhome.net.

Parenting in the Pew Tip #23: Be here. Make being involved in church a family priority. Situations will come up which keep you from church on the occasional Sunday, but as much as possible, be here as a family. Your kids will learn at a young age that gathering with church family is important. Besides that, kids thrive with routine and respond best when expectations for them are the same week after week.

A reminder that you can always find our bulletin online at www.bearcreekchurch.org. Also, you can get a map to St. Mary's, email any of the Pastors, find a growing list of ministries and missions we support, read about our small groups, and more. Watch our website grow, and don't forget to recommend it when people ask you about your church. Another thing you can do now is give online. Online giving is secure, quick and convenient and is done through Paypal. However you give, we are grateful for your financial support. Your giving to BCC is fully deductible and all used to further the ministry of this church and the missions, missionaries and ministries that are vital to a world tangled up in its search for meaning.

Other upcoming events: Thursday, May 6: Great Start Pre-Marital Seminar with Pastor Dale & Pastor Stan Way; Joni and Friends Family Retreats (Santa Cruz CA: June 7-11 and July 19-23; Rockaway Beach OR: Aug 15-20); June 19-July 2: Missions Trip to the Amazon; August 12-16: Church Family Campout, Sugarpine Campground, Howard Prairie Lake.