

PACIFIC BAPTIST CHURCH

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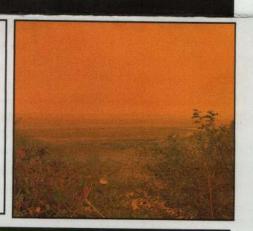




SMOKE CLOUDS LINCOLN CITY FOR A WEEK

While we were forced out of our home for a week, staying with our daughter and her family in Sherwood, others also had to leave their homes amid threats of fire.

Although our building was used by some as s safe place to stay, we held no church on September 13th. We have now resumed, although some parts of our congregation still stay away because of the coronavirus, We appreciate your prayers through this pandemic, and we thank God for His protection.



Be strong and let your heart take courage, all you who hope in the LORD.

Psalm 31:24

BARBARA'S ONGOING WORK WITH CHILDREN'S CHURCH

For years, Barbara has been teaching in Children's Church, and recently had three of the kids come forward during the church service.

Their demonstration had to do with the Armor of God. Our congregation was impressed with what the kids had learned, and how well they understood it.

Soon, the kids will bring another demonstration to illustrate a biblical truth. We are love that our children enjoy interacting with the adults.



Are you willing to make a prayer trade? Us for you and you for us?
This newsletter will let you know how to pray for us.
Please know that as we send out this newsletter, we are praying for you, too.

We rejoice together as we worship again in our building at Pacific Baptist Church. Many of our people are still staying home on Sundays, wanting to avoid possibly contracting the coronavirus, so we only have a dozen or so people coming each Sunday, but have also seen several visitors in our church during the summer. We are sending e-mails to each of our regulars, as well as others, with reminders and a printed version of my weekly sermon, the same message I preach at the church. We don't have equipment or knowledge to put our messages on Facebook, but seem to be doing well the way we are reaching out.

Please pray for Pacific Baptist to thrive, even during this time.



PRAYER AND PRAISE FOR ALL THE TORRANCES

We were praying for Knaudia Torrance when she had recent surgery on her left foot, and at the same time, we were praising God, because Knaudia's brother Dylan was graduating from Taft High School. His current desire is to enter into the military.

In addition, we are praying for their parents, Shawn and Kelly, who are both facing some serious medical issues. Shawn had recent surgery, and may soon face another. Kelly had some tests done for a troubling issue, and is awaiting results.



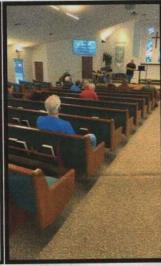


GOD CAN BLESS IN WAYS WE DON'T ANTICIPATE

Recently, Mike and Mickie Harden visited our church. Since he had his guitar, they were willing to sing a couple of Christian songs.

They've returned twice since that day, blessing us with their wonderful harmony.

Now they claim PBC as their home away from home, and will return often.



WORKSHOP IN FLORENCE, OREGON

Pastor John, and one other church member, Richard Trantow, recently went to Florence, Oregon for a one-day workshop designed to help small and struggling churches. Cost was free, the food was wonderful, the teaching was excellent, and the brief fellowship heavenly.

OUR UNPAYABLE DEBT TO CHRIST

I recently preached on our debt to Jesus because of our sins and because of what He did to offer salvation to us. I used Jesus' parable in Matthew 18:21-35, where a man was in debt for far more than he could ever repay. To demonstrate that, I dummied up a real \$100,000 bill as a \$25,000 bill, and printed 500 copies, to total the

\$12,500,000 that Jesus said the slave owed his master. I equated that to our indebtedness because of our sins, which we can never repay. Our debt is only paid by Christ, and the blood that He shed on the cross, as lovingly, He died for us. Without salvation, we are in debt forever, even after we



die out of this life. If it weren't for Christ removing our debt, we would be eternally in hell, never able to give to Jesus what our sins have racked up as debt to Him.

Aren't you joyful that Jesus forgave you the debt you owed?

PAST PACIFIC BAPTIST PASTOR WORKING WITH THE DENOMINATION TO HELP OUR CHURCH

Northwest Southern Baptists have a program to aid churches that are either struggling or dying, with the goal of helping them turn around and grow. One pastor working with the denomination is John Peters, former pastor at our church, who is leading a six-week study for six weeks on Sunday evenings. He is teaching from the book "Flickering Lamps" by Richard and Henry Blackaby. Each of us has a copy of this small, easy-to read book. Even with the coronavirus, we hope to have enough people, enough direction, and enough motivation to make an impact on the Cutler City area of Lincoln City.

Pray for us that, as a church, we will respond to God's desire in this important area, and witness God's acting around our church, according to His desire for His Word, and for Pacific Baptist Church.