



NEWS FROM ZION

ZION EVANGELICAL CHURCH ~ SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA

SEPTEMBER, 2013

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COMMUNION

Sunday, September 1st
communion will be served
in the chapel following
the 10:30 service.



ALL CHURCH PICNIC

Sponsored by Sunday School

SEPT 8TH - 11:30p.m.

PROVIDED: Fried chicken, drink and
table service/

Bring a dish to share.

GAMES & ENTERTAINMENT

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

Come Early

*"Do your utmost to come before
winter." 2 Timothy 4:21a NKJV*

It's fall and in many ways this is more the beginning of a new year than the change of calendar years in January. A new school year has begun, and with it many church, sports and other activities are off to a fresh start. With that in mind, it might be a good time now to embark on a sort of New Year's resolution and here's a good one – give yourself some margin; that is, a little extra time to be early and to allow for things to run late. In a world where many are running late and running themselves ragged, you can make a good impression on others, give yourself some peace of mind, and probably get a better parking space by just being a little early. Someone said to me once, "If you're not five minutes early, you're ten minutes late." Over time that bit of advice has proved right. Too often I have run myself too close to the minute in my scheduling and in doing so found myself in a cycle of running late. Running late has many costs. Not only is being late disrespectful to those who wait upon us, but it causes ourselves unnecessary stress, grumpiness with

traffic and trains, and impatience with those we love. The solution is simple though; just leave between five and fifteen minutes sooner than you need to reach your destination. Come what may, you will be at your best, those you love will be at ease and those with whom you meet will be pleased on your arrival. As the Apostle Paul penned his last letter to his young friend Timothy, he knew his own life's end was near and he wanted to see Timothy once more before passing from this world. Knowing in his day that once winter closed in and travel became impossible until spring, he implored Timothy, whom he wanted to see once more, to come soon, before the roads and seas were closed to him. Whether Timothy heeded Paul's urgent plea to come quickly or tarried too long, history does not record, but it was a choice the results of which Timothy would recall to his dying day. Not many of our appointments are so urgent, so life and death as Paul's request to see his friend once more, but if we treated them as such, we would enjoy life more and find that success to our endeavors came easier. I don't know what you have on your calendar for this fall but one word I leave with you, "Come early," and God's grace and peace be yours.

Pastor Garry

PLEASE TAKE NOTE...

Mission Prayer Partners
for September, 2013



1-4C's
8-Zion Sunday School/AWANA
15-Erin Kampbell/Avant
22-The Gideon's International
29-Francisco DeSouza/FIM



Get your newsletter
first and in color if you
receive it via email.

Just drop us a note at
zion@zionscottsbluff.com
and we'll put you on our
email list. Give it a try for one
month. . . if you don't like it,
we'll happily switch
you back.





WE NEED YOU!!

As part of the Zion Church Family, we need your picture in the new directory.

Pictures will be taken in the **Zion Sunday School** wing on September 24-28 and October 1-5. Times are 2 pm - 9 pm on weekdays and 10 am -5 pm on Saturdays. By having your picture taken, you will receive a **FREE picture** and a **FREE directory**. You may purchase additional pictures. The goal is to have 25 families photographed each day.

There are three ways to schedule your photography appointment:

1. Log on to the Zion website at:

www.zionscottsbluff.com

Click on the portraits box and follow the instructions. You will receive \$10.00 toward your purchase when you sign up on line.

2. Sign up at church. Persons will be available with computers to sign you up.

3. Call Elaine Kling at 436-3698 or Claudette Schmidt at 635-1149 and they will sign you up from their computers.

We are looking forward to seeing **you and expecting EVERYONE sign up for a portrait!**

Questions--call Claudette.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

Zion has a new email address:
zion@zionscottsbluff.com



Sympathies are extended to...

- ...George & Nadyne Schaaf on the passing of George's brother, Henry, of Greeley, CO.
- ...the many family and friends of Florence Green.
- ...the many family and friends of Robert "Bob" Kraft.
- ...Ben & Lindsey Silverman on the passing of Ben's uncle, Brian Silverman.

Congratulations to...

- ...Shirley Loose on her 80th Birthday!
- ...Leah Dittenber on her Birthday, 8/5!
- ...Delores Pfenning on her Birthday, 8/9!
- ...Lydia Bevins on her Birthday, 8/9!
- ...George & Nadyne Schaaf on their 20th Anniversary 8/12!
- ...Sid & Peggy Henderson on their 50th Anniversary, 8/12!
- ...Pastor & Bridget on their 15th Wedding Anniversary, 8/15!
- ...Wayne & Angie Rhamy on receiving the Golden Spade Award!
- ...Sandy Kling on her retirement after 53 years at RWMC. Best wishes, Sandy!
- ...Spencer Riddick on achieving his Eagle Scout Award.
- ...Don & Carol Loos on their 10th Wedding Anniversary!
- ...Mildred Weber on her 86th Birthday!

General Fund for JULY, 2013

INCOME:

Other Income		61.55
<u>Sunday Offering</u>		<u>13,427.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$	13,488.55

EXPENSES:

Bldg. & Grounds	\$	1,311.83
Ministry		1,210.79
Mission Fund		10.00
Office		303.33
Staff Benefits		3,655.62
Staff Salary		7,364.44
<u>Utilities</u>		<u>1,270.18</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$	15,126.19

TOTAL INCOME/EXPENSE \$ (-1,637.64)

We are still recycling
printer cartridges and
cell phones - just bring them
to the church office...
...and we will do the rest!





KCMI Broadcast for September is given by Harold & Joyce Kautz in memory of parents Carl & Frieda Stricker and Alex and Katherine Kautz. Thank you for sharing in this ministry.



THANK YOU!

We know our God is an awesome God. He loves us, guides us, gives us strength. But He doesn't always help us keep track of time. That can get away from us!

Dana and I would like to thank Zion and the congregation for allowing us to hold a fundraiser Garage Sale back in July for Dana. The funds from it will help us with future medical expenses. Not only is God awesome, but so is Zion Church and its members.

Thank you again.

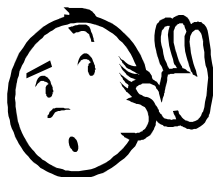
Dana & Cindy Wurdeman



Did you know you can now listen to and/or see our church service on your home computer? Go to our website:

www.zionscottsbluff.com

and click on LISTEN ONLINE. Find the date of the message you'd like to see or listen to and click on that date. Be patient while it loads.



Your Help is Needed!

The 100th Anniversary Committee is looking for any pictures that record our church history in one way or another...i.e. pictures of the old church, setting the cornerstone, the Brotherhood, groundbreaking, etc. We will return them to you once they are scanned. You can bring them to the church office or to Erik/Adam at the Sound booth. Thank you!!



LIVING PROOF
Live Simulcast
with
BETH
MOORE

and worship leader
TRAVIS COTTRELL

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

MONUMENT BIBLE CHURCH

7 a.m - 2:30 p.m.

\$15.00

Call 632-4099 or 672-7376

THANK YOU...

...to Terry Martin for her many years

of service and dedication to the Jeremiah House.

After much reflection, Terry has decided to step

down from her position... so we are looking for

someone that might be interested in filling her role

in coordinating the meals once a month.

See Pastor Garry if this is something

you'd like to do!

~ AWANA NEWS ~

We are looking forward to the "Kick-Off" of our 31st year of AWANA at 3:30 p.m. on Sunday, September 8th. Let me back up just a little bit, though, and finish out the 2012-13 club year:

On Sunday, August 4th approximately 50 clubbers and staff gathered at the YMCA Trails West Camp swimming pool for the **Swimming Reward Party** to enjoy two hours of water fun and fellowship. As that weekend approached, I was a bit concerned about the weather. Most of you probably don't remember that the weather had turned cool - in the 60's - at the end of the prior week. When I woke up on Sunday morning, it looked like it was going to be another cool day. Needless to say, I had been reminding myself & God that **HE IS IN CONTROL** of everything . . . and that includes the weather!!! I enlisted prayer power from Pastor Andy (who told me he had already been doing so ☺) as well as from my Adult Sunday School Class. By the time I left the church after the late service, the sun was shining brightly and it was hot/humid! God is SO GOOD and I am so thankful for His faithfulness - no matter how big or little the situation might be!!!

The **AWANA Staff** for the 2013-14 club year gathered for our annual **Picnic/Prayer/Planning Meeting** on Tuesday, August 20th at 6:00. We had a great time of coming back together after our summer break to discuss the upcoming club year, EAT (if "you" feed them, they will come! ☺) and fellowship. What I thought might be a lengthy meeting due to combining with the Sunday School Staff dedication on Kick-Off day - September 8th - ended up being a very "short and sweet" part of the evening. I asked the staff to brainstorm with me on how we would intertwine the Sunday School/All Church picnic and their afternoon activities with AWANA's Kick-Off at 3:30 as on my own I was having a tough time figuring it out. It was a very short discussion and it was decided that to avoid confusion, we will keep our Kick-Off separate from the afternoon activities that the Sunday School has planned. **HOWEVER**, in my Kick-Off invitation flyer, I will inform our AWANA families (especially the ones that do not attend church at Zion) that they are welcome to join in at any point that day.



AWANA Kick-Off is scheduled for Sunday, September 8th beginning with the Staff being dedicated at the 10:30 worship service, along with the Sunday School staff. Flyers will be sent out soon with the details of the many opportunities throughout the day following the service that our AWANA families will be invited to join in - including the dedication during the service.

We are looking forward to another amazing club year - filled to the top and overflowing with God's VERY BEST - as we trust and obey Him!!! Thank you to those of you that "come along with us on our journey" as a prayer warrior, financial contributor, supply us with items for door prizes, etc., etc.

Cheryl Rose,
Commander



CIRCLE OF PRAISE:

Forty-six members enjoyed the Cream Can Supper held at Ed and Elaine Kling's home August 3rd. Co-hosts for the evening were Sandy Kling and Harold and Joyce Kautz. Minutes were read from the last meeting and the Treasurer's report remained the same. There was no old business. New business discussion was on the Cookie Walk to be held in December; Claudette Schmidt brought us up to date on the Church Directory and when pictures were going to be taken. Also discussed was Grebel in September. It was decided that we would start Grebel in October this year. Discussion was also done on getting a grill for church functions that are held during summer months. It was tabled until our September meeting. The September meeting will be held Sept 13th at 6 pm. It will be a Tailgate Picnic. Everyone is to wear red. Our hosts for the evening will be the Harvey & Bonnie Richards and Ed Hessler. There will be a sign up sheet in the church. Meat, drink and table service will be provided.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.
Teri Erdman

LADIES GUILD:

Guild was held August 5 at 6:30 pm. Fifteen members with their guest enjoyed "Yes Ma'am", a group from Bayard who sang a selection of WWII songs. A delicious carry-in supper and time of fellowship followed. Our hosts for the picnic were Wanda Henkel, Donna Trout, Helen Maier and Barb Steffensen.

Out next meeting will be Sept 9th at 7p.m. All ladies of the church are welcome to come to any or all of the meeting.

Teri Erdman



MISSIONS: From Hans Wilhelm's August newsletter, he writes:

Last month I spent four inspiring days at the **European China Consultation** in Germany. Met with many old "China Hands" and also made new friends from China, Hong Kong, Taiwan, and quite a few European countries, as well as the US.

100 European church and mission leaders met with Chinese delegates from Southeast Asia to learn the key issues facing China and the church today. I was thrilled to see their growing interest and desire to become involved. A good portion of our time was spent earnestly praying for China.

Among the 70 million Chinese living worldwide, there are approx. 2 million believers. And they have sent out 2,000 missionaries! China's church is also on the move to proclaim the Gospel to the rest of the world. Praise God! I wish my parents could see the fruit of the faithful pioneer missionaries of their generation.

As the oldest China missionary present, I was asked to give the closing challenge. What a privilege!



SUNDAY SCHOOL:

Please mark your calendars for an eventful day you won't want to miss:

Sept. 8th - ALL CHURCH PICNIC

sponsored by Zion Sunday School. There will be gospel singing, games for the kids and the Sunday School will provide fried chicken, tableware and drinks. There will be a sign up sheet in the foyer for: salads, main dishes and desserts. We have some wonderful entertainment lined up ~ the Harris Family, Andy Stobel, Bob Schmer and Kamilah Rupp. Your day will be blessed. We will be having Sunday School Teacher's Dedication at the 10:30

a.m. service. And all 3rd graders will be receiving their Bibles. We will start new Sunday School classes on Sept. 1st which is Labor Day weekend, so I have asked the teachers to have a light lesson and a open house to get to know the students. Parents are welcome to visit their child's classes on that day as you are welcome **anytime** of the year.

At this time we have teachers for every grade except 5th and 6th, but we do have a prospect and are praying about it. Thank you to everyone who has stepped up and said they would be substitute teachers; we welcome everyone. We have been blessed here at Zion to have the attendance that we have in Sunday School and church. We have a lot of youth, and so we need to train them in the Word of God. They will be our future leaders some day and I have confidence they will do a great job. We have great mentors in this church and a wonderful Christian heritage.

Don't forget to mark your calendars for Sept. 8th and join us for an old fashioned Sunday picnic in the Ministry Center; you will be blessed.

In His name,
Sharon, Robin, Deb





YOUTH: Our students are back in school which means it's time to begin another ministry year. I am excited to get back to doing regularly scheduled weekly events. As I look foreword to this school year, I am anticipating participation from a good number of our high school students and a smaller group of junior high students. I have talked already with quite a few high school and college students who are planning to be part of our Bible study on Wednesday nights. Most of these will also be volunteering to serve as student leaders either in Awana or in junior high youth group or both. Our junior high group will likely start out the year pretty small. The class sizes for our sixth and seventh graders is simply smaller than we have been having. My leaders and I are going to have to do everything we can to encourage all of our junior high students to be consistent and to invite friends. In case we can't grow our group size, I have been coming up with ideas for events for smaller group sizes. I hope we don't have to use many of the small group games, but we will love and teach whatever group God brings together this year. As always, I appreciate your prayers knowing that without God's Spirit leading our ministries we can accomplish nothing.

Andy

SEPTEMBER, 2013

Zion Evangelical Church Calendar

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>1</p> <p>8:30 Worship & Praise 8:30 S.S. @ Heritage 9:15 Coffee & Fellowship 9:30 Prayer Team I 9:30 S.S. @ Zion/Emerald Ct 9:50 Take Twenty 10:30 Worship & Praise 10:30 KCMJ Broadcast 11:30 Communion/Chapel</p>	<p>2</p> <p> LABOR DAY Church Office Closed</p>	<p>3</p> <p>12:00 Men's Bible Study 12:00 Women's Bible Study 7:00 Church Board Mtg</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:30 Staff Meeting 6:30 7th Grade Parent's Mtg 7:00 8th Grade Parent's Mtg 7:00 Choir 7:30 8th Grade Confirmation 8:00 SR High Bible Study</p>	<p>5</p> <p>7:00 Junior High Outreach</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Circle of Praise "Tailgate Party" 6 p.m.</p>	<p>7</p> <p>"Family Reunion for the Family of God!" Free food/music! Five Rocks Amphitheater 4:30-9:30 p.m.</p>
<p>8</p> <p>8:30 Worship & Praise 8:30 S.S. @ Heritage 9:15 Coffee & Fellowship 9:30 Prayer Team II 9:30 S.S. @ Zion/Emerald Ct 9:50 Take Twenty 10:30 Worship/Dedication of SS/Awane/3rd Grade Bibles 11:30 All Church Picnic Carry-In 3:30 AWANA Kickoff 4:15 Vespers/Residency 7:00 Youth Fellowship</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10:00 Bible Study/Village Brothers 6:30 Ladies Guild</p>	<p>10</p> <p>10:00 Bible Study/Wel-Life Brothers 12:00 Men's Bible Study 12:00 Women's Bible Study 6:00 MOPS @ Night</p>	<p>11</p> <p> Remembering 9/11 6:30 7th Grade Confirmation 7:00 Choir 7:30 8th Grade Confirmation 8:00 SR High Bible Study</p>	<p>12</p> <p>7:00 Junior High Outreach</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Circle of Praise "Tailgate Party" 6 p.m.</p>	<p>14</p>
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