

HOLE CONNECTION

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BEST WAY TO SUPPORT OUR MINISTRIES!

Please mark your calendar for Old Bill's Fun Run, which is on **September 10, 2016**. This is the camp's largest yearly fundraiser, which matches your donations by as much as 50%. Last year we had \$42,000 given to the camp!

Gift forms were included with last newsletter, or you can also **donate online at oldbills.org**. Go to the "Donate" button and type in Rocky Mountain Ministries or Community Bible Church. **RMM** is more versatile and can use funds for the program which indirectly helps the college. Gifts can be made now through September 17th, which is the deadline to make donations. The Community Foundation will send you a tax receipt.

THANK YOU so much for your prayer and financial support!

Why Vote? Part Two

by Don Landis

In this newsletter I want to introduce you to a major theological principle. We must keep this principle in mind as we discuss issues such as this question of whether or not to vote for our upcoming election.

The principle is this: everything goes back to God. For those familiar with the teachings of the Bible College, this is nothing new. However, perhaps you haven't thought of it in this context. How do we apply this principle to this discussion?

1. Good and Evil is not an eternal nor temporal battle of two equals. God is completely over evil; there is no question of evil ever taking an iota of that away. The "battle" is already won and there is no ongoing struggle between God and Satan.
2. God is Sovereign over all authorities, both spiritual and earthly. All powers created inside and outside of the universe are subject to His will, decree, and power. He has absolute authority, and any authority outside of Him has been delegated by Him and they are therefore subject to Him. Satan is under His rule along with all angels and demons (Job 1:6; 1 Samuel 16:14-23; 1 Kings 22:19).
3. All authority is now in the hands of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. *And Jesus came up and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth." (Matthew 28:18)*

Not even the election of the United States president escapes His notice! Throughout history God has used both good kings and bad kings for His purpose and glory. Nations have never been outside of His control as He sovereignly deals with them as He pleases.

So God is in control of our election; what part do we play? We'll save that for our next newsletter!



7 Rivers Outreach

Our Purpose:

Establish churches of truth;
Equip congregations to love;
Encourage communities for Christ

Our Mission:

The mission of 7 Rivers Outreach is to plant churches and launch ministries that impact rural African communities for Christ.

Our Vision:

The vision of 7 Rivers Outreach is to see rural African communities experiencing hope for the present and future through the Gospel and sharing that hope with other communities.

PRAY!

Please keep us in prayer as we meet as a ministry team each Wednesday to pray and plan for all the steps that it takes to get to the final goal of a Children's Village. There are also the current weekly ministries that we want to give our best to, and not forgetting the daily tasks that cannot be neglected for life out in our rural African setting.

Smith Family Update

Bible Verse Shop

The Verse Shop has undergone some changes to how it operates. We are currently teaching a chronological study of Genesis in 6 parts. This Thursday will be part 4.

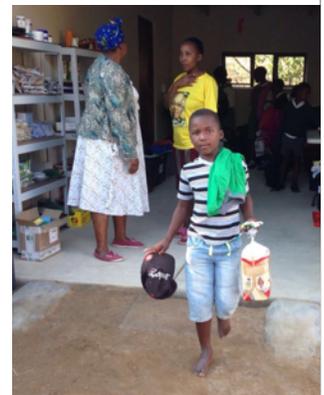
Previously, members of the community would recite specific verses that they had committed to memory and if successful, then pick a few items from "the shop".

Currently, 7 Rivers team member, Scott Kemp, teaches a 25 minute lesson to a room full of 30 people. This teaching session usually repeats 7 times throughout the day, to accommodate all those in attendance.

Our last 2 Thursdays we've averaged 185 people!!!

Please pray with us as we point people during this outreach toward a relationship with the God of the Bible and to fellowship with us weekly at Entabeni Church.

This week is session 4 and we will be in Genesis 2:4-25.



A Whirlwind Season

During the U.S. Summer break we have the privilege of hosting a variety of guests that visit 7 Rivers Farm. These last two months we were blessed to partner with a few short-term mission teams and individual visitors.

Entabeni Church Update

We are pleased that there is a core group of people that make up this local body of believers. This group is faithful in attending mid-week studies and has been growing steadily in their faith and knowledge of our Lord, Jesus Christ. It's so special to see the church maturing and praying for one another as they go through trials and persecution.

On Tuesday nights, we have home cell, which is singing and prayer in one of the homes in the community. The host invites their neighbors to attend and this has been effective in spreading the gospel. Also, as a result of the home cell group, we have had an increase in attendance on Sunday mornings.

Two Decades of JHBC



It is hard to believe but just twenty years ago we witnessed the beginning of Jackson Hole Bible College!

Soon after its beginning, at an important time of questioning if we should keep it going, a close friend asked me, “why another Bible College?” There are many Bible schools all over the United States. When I explained our special approach his response was very positive!

It is true there are many schools in the country that teach the Bible, but at JHBC we focus on a timeline approach via a schematic overview with

the goal of seeing the whole counsel of God. This approach provides more than mere facts from the Bible. It is teaching the significance of the texts. We recently placed an ad in Answers Magazine in which we stated our goals (see right). We invite you to read it and commit to pray for the wonderful opportunity to work with the young people God has sent to us.



“We’re losing 2/3 of millennials from our churches, and those remaining are very secularized in their thinking.”

Ken Ham, President & CEO of Answers in Genesis

While the students pay a tuition fee, your gifts are still an important part of our ability to keep the school running. The Lord continues to use your gifts in mighty ways for His Kingdom.

Thank you!

Pastor Don Landis

“OUR ANSWER is to train students to develop a solid Biblical immune system to withstand the assault of a growing relativistic, pagan, and disintegrating culture.”

Don Landis, Pastor of Community Bible Church,
President of Jackson Hole Bible College
Chairman of Answers in Genesis Board

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JHBC Reunion is July 2-8, 2017 and we are so excited! Pastor Don and Dr. Benware will be here to teach a few hours throughout the week. Of course many activities will be planned, including Bar-J, Rodeo, hiking, whitewater rafting, etc. Cost to stay at JHBC will be \$250/person for the week which includes food and lodging; activities are not included in the cost. We will only have the bunkhouse dorms available and so rooms will be split for men and women. So far, 15 alumni are signed up to come! Sign up soon to secure your spot for lodging! **Contact Holly at (307) 733-3134. Praying blessings on you all.**

Ark View Lodge



Tucked away in a little valley just south of the Ark Encounter is Ark View Creekside.

Beverly and I along with the help of our children have taken a step of faith and have purchased a wonderful piece of property adjoining the south border of the Answers in Genesis Ark property. We have purchased a really adorable Amish-made cabin and had it placed on the property. It is now finished and ready to be used by friends and family who visit the Ark.

The cabin is only 2.4 miles from the main entrance of the Ark (See map below). You can see the Ark (about 3700 feet away) from the upper higher part of the Ark View Property! We do ask our guests to leave it as they find it, clean and ready for the next guests. We suggest a donation of \$100.00 per night to help us cover the costs of this investment and the utilities/maintenance.

We have a reservation book, so call us with dates and we can discuss the size of your family and the arrangements for your use of the cabin.

We want as many of our friends as possible to visit the Ark Encounter and Creation Museum, to help us spread the message of the salvation God offers to men, women, and children and also to be encouraged by the truth of Scripture!

To God be the Glory, great things He is always doing.

Don and Beverly

(307) 413-7150 - call for reservations

