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The Goose Story — Teamwork
Stand by each other

When you see geese flying along in "V" formation, you might consider what science has discovered as to why they fly that way. As each bird flaps its wings, it creates an uplift for the bird immediately following. By flying in "V" formation, the whole flock adds at least 71 percent greater flying range than if each bird flew on its own. People who share a common direction and sense of community can get where they are going more quickly and easily because they are traveling on the thrust of one another.

When a goose falls out of formation, it suddenly feels the drag and resistance of trying to go it alone — and quickly gets back into formation to take advantage of the lifting power of the bird in front. If we have as much sense as a goose, we will stay in formation with those people who are headed the same way we are.

When the head goose gets tired, it rotates back in the wing and another goose flies point. It is sensible to take turns doing demanding jobs, whether with people or with geese flying south. Geese honk from behind to encourage those up front to keep up their speed.

What messages do we give when we honk from behind? Finally — and this is important — when a goose gets sick or is wounded by gunshot, and falls out of formation, two other geese fall out with that goose and follow it down to lend help and protection. They stay with the fallen goose until it is able to fly or until it dies, and only then do they launch out on their own, or with another formation to catch up with their group.

If we have the sense of a goose, we will stand by each other like that.

- Shared by Bonnie Mitchell

CHURCH GARAGE SALE

6 DAYS!
9 - 5 each day!

Port Orchard Church of Christ
4135 Carr Ln SE (off Salmonberry Rd)
Port Orchard WA 98366

Friday, July 30
Saturday, July 31
Friday, August 6
Saturday, August 7
Friday, August 20
Saturday, August 21

We are planning a BBQ with our
Children's Bible Class students
past and present!

We want to celebrate the end of summer
and just have the opportunity to fellowship with one another!

When: August 14th, 1:00 PM

Where: 1468 Woods Rd E., Port Orchard, Wa 98366
(Darrell and Laura Fry's home)

What to bring: Yourselfes!
Kids bring your parents or grandparents!!

Note: Nearly all of our background check certifications are now expired.
Please look on the bulletin board in the hall across from the office. Talk to Gary Chasteen to get updated.

Gospel of Luke Class

The Bible Class on Luke, led by Trent Herbert meets on Zoom Sunday evenings at 6:00.
We're still in Chapter 16. You can find the current study questions on our web site:


pococ.weebly.com/bulletins--newsletters.html

Our Prayer List

- Word was received that 2 workers, 1 in each cottage, at the facility where Melvin and Barbara are living have been tested positive for Covid. There will be no visitors for now. Testing will be done between the 13th and 20th. Please pray, not only for Melvin and Barbara, but also for all those at the facility and the current visitors which include Darrell, Laura and Frankie.
- Please keep Laura's aunt Joyce who isn't feeling well. She is currently being treated for cancer.
- Pray for all those local firefighters who have been having to battle fires in our area over the past few days. Pray for rain sooner than Sunday, but not Saturday (the Sunday children's classes BBQ at the Fry's). Pray for cooler temperatures.
- Michelle Herbert's cousin David lost his precious life in a tragic truck accident in Yakima County last week. Please lift up all of his family in your prayers.
- The Sierra Bible camp in Canyonville CA and serves the Northern California Churches of Christ. Sadly, this camp was destroyed in the ongoing fire in that area. Please lift all those involved with up in prayer.
- Please continue to lift Paula Hill up in prayer for her recovery and follow-up.
- Continue to keep Nancy Davis in your prayers.
- Carol Henry's son Steve dealing with chemo for the next three months.
- Pray for Len Lewis whose brother Ray Hoover passed away from complications due to Covid. He was living in the Philippines.
- Laura Fry's aunt Joyce who recently was diagnosed with cancer.
- Margaret Meyers whose health is failing.
- Darrell Fry's sister Myrna, is still having dizzy spells.
- Darrell Fry's brother-in-law Luke, who is having prostate surgery now.
- Darrell Fry is traveling back from Oklahoma after taking Brandon back to school. He should be back by Sunday. (Remember, A/C is not working!)
- The Sunday School BBQ on August 14th.
- Bonnie Mitchell's son-in-law Tony DelBarto was recently diagnosed with heart failure and has an angioplasty procedure on July 30.
- Pat Woodrow doesn't have a blockage in her stomach, so the doctor did not do an upper G I like they told me and they did an x-ray instead. They stopped the N G tube and they put mom on a clear liquid diet. Here is hoping that she can come home soon. Love you all and keep praying.
- Love, Pat, Pam and Renny Woodrow.
- Chris Mitchell gets bloodwork done.
- Our garage sale - all 3 weekends (July 30 - 31, August 6 - 7 & August 20 - 21).
- Pray for all of our brothers and sisters for God to take care of any prayer needs they have that we are not aware of.
- That as a membership we make the decision God wants regarding the duplexes.
- Pray for all our brothers and sisters; that God will provide whatever their needs are.
- Pray for our nation and all our leaders worldwide to help bring peace through prayer and God's guidance.
- Praise to God our father who never fails

POCOC Web Site (<http://pococ.weebly.com>)

- Weekly Bulletin – Click on **Bulletin & Newsletters**
- Current newsletters from Trent Herbert, Tristan Herbert and Roy Merritt. Click on **Bulletin & Newsletters**
- Live stream of worship services on YouTube Channel - Previous recordings too:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URaKOYw7JOR9ZIQ then click on the video.
 Please subscribe to be notified when new videos post or when we go live.
- Pre-Covid audio sermons are also still online – Click on **Teachings**
- Current Event Calendar - Click on **News & Events**

Sunday Worship (10:30 am – 12:00 noon)				Fully Vaccinated? If so...  <i>Masks are Optional</i>
There WILL be “in-person” worship Watch live stream or after our worship time: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCL_SrX11URaKOYw7JOR9ZIQ				
Speaker: Mark McLean	Singing: Jon Powless	Scripture: Jon Powless	Prayer: Bob McDaniel	Communion: Mark McLean

Classes		
Bible Classes Sunday: 9:30 - 10:15am	Adult: Auditorium James Greer / Jim Snead	Children: Combined Class Downstairs
Luke Class Zoom Meeting: Sunday, 6:00 – 7:00 pm	Call Laura Fry or 360-876-2604 for Zoom Meeting ID	
Ladies Prayer Group Zoom Meeting: Tuesday, 10:00 am		
Prayer Meeting Zoom Meeting: Wednesday, 5:00 pm		

Happy Birthday!

August: Terry Bratcher – 17, Rodney Cormier – 18, Connie Greer – 20, Hanna Herbert – 22, Dave Snypp – 25, Shirley Olson – 30.

September: Savanna Wilson – 1, Sydney Monk – 4, Barbara Byrd – 9, Dave Lawrence – 13, Jon Powless – 15, Kayli Benjamin – 17, Eloise Gerard – 17, Charlie Fender – 21, Pam Woodrow – 25, Eunice Orser – 29,

Note: Be sure to check the bulletin each week for Sunday morning assignments

New Project Corner

We have just built a project page on our website. [Check it out](#) to see what we've been up to and how you can help out! Below is a summary of how we've been caring for this wonderful facility and resource.



New Place to Play

We have a new playground structure that was installed at the beginning of July. It has gotten great reviews from all the kids playing on it! We pray that it serves the camp well for many years to come.

Replacement Roof

Thanks to a generous, anonymous \$25,000 donation this winter, we were able to undertake several critical projects. Putting a new roof on the caretaker house was one of those projects.



Challenging Trees

Due to rot and structural concerns, we had to remove two iconic Delano trees from the girl's and boys' quads. We were able to plant four new trees, though! See if you can spot them the next time you're at the camp!

New Caretakers!

The Larson family has served for the last 3+ years as caretakers. They graciously offered to finish out 2021 to allow us time to find new caretakers. The Lewis family arrives in December! Find out more about them on our website.



Thanks for an awesome summer!

We wanted to send this email out as a thank you! We had an amazing time this summer with all of the campers and staff focusing on the theme of "the Messiah" through the lens of WALL-E. If you'd like pictures or the video, please check our Facebook page or contact your camp director.