

Port
Orchard
Church of
Christ



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Lubbock, TX

A few months ago, our bulletin featured an article about Sunset International Bible School (SIBI; Lubbock, TX) and a family of ours who is there enrolled. That article also mentioned several of the projects that SIBI has initiated and been involved in. One such program is Adventures in Missions (AIM). AIM is a two-year certificate missionary-apprentice program for college-aged folks from both the US and foreign countries. AIM exposes young people to mission work by sending them to work with established missionaries around the world in Russia, Equador, the US, Ireland, Germany, Australia, Scotland, Mexico, the Philippines, and others.

For the first eight months, an AIM student's life is devoted to the study of God's Word at SIBI in Lubbock. They attend intensive classes, spend time with people in the community, participate in campus ministry, learn about other cultures and beliefs, practice sharing their knowledge with others, and also participate in small group Bible studies. They also work through team building and leadership classes. All of these things are used to help the student develop the skills they will need to be effective missionaries in the field. After an AIM student has completed their studies and has been approved by the SIBI staff, that student is then sent to a foreign or domestic mission field for 14-22 months. There,

they assist the established missionary with teaching, community service, organizing youth and children's activities, and whatever else they can do. Students go on to other vocations or continue in a mission field after leaving AIM equipped with all of the independence, skill, and experience gained from their time in the mission field.

Because the instruction is so intensive, AIM students cannot work for their living while attending classes. The living and mission expenses of AIM students are supported by Christians from around the world and their tuition is provided for by the Sunset Church of Christ in Lubbock. Our own Dale and Lori Sanders supported Katy Stefanoff in her work through Adventures in Missions. The SIBI website encourages students to be bold in asking everyone they know to help them financially; the work an AIM student will be doing is "the greatest work on the face of the earth."¹ This statement can't be any more precise and real: it hits the nail on the head.

If you are interested in participating in Adventures in Missions through SIBI, information and applications can be attained from their website at www.aimsunset.org.

¹<http://www.sibi.cc/academics/admissions/qa>

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Welcome Guests

We are so glad that you decided to visit Port Orchard Church of Christ this morning! Since you took this step to join us for worship, we would like to extend to you a warm welcome. Wherever you are this morning, as we lift worship to God, we pray that you are able to leave feeling uplifted, convicted, or encouraged in your faith.

We seek to worship God like the first century church did, with a sense of awe and with a fear of the Lord. Some things we do might seem old fashioned or traditional, but we want you to know that at its core, it is for the praise of God's glory.

You are not required to do anything weird or ostentatious. We hope that you feel free to join us in worshipping God to the

best of your abilities. If you have any specific needs, we have a ministry staff that would love to connect with you. Ask the people sitting around you for names of the ministry staff and to point them out!

Once again, we are so happy to have you here worshipping with us and we hope this is a chance to worship God in a deep and meaningful way.

Save the Dates!

Sunday 05/20 *Class of 2018
Celebration*

**Wednesday
05/23
6:00-7:00 pm** *Pray, Pray, & Pray
John 14:12-13*

Port Orchard News and Events

Sunday Preview

We will be celebrating our Class of 2018 Graduates. Service begins at 10:45. Refreshments to follow. We hope to see you here!

Happy Birthday!

May: Isaac Benjamin-02, Gary Chasteen-03, Anna Harris-04, John Bickle-05, Brandon Delay-09, Julia Karn-17, Barbara Chasteen-25, Levi Herbert-26, Gene Gerard-28, Sarah Hill-31, & Shauna Soete.

Last Sunday

Darrell Fry shared a sermon with us last Sunday. If you missed his message, please visit the church website at pococ.weebly.com to listen.

Dear Church,

Thanks for another month of comfort and peace in my duplex. I appreciate your blessing me with this cozy place!

In Christ's Love,

Bobbie Blair

Serving May 20, 2018:

Prayer Leader: Gene Gerard
Scripture Reader: Ken Avery
Offering Thoughts: Dave Snyp
Communion Meditation: Wayne Hammock
Servers: David Lawrence & Roger T.
Ushers: Terry Bratcher & Brandon K.
Greeters: Greg & Sandi Warner
Prayer Partners: Dale & Lori Sanders
Sound: Lisa Bratcher
Slides/Lighting: Dale Sanders & Brandon K.

Communion Prep: Rick Velasco
Communion Cleanup: Reinke Family
Song Leader: Gene Gerard

Children's 9:30 Teacher: Kelli Keagle
Youth Worship: Laura Fry
Preaching: Class of 2018 Celebration



Adventures in Missions
students at work.



All the believers were one in heart and mind. No one claimed that any of their possessions was their own, but they shared everything they had. –Acts 4:32

The Housing Solutions Center (HSC) is Kitsap County's one-stop intake and referral center for all households experiencing **homelessness or at risk of homelessness**. Their report September 30, 2017 of the 4,873 individuals who fall into this category showed that 51% were adults ages 25-59, 33% were children ages 1-18, 9% youth ages 8-24 and 7% were seniors 60 or older.

HEALTH IMPACTS OF HOMELESSNESS

Compared to the general population, people who experience homelessness have:

- 2-5 times higher incidence of mortality than the general population
- Higher prevalence of infectious disease and psychiatric diagnosis
- Higher hospital admissions for unintentional injuries
- Higher tobacco smoking rates (68-80% of homeless people are smokers)
- Worse emotional and physical health
- Earlier development of age-related functional impairments

Communion for Our At-Home Members

There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer for those willing to take to and share communion with our members who cannot travel to services. If you are able to perform this service, sign up in the foyer. You will be contacted in the coming week as we have several members in need of this fellowship.

Our Prayer List

Healing:

Jennifer Davis, Dale Sanders' niece
Baby Tommy
Pam Woodrow
Laura Fry
David Latham

Clyde Griffin, Laura Fry's father
All Those Friends & Relatives Undergoing Treatments for Cancer

Encouragement:

Our Number who Cannot Attend Services
Karen Taylor
Tiny Cabin Fact-Finding Team

Travelling:

Don Jordan

Other:

2018 Graduates
Our children, church, nation, President Trump and ministries.
That God will bless our deacons with wisdom in reaching the many decisions they are entrusted with.
Direction of our congregation.

May 13, 2018

Worship: 60

Class: 39

Offering: \$2,389.00

Kids and Tweens Talent Show

When: Sunday, June 10th

Where: POCOC Potluck

Register: Sarah Benjamin or
Karen Taylor

For this potluck, Tweens will be providing desserts for donations for the Ghana Project.

Garage Sale for Manger Scene Fund

Donations for the garage sale are still being collected. Contact Barbara Chasteen or Rick Velasco for drop-off information.

Mountain States Children's Home Cans

We have a bunch of new cans in the foyer for the Mountain States Children's Home coin drive.

Please take one home and fill it up over the next several months. The campaign ends August 12. Last year, our congregation raised over \$600 for MSCH just by collecting our loose change.

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