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A COVID - 19 Moment: The blessing of partnership with our SDB Conference

by Pastor Nate Crandall

In a moment the world was turned upside down. I remember the week when things shifted for me. On Wednesday, March 11th I was listening to a college professor announce that he was canceling in person classes for the rest of the semester and going to online instruction. It was unreal and shocking to me that canceling in person classes was being talked about, but it quickly woke me up to the fact that we were not in Kansas anymore.

It was then that we began to respond to this ever-changing situation with communication to the church for that Sabbath, March 14th, and what turned out to be our last in person worship service until June 13th when we met together in an outdoor worship service at Camp Wakonda. Since that coming week was our spring break week, we had the time to get our act together as far as the shift to online ministry was concerned.

My experience with online video communication had not been very positive up until that point. However, I heard that a youth group in our local area had met online on Sunday, March 15th using Zoom, so I decided to check it out.

I was so impressed that almost immediately I paid for a year's subscription and began to plan for our ministries, small groups and Bible studies to begin using it. We had enough overlap of groups wanting to use the licensed version (which was available for an unlimited amount of time instead of the 40 minute limit on the unlicensed version) that we purchased a second license to accommodate all the groups.



Now three months later with things beginning to open back up, we are still using both licenses nearly every day. We anticipate that some of our groups will continue to use Zoom and will not gather in person going forward. Others will meet in person and will use Zoom to accommodate those who live from a distance. Upon reflection, our ministries really did not skip a beat. However, we did have lots of technical problems to solve along the way which always made life fun and interesting.

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A COVID - 19 Moment, *continued*

Meanwhile on another ministry front, we had been talking about doing livestream for Sabbath worship gatherings for several years, but it had never reached the point where the cost to get it up and running was able to fit our budget. When everything went online, we once again took up the conversation, and it became clear to me and to our technical director, Matt Uglum, that livestream was no longer an option but rather a necessity. This led to some creative solutions that allowed us to not need the large dollar amounts of buying three new HD cameras.

Instead we were able to retrofit our existing camera system (which by the way was purchased with help from a grant from the Conference, thank you VERY much Conference people!) so that as we gather again for worship in the church sanctuary we are able to do a livestream. When money allows we will upgrade our

cameras, but for the moment we are able to do what we need to do.

With the reality of this moment requiring that a good percentage of our people will stay at home, the livestream is definitely a necessity for ministry. As other churches have seen, we also have expanded our online reach during this time, and so livestreaming will be an added vehicle to those who have joined us and will pass on our ministry to those they know.

encouraging to be supported by those SDB leaders who have a heart and a vision for the gospel to advance through the local church.

I am also encouraged by the adaptability and commitment to the Lord which I have seen in our people here in Milton. This wave of change could have knocked us flat, but we have risen to the challenge. I also believe that we will see the impact of this shift in ministry in powerful ways in the time to come.

As I reflect on what God is doing during this unprecedented time, there is at least one thing that stands out to me. We have learned that we need each other. Thank you Conference leadership for recognizing that we needed to connect in a different way during this season and being willing to help! Thank you Milton SDBers for shifting gears and being the family of God in these rapidly changing times!



Our thanks to the General Conference for the Church Revitalization Grant which has helped support our shift to online ministry. I am grateful for their proactive response and support. I believe that in the days ahead we will need this skill of quickly responding to rapidly changing ministry needs more than ever. It is



Group Meetings via zoom

Event	Day	Time	Host
Men's Study	Mon.	8:30 p.m.	Pastor Nate
Men's Study	Weds.	6:30 a.m.	Pastor Nate
Ladies Study	Weds.	9:30 a.m.	Renee Sanford
Ladies Study	Thurs.	9:30 a.m.	Pastor Liz
Ladies Sit 'n Sip	Tues.	9:00 a.m.	Angie Mullen

Contact the event host listed or the church office for information on how to connect.

Why Spiritual Gifts? *By Pastor Nate Crandall*

The Bible says, **“To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.”** (1 Corinthians 12:7) In this way a spiritual gift works in the opposite way of an ordinary gift. We are only meant to be a conduit for the gift and not to keep it for ourselves. 1 Peter 4:10 emphasizes this even further, **“As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.”** A good servant does not take from the master for his own benefit but instead uses the master's resources to serve others.



The benefit that we receive when we serve others with our spiritual gifts is that we are blessed by God in our service. This is the highest form of blessing which is even greater than the blessings we receive when we are the recipients of good things from God. And even more, we are blessed because using our gifts helps

God's people to grow closer to him. His gifts are given **“to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood,**

to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ,” (Ephesians 4:12-13)

Every believer has been given at least one spiritual gift, but not every believer knows what their gift or gifts are and even fewer believers are using them.

Do you know what your spiritual gifts are? Would you like to? Come see me. One of my gifts is the ability to help people see what gifts they have and to start to use them. We need to talk!

Online Worship

Our Sabbath morning worship service is available **live** on our YouTube channel. Go to <http://TheConnecting.Church/WorshipOnline> for the link.

We are also be posting links to the song lyrics and sermon notes on that same page.

If you prefer, you can go directly to YouTube.com and search for "The Connecting Church" to find our channel.

When you get to our YouTube channel, be sure to click the "Subscribe" button in the upper right corner to get notifications when we have a live event. If we get to 100 subscribers, we can get a more user friendly YouTube address.



Mid-Year Church Meeting

Sunday, July 19 at 9:00 a.m.

Come and be a part of the business of the church. Pick up the meeting agenda and handouts at the Welcome Center or call the church office to have them mailed to you prior to the meeting to review ahead of time.

We will be social distancing in the sanctuary.

Prayer Focus – Our Church *by Renee Sanford, Prayer Coordinator*

Not only do we need to pray for each other – use that picture directory! – we need to pray for our church. We don't want to be simply a social club or service organization – we want to display the body of Christ to our broken world. We want people to see a network of relationships that is so attractive they want to be part of it.

The book *Compelling Community* by Mark Dever and Jamie Dunlop gives 10 ways to pray for your church:

- Our witness of unity in our diverse society
- Our daily lives – doing what is good, honoring God, sharing the good news
- Our relationships with each other would deepen and grow
- Being willing to work on developing and maintaining relationships
- Expect conversations with other church members to be deep and theological in nature
- Remember the importance of encouraging each other with Scripture – and doing it
- See ourselves as providers of church services, not consumers
- Seek to meet others' needs and thus bring God glory
- Our church would be an important part of our lives
- Open our homes, lives and social networks to others



Did you notice something about these prayers? They are about the character of our church – not its finances, its physical structure, or even its leadership. Our character as a body. The content of our character should display the 16 traits identified in our vision lens:

Christ-centered	Compassion driven	Kingdom minded
Characterized by love	Faith filled	Team oriented
Truth seeking	United in Spirit	Ministry empowering
Gospel focused	Word directed	Transparent in Communication
Servant hearted	Spirit led	Faithful in Stewardship
Marked by Prayer		



We want our church to be attractive and create curiosity in unbelievers. Why are these people doing what they are doing in the way they are doing it? What is their motivation? Who ARE they? How can I be like them? We want the world to know we love Jesus because He first loved us. And that we are committed to following Him no matter what.

Let's pray for each other often – did I mention praying through the picture directory? Let's also pray for the character of our church to be conformed to the image of Christ.

World on Mission

by Linda Lyke, Outreach Coordinator

In “World on Mission,” I’ll share in each newsletter what I learned in the Perspectives on the World Christian Movement class – because God calls ALL of us to have a part in His movement. What a wonderful, awesome thing, that God allows and desires us to have a part in His plan.

Our Perspectives Study Guide Lesson 1 states that God’s ultimate purpose is that He be glorified. The book of Revelation tells us that when Jesus returns, that there WILL be people from every nation/people group in the world worshipping him. Our Perspectives course explains it this way:

“God is on mission to be loved, served and worshiped by people from all humanity.”
(Perspectives Study Guide - PSG, page 4)

The Guide continues, “God’s purpose is a singular purpose with three distinct directions: toward God, for people, and against evil,” with an explanation of those three.

1. Toward God: God desires that worship will come to Him from every nation. Therefore, world evangelization is ultimately for God.
2. For People: God intends to bring redemptive blessing to every people. He will redeem a people from every people group. (simple explanation of redemption: deliverance of Christians from sin)
3. Against Evil: God will overcome evil powers in order to liberate people and ultimately to bring all things under His everlasting and complete governance. This kingdom reign is the substance of the blessing He brings to the nations.

Here is the Perspectives simple summary of God’s purpose:

- For His glory in global worshiping, God purposes to overcome evil by redeeming a people who will love and obey Him within every people.

So my challenge to you is to pray, asking God what your part is in bringing glory to Him.

And also pray about what is your part in the Great Commission:

Matt 28:19-20a *Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you.*

Refugee Pencil Boxes – Service Opportunity

In our ongoing partnership with Devon Oasis, we are packing pencil boxes with much needed school supplies for the Rohingya children in Milwaukee.

Come pack pencil boxes full of school supplies on Saturday, August 1st as soon as church is over. Stay for ½ hour to pack.

Who can help? Men, women and children – 150 boxes to pack. School supplies will already have been purchased – do not bring your own.

Items will be set up at separate stations so you can social distance. You are strongly encouraged to wear a mask.

Thank you to Lynnette Millard for “super shopping” for the items and to Tara Rotzoll for un-packaging and organizing the supplies and set up for our event.



Cross Conference *by Linda Lyke, Outreach Coordinator*

It was almost two years ago that our church brought 21 young adults to Cross Conference! It was an amazing way to be energized for God's mission for Him to be glorified and for all to know Him.

Bethany and Micah Crandall and other young adults are in the planning stages to bring another group to Cross Conference at the end of this year. Contact them if you want more information: Bethany at bethanygraceupongrace@gmail.com or Micah at micahcran333@gmail.com

A conference for 18-25 year-olds (High school seniors are welcome) – Dec. 30 - Jan. 2 in Louisville Kentucky: <https://crossforthenations.org/>

Make your life count.
Make His name known.

Join John Piper, David Platt, and others for CROSS21.

We gather to consider the most loving cause in the universe: making the name of Jesus known in every corner of the world.

Equipping followers of Christ to spend their lives for the spread of God's glory among all nations.



Outreach Prayers & Praises:

Cross Conference: for Micah, Bethany and the others planning the trip for the young adult missions conference this year. That the pandemic would not stop these young adults from gathering, for a revival among them to bring the gospel to the nations.

For specifics on compiling the school supplies/pencil boxes which will go to Milwaukee Rohingya in August.

For Rohingya people in refugee camps, with the recent cyclone in Southeast Asia and the pandemic, that God would protect them and draw them to Jesus.

For God to use this pandemic and protests for His good purposes. Satan meant these times for evil, but God can and will be glorified. Pray for miracles, signs and wonders to happen in His name, that people would cry out to Him in their need.

Lord, what is our part as a church – for God to be glorified, for all to know Him?

Lord, we praise your holy name. You are the amazing, everlasting God who is and was and is yet to come. You are the Alpha and the Omega. None of these recent events are a surprise to you. You are in complete control and you know exactly what you want to do next. Amen and Hallelujah!

Operation Christmas Child

Samaritan's Purse is still planning on shipping boxes to children all over the world. As you see deals online or start to get out to stores more, ramp up your purchases of toys and fun items to pack those boxes full for children around the world this Christmas. Drop items off at church in the trunk in the back stairwell.

July & August:

School Supplies: pens/pencils, colored pencils, pencil sharpeners, crayons, markers, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, small coloring / picture / sticker books, erasers, dry paint sets, scissors, glue sticks, stamps/ink pads

WOW Items (fun special gifts): small cars, small dolls, small stuffed animals, small toys (puppets, trucks, small etch-a-sketch), kazoos / harmonica, yo-yos / slinkys, small lego kits, play doh, small games, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), flashlights, musical instruments, playing cards, glow sticks



Summer Service Opportunity - One Apple Lunch Bunch

By Angie Mullen, Director of Children's Ministry

There have been people struggling with hunger for thousands of years. This result of our fallen, broken world is heavy on God's heart. How does one know this? A quick Google search of Bible verses related to feeding the hungry brought up over 100 biblical references. These references are found throughout both the Old and New Testaments. It doesn't take a lot of study to find out God's expectations for how Christians are to respond to those in need in our world. Perhaps one of Jesus' most well-known teachings on this topic can be found in Matthew 25:35 as he was describing the scene at His throne in heaven and who would inherit the kingdom. *"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me."*

Jesus then qualified this comment in verse 40 when he said, *"Truly I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me."* As Christ followers, God expects us to help take care of the hungry in our community and world.

Once again this summer, our church has an easy way for many of us to take part in feeding the hungry in our community with the One Apple Lunch Bunch program. Summer can be a particularly hard time for children and families who face food short-

age difficulties. Families rely on the free or reduced breakfast and lunch programs offered in our public schools to help offset their grocery needs. The One Apple Lunch Bunch is in its 3rd year of providing free lunches throughout the summer for the children in our community. This program is administered by the Milton United Methodist Church and is supported by individuals, businesses, and nonprofits in Milton by both financial contributions and volunteers to make and serve these important meals.

The Milton Seventh Day Baptist Church and Awana Clubs will be providing the volunteers **Aug. 3 - 6th to prepare and pack these lunches from 9:30-10:45 at the Milton United Methodist Church.** Volunteers will be provided with gloves and hand sanitizer. They ask that you bring your own face covering to prepare and serve lunches. The church will be set up so there will be an acceptable distance between volunteers. We will be preparing simple sandwiches and packing other prepackaged food in the bags. Volunteers need to be at least 15 years old to



make the sandwiches. Younger volunteers may assist in packing the prepackaged food items in the bags.

Volunteers are also needed this week to help hand out lunches at Harmony Elementary School on Mon. and Wed. and at the United Methodist Church on Tues. and Thurs. from

11:00 - 12:00. If you are available any of these mornings Aug. 3-6th, please sign up to help us feed Milton's hungry children. It's a simple, rewarding way to serve and share the love of Jesus with children and families in our communities. Join us!

You may sign up to volunteer in one of these simple ways:

- Use the Sign Up Genius at this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D49AAA62EA4FB6-volunteers>
- email or call the church office
- email or call Angie Mullen asmullen92@gmail.com, 608-295-6484
- sign up on the form in the Welcome Center

Nathaniel Muench – No down time during Lock Down

May and June have been really full. Here are a few highlights:

God is growing my relationship with the man I met swapping a mask for skateboard wax! He and his wax company have asked me to create a logo for their brand in helping them rebrand. I sat down with them for coffee and cake and we talked for probably 3 hours about everything – only 30 minutes was about the project. God has been growing the friendship between us – it’s not just client and work but something cool that’s happening. I’ve gone out twice now skating with the guy and it’s just so cool seeing God beginning to do more. So please continue to pray that his heart will be opened to the Gospel.

I was able to travel out of the city, and I went to Frankfurt for a weekend of ministry meetings. It was so refreshing being in a real city again, the rush and vibe of feeling like corona was non-existent. The meetings were all in German and that was challenging, but got easier as the weekend progressed. It was really encouraging seeing friends and talking with others again. We are really all focusing on local ministry – personal relationships.

We had an international action sports ministry zoom call. I was supposed to go to Japan in May for this conference but it was moved online.

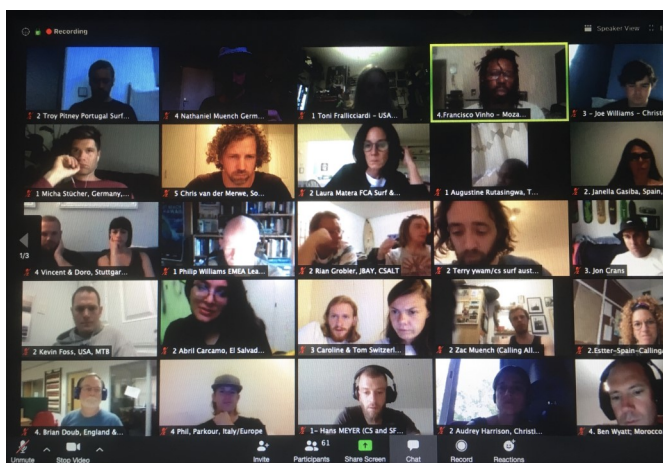
It was really encouraging for me to see familiar faces again! I’ve included a picture of the conference zoom. (61 participates) This sparked another Canadian friend and myself to organize biweekly meetings with international skaters involved in Christian skate ministry. We had our first official call last week and it was amazing. Even though we have all this stuff going on all over the world, we can see God using technology to encourage and grow us in ministry.

Oh and I got my visa! After a year and a half of “being in process” I finally got the paper

to go in and pick up my visa ID card. But because of Corona I have to wait until July 3.

Prayer requests:

- Financial support.
- German. My German got really rusty over the quarantine; I had cut 80% of English out of conversations but relapsed. I’m on target again now, which feels good, but I’m still slow finding words.
- Health.
- Relationships. All the cool relationships God has put before us, that we can make the next steps.



Zac Muench – Un-Quarantined!

Opening up the strict regulations for exercise in the park was an encouraging step in “Phase 1.” But there were still restrictions – people not exercising were told to leave. Police in full uniform gathered those skaters remaining, telling us “There can’t be more than five of you skating here at one time.” In spite of a few heckling skaters, they let us off with a warning. With a three-month-old baby, our skater friend Huckleberry was really glad we did not get ticketed.

As of Monday the 8th, we were allowed to exercise outside at any time during the day! As well as meeting at friends' houses. We're doing Bible studies together again! It really makes you appreciate the time you have with friends.

God has been speaking to me about His Father heart. Normally winding down for the evening involves a relaxing TV show and a hot meal. Last week I felt like things should be switched up. I felt prompted to ask “God, would You like to have dinner with me tonight?” Sounds odd, I know, but bear with me. I intentionally placed my phone out of sight. Stressful thoughts from the day's trials began popping into my head like microwaving a bag of popcorn. “God, please give me Your peace.”

Closing my eyes, God brought an image to mind: A child running to his father and grabbing his leg. God was the

Father and me, the child. The father joyfully scooped up the child in his arms and held him out. With nothing but love & kindness in the Father's eyes towards the son.

“Will He abandon me?”

I thought for a second. But knowing His character I was quickly assured He would never leave me. Bringing me close he gave me the biggest bear hug.

As God's children, we have all the good He has to offer. We don't need to worry about finances, health, or the future,

because He is our Father and we are His little children. He provides for all our needs regardless of the circumstance. And we get the blessing of simply resting in His presence.

Praises:

- God is the Father
- No tickets
- More and more freedom to be outside
- Good friends

Prayer requests:

- For more friendships to be made with the locals and boldness in sharing Jesus.
- Health



My house flatmates – Over the past few months, I feel we gone from good friends to brothers. I consider myself very blessed to have a community like this. Elisha, Dave, Robert, yours truly



We are now able to have our Calling All Skaters Bible studies at our friend's houses!



Today we were able to start "MACBA Mondays" again. MACBA is an art museum that's designed perfectly for skateboarding, so skaters from all over the world come to skate it. Unfortunately, it also breeds comparison and aggression, so we like to show up early Monday morning before many skaters arrive to pray over it and intercede for skaters we've met and will meet.

Let's Turn 2020 Around!

by Carl Greene, SDB Executive Director & Kevin Butler, SDB Conference President

Are you tired of hearing the words “No” and “Canceled” this year because of the pandemic?

When you hear the latest news report, do you think, “Well, that’s 2020 for you!”

How about we turn that around this summer? Who says we can’t still “FIX OUR EYES on JESUS”?

While we won’t be meeting face-to-face for our annual Conference in Grand Rapids, MI, President Kevin Butler, the General Council, and the Conference Directors are planning to have some awesome virtual options that same week of July 26–August 1!

Our SDB Conference Directors and a team of volunteers are working to bring you:

- **reports and videos** by the General Council and Conference Directors
- President Butler kicking off the **2020 Conference** theme *Fix Your Eyes on Jesus* on FB Live
- **Conference Spirit Week** with different daily themes. Show off your SDB stuff!!
- **“Youth Summer Virtual Bash”** for grades 9-12 on Zoom, led by Debbie Bond
- **“Kid Con”** for grades K-5 via FB group, led by Elianna Chroniger McHenry
- **“Mid Con”** for grades 6-8 on YouTube & Discord, led by Michaella Osborn

- morning **Bible Studies** on FB Live, led by Matt Butler
- a **Virtual 5K** hosted by the SDB Missionary Society
- **Q&A sessions** with Conference Directors on Zoom
- the **Women’s Society Business Meeting** via Zoom
- a **Night of Worship concert** on FB Live, led by Southeast Atlanta SDB Church
- a **Pastors and Spouses Forum** via Zoom
- an **Interview with International Guests** via FB Live, hosted by the SDB Missionary Society
- a **Hymn Sing** on FB Live, led by Don & Charlotte Chroniger
- an address from **President Butler** (again??) unveiling the 2021 Conference theme

We also encourage our churches to collect an offering on Sabbath, August 1, to support the many ministries of the General Conference.

We would love to have you and your churches share these events on your social media channels or even host watch parties. Let’s attract some folks who have never attended a Conference Week, or may have never heard of Seventh Day Baptists, to participate in some of the **Virtual Conference Week 2020** events.



Grand Rapids, MI • July 26 – Aug 1

Stay tuned to the Conference Week 2020 web page (seventhdaybaptist.org/conference-2020) and our SDB social media channels for updated info. Please visit often to get all the specifics. You may also email or phone the Conferences Coordinator, John Pethtel (jpethtel@seventhdaybaptist.org; 608-752-5055 ext. 702) for questions not answered on the Conference Week 2020 web page. Many thanks go to John for taking on the bulk of this rescheduling.

Join us at the end of July and “Fix Your Eyes on JESUS!”

Conference Offering

Purpose: To support the efforts of the SDB General Conference through the work of our Directors, Councils and Societies. Please give your offering by August 1st. Checks should be made out to **Milton SDB Church** with *Conf. Offering* in the memo. Thank you.

Our Immune System *by Barb Green, Parish Nurse*

The immune system is a complex network of cells and proteins that defends the body against infection. It keeps a record of every germ it has ever defeated so it can recognize and destroy it quickly if it enters the body again. The main parts of this system are white blood cells, antibodies, the complement system, the lymphatic system, the spleen, the thymus and the bone marrow.

White blood cells are the key players. Made in the bone marrow they move through blood and tissue throughout the body looking for bacteria, viruses, parasites and fungi. When they find them, they launch an attack. B cells make antibodies to fight infections. T cells include those that fight viruses, memory cells which remember past viruses and give immunity and naïve cells which teach themselves to fight new viruses, such as COVID-19.

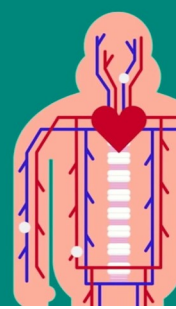
Antibodies help fight microbes or the toxins they produce by recognizing them on cells and marking them for destruction. The complement system includes proteins whose actions complement the work done by antibodies. The lymphatic system helps bathe the body's tissues with infection-fighting white cells. The spleen removes microbes and destroys old or damaged red blood cells. Bone marrow produces red blood cells, white blood cells and platelets. The thymus filters your blood content and produces T-lymphocytes. This is a

very basic explanation of the immune system.

With the advent of COVID-19, studying the immune system has become a focus of researchers. There are no memory cells because no one has ever seen this virus. It is understood that the immune system functions less efficiently as people age and that genetics plays a role. But is there something else that makes some of us more immune than others? Why do 50-year olds die from this virus while some people in their 90's survive? There are no blood tests to measure B and T cells and even if there were, no one knows what a healthy amount is.

Immunologists do know that not everyone's immune system declines in the same way. Aging decreases the number of immune cells. Part of the reason for this is rising inflammation levels as we age. Inflammation helps the body fight disease and is meant to be short term. Sometimes it gets turned on and never goes off causing chronic inflammation with all the problems it causes. This chronic inflammation is silent, producing no symptoms so your immune system may be compromised and you don't know it.

HOW DOES YOUR
IMMUNE
SYSTEM
WORK?



What can we do to strengthen our immune system? We can't change our genetic makeup but many factors that positively affect the immune system **are** within our control. These

include: **movement** (skeletal muscle is a major immune regulatory organ), **weight management, self-knowledge** (knowing your numbers such as airflow capacity if you have respiratory problems), **nutrition** (vegetables, good proteins and fiber), **calm** (unregulated stress can accelerate the rate of cell decline), **vaccines** (get whatever your doctor recommends based on your age and medical conditions) and **medications** (corticosteroids and some other medications can raise your risk of some infections.) Talk to your doctor about possible immune system side effects and how to address them.

Take these immune system boosters seriously. We may not be able to stop our cells from aging but any slowdown produced means a higher immune reserve at any given time. This may help the incidence of disease and certainly affects the severity. In these times of novel viruses like COVID-19 this could save your life.

*Adapted from AARP bulletin
May 2020*

Save the Date: Awana 2020-21

We are all getting mighty used to operating in a “plan ahead, but wait and see” mode these days. For people like me who are planners, this has been a growing and learning experience. It actually helps me rely more on God and less on my own understanding, though, and that’s a really good thing!

As we look ahead to the coming Awana Club year, I want to assure you that I am working with our other leaders to plan for club “as usual” and hemming that in with lots of prayer that God will rid our

world of COVID 19 so this is possible. Please join us in that prayer! And while we have complete faith in God to hear and answer our prayers, we know that ridding the world of this virus quickly just may not be part of His plan. So, we plan to be flexible and wait on the Lord, too.

Please go ahead and mark your calendars for Wed., Sept. 9th as our first club night this year! (But stay flexible with that date!) Tell your friends. And be watching email, social media and church communications on how we will kick off

the year. Our hope is to have our Awards Ceremony from the 2019-20 club year and Registration Night for 2020-21 in one BIG event sometime before Sept. 9. We will let you know as soon we are able to confirm that we can hold such an event safely.



Bulletin Board



Meeting Every
Wednesday
at 7:00 p.m.
at Camp
Wakonda
Come ready to
have fun!



Regretfully we will NOT be able to hold our rummage sale this year.



Rick and Angie Mullen invite you to join in celebrating
Lukas' graduation from Milton High School.
Sunday, July 26, 1:00-5:00 pm
Open House at Camp Wakonda, 10240 N. Klug Rd., Milton

Camp Wakonda has plenty of room to spread out and still be together. Join us in praying for a dry day! You may wish to bring your own lawn chair. Feel free to wear a mask, too, if that makes you more comfortable!



- 3 Steve Gincer
- 6 Ken Johnson
- 6 Jackie Geske
- 7 Janet Butler
- 7 Dale & Barb Green
- 10 Frank Green
- 10 Rich & Chris Gallegos
- 13 Linda Gilmore
- 15 Stephen Thorngate
- 16 Ellie Lubke
- 19 Kory & Jackie Geske
- 21 Scott Buchanan
- 22 Nick & Brittany Kersten
- 22 Nate & Michelle Crandall
- 24 Silas Geske
- 25 Jon & Sue Cruzan
- 30 Frank Perrino
- 30 Leif & Amanda Sykora

- 1 Deirdre Camenga
- 3 Frank & Deb Perrino
- 6 Connie Fisher
- 9 Chris Gallegos
- 13 Teresa Kersten
- 13 Joe & Karissa Bornemann
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Bulletin Board

Don't forget about the Deacon's Fund!

If you have a need please contact Pastor Liz at (608) 289-3029 or pastorliz@miltonsdb.org. We can help out a bit if you are having needs because of the Pandemic. Likewise, if God has richly blessed you and you are able to contribute to the fund, now is the time! We expect there may be increased needs within our church family. You can mail donations to the church office.



Focus on Funds

as of May 31, 2020

General Fund Balance	\$14,734.13
Cash at Mem. Fund	\$66,773.66
May Undesignated Income	\$18,288.30
April Total Income	\$22,011.00
April Expenses	\$17,231.60
Denomination Giving YTD	\$ 4,173.00

Capital Campaign Update

As of May 31, 2020

Starting Balance	\$ 2,505.00
Total Income	\$61,192.74
Total Expenses	\$14,445.42
Fund Balance	\$49,252.32

Capital Campaign Great News

The outside masonry work on the bell tower and CE wing has been completed and the bills will be due soon. ***We had a couple amazing gifts that will help us cover these bills! Praise the Lord!***

We have a few more projects planned and are hoping to schedule the bathroom remodel soon.



Thank you! You have filled 100 out of the 200 envelopes on the Wall-o-Money!

If you feel led to fill one of the envelopes still on the wall, just mail your check to the Church. Envelopes available through August are: \$31, \$46, \$47, \$48, \$49, \$64, \$65, \$66, \$67, \$68, \$69, \$81, \$83, \$84, \$85, \$86, \$101, \$102, \$103, \$104, \$106, \$107, \$119, \$120, \$121, \$122, \$123, \$124, \$125, \$138, \$139, \$141, \$142, \$143, \$144, \$157, \$158, \$159, \$160, \$161, \$163, \$175, \$176, \$177, \$179, \$181, \$182.

July 2020

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<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>Sabbath Sunset Times</p> <p>July 3 8:37 p.m. July 4 8:37 p.m. July 10 8:34 p.m. July 11 8:34 p.m. July 17 8:30 p.m. July 18 8:29 p.m. July 24 8:23 p.m. July 25 8:23 p.m.</p> </div>			1	2	3	4
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<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p>SDB Virtual Conference - July 26- August 1</p> </div>						
	8:30 Men's Bible Study - zoom					

August 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						
	<div style="border: 2px solid orange; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;"> One Apple Lunch Bunch – August 3-7 </div>					1 9:00 Grow Group – zoom 10:30 Worship – Sanctuary and Livestream 12:00 Pencil Box Packing
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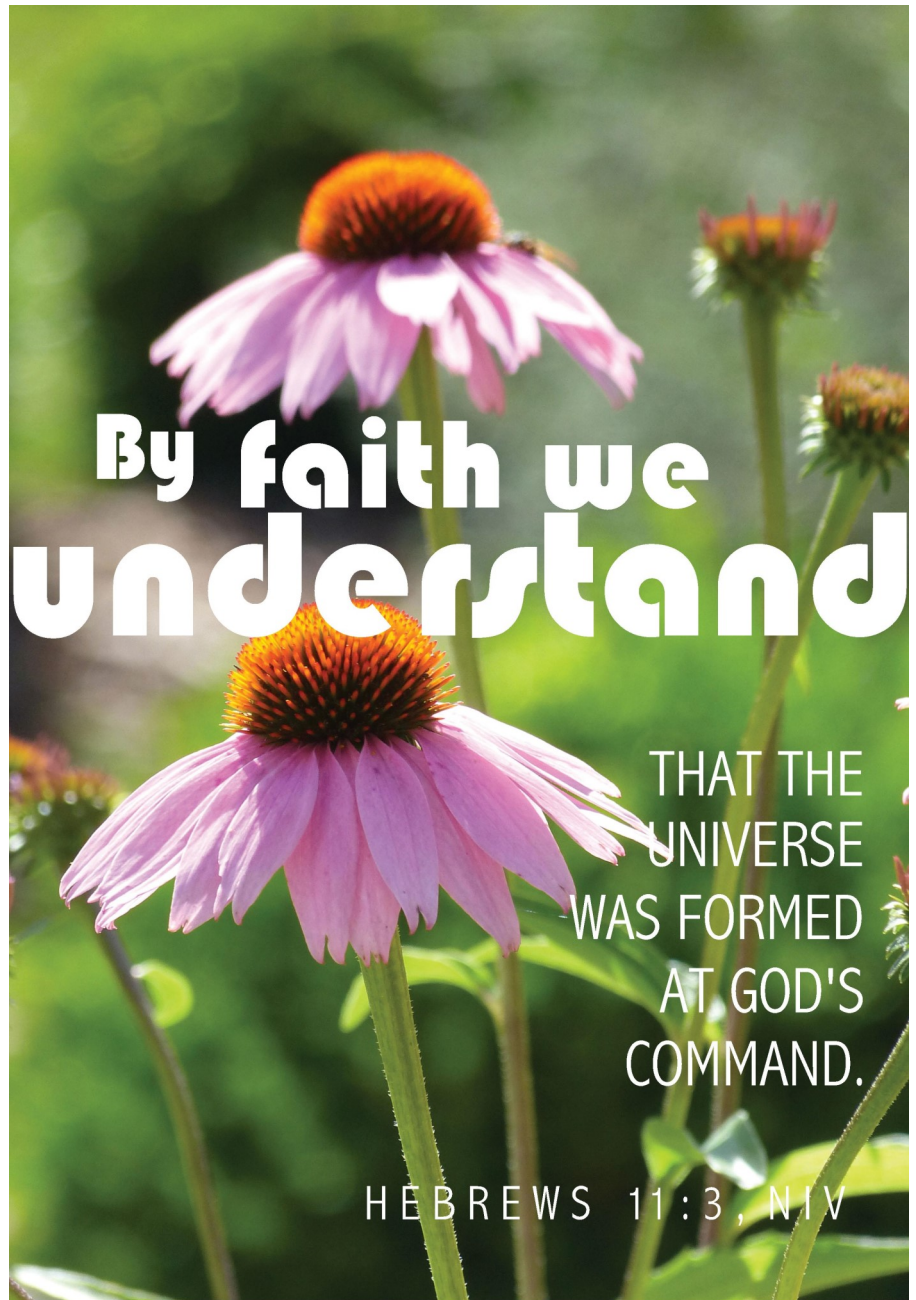
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By faith we
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HEBREWS 11:3, NIV