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- ♦ Dec 5 (1-3pm): Kids Kraft Day
- ♦ Dec. 20: Kid's Christmas Program
- ♦ Dec. 24:
4:30pm Christmas Eve Dinner
6:00pm Candlelight Service
- ♦ Dec. 25: Happy Birthday, Jesus!
- ♦ Sundays:
9:00am Adult Sunday School
10:30am Worship Service
- ♦ Mondays:
3-4pm Good News Club
- ♦ Tuesdays:
4:00pm Victory Prayer
- ♦ Thursdays:
6-8pm Awana

To Tell the Truth

By Terry Sundberg



Telling the truth... is not solely a matter of moral character; it is also a matter of correct appreciation of real situations and of serious reflection upon them.

— Dietrich Bonhoeffer —

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Were the results of the November 3rd elections honest and truthful? Were the votes accurately and truthfully counted? Was there massive and systematic voter fraud in the early morning hours while most of America slept? I can't think of a much more strategic matter for the American people and the future of the nation, can you? In this age of alleged "fake news" and so-called TV news "journalists" whose statements need to be "fact-checked" to verify truthfulness, is it any wonder we struggle with trust issues? We all know the world of journalism has shifted.

So, what can we do in the wake of such gripping uncertainty?

We can fortify our understanding of "Truth." Truth is defined as that which conforms to reality. Truth is that which is real. Truth is not merely a feeling. It not a preference. Truth is what is real for all people. If I say, "The sky is blue," it is blue for all people. It is not green. It is not purple. It is not brown. It is blue. The sky is really blue. If I say, "the earth is round," it is its real shape for all people. Someone might say, "the earth is flat," but according to photographs from space, such a claim does not conform to reality.

We can look at Jesus. In John 14:6, He describes Himself as "the way, the TRUTH, and the life." He is the revelation of God as He really is. When speaking with Pontius Pilate in John 18:37, Jesus stated His purpose for entering the realm of humanity. "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice." So, His very purpose was to bear witness to the truth.

We can understand that Satan, God's enemy, is the source of lies. John 8:44 is clear on this. "You are of your father the devil, and your will is to do

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your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks out of his own character, for he is a liar and the father of lies."

We can read and study God's Word to know the truth, that is, to know Jesus Himself, and to know His teaching. He said knowing the truth would bring us freedom. We can read our Bibles...a lot!

Beyond all of this, we must return to the question made famous by the late Dr. Francis Schaeffer, "How Should We Then Live?" This is such an important consideration! The short answer is, we must be truthful reflections of the character of God. We must be truth-tellers and truth-livers! Our families and friends and co-workers must be able to trust what we say as being truthful. We must let our 'yes' be 'yes' and our 'no' be 'no.' When we fill out job applications, we should be truthful. When we fill out a time sheet, we should be honest. When we testify in court or respond to the state patrolman, we should not lie. When we sell an item, a car, for example, we should provide truthful information. When we sell a home, we should truthfully disclose the real condition. OK, enough convicting...

Ephesians 4:14-15

¹⁴so that we may no longer be children, tossed to and fro by the waves and carried about by every wind of doctrine, by human cunning, by craftiness in deceitful schemes. ¹⁵Rather, speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ,

Philippians 2:14-15

¹⁴Do all things without grumbling or disputing, ¹⁵that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and twisted generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world,

Truthfully yours,
Pastor Terry

Christmas Eve Dinner • 4:30pm

Candlelight Service • 6:00pm

We are planning to hold our annual Christmas Eve Dinner at 4:30 on Thursday December 24th, followed by a candle light service at 6:00.

We plan to make this a safe event for all who wish to participate. This is a CFW family tradition and we want to ensure it continues.

Table reservations will be taken so we can assure families sit together and that appropriate size tables are available.

The church will be providing the turkey, "masked" potatoes & gravy, stuffing, cranberry sauce, and rolls. We are asking the congregation to sign up for side dishes and desserts in the Fellowship Hall.

This event is a wonderful time of fellowship as we remember the reason for Christmas and sharing in the celebration of our Savior's birth.

Volunteers for set-up, clean-up and serving will be greatly appreciated. ◇



If you haven't already signed up for RightNow Media, do so now and [watch the new Advent series with J.D. Greear](#) to hear the good news of Jesus's birth.

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December Missionary Spotlight

• Denis and Marcela Vargas

Serving in Papua New Guinea with Wycliffe Bible Translators

Diodio Bible Translation

Covid19 has disrupted our plans.....but not God's plans!

'For I know the plans that I have for you,' declares the Lord, 'plans for prosperity and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope.'

~ Jeremiah 29:11 (NASB)

Our Plans:

We had planned going to Costa Rica for Home Assignment in May, 2020.

God's Plans:

- Vargas to stay in Papua New Guinea
- Literacy work
- Linguistics work
- Carry on translation
- Scripture Use work

Praise God for what He has been doing in Papua New Guinea:

- Completion of exegetical checking of Mark chapters 2 to 9. These chapters are now ready for the next stage of translation (Village testing).
- Availability of materials in Diodio for people to read: Genesis 22:1-19, Bible Study of Ruth, Picture Dictionary and Spelling Guide.
- Keeping Simon, Bryan and Simeon healthy while they were at the Center in the mountains.
- Taking the translators back home safely.

What's next?

- We are sending a second batch of these books to the village early in December
- We will be preparing the exegetical checking of Mark 10-15 while the translators finish drafting chapter 16 in the village.
- We are also focusing on Linguistics, we need to write a paper describing the Phonology and another describing the Grammar of Diodio language.
- The kids will finish Term 2 of the school year
- There is a chance we can travel to Costa Rica early next year, so we would be packing for our journey back on Home Assignment (1 year).

Join us in prayer:

- Praise for a productive time with the Diodio team in Ukarumpa, and for their safe return to the village.
- Praise also for a flight going to Alotau in December, so that we can send the books to the Diodio community.
- Praise for the first batch of books sent at the beginning of November that was very well received by the community; pray that people will be using them.
- Pray for our Linguistics work, that we can focus and produce an excellent description of the Diodio language.
- Praise for Sebastián (Grade 8), Benjamín (Grade 3) and Timoteo (Pre-K) as they prepare to finish the first semester of this school year.
- Pray for the family as we arrange our bookings to travel to Costa Rica for Home Assignment early in 2021.

Thank you, Christian Fellowship of Winlock for your commitment to spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ through Bible Translation in Papua New Guinea!

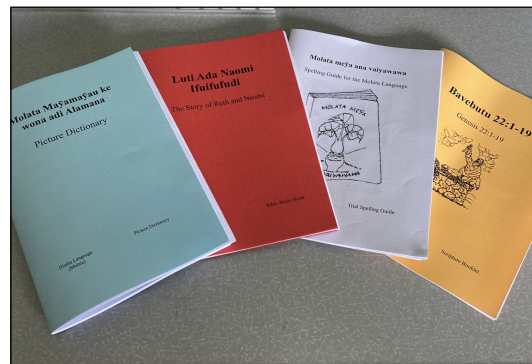
Yaubada inawanuwakabubuyemi! (God will bless you!)



GOODENOUGH ISLAND



DENIS & MARCELA VARGAS,
SEBASTIAN, BENJAMIN, & TIMOTEO



DIODIO MATERIALS

CFW Happenings

Awana Grand Prix!

Dec. 19th @ 10:00am

We are finally able to hold our Awana Grand Prix, which was postponed from last March. Not only are we having the race, we are having the race on our brand new, never before used, official Awana Grand Prix race track, complete with electronic finish line!



Kids need to be at the church between 9:00 and 9:15am to check their cars in. Race starts at 10:00am, and there will be a hotdog lunch served afterward. ◇



January 15-16, 2021 is the date set for **Mission ConneXion Northwest 2021 GLOBAL!** While 2020 has been an unprecedented year on so many fronts, 2021 will also be an historic “first” in that this will be the maiden voyage for the Global/Virtual Mission ConneXion Northwest event! This year you will be able to attend without the hassle of driving to Portland. Stay tuned for more information - we may be having some sort of Virtual Mission ConneXion event here at our church. ◇



Enjoy our children as they sing to the Lord!
December 20th @ 10:30am
during our Sunday Morning Worship Service.



Pastor Terry has been cleaning his bookshelves again. Please check out the table in the overflow room. Take as many as you want; they are free for the taking! ◇

Kids Kraft Day

at

Christian Fellowship of Winlock

December 5th from 1pm - 3pm

Christmas craft
projects to use
as gifts or
decorations!

Crafts!

Stories!

Snacks!

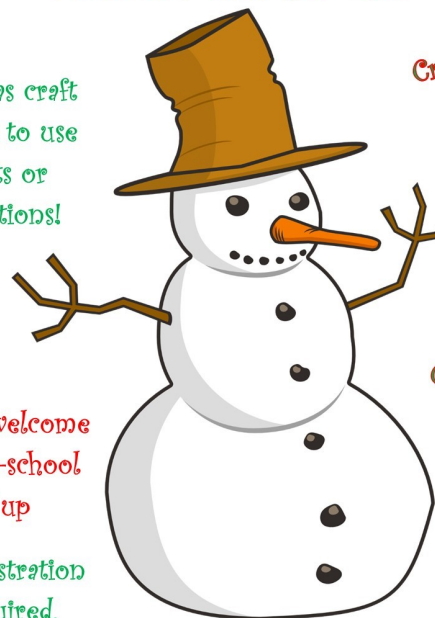
Songs!

Games!

All kids welcome
ages pre-school
and up

Pre-registration
not required,

but appreciated! 360-785-4280 or cfwinlock@gmail.com



Ladies Prayer and Bible Study

New study starting January 13th!

Experiencing God, Knowing and doing the Will of God

by Henry and Richard Blackaby and Claude King.

Learn to recognize where God is working, so you can join Him in what He is doing. Then you will experience God doing through you what only He can do.



For more than 15 years God has used *Experiencing God* to awaken believers to a radically God-centered way of life. As a result, millions have come to know God intimately, to recognize His voice, and to understand His will for their lives. God is inviting you to experience Him in an intimate love relationship through which He reveals to you His will, His ways, and His work.

Sign up soon! A workbook will be required for each participant; if desired you may also order the *Experiencing God* book. Material will be ordered the week of December 14th, so please let Cheryl know prior to this date. ♦

Fall 2020 Ministry Outcomes

Christmas in September: \$6501.50

Military BibleSticks: \$3650.00

Christmas Shoeboxes: Total of 45 boxes

Angel Tree: Serving 11 families with 25 kids

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Fiscal Year:

Sept. 1, 2020 - Aug. 31, 2021

Annual Budget \$215,441.00
Monthly Budget \$17,953.42

November Offerings: \$20,824.43

Military Bible Sticks: \$3650.00

December Birthdays

Bob Allen	Dec. 3	Virginia Thompson	Dec. 12
Dave Hartley	Dec. 9	Devony Schlottmann	Dec. 24
Dennis Schlenker	Dec. 11	Julie Tupper	Dec. 28
Martin Legg	Dec. 11	Kay Doyle	Dec. 29
		Virginia Cook	Dec. 31

December Anniversaries

Terry & Kathy Sundberg Dec. 4 Rusty & Carrie Cox Dec. 10

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