



# *The Highline eConnection*

*Highline Christian Church*  
*Touched by Jesus to Touch Others' Lives*  
*Experience God's Touch*

*July 2011*



Please continue to pray for Highline's short-term missionaries and God's work to be accomplished through them

Men who returned from Joplin, MO  
Men who returned from Manti, Utah  
Youth in Montana returning July 2  
Mexico Mission Team returning July 2  
Africa Hope Team leaving August 12

**Next eNewsletter  
Deadline  
July 24**

## **Mission Trip Update Joplin, Missouri**

Thank you for your prayers and donations for our whirlwind trip to help with the tornado damage in Joplin. Steve Moreland, Dave Sloan and Ben Kirkham drove straight thru to Joplin and helped construct a command center for the International Disaster Emergency Services( IDES.Org) a non profit Organization funded by the Christian Churches (like Highline) and The Churches of Christ Worldwide. Four Portable buildings were assembled, two buildings for showers, one for laundry and an office/sleeping quarters for the on site Director. The Center will be used during the construction of homes for victims not covered by Insurance. Project will last 2 to 3 years. After work is completed there, the building will be transported to the next disaster. All work will be done by volunteers. We praise God for a safe trip and safety during the construction. Energy, Stamina, Knowledge and Strength was provided by God as it was needed, it was truly amazing how God used us to his Glory during the trip. The folks of Joplin are a proud and amazingly strong group and were so thankful for the small bit we did to help in the rebuilding effort. Further donations can be made to Steve Moreland (Joplin Disaster).

Thanks from Steve, Dave and Ben



## Mount St. Helens Adventure

Would you like to visit Mt. St. Helens? A trip is being planned for Saturday, July 9<sup>th</sup> and it will be a full day of adventure.

When Mt. St. Helens erupted in 1980 the catastrophic blast rearranged several hundred square miles of the earth's surface beyond recognition in minutes, produced a river system in a day, deposited a hundred layers in hours creating a mini Grand canyon, carved canyons through rock in months and put to rest a myth perpetuated at Yellowstone for many years. Essentially, this evidence helps prove that the earth is thousands, not billions of years old, just as the Bible shows.

A PowerPoint presentation will share information that should strengthen our faith in God's word, and prepare us to give vital information to our family, friends and neighbors.

Our day will start at 7:15 A.M. when we gather, leaving promptly at 7:30. First we will visit the Seven Wonders Creation Museum for a presentation. Then we will proceed with Lloyd Anderson giving us a personal tour of pertinent stopping points on route to the mountain. We will eat lunch at a scenic spot (pray for a sunny day). At the top we will spend time at Johnston Ridge Observatory enjoying several activities. Our day will end with a guided walk – a two-hour walk

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(slightly strenuous) or a flat, safer walk for adults and children. We will return at 7:15 P.M.. Plan to bring your own sack lunch and drinks. We will not stop for dinner, so bring snacks to eat on the way back to the church building.

Weather conditions have been cooler this year, so dress in layers for colder weather. If the weather does not turn warmer, a hat and gloves might be appreciated.

This trip is open to anyone interested in joining us. There will be a cost of \$12 for gas and entrance to the observatory. We are encouraged to give a donation to the museum. There is a bookstore with a variety of books and DVDs, including children's activities. Please use cash or checks for payment for your purchases.

Feel free to check out the website at [www.creationism.org/sthelens/](http://www.creationism.org/sthelens/).

If you are interested call Connie Egger.



## It's A Boy!

We would like to welcome Joseph Run Chea who was born on May 25, 2011 at 2:03 A.M. He weighed 7.9 lbs and was 19 inches long. His parents are Sithan & Len Chea and his big sister is Priscilla and his big brother is Daniel. Welcome to Highline Joseph!

## *You are Invited!*

*You are cordially invited  
to the marriage ceremony of  
Kelsey Louvier  
and  
Andrew Rock,  
with reception to follow on  
Saturday, the thirtieth of July,  
two thousand and eleven  
at two-o'clock in the afternoon  
Highline Christian Church  
14859 First Avenue South  
Burien, Washington*

*If you plan to attend, please  
considering RSVPing so the  
couple will have an idea of  
numbers attending.*

*Also, childcare will be  
available during the ceremony  
for children ages 2 and under,  
or who may not be able to sit  
through the service; all ages are  
welcome at the reception.*

Dear Friends at  
Highline,

Thank you for your cards,  
phone calls and support in  
many ways including  
bringing food, working in  
the kitchen, running the sound system and setting  
up as well as cleaning when my husband Ron  
unexpectedly went home to be with the Lord.  
People have told me about the friendliness and  
hospitality our church people showed to them and  
that this was a very special memorial service.

*Thank  
you!*

We love our church Family,

*Sharon Ballough and Family*



We would like to offer sympathy to the family of  
Glenna Meade. Glenna had been a member of  
Highline for many years, but due to illness, she had  
not been able to attend in the last few years.  
Glenna went home to be with the Lord on May 24,  
2011. Please remember Glenna's family in your  
prayers during this difficult time.



## Have you thanked an Elder lately?

The Elders of Highline Christian Church meet twice a month and hold additional meetings as needed. They are a sincere, dedicated group of Christians who were elected by the congregation to do the work of Elders. The Apostle Paul in his letter to Titus in chapter 1, verse 5 refers to Elders as overseers. Many people refer to Elders as the Spiritual Leaders in the church and rightfully so. They are biblically charged with being overseers of all the affairs of the congregation.

As part of their duties, they realized that a significant short fall existed between the income and the church budget. The budget is the program of the church expressed in dollars. The program of Highline Christian Church can not be carried out without the financial support of the members. During the past year, the Elders have considered all aspects of Christian Stewardship. No doubt they prayed, studied, discussed and then created an excellent "Statement on Giving". It is biblical, clearly stated and right in its conclusions. The "Statement" was published in the June eNewsletter. It would be wonderful and extremely helpful if every member of Highline Christian Church would study the "Statement" and read the referenced Bible passages.

A budget was presented to the Congregation on May 15 and 22 for a vote. The budget as presented is simply next year's program for Highline Christian Church expressed in dollars that are needed to carry out the program. As presented the budget/program takes in to account all of the ongoing activities of the church from the nursery, the staff, missions, giving, etc. plus the mortgage payments on the building.

Now the members of Highline Christian Church must decide how much each one of us will give to support the program of our church this coming year.

A suggestion would be for each one of us to talk to God and ask Him to guide us as we make our financial commitment to God and to Highline Christian Church, The living, growing body of Christ in Burien.. It may be that you are only able to give \$1.00 a week. Keep in mind that any money you give is given to God for His work. With God's help we should all be able to make a commitment and then systematically carry out our commitment. The Elders have led the way. Now it is up to us.

### HAVE YOU THANKED AN ELDER LATELY?

"Thank you Elders of Highline Christian Church for your dedication and labor on behalf of Highline Christian Church—The Body of Christ".

Lowell A. Hall

Offering envelopes are available from the church office to assist you in giving regularly, and systematically. You can also request a list of the Elders' names and copies of the financial reports from the church office.

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## **“Being Deeply Rooted”**

Date: Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 3pm - Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 3pm

Location: Lakeview Retreat Center, Federal Way, WA

Come join us on a fun-packed weekend as we plant our relationship with God and grow our friendships with each other. Kick your shoes off at the door and be filled with joy and fun! Exciting things are in store with plenty of time for relaxation! And for those who choose to plant even “deeper” in God’s word, we are offering an even deeper study.

Just as the Fall trees make changes for their season, we also make some changes to the program! Last year, we had such a great time that we extended our stay! We will open the doors earlier on Friday and close later on Sunday! More time to “plant our roots” with our Christian Sisters and with God! AND even better news! We only had to raise the cost by **ONE DOLLAR!**

AND one more change; This year it is open to ALL of our family and friends that wish to come! So bring them with you, and share God and this very special weekend with those closest to you too!

Early Registration: \$90.00 (Includes Housing & all Meals) if received before Sept 18<sup>th</sup>

Late Registration: \$105.00, After Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>

**EARLY REGISTRATION IS STRONGLY ENCOURAGED**  
Space is limited, must be 18 and older

**Registration for this event continues and until event is full, please register early to reserve your place! No scholarships are available but payment arrangements can be made.**

Be sure to see Michelle or Kathy if you would like to sign-up or have any questions or concerns regarding this fun retreat.

Michelle McCarthy, Chair

Or

Kathy Clark, Treasurer

Mailbox #204 in Church Mailroom

## Prayer Circle

### Praise God

Psalm 105:1 & 2 "Give thanks to the Lord, call on His name, make known among the nations what He has done. Sing to Him, sing praises to Him, tell of all His wonderful acts."



### Praise our Lord for

Jeannie Brickell--passed her anatomy and physiology classes for her RN degree and got the job in a care giving position for people with mental disabilities; Wendy Gwinner--family healing and relationship blessings (new engagement); Em Finlay thanks everyone for continued prayers from her cancer; Ken Beagle is home from the hospital after back surgery and thanks everyone who lifted him up in prayer; Mathew (Diane Sifres' son) thanks all for your prayers; Kate (Linda Rome's friend)--is doing really well and braving her cancer treatments; Norm (Jan and Connie Egger's friend)--home from hospital and recovering from stroke. Praise for all the people that are feeling better and healing this month, and for all the problems that were solved.

### Pray

Tracy and Connie (Lorence Reimer's friends)--both hospitalized (Tracy from heart attack and Connie from concern of it all); Jill Rowley (former HCC member living in Wenatchee)--has stage 3 non-Hodgkin's lymphoma; Julie Sisk--pray for her personal preparation for a mission trip to Namibia and garage sale; Olivia (Terry Clark's daughter)--pray she draws closer to the Lord and lives for the Lord; Molly Fontejon--pray for healing after surgery and for the Rural Church Mission trip; Bryan (Debbie's son)--drinking is taking over his decisions of life and safety; Anna (Stephanie Bailey's daughter)--to understand her baptism classes and to keep up with her school work; Jane Randall's family for comfort after the death of her brother-in-law Ernie; Bev and Matt (Diane Sifres' daughter and son)--pray for Bev's health and that God keeps working in Matt's life; Stuart (Valarie Davies' friend)--had brain tumor surgery and given one year to live, also a friend in critical condition after car accident; Rachelle (Debbie's daughter)--

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struggles daily with health and immune disease; Mike Weatherton--sinus surgery and safe travel for Kirsten's trip to Dallas; Bill Brown having an endoscope; Sheree (Connie Egger's friend)--for her and her husband to be obedient to God after their trip to NM & that they will find work; Virginia (Jane Young's daughter)--has ALS and they are in need of meals and any other assistance anyone can help with; Ken Beagle had vein cut during surgery and surgery stopped till vein heals in 4-6 weeks; Isaiah W.--prayers for his uncles and cousins, some live a secret life that is a worry; Erik's son-- pray he'll stop drinking; Nancy Brown--getting new trach; Jim Michels--needs changes in his eating and exercise habits and for Maria and Isaiah's health issues; Keith (John and Nona Denny's grandson)--has bi-polar and needs guidance and prayers; Todd Renard--prayers to help him stay motivated, keep on right track and look to the things that are important; Vonnie (Debbie's mom)--she has glaucoma; Nancy Metzenberg-- recovering from spinal surgery; Vern Britton--hospitalized with an infection in his heart muscle.

If you have any praises or prayer requests or want to be on the all church prayer chain, please call Barbara Goodridge or Jane Randall.





# Early Childhood News

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Preschool Vacation Bible School

August 1-5

Who: children ages 3 (and potty trained) through children entering into Kindergarten

What: The kids will be learning about Jonah through music, snacks, Bible lessons, crafts, and activities.

Where: In the Early Childhood area

When: August 1-5 from 9 a.m. to Noon

Please pick up a registration form from the check-in counters in the Early Childhood classrooms.

Please register by July 24th.

*Hope to see you there!!!*

The Preschool Vacation Bible School is an amazing opportunity to share Jesus with the Preschool children in another way. If you would like to partner with the Early Childhood Ministry here are some ways you can help us.

~ Pray for the children who will attend the VBS.

~Pray for the staff who are preparing the activities for the children.

~Volunteer to help for the week of VBS

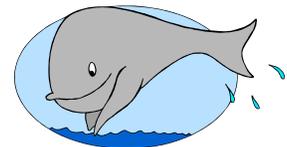
~Volunteer to help us set up for the VBS on Sunday July 31st.

~ Sign up to bring an item for the VBS. Sign ups will be available July 3rd and 10th at a table in the Atrium.

Thank you for your prayers and support!

Serving Kids Together,  
Katie Taylor

*If you have any concerns or questions please email to:  
Katie@HighlineChristian.org*



***The weather is getting nicer!  
Take time as a family to go out and enjoy God's wonderful creation together. Point out the beautiful things that God has designed!***

# HIGHER GROUND KIDS SPOT

## Summit Seekers VBS Campout July 10-15 Camp Lakeview



The campout is only a few short days away and I hope you're getting as excited as I am. This year we're learning a lot about being one in Christ so come ready to get to know a few new friends at camp.

A list of items to pack is on the children's ministry web page as part of the registration packet. If you have any questions please feel free to call Pastor Bret at 206-551-1517. I'll see you soon.



## Trail Trekkers VBS Day Camp July 20-21

Day 1 - Woodland Park Zoo  
Day 2 - Carkeek Park

Trail Trekker VBS Day Camp is only a few short weeks away and despite the odd weather this June, we are looking forward to a great time this July. I hope you like

puzzles because just as one puzzle is made up of many pieces, we're going to learn how the church is one body made up of many parts. To make sure you have all the parts you're going to need for the VBS each day, be sure to use the packing list provided in your registration packet. Please call Pastor Bret if you have any questions.



## And the Lord Added

We would like welcome Edward & Diana Naumoff and Carol Williams who transferred their membership to Highline.



**CHOW, Jorge & Vicki**  
Kris & Brandon

**DAVIS, Lisa**

**MICHELS, Jim & Maria**



## Got Any Cans?

Shoemaker Circle is still collecting and recycling aluminum cans to help support missions. EVERY CAN COUNTS! Collection tubs for the cans are located in the South Building, Fellowship Hall.



# Church Office Hours

Monday—Thursday  
8:30—2:30

Friday  
8:30—Noon

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**Weekly Schedule**  
Worship Hours – 9:00 & 10:40  
Sunday School – 9:00 for all ages;  
10:40 Adult Sunday School & Base Camp



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