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CHURCH OF
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MISSION

To give our families, friends and neighbors
compelling opportunities to accept
the grace of God.

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Byrd's Eye View...

For almost 40 years now I have written a short column almost every week under the byline, *Byrd's Eye View*. These columns have appeared regularly in church bulletins wherever I was preaching at the time. Occasionally they have been picked up by other church bulletin editors. My purpose in writing these short articles has been partly to inform, sometimes to teach and instruct, and always to encourage. Some of you have been reading my writings for a long time now. From time to time some of you have written your appreciation to me. You have encouraged me. Sometimes you have corrected me. And you have offered your thoughts and ideas on this Byrd's views. And for all of that I thank you.

Today I write to let you know about some changes that are apparently coming for Barbara and me.

For a while now Barbara has been having greater and greater struggles with her memory. She has undergone a series of tests and scans. Last Tuesday, August 17th, we received the diagnosis that she is in early stages of Alzheimer's Disease.

We don't really know what that is going to mean for us. There is, of course, no *human* cure for Alzheimer's but the doctor believes we can slow or stop its progression by putting her on a medication called Aricept (you've probably seen it advertised on TV).

The doctors are unable to make any prediction as to how well this will work, or how fast or slow the progression of this disease will be. So, we have no idea how our lives will be impacted by this. For now we are left with a bit of uncertainty and some fear. But our faith is deep and strong, and our trust is in our God. Our children have gathered around us and are supporting us with their faith and hope and encouragement.

We share all of this with you to ask you to please keep us in your prayers.

Thanks, Melvin

For Your Prayers...

Connie Switzer had surgery on her shoulder and is recovering at home.

Brittney White—though conflicting information came out early, Brittney has been diagnosed with thyroid cancer. Treatment is being decided this week.

Dewayne Gower improving, still at Manor Care, Gig Harbor.

Bob McDaniel has been found to have a mass on his bladder. Surgery is scheduled for Thursday of this week.

David Latham is home doing well. Follow-up cardiac tests will be done later.

DJ Magneson was able to be at worship with us this past Sunday!

Kay Commings is home now. Ken Bauer, Voni Miller's dad, is at Ridgemont Terrace.

Marsheela and Lloyd McCallister

Chuck Palmer's nephew, Ryan Smith.

Susie (Walker) Buntz

Nancy Armenta's and family Veva Janes has been able to be here with us for the past two weeks!

Jackson Covert has an appointment at Children's in Seattle on Friday to get a second opinion.

Gayla Kenser, friend the Blair's, terminally ill.

Margaret Myers

Charlotte Hahn

Betty Widman

Les Lewis is struggling with chemotherapy.

Hazel Morton in Manor Care.

Pat Maxwell health & financial worries.

Hunter Smith, Rob and Jaymi Smith's son, Leukemia
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PORT ORCHARD FAMILY REUNION

<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07e2z8yqwh3401f78f>

THE FAMILY REUNION PLANNING MEETING is scheduled for 6:00 PM, Wednesday, September 1st at the church building. Please join us to help in the planning.

REUNION AUCTION SEPTEMBER 11, 2010

Donations are needed for the auction. Items could consist of things like services (lawn mowing, window washing, dessert a month for a specified time, etc.) craft items, baskets of goodies, desserts, gift cards, or certificates, etc. Items will need to be submitted by Friday, September 3, 2010 and can be left at the church building or given to the auction committee. Donation forms will be available for tax purposes. Proceeds from the auction will be used to offset some of the expenses of the reunion. If you have any questions, please contact LaDonna Latham, Melissa Bell, Bonnie Mitchell or Michelle Herbert. Auction donation forms are on the table in the back of the foyer.

SCHEDULE OF SOME OF THE REUNION EVENTS**Friday Salmon Bake**

Starting about 6:30 pm and will end whenever. It will be at the Heritage House. There will be a fire pit by the garden plots. Anyone and everyone is invited. We will have salmon and some other BBQ type foods. More details to follow next week.

Saturday BBQ

For the noon meal we will have a BBQ with hot dogs and hamburgers provided. Please see the sign up sheet on the foyer bulletin board for items you can bring.

CHURCH FAMILY LOVE DARES...

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up"

(1 Thessalonians 5:11)

- 1) In our Sunday morning Worship service choose to sit with someone you don't usually sit with.
- 2) This week have someone over and share a meal together.
- 3) Write a note of encouragement to someone in our church.
- 4) Call someone you don't usually talk to on the phone very often... just to say "Hi. How are you doing?"
- 5) Think up something you can do just to *serve* someone else.
- 6) Pray for a family/person
- 7) Pray with a family, make time to meet just to pray for another family/ person and those that may come, have come and will come to us in the future. Like our dwelling.
- 8) Pray as a church. I'll have to explain this one. My thought was at a certain time of the day we all pray for the same thing. The reunion, our community, our county, our state, our country and our future that God has in store for us.

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE HERBERT FAMILY on the arrival of their new baby girl. Hanna Marie Herbert was born at 9:15 AM Sunday, August 22, 2010. She weighed 7lbs 12oz, and was 19 3/4" long. She has a heart murmur and they want to do a scan to be certain of her condition. Please pray that all is well.

THANK YOU! Thank you so much for the many beautiful and heart felt expressions of love and caring the past few weeks. My recovery has been moving along

quite well. What a joy to be a part of God's family in Port Orchard. Sincerely in Christ,
David Latham

BOB MCDANIEL'S SURGERY is scheduled for Thursday, August 26th at St. Anthony's Hospital in Gig Harbor. We are planning to take meals to Bob and Sharon for a few days following his surgery. If you would like to prepare a meal for the family, please give Janet Pearce a call.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to Nancy Armenta, Michelle Her-

bert and their families as they grieve the loss of their mom and grandma. Carmen died after struggling with several health issues for some time. Please remember this family in prayer.

LADIES BOOK CLUB will meet Monday, August 16th, 7:00 PM at Heritage House. The books chosen to read this time are FAHRENHEIT 451 by Ray Bradbury, FLEE THE NIGHT by Susan May Warren and WHITE CHOCOLATE MOMENTS by Lori Wick. Please join us for an evening of fun.

Marriage Matters Seminar

With Dr. Jerry and Lynn Jones

Will be presented Sunday through Wednesday
September 26th — 29, 2010
at Bellevue Church of Christ
1212 104th Ave SE, Bellevue, WA
425-454-3863

WOMEN AT WORK FOR GOD

9:00 AM—2:00 PM, Saturday, September 18, 2010
Orchard Street Church of Christ, Tacoma, WA
Please RSVP to Mary Huff (253-503-6623) by August 31st

CHRISTIAN COLLEGE DAY NW

Saturday, October 16, 2010
10 Christian Colleges,
one location, one day

**SOUTHWEST CHURCH OF CHRIST
TIGARD, OREGON**

ACU, FAULKNER, FREED HARDEMAN, HARDING, HERITAGE, LIPSCOMB, LCU, OCU, PEPPERDINE, YORK

Details and Register: www.ccdnw.org
Facebook: Christian College Day North-West
See poster on Foyer Bulletin Board for more information

A TRIP BACK IN TIME

Our Summer Sunday Morning Kids Class will soon complete it's summer travels. You don't want to miss this last stop. Climb aboard the time machine this Sunday at 9:30 a.m. We'll visit John on the Island of Patmos.

34th ANNUAL NATIONAL SINGLES SEMINAR

September 3-6, 2010

*"SINGLENESSE IN THE LORD:
Becoming a Channel of Blessings"*

Host: Southside Church of Christ,
Seattle, WA
William Harper, Minister
www.scocseattle.org

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS

SUNDAY MORNING

Fellowship 9:00 a.m.
Bible Class 9:30 a.m.
Worship 10:45 a.m.

SUNDAY EVENING

Small Groups Various Times
Call the church office for info.

WEDNESDAY EVENING

Wednesday Evening Program
will resume in the Fall.

DEACONS

Rick Bell
Tim Blair
Gary Chasteen
Gene Gerard
Darren Hanson
Trent Herbert
Troy Hill
Brad Orser
Brett Wheeler

LEADING & SERVING SUNDAY AUGUST 29, 2010

PRAYER	*Jarrod Coley
READER	*Mike Chavez
COMMUNION	*Brian Pearce
SERVERS	*Dave Snyp *Terry Bratcher
USHERS	Greg Perkins Jim Furstenwerth Brad Orser
GREETERS	Roy & Jo Vaughn
FELLOWSHIP	Donuts: Reggie Engman Coffee: Ray Switzer Clean Up: Mary Carter
NURSERY	Lisa Blair Sarah Blair
<u>SOUND</u> Becky Byrd	<u>PRAISE TEAM</u> TBA
<u>LIGHTS & SLIDES</u> Lydia Gerard	
<u>COMMUNION PREPARATION</u> Brandon & Rachel Karn	<u>COMMUNION CLEAN UP</u> Lori Sanders

STATISTICS

SUNDAY August 22nd

Bible Classes 39
Worship 110

OFFERING \$4,171.18
GIVING GOAL \$6,192.29

May God use us and bless us.

SUNDAY REMINDERS

*Please meet in the library at
10:35 A.M.

PRAISE TEAM please meet
at 8:15AM to rehearse.

If you are unable to serve as
scheduled, please contact Tim
Blair at 360-876-2604 or
email at church@pococ.org

We want to
be the best
friend Port
Orchard
ever had;
offering
resources for
better living,
a place for
community
activities,
and
eternal hope
through
Jesus Christ.