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**BRINGING UNITY, EVENTS & NEWS TO THE CHURCHES OF ALMOND, OXFORD,
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A Kingdom Not Of This World

By Eric Anderson

John 18:36 "Jesus answered, My kingdom is not of this world: if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence."

What are the most important things in your life? What are you living for? What gives your life purpose? Money, wealth, power, fame, family, friends, promotion, a new toy?

What things in this world are you willing to argue and fight for? Your political stance? Your favorite social issue?

In the grand scheme of the prophetic history of the world, how many of these things are going to survive into heaven? How many of these things are going to secure our salvation?

This world is going to be passing away soon. But God's kingdom will take the place of our world and it will last forever.

In Christ's day, one of the issues at hand was the Roman occupation of Israel. Interest in politics took over the lives of many. The Zealot's revolts against the Romans shed much blood on both sides. Fighting and skirmishes were common but Israel was never advanced by the use of force or political intrigue. How many people were brought to salvation through any of this fighting? How far was the gospel spread into gentile nations when God's people were so focused on the political and social issues that surrounded them? Were these issues important in some way? Sure they were, but how was God's heavenly kingdom built up when the people were so focused in the fallen world around them? With eyes looking downward, how can anyone see what's above them?

Greed for money and power consumed many others. Corrupt tax collectors and swindlers were a drain on the

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Can anybody see God?

A small boy once approached his slightly older sister with a question about God.

"Susie, can anybody ever really see God?" he asked. Busy with other things, Susie curtly replied: "No, of course not, silly. God is so far up in heaven that nobody can see him."

Time passed, but his question still lingered, so he approached his mother: "Mom, can anybody ever really see God?" "No, not really," she gently said. "God is a spirit and he dwells in our hearts, but we can never really see him."

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Almond's July Events

July 3 Study Group 7:00 (J+D Tess home)
 July 5 Prayer Mtg. 7:00
 July 6 Sabbath - Vegetarian Potluck
 July 7 Bible Study (Anderson Home) 5:30
 July 9 Business Mtg. 6:00
 July 10 Study Group 7:00 (J+D Tess home)
 July 11 Study Group 6:30 (Randal Wilson's apt)
 July 12 Prayer Mtg. 7:00
 July 13 Sabbath - Vegetarian Potluck
July 14 Prayer Breakfast (9AM @ the church) All are welcome
 July 14 Bible Study (Anderson Home) 5:30

 July 17 Study Group 7:00 (J+D Tess home)
 July 18 Study Group 6:30 (Randal Wilson's apt)
 July 19 Prayer Mtg. 7:00
 July 20 Sabbath - Vegetarian potluck
 July 21 Bible Study (Anderson Home) 5:30

 July 24 Study Group 7:00 (J+D Tess home)
 July 25 Study Group 6:30 (Randal Wilson's apt)
 July 26 Prayer Mtg. 7:00
 July 27 Sabbath - Vegetarian Potluck
 July 28 Bible Study (Anderson Home) 5:30
 July 31 Study Group 7:00 (J+D Tess home)



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people. Even those that worked for the church, inflated prices for the sanctuary sacrifices that built barriers to the doorway to salvation and made it even more difficult to seek God, even in his own house. Perhaps the money stolen from God's people was going to be used to build up and beautify the physical structure of the temple, but how did impoverishing the worshipers bring them closer to God when they could see the priests becoming richer and richer?

Jesus' closest disciples were not immune to the focus on worldly things while omitting the heavenly. Repeatedly they were found arguing about who was the greatest. Judas, trying to enrich himself, frequently had his hands in money bags that were supposed to be helping the poor. Jesus would often have to draw their attention away from the world or they might have found themselves wondering far away from salvation.

Here is a passage from Ellen White's *The Desire of Ages* page 509, "But today in the religious world there are multitudes who, as they believe, are working for the establishment of the kingdom of Christ as an earthly and temporal dominion. They desire to make our Lord the ruler of the kingdoms of this world, the ruler in its courts and camps, its legislative halls, its palaces and market places. They expect Him to rule through legal enactments, enforced by human authority. Since Christ is not now here in person, they themselves will undertake to act in His stead, to execute the laws of His kingdom. The establishment of such a kingdom is what the Jews desired in the days of Christ. They would have received Jesus, had He been willing to establish a temporal dominion, to enforce what they regarded as the laws of God, and to make them the expositors of His will and the agents of His authority. But He said, **"My kingdom is not of this world."** John 18:36. He would not accept the earthly throne.

The government under which Jesus lived was corrupt and oppressive; on every hand were crying abuses,—extortion, intolerance, and grinding cruelty. Yet the Saviour attempted no civil reforms. He attacked no national

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New Feature of Grace Notes!

Q&A

Anyone with any questions relating to the Bible or God or anything along that line, submit it and we will find an answer for it. Send your question to gracenotesnewsletter.com or through the regular mail and I will forward them, anonymously, to our Pastor who will answer them.

Question:

Due to Camp Meeting and this interim time before Pastor Steve begins, this section has nothing in it
but will return next month.

Send in your questions early!!!

Recipe Corner

Our potluck meals are the best.

Share some of your best vegetarian or vegan recipes for others to try. Send it to us and we'll share it for you.

Healthy food doesn't have to taste bad!

This month you will see some of the recipes that were demonstrated and served at the Healthy Cooking Class held at the Reedsburg Church. The theme was Mexican breakfast, lunch and dinner. Enjoy!!!

A big thank you to Dawn and Rodney Hahn for sharing these with us...

Breakfast Burrito (Serves 6-8)

2 lbs potatoes cubed into bite size pieces
1 TBSP Olive Oil
½ tsp each, salt & garlic powder
¼ tsp each cumin, chili powder
1 TBSP Cornstarch
5 eggs
½ - 1 onion, finely diced
1 medium red pepper, chopped
4 oz. mushrooms (optional)
Salt and seasonings to taste for egg & veggie mixture
¼ - ½ cup chopped cilantro
1 cup cooked pinto or black beans
½ cup shredded cheese (Optional)
6-8 TBSP favorite salsa

Directions:

Preheat oven to 400. Line a backing sheet with parchment paper. Add cubed potatoes to backing sheet and toss with olive oil and salt, garlic powder, cumin, chili powder and corn starch. Spread potatoes in an even layer and bake for 25-30 minutes or until fork tender and golden in some places.

Heat skillet over medium heat. Add onions and cook for 1 minute. Add peppers and mushrooms and cook for another few minutes until everything is tender but not too soft. Add eggs and scramble with the onions, peppers and mushrooms. Season to taste. Add beans. Warm tortillas. Spread with potatoes and veggie/egg/bean mixture. Roll up the burrito. Serve with your favorite salsa and toppings. If you are freezing the burritos for later, let them cool, then wrap in plastic wrap or parchment paper, put in freezer safe bag. Freeze. When ready to eat, microwave about 2 minutes until warmed through.

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(Submitted by Tim Schmidt)



Landmarks of the "the Daily" (Part Two)

The Testimony of Sylvester Bliss and L.C. Collins

(INCONSISTENCIES OF COLVER'S LITERAL FULFILMENT OF DANIEL'S PROPHECY. – BY S. BLISS – 1843, Pages 12 & 51)

On page 33, Mr. Colver says, "Daniel viii. 13: 'Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision *concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?*' Mark well *this inquiry*. It is not, How long shall be the time for everything that Daniel saw in the vision; but 'How long shall be the vision *concerning the daily sacrifice,*' &c." Now if he were honest, he would have informed his readers, that the words *sacrifice* and *concerning* are not in the *original*, and are so noted in the translation, and that the question is literally, "How long the VISION – the daily and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?" Neither is the word *sacrifice* in the original of Dan. xii. 11-13; so that it reads "from the time the daily shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be 1290 days. Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. But go thou thy way till the end be; for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of the days."

... VII. The 1290 and 1335 days in Daniel 12, are also proved to be years for the 1290 days were to reach to the time of the end, and in A. D. 1798, just 1290 years from the taking away of the daily, A. D. 508, were fulfilled the very events that were predicted in Dan. xi. 40-45 is to occur at the time of the end. The 1335 days would therefore extend 45 years beyond, and terminate in 1843; and that they reach to the end of the world is evident, from the fact that Daniel will then stand in his lot. "Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. But go thou thy way till the end be; for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of the days."

PARAPHRASE OF DANIEL XI. AND XII. – BY S. BLISS – 1844 – COMMENTS ON DANIEL 11:31 & 12:11 – 13: –

And [those that take up] arms shall stand on his part. And they [the barbarians from the north of Europe] shall pollute [Rome] the sanctuary of strength, and [shall conquer the empire, out of which ten kingdoms, corresponding with the ten toes of the image, and horns of the fourth beast, shall arise. These ten kings being converted to Christianity] shall take away the daily sacrifice [of the pagan rites, about A. D. 508] and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate [in its place – the Man of Sin, - Papacy, the Wicked to be revealed when that which hindered is taken out of the way, 2 Thess. ii.] ... And from the time that the daily sacrifice [of Paganism, about A. D. 508,] shall be taken away, and the abomination [of papacy] that maketh desolate shall be set up [to the time of the end, when knowledge shall be increased on this subject,] there shall be one thousand two hundred and ninety days [1290 years.] Blessed is he that waiteth and cometh to the

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Happy Birthday !!!

Anniversary-Kent & Jodie Maloney	7/3	PORTAGE
Jack Stafford	7/4	PORTAGE
Virginia Rabine	7/7	REEDSBURG
Anniversary-Beai & Yenifer Baartz	7/11	PORTAGE
Carrie Veldman	7/12	OXFORD
John Maggioncalda	7/12	PORTAGE
Nathan Leonard	7/16	REEDSBURG
Richard Lucas	7/18	ALMOND
Yennifer Baartz	7/22	PORTAGE
Ann Stafford	7/23	REEDSBURG
Peter Olajec	7/27	REEDSBURG
Ray Tess	7/30	ALMOND
Carolyn Carter	7/30	PORTAGE



This Month's Bible Quiz

1. What is the name of the couple who sold a piece of land and then falsely claimed that they donated the entire sale price to the church?
2. Who is generally regarded as the first Christian martyr?
3. To what city was Saul traveling when Jesus Christ struck him down and converted him into Paul?

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The Portage Patriots Pathfinder club is putting together a "Healthy Diet Cookbook" fundraiser. Please forward your favorite Recipes to Steve Collins at fscdriver@yahoo.com Funds will be used to defray expenses to the Oshkosh world wide camperee! The books will be beautiful to see and lay flat for maximum functionality as well. Each recipe will include the contributor's name. Be a part of the Pathfinders experience!

If you have anything coming up in your church that needs to be promoted, please let us know. We would be happy to promote your event or to share stories of your event after it happened. We are also looking for human interest type stories or anything that has touched your life. Share with others so that we can all be touched in the way that you were.

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abuses, nor condemned the national enemies. He did not interfere with the authority or administration of those in power. He who was our example kept aloof from earthly governments. **Not because He was indifferent to the woes of men, but because the remedy did not lie in merely human and external measures. To be efficient, the cure must reach men individually, and must regenerate the heart.**" DA 509

In our world today, the Christian political right is trying to legislate their beliefs onto the largely unbelieving country. Will legally forcing people to follow the popular churches beliefs bring people closer to God? Did Jesus force anyone into submission?

We can plainly see that the world's morals are crumbling around us. But we also know from prophecy that this disintegration is only going to get worse instead of better. The bible says that our world will be just like the days of Noah, "the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every imagination of the heart was only evil continually." Genesis 6:5. The bible also compares our day to the days of Lot. Do you remember what Sodom and Gomorra were like? We know our world is falling apart but the fix is not found in our own strength. The remedy is not found in brute force, or legislating new laws, or in acquiring more wealth, or in strong arming our friends and family. The only way to truly change the world begins with Jesus. Our lives will transform only as we submit to Jesus, as we individually come to God.

Here is a continuation from the passage in The Desire of Ages, "Not by the decisions of courts or councils or legislative assemblies, not by the patronage of worldly great men, is the kingdom of Christ established, **but by the implanting of Christ's nature in humanity through the work of the Holy Spirit.**" "As many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God." John 1:12, 13. Here is the only power that can work the uplifting of mankind. **And the human agency for the accomplishment of this work is the teaching and practicing of the word of God.**" DA 509

This is why Jesus said His kingdom was not of this world. Jesus' last lessons to his disciples during the last supper on Easter weekend were some of the most life changing passages in the Bible. In John 14 Jesus tells us that he alone in this entire broken world is the sole and exclusive way, truth and Life. In John chapter 15 Jesus tells us that he is the true vine and we are the branches. The only way to find true life is being totally submitted to Him and His Word. If we try to live life in a way that is contrary to God, we lose the only source to salvation. **"I am the vine, ye are the branches: he that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit: for without me ye can do nothing."** John 15:5.

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Portage Events

Portage SDA Church email address is:

portagesdachurch@gmail.com

Portage SDA Church Facebook:

Type: Portage Seventh-day Adventist

Radio station:

WPSA LP 93.5 FM

The Portage

Seventh-day Adventist Church

will have a booth

at the Columbia County Fair

to be held July 24th -28th.

Keep this Evangelistic outreach

in your prayers!

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thousand three hundred and five and thirty days, [1335 years from about A. D. 508.] But go thou thy way till the end [of these wonders] be: for thou shalt rest and stand in [for] thy lot, [in the resurrection] at the end of the [1335] days.

The Testimony of L.C. Collins

THE SIGNS OF THE TIMES, AND EXPOSITOR OF PROPHECY, OCTOBER 19, 1842: -

The question is asked, "How long shall be the vision?" The answer is, unto 2300 days. Here then the length of this vision, ending with all earthly things, is positively given, and we cannot deny it if we will believe plain Bible. Again, Daniel is told that at the end of 1335 days from the taking away of one great persecuting power (Paganism) brought to view in the vision, and the setting up of the abomination that maketh desolate (Papacy) he should stand in his lot (be raised from the dead) and all those who wait on the Lord – that are found watching and ready – shall be blessed.

Now the question is, why are these dates which take hold on eternity revealed to us? Yes, Christian, why?

Who but an infidel would say but it was for our benefit? But these dates can be of no possible benefit to us, unless understood before they terminate. And if understood, then we have the time when all earthly things shall close. These things were to be sealed up until the time of the end; then knowledge was to be increased, the seal broken, and the wise to understand. That time has now come, Dan. xi. 40. Even the way-faring man clearly sees that the seventy weeks instruction is the key to unlock the vision. Says Gabriel, "understand the matter and consider the vision. Seventy weeks are determined," that is seventy weeks of it are "cut off" upon thy people; for so the highest authority renders it. Seventy weeks of it are "cut off" to accomplish the events which were accomplished by the death of Christ. The seventy weeks were to commence with the going forth of the commandment. This commandment was given to Ezra, vii. 11., in the 7th year of Artaxerxes. From that decree to the death of Christ, is just 490 years; the number of days in seventy weeks; showing that each day stands for a year. Num. xiv. 34; Ezra iv. 5, 6. Then as 490 years of the vision expired with the death of Christ, there would be left of the 2300 days (years) but 1810 after that before the vision must end. 1810 years reckoned from the 33rd of the Christian era (the crucifixion) would bring us down to 1843.

The 1335, which was to commence with the setting up of Popery, closed at the same time: Paganism closed among the ten kingdoms into which the Roman empire was divided, in 508, at which time Papacy was set up. From thence, it was to stand as a ruling power 1290 days (years) Dan. xii. 11., when its dominion was to be taken away. This would bring us to 1798, in which year the Pope was taken and carried to France, Italy made a republic, which, says Dr. Adam Clark, "entirely superceded the whole Papal power." With the rare certainty then that this was done, Daniel, with all that sleep in Christ, will be raised from the dead next year. For reckoning back 490 years from 1798, when the papal power lost its dominion – *which it certainly has, unless it can be shown that the saints of the Most High are now in its hands* – and we are brought to 508, where history shows that it was set up in the place of Paganism, by the kings of the earth. Then in 1335 days (years) from this Daniel was to stand in his lot. 1335 years after 508 brings us to 1843.

(Next time we will look at The Testimony of Calvin French and L.D. Fleming).

Hello from Wautoma,

Campmeeting, what a blessing. The speakers were wonderful, encouraging us in our faith and inspiring us to walk in the ways of Jesus. The weather may have been cool for most of our meetings but the fellowship and messages were warm and joyous. All who were at Camp Wakonda for even part of the week came away filled with the Holy spirit.

Now we are getting back into routine of bible studies, activities, and schedules will return to normal. Women's groups will start again on Mondays, and prayer meetings will resume on Wednesdays. We look forward to meet with our new Pastor, Steven Hall. A date for our next business meeting has not been scheduled yet but we will need to hold one soon.

Work on remodeling the original Wautoma Church continues with several different projects yet to be completed. At the same time, our friends at the Wautoma Spanish Company have been making further improvements in our present church building in anticipation of their taking over there. If you think you have an interest and time to assist with our remodeling, feel free to contact me for details.

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<u>Wautoma Company-July Events</u>			
		7/15/2019	Women's Group starting at 10:00 a.m. at the Andersons
7/1/2019	Women's Group starting at 10:00 a.m. at the Andersons	7/17/2019	Prayer Meeting and Prophecy study at 6:30 p.m.
7/3/2019	Prayer Meeting and Prophecy study at 6:30 p.m.	7/19/2019	Vespers at Church to begin 1/2 hour before the Sabbath
7/5/2019	Vespers at Church to begin 1/2 hour before the Sabbath	7/20/2019	Sabbath School/Church @ 9:30 a.m./11:00 a.m.
7/6/2019	Sabbath School/Church @9:30 a.m./11:00 a.m.	7/21/2019	Bible Study @ the Anderson's starting at 5:30 p.m.
7/7/2019	Bible Study @ the Anderson's starting at 5:30 p.m.	7/22/2019	Women's Group starting at 10:00 a.m. at the Anderson's
7/8/2019	Women's Group starting at 10:00 a.m. at the Andersons	7/24/2019	Prayer Meeting and Prophecy study at 6:30 p.m.
7/10/2019	Prayer Meeting and Prophecy study at 6:30 p.m.	7/26/2019	Vespers at Church to begin 1/2 hour before the Sabbath
7/11/2019	Vespers at Church to begin 1/2 hour before the Sabbath	7/27/2019	Sabbath School/Church @ 9:30 a.m./11:00 a.m.
7/12/2019	Sabbath School/Church @ 9:30 a.m./11:00 a.m.	7/28/2019	Bible Study @ the Anderson's starting at 5:30 p.m.
7/13/2019	Bible Study @ the Anderson's starting at 5:30 p.m.	7/29/2019	Women's Group starting at 10:00 a.m. at the Anderson's
		7/31/2019	Prayer Meeting and Prophecy study at 6:30 p.m.

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4. What was the name of the lady who Peter (by means of The Holy Spirit) raised from the dead in Joppa?
5. Who left with Paul on his first missionary journey?
6. In what city was the Areopagus ("Mars Hill")?
7. In what city did Paul cause a riot when he said that the pagan goddess Artemis was a worthless idol?
8. What was the name of the young man that Paul (by means of The Holy Spirit) raised from the dead after he fell from a third-floor window?
9. What was the name of the island on which Paul was shipwrecked while being taken to Rome?
10. In what sea is the island on which Paul was shipwrecked while being taken to Rome?

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Mexican Fruit Salad

½ small jicama (about ½ - ¾ lbs.) peeled, diced
2 Lg Mangos, peeled, seeded and cut into ½" cubes
3 Cups watermelon, peeled, seeded and cut into ½" cubes
1 ½ Cups cantaloupe, peeled, seeded and cut into ½" cubes
1 Large cucumber, peeled, seeded and cut into ½" cubes
2-3 Tbsp lime juice (2-3 limes)
2-3 Tbsp fresh cilantro, finely chopped (Optional)
Pinch of salt (Optional)
Tajin seasoning

Directions:

Combine the cut fruit in a bowl. Pour the lime juice over the fruit. Add the cilantro and Tajin seasoning and toss gently to mix well. Chill in the refrigerator before serving. (Or let people put on their own seasoning as needed)

More of these recipes to come next month...

Are You In Need of ?

This section is intended as an outreach to help those with needs, also helping those with the need to free up space in their homes by donating those un-needed items to someone who may have a use for them. May God Bless you for your generosity. If you have items to donate to someone, please let us know.

715-572-0650

or gracenotesnewsletter@yahoo.com

Business office desk. It is still in good shape but has seen many years of use so it contains minimal wear and tear on the front, around the drawers especially. All the drawers are in good working condition and the lockable drawer works.

30" tall X 60" wide. 715-570-2179

Large Tube Television

Contact Vera Spencer or gracenotesnewsletter@yahoo.com



Onyx EZ Radio
Sirius XM Satellite
Receiver for your car.

(Contact gracenotesnewsletter@yahoo.com)

Almond SDA Church

Sabbath School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service: 11:00
Potluck follows service each week!
1340 Elm St.
Almond WI 54909
715-570-2179
www.almondsda.org

Wautoma SDA Company

Sabbath School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service: 11:00 a.m.
Potluck follows service each week!
535 S. Cambridge
Wautoma WI 54982
920-765-0961
wautomawi.adventistchurch.org
Website under construction!

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One last passage from Ellen White's book Christ's Object Lessons, pages 67 to 69, "There can be no growth or fruitfulness in the life that is centered in self. If you have accepted Christ as a personal Saviour, you are to forget yourself, and try to help others. Talk of the love of Christ, tell of His goodness. Do every duty that presents itself. Carry the burden of souls upon your heart, and by every means in your power seek to save the lost. As you receive the Spirit of Christ—the Spirit of unselfish love and labor for others—you will grow and bring forth fruit. The graces of the Spirit will ripen in your character. Your faith will increase, your convictions deepen, your love be made perfect. More and more you will reflect the likeness of Christ in all that is pure, noble, and lovely. COL 67.3

"The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, temperance." Galatians 5:22, 23. This fruit can never perish, but will produce after its kind a harvest unto eternal life. COL 68.1

"When the fruit is brought forth, immediately he putteth in the sickle, because the harvest is come." Christ is waiting with longing desire for the manifestation of Himself in His church. When the character of Christ shall be perfectly reproduced in His people, then He will come to claim them as His own. COL 69.1

It is the privilege of every Christian not only to look for but to hasten the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, (2 Peter 3:12, margin). Were all who profess His name bearing fruit to His glory, how quickly the whole world would be sown with the seed of the gospel. Quickly the last great harvest would be ripened, and Christ would come to gather the precious grain." Christ's Object Lessons, 69.

(Can anyone see God?- Continued from page 1)

Somewhat satisfied but still wondering, the youngster went on his way. Not long afterwards, his saintly old grandfather took the little boy on a fishing trip. They were having a great time together – it had been an ideal day. The sun was beginning to set with unusual splendor as the day ended.

The old man stopped fishing and turned his full attention to the exquisite beauty unfolding before him. On seeing the face of his grandfather reflecting such deep peace and contentment as he gazed into the magnificent ever-changing sunset, the little boy thought for a moment and finally spoke hesitatingly: "Granddad, I - I wasn't going to ask anybody else, but I wonder if you can tell me the answer to something I've been wondering about a long time. Can anybody, (hesitating) can anybody ever really see God?"

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Oxford SDA Church

Sabbath Worship Times

Sabbath School @ 9:15 a.m.

Worship @ 10:40 a.m.

322 E Chauncey St
Oxford, WI 53952-9064
608-586-5770

Portage Seventh-day Adventist Church

2100 E State Road 33
Portage, WI 53901-1468
608-742-4695

Pastor:

Service Times:

Sabbath School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service: 11:00 a.m.

Reedsburg SDA Church

115 S. Oak St.
Reedsburg WI 53959

Join Us This Saturday
Sabbath School: 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service: 10:30 a.m.

We have Bible studies on Wednesday evening's at 6:30 at the church. We are starting the book of John on video.

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of the month

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Mission Statement:

Fostering Unity

Vision Statement:

To be a resource which encourages and inspires unity in our church district; through inspirational thoughts, informative articles and testimonials; preparing for the soon coming of Christ.

Ministry From Home

Have you ever thought of having a prison ministry? You don't have to leave your home to have this. A letter changes the life of an inmate every time they receive it. Pray that God will lead you to write an inmate. Give an inmate a blessing!

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Letters to the editor...

If you have ideas, thoughts, complaints or opinions, write to us. This column will appear each month.

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Thanks,

Grace Notes Editor

11 of the students that attend services at Portage SDA



(Can anyone see God?- Continued from page 11)

The old man did not even turn his head. A long moment slipped by before he finally answered. "Son," he quietly said. "It's getting so I can't see anything else."

"The heavens declare the glory of God; the skies proclaim the work of His hands. Day after day they pour forth speech; night after night they display knowledge. There is no speech or language where their voice is not heard. Their voice goes out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world."

-- Psalm 19:1-4

~Author Unknown~