

NEWS FROM ZION

ZION EVANGELICAL CHURCH ~ SCOTTSBLUFF, NEBRASKA

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**COMMUNION
Sunday, JULY 3**

Communion will be served after both services



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK...

Having finished our study of Romans at the end of May, we had a break for a couple weeks before jumping into a study of the OT book of Proverbs. On June 5, we devoted the entire service to allowing those who have musical talent to minister to us through music. We had a good number participate and want to thank all those who shared. We had a good mix of instruments and vocalists. We had several who overcame their nerves to perform for the first or second time, and we had others who displayed the confidence of having been on stage many times. My favorite part of the day was during the second service when the music the choir was using malfunctioned, and they (without missing a beat) finished the song by beautifully doing an unrehearsed a cappella version of their song. On June 12, we invited Taylor Boltjes, a candidate we are considering for our youth pastor position, to speak in both services. The message he shared is available to watch or listen to on our church website (zionscottsbluff.com). We encourage anyone who was not able to be with us on the 12th to check it out. The church council has called for a congregational vote to offer the position to Taylor. We will be voting on Sunday, July 10 after each of the two services.

I'm very excited about a new study we began June 19 of the first nine chapters of Proverbs. The reason we are studying the first nine chapters only is that the first nine chapters form the introduction of the book and lay the foundation for studying the rest of Proverbs. Most of chapters 10-31 is made up of short, seemingly random pieces of wisdom. The introduction given in chapters 1-9 establish the worldview through which these short bits of wisdom are to be understood. My intention is to lay out that worldview clearly in our study of the first nine chapters and turn you loose to study the rest of Proverbs on your own with this worldview in mind.

At the heart of this worldview is the truth stated both at the beginning of the introduction (Proverbs 1:7) and at the end of the introduction (Proverbs 9:10) that the fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom/knowledge. Proverbs is a book designed to teach wisdom to young people, and the foundation of wisdom is the fear of the LORD. The fear of the LORD in the OT is specifically tied to obedience to the commands of God's law. It is an attitude that recognizes that there is a right way to live and that only God knows what is that right way to live, so if God gives us commands, those commands must be what is very best for our lives. Our problem, of course, is that none of us thinks this way

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PLEASE TAKE NOTE...

Mission Prayer Partners
for JULY 2016

3-U.S.A.

10-Jews for Jesus/Zaretsky

17-Hans Wilhelm

24-4C's Annual Conf.

31-DeSouza/FIM



**SPECIAL
CONGREGATIONAL
MEETING**

Sunday, July 10th, after both services, to vote on hiring Taylor Boltjes to be Zion's Youth Pastor. Please note that according to our By-Laws, you must be a member of Zion and you must be present to vote—there is no proxy voting.

Women's
Ministries Church
Family Picnic
July 17th

Everyone is
invited!
See page 3!!

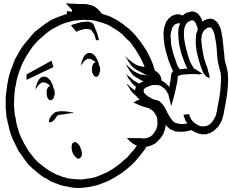
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naturally. Our world trains us to think that the commands of God are not given for our good but to restrict us, keeping us from things that are good and fun. Because we believe this lie, none of us fear God as we should and none of us live in obedience to the commands of God. This is where the Gospel of Jesus comes in. Jesus came and died so our sins could be forgiven and so we could be given new life. Having been given new life, we can make progress toward learning to fear the LORD, trusting him enough to believe that what he commands is intended for our good.

All of Proverbs is addressed to young people and was written with young people in mind. For this reason, I hope all of our families with young people will make a special effort to bring their kids to hear what we're discussing. My hope is that both our students and their parents are hearing these truths together. I would love it if at least once each week parents took time to discuss the subject matter from that Sunday with their students to reinforce what we're learning. I recognize summers get crazy and busy for families, and not everyone can be here every week. Please take advantage of the fact that our sermons go up on the church website quickly and watch or listen with your kids on the weeks you cannot be with us. I can't imagine doing a sermon series that will be more helpful than this one for helping parents build faith and character in their kids. Please pray that the families of our church are strengthened and encouraged as they are challenged with this study.

Andrew

Did you know you can now listen to and/or see our church service on your home computer? Go to our website: www.zionscottsbluff.com and click on LISTEN ONLINE. Find the date of the message you'd like to see or listen to and click on that date. Be patient while it loads.



CIRCLE OF PRAISE
July 16 — 6:00 pm
Watch for details!

Thanks to all who donated to the FESTIVAL OF HOPE PIE BOOTH



The KCMJ Broadcast for JULY is from the Tom & Cheryl Rose in honor of Ben Hein's 80th Birthday on July 3rd and the wedding of Carli & Adam on July 9th.

Thank you for sharing in this valuable ministry

Congratulations...

- ...to Josie Griess on her birthday, June 3rd.
- ...to Esther Schwindt on her 103rd Birthday, June 7th! Cards can be sent to: 2850 Camp Verde, Las Vegas, NV 98121.
- ...to Andee & Teddy Musonda, big brother Caleb and grandparents Wayne & Kathy Trook n the birth of Charlie Owen Musonda on June 8, weighing 7# 8 oz., 20" long.
- ...to Loretta Roth on her 80th Birthday, 6/14!
- ...Pastor Andy on his Birthday, June 13!
- ...Pastor Andy & Janae on their anniversary, 6/13!
- ...to Harold Kautz on his 84th Birthday, 6/17!
- ...Sharon Woznick on her 73rd Birthday, 6/18!
- ...to Amber Holton and Jake Schleuning on their wedding, June 18th!
- ...to Erik Harris and Alexandra Stricker on their marriage, June 25th.

Sympathies and condolences are extended to...

- ...the friends and family of Delbert Green.

JOIN US FOR A

CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC

ZION EVANGELICAL

FOOD & DRINKS
WATER SLIDE
BOUNCE HOUSE
LAWN GAMES

**JULY
17**

THIS PICNIC IS SPONSORED BY OUR WOMEN'S
MINISTRIES GROUP. PLEASE BE OUR GUEST AND
ENJOY THE FUN AND FELLOWSHIP!

**IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE
10:30 AM SERVICE**

General Fund for MAY, 2016

INCOME:

Other Income	\$	62,820.80
Special Income		0.00
Missions		60.00
Sunday Offering		<u>25,234.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME	\$	88,114.80

EXPENSES:

Bldg. & Grounds	\$	1,132.80
Fund Raising		103.89
Ministry		24,357.02
Mission Fund		10.00
Office		24.95
Staff Benefits		250.00
Staff Salary		8,166.05
Utilities		<u>1,750.22</u>
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$	35,794.93

TOTAL INCOME/EXPENSE \$ 52,319.87

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MISSIONS: JEWS FOR JESUS

Tuvia Zaretsky is a co-founder of Jews for Jesus and senior development director of the organization. It was originally called HINENI Q Ministries, after the Hebrew word meaning "Here I am". Originally, "Jews for Jesus" was simply one of the organization's several slogans but after the media began to call the group "Jews for Jesus" the organization adopted that name, the main focus being on the conversion of Jews to Christianity.

The largest Jewish population is in the United States.

Tuvia continues to serve the Lord, as the Director of Staff Development internationally, based out of the Los Angeles office. He also chairs the Board for the Jews for Jesus branch in Tel Aviv, Israel.

Tuvia was raised in Northern California in the institutions of American Judaism. During his bar mitzvah at age thirteen, Tuvia read from Isaiah 6:1-8 and declared with the prophet, "Hineni-Here I am, send me!" However, his search for God and spiritual truth didn't come into focus until ten years later, when a Christian colleague encouraged him to seek God in the pursuit of truth. Tuvia came to believe in Y'shua (Jesus) on December 7, 1970. Ever since, he has been joyfully saying to God, "Hineni-Here am I."

How wonderful to see God using this couple to share the love of Christ.

Thank you ZION, for your continued support and prayers.
Peggie Ross

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS:

Cow A Bunga Farm, Vacation Bible School 2016.

What an awesome week we had where approximately 70 children learned about Joseph On the **first day** they learned: God has a plan: trust and obey; **Day 2:** God is with you/serve faithfully; **Day 3:** God is in control/remain true to God; **Day 4:** God convicts sin/ask for God's forgiveness and **Day 5:** God is good/trust His plan. We had a skit every day with Farmer Falfa (Pastor Andy) which the kids loved. The crafts and game time were fun and snack time delicious! A big thank you to everyone who helped with VBS: to all our young helpers, you are awesome! Our church is blessed to have your service. Thank you to everyone who brought treats; the kids loved them. Our mission project for the week was Cat and Pup packs. This organization helps kids with after school snacks. We challenged the kids to raise \$300.00 by Friday, and if they did, Pastor Andy had to kiss a farm animal. That got their attention and they went over and above all we asked for and they raised \$600.00 and brought enough food to feed kids for quite a while. When Traci Steele came (who represents the Pup and Cat packs), she just cried. She was so touched to see what those kids did to help others. And as for Pastor Andy, he had to kiss a miniature horse on the mouth. A special thank you to Craig Schadwinkel for bringing in the horse.

Even though we had some challenges by not being able to use the Ministry Center, the kids were so well behaved and respectful using the sanctuary. We are still praising and thanking God that our church was safe during the fire and only a portion was burned.


Please keep bringing your children to Sunday School as we enjoy them and have fun things for them to do this summer. We will keep you posted about our annual Sunday School Picnic.

God Bless!
Sharon, Robin, Malissa

ZION EVANGELICAL CHURCH CALENDAR

JULY, 2016



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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8:30 Worship & Praise 8:30 S.S. @ Heritage 9:15 Coffee & Fellowship 9:30 Prayer Team IV 9:30 Communion/Chapel 9:30 S.S. @ Zion/Emerald Ct. 10:30 Worship & Praise 10:30 KCMI Broadcast 11:30 Communion/Chapel	4 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED Have a safe 4th of July! 	5 10:00 Bible Study/WelCove 12:00 Men's Bible Study 2:00 Bible Study/Golden Living 7:00 Church Board Mtg	6 1:00 Valley Food Pantry	7 ← CAMP ROCK DISCOVERY CAMP - (Kind-2nd Grade) →	8 ROSE /HARRIS WEDDING REHEARSAL	9 ROSE /HARRIS WEDDING
10 8:30 Worship & Praise/ Special Cong. Meeting 8:30 S.S. @ Heritage 9:15 Coffee & Fellowship 9:30 Prayer Team V 9:30 S.S. @ Zion/Emerald Ct. 10:30 Worship & Praise/ Special Cong. Meeting 4:00 Vespers/Residency	11 10:00 Bible Study/Village	12 10:00 Bible Study/WelCove 12:00 Men's Bible Study 2:00 Bible Study/Golden Living	13 1:00 Valley Food Pantry	14	15	16 Circle of Praise 6:00 pm
17 8:30 Worship & Praise 8:30 S.S. @ Heritage 9:15 Coffee & Fellowship 9:30 Prayer Team I 9:30 S.S. @ Zion/Emerald Ct. 10:30 Worship & Praise 11:30 CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC 4:00 Vespers/Residency	18 10:00 Bible Study/Village	19 10:00 Bible Study/WelCove 12:00 Men's Bible Study 2:00 Bible Study/Golden Living	20 1:00 Valley Food Pantry	21	22	23
24/31 8:30 Worship & Praise 8:30 S.S. @ Heritage 9:15 Coffee & Fellowship 9:30 Prayer Team II/31st - III 9:30 S.S. @ Zion/Emerald Ct. 10:30 Worship & Praise	25 10:00 Bible Study/Village	26 10:00 Bible Study/WelCove 12:00 Men's Bible Study 2:00 Bible Study/Golden Living	27 1:00 Valley Food Pantry	28	29	30

← CAMP ROCK JUNIOR GIRLS - (3rd/4th Grade) →

← CAMP ROCK INTERMEDIATE 2 - (5th/6th Grade) →

← 4C's Conference in Carlsbad, CA →