

THE BAYWOOD BEACON

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PRAY FOR AMERICA

**"If my people become humble, prayerful
and repent... I will hear and forgive their sins"**

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2 Chronicles 7:14

FROM THE



PASTOR

It was Valentine's Day and Ralph had taken Becky out for a nice, romantic dinner. "Do you love me with all your heart?" asked Becky, as she stared across the table into Ralph's eyes. "Mmm hmm," replied Ralph, as he eyed the menu.

"Do you think I'm the most beautiful girl in the world?" she inquired. "Mmm hmm,"

came the same response. "Oh, Ralph," gushed Becky, "you say the most beautiful things!"

Now consider our prayers – essentially our "conversations" with God. How often do we treat Him in a way similar to Ralph's dialogue with Becky? When we pray, do we sometimes find ourselves mumbling a few quick words without having given them much thought? Do we perhaps repeat the same words in each prayer, assuming God will somehow sort out or "interpret" what we truly mean? Just as Becky would have preferred that Ralph would clearly express his true feelings toward her without mumbling, so does God care about the quality of our words to him: "When you pray, go into your room, close the door and pray to your Father, who is unseen. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. And when you pray, do not keep on babbling like pagans, for they think they will be heard because of their many words" (Matthew 6:6-7). Just as Becky wanted to hear heartfelt words from Ralph, so God wants our prayers to him to come with sincerity and thoughtfulness. And as the passage in Matthew indicates, it's quality more than quantity that matters. So let's review our prayers to be sure there's less "Mmm hmm," and more meaning!



February 25th is the date for this year's **Awana Bible Jamboree** (Bible quizzing for 3rd - 6th grade), Sparks-a-rama (games for K - 2nd grade), and Awana Games (for 3rd - 6th grade). All of these will take place in Santa Maria. Please pray for wisdom for the quizzers, safety for the games, and fun for everyone involved!



*During March 1st - 7th, four of our Awana teens and two adults will be in St. Charles, IL for the **annual Awana Summit** (Bible quiz, games, and more). Please pray for the teens as they prepare for this event and pray for safe travel.*



RUMMAGE Our Awana clubs will begin collecting items for the **annual rummage sale**. There is no date for the sale yet. Please **do not** donate old TVs, computers and other large appliances, as they do not sell well and then we have to dispose of them. Contact **Kathy Hendrickson** or **Sam Gill** for more information.

REGULAR WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

Sunday

9:15 AM Sunday School classes for all ages
10:45 AM Worship Service

Tuesday

8:00 AM Men's Breakfast - Garden Café
6:20 PM Ladies' Bible Study (beg. Feb. 7th)
6:30 PM Awana Clubs ((K-6)

Wednesday

6:45 PM Music rehearsal
7:30 PM Ensemble rehearsal

Thursday

6:00 PM Awana Cubbies (Ages 3&4)
6:30 PM Awana Jr. & Sr. High

OTHER FEBRUARY ACTIVITIES

5 th	10:45 am	Worship & the Lord's Table
7 th	6:20 pm	Ladies' Bible study begins
11 th		Noon Koinonia luncheon
14 th		Valentine's Day
20 th		President's Day
21 st	9:00 am	Elders' meeting
17 th	5:00 pm	Craft night (at the church)
19 th	12:15 pm	Chili & soup cook-off

Reasons to celebrate!

- 2 Marty & Cindy Loughry (A)
- 2 Doug & Kathy Claassen (A)
- 2 Sasha Jefferson
- 3 Tammy Grainger
- 3 Dana Vanderhoef
- 4 Don & Lee Olson (A)
- 8 Lisa Baldwin
- 11 Ariel Grainger
- 13 Marjy Rau
- 13 Bruce Tucker
- 14 Sammyrah Jones
- 16 Greg Jefferson
- 21 Valerie Bailey
- 21 Karen Calderwood
- 24 Younghae Kim
- 24 Marge Schmidt
- 25 Nellie Calderwood
- 28 Elizabeth Silva



Craft night. All you "crafters" are invited to spend some time together the evening of February 17th, working on whatever craft it is that you enjoy. Bring a food item to share if you like (or not) but come and take part in a relaxed time of fellowship and sharing the works of your hands!



BPCC information on line. Our web site – www.baywoodchurch.com – provides lots of information about our church, such as recordings of weekly sermons, the Sunday bulletin, and newsletter. Check it out!



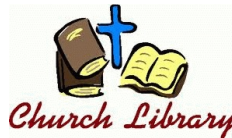
Chili & soup cook-off! This annual event takes place on Sunday, February 19th, following the worship service. To enter your specialty, please contact **Elizabeth Silva**. This event serves as a fund-raising event to help our Awana high school quiz team make their way to St. Charles, IL, for this spring's national Bible quiz.

Annual business meeting . . . thinking ahead. As we look to the future, BPCC members are encouraged to seek God's direction for the future of our church. Our annual meeting will be held March 18th and now is a good time for ministry leaders to be thinking about budget needs – and for everyone to consider whom to nominate for offices.



Toddler's Sunday school class. We are blessed to have Jill Richert teaching a class for ages 18 months through pre-K, using the *Children*

Desiring God curriculum. All parents of children in this age range are cordially invited to bring their youngsters on Sundays at at 9:15 am for this special time. For older children, a class for ages K and up is also offered.



Library News. Thanks to all of our generous donors in January, our library is growing in all areas. We have so many new exciting titles I am sure everyone will love. The winter months are a wonderful time to enjoy a good book, especially on those rainy days. Reading is a great way to build your relationship with Christ. Try a daily devotional, or a biography about a person who has let the Lord lead their life to make a wonderful impact on it such as, "The Man Who Shook The World" by John Pollack. Also, don't forget we have wonderful Christian music CDs as well, such as Michael Bahn and Everybody Worship. It is a great blessing to see so many people using the library each week. Your Librarian, **Shannon Powell**



Koinonia luncheon. The next gather is scheduled for Saturday, February 11th, at the church. Everyone age 55 and over is invited for a time of food, fellowship, and the sharing of God's goodness and blessing.



Remember Valentine's Day!

"Love may not make the world go 'round, but it certainly makes a lot of people dizzy!"

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