#### **Schedule of Events**

Ladies Workshop in October Gospel Meeting in November



## Think on These Things

#### Philippians 4:8

I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh. For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish.

Galatians 5:16-17 NKJV

# Our Family News

**Pray for** / Eddie and Susan, Ed and Phyllis. Murdock family, Mary Ann Boring, Kelli Riley, Bill and Peggy, Helen Spicer, Charles Nordstrom

# **Today's Scripture**

This is a faithful saying, and these things I want you to affirm constantly, that those who have believed in God should be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable to men.

Titus 3:8 NKJV

## **Wisdom for Today**

Open rebuke is better Than love carefully concealed. Faithful are the wounds of a friend, But the kisses of an enemy are deceitful.

Proverbs 27:5-6 NKJV



AM Sermon / George Jensen
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## **God's Plan of Salvation**

Hear Romans 10:17

Believe Mark 16:16, Hebrews 11:1-6

Repent Acts 2:38, II Corinthians 7:10

Confess Romans 10:9-10, Matt 10:32-33

Be Baptized Mark 16:16, Acts 22:16

Remain Faithful Matt 24:13, Rev 2:10, James 1:12

"For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth..."

## Come join us!

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Our weekly radio program on Sunday mornings at 9:00 AM.

## **Meeting Times**

#### Sunday

Bible Classes 10AM
AM Worship 11AM
PM Worship 5PM

## Wednesday

Bible Study **7PM** 

#### Office Hours

Call or check website

# "I was glad when they said unto me, Let us go into the house of the Lord." Psalm 122:1

# **Little Things**

#### Bill Beebe

Have you ever spent a quite evening sitting alone in the forest with only your thoughts for company? Because of my job, I have spent a lot of time in the forest. However, I have spent much less of that time just sitting and enjoying it than I have walking at a fast pace stopping only to take an inventory. Or getting my compass out to check and make sure that the line I just cut through the underbrush and painted is straight and following the original surveyors' lines. But occasionally I have had time to just sit and ponder the little things that make the forest what it is.

Sometimes, when working I would take a lunch break and find a soft place to sit. And, just occasionally, I would be lucky enough to find a colony of leaf cutter ants. These ants are remarkable. They will send out scouts to locate a bush that has leaves that are desirable to them, and when they did, they would return to the colony and soon thousands of ants would be working on that bush. They would cut the leaf into smaller sections and carry that section back to the colony. The weight of the leaf they carried would outweigh the ant by up to twenty times. And after a while the thousands of ants working would create what seemed to be highways on the forest floor. And when there were intersections of these ant highways they would stop and let others from the intersecting trail go with their leaf, then after a few minutes the intersecting ants would stop and let the others go. It was as if there were a traffic light there. The trails were wide enough that ants could be traveling both ways as they worked. Then the most amazing thing happened inside their nest in the ground. They didn't eat the leaf they were carrying in, they cut it up and processed it to serve as nutrition for fungi that they cultivate and use for food. So not only are they great at building roads, but they are farmers as well. I found that their colonies can contain up to eight million individuals and have been identified as being the most complex society on earth, second

only to humans. Considering this it is not surprising that Solomon wrote about them; Proverbs 6:6-8 (KJV) 6 Go to the ant, thou sluggard; consider her ways, and be wise: 7 Which having no guide, overseer, or ruler, 8 Provideth her meat in the summer, and gathereth her food in the harvest.

Then there are monarch butterflies who migrate by the millions, from the US and Canada south to California and Mexico for the winter. And humming birds, while being small, can beat their wings 12 times a second.

Thinking about these, I remembered Elijah as he fled from Jezebel after slaying 350 priests of Baal (1 Kings 18). He went into a cave and there the word of the Lord came to him and asked what he was doing. Elijah answered and said that all the prophets of Jehovah had been killed except him and they were trying to kill him too. He was told to stand on a mount, then God passed by. There was a strong wind, then an earthquake, after that a fire but God was not in any of these. After the fire died away, a still small voice spoke and in it, Elijah heard God's word. (1 Kings 19).

We are amazed when we see the Grand Canyon, or the giant Red Wood trees. They tend to fill us with a sense of awe. But often it is in the little things that we can truly begin to recognize that there is, indeed, a God. Slow down and appreciate the little things in life; an ant whose colonies almost match our cities for complexity, a butterfly or maybe a humming bird. Or the first time your baby held your finger or called you mom or dad. And the whispered "I love you" as you stand with your spouse, marveling at the infant that God blessed you with. And in them, you can know that God has made all this (Genesis 2:4).