

Winnemucca Seventh-day Adventist Health

Winning Winnemucca

Together in grace, service and witness to our community . . .

Member Spotlight - Jim and Jesse McKillop

Six years ago, Jim and Jesse McKillop arrived in Winnemucca with a vision - a father and son partnership centered on raising goats!

Ten years earlier, Jim, a contractor, started thinking about retirement and what life would be like without constantly swinging a hammer, sweating in the summer heart or freezing in the winter cold. Jesse, living in Santa Barbara, hatched the idea of finding land and raising goats. 40 acres, 2 dogs, and 17 Boer Goats later, the McKillop family has exploded - never a dull moment in this home!

Jim was born in Oregon, spent time in California, and eventually settled in Gardnerville, Nevada where he lived for over 30 years.



 ${\it Jim\ and\ Jesse\ McKillop\ on\ their\ ranch,\ raising\ Boer\ Goats}.$

In 1995, Jim attended a Prophecy Series held by Mark Finley and two years later was baptized into the Carson City Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Jim has two children - Jamie, who lives in New Hampshire, and Jessie, who spends his time divided between Winnemucca and Ely, Nevada, where he serves as a seasonal firefighter.

Jim loves potato salad, Mexican food, and enjoys his ranch outside Winnemucca, where he lives in his solar-operated home helping him live "off-the-grid".

Jim is looking forward to his next move - heaven, where he will meet his Savior, face-toface, and his other favorite biblical character, Paul.

We are so blessed to have Jim and Jesse a part of our church family where Jim serves as Head Deacon.

Building the Wall - Parking Lot Improvements Begin

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The first step in making much needed improvements to our parking lot is the building of a retaining wall at the back of the property. On Sunday, June 24, Jim McKillop brought his backhoe and prepared the site for the laying of the blocks. Weighing over 35 tons, the nearly 1100 blocks of paving stones have been delivered and we will all be working together to lay up the wall. Come and join us on Sunday mornings or during the week until the wall is built.



Jade Wool, Vonnie Wool, Mae Pierce, Ialeen Baxter, Jim McKillop and Pete Wool take a break during the "Build-the-Wall" WorkBee. (For more on this story see page 3)

Women's Ministries Emphasis Sabbath

On Sabbath, June 9, we honored the place of women in our community of faith. Pastor Rob shared a special message entitled "Our Testimonies: God's Delight" and we enjoyed a special dramatic presentation by guest presenter, Taneshia Kerr, Assistant Communications Secretary from the Central California Conference. The men of our church served lunch, and we all celebrated the gift of women's ministries.



Treasuring our Fathers on Father's Day



The fathers and grandfathers in our congregation were honored with a special gift on Sabbath, June 19. Fortunately, Rebecca was there to help hand out the gifts! Bill Henderson was especially pleased to receive his gift from his grandniece!

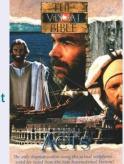
A special video was shown honoring the dedication and blessing our fathers have provided in our lives.

Sabbath Vespers

The Book of Acts - Video Bible

What a privilege it has been to close the Sabbath with a captivating video look at God's word. Having just completed the Book of John, we will embark in April on an in-depth study of the Book of Acts.

Each week we view a chapter from The Visual Bible, a word for word scripture presentation that comes to life, stimulating discussion and opening our minds to new



treasures from God's word.

We invite you to attend and broaden your knowledge and experience as we study the works of the Early Christian Church Sabbath evenings at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary.

Jenny Lott Thrilled to Attend NUC Summer Camp

Jenny Lott, the youngest member of our church family in Winnemucca, recently returned home from the Nevada-Utah Conference Summer Camp where she had the time of her life!

47 campers from California, Nevada and Utah

spent one week in the beautiful Sierras.

While at camp, Jenny made several new friends, made crafts, went swimming, and had a wonderful time.

Jenny thanks her church family for helping to sponsor her trip of a lifetime!





With Grateful Thanks. . . Honoring our Hard Workers!

Without the help of many hands, we could not accomplish the tasks that need to be done around the church facility.

On Sabbath, June 12, Pastor Rob presented certificates of appreciation to Dave Simsek, Don Baxter, Jim McKillop, and Pete Wool for their dedicated service to various church projects, including tearing out the old juniper hedge, pulling stumps, and preparing for the wall building project.

Winnemucca Seventh-day Adventist Church "Build-the-Wall" Project Continues



In the Bible Nehemiah faced the taunting challenge of building the walls around Jerusalem. Together with God's power and guidance Israel completed the project in 52 days.

The Winnemucca Seventh-day Adventist Church has accepted the challenge to undertake a wall-building project of our own. In order to complete the long anticipated project of paving our dirt parking lot, a retaining wall across the back property boundary must be built first. Starting on June 27, church members have donated their sweat and talents to accomplish this task within the project deadline - 52 days.

Following the completion of the wall, a new street light will be installed behind the wall. The grading of the property lot and new asphalt will start before the end of August.

Thanks to the sacrificial giving of our members, our church physical plant complete with land-scaping and the new parking lot will be dedicated in September followed by a community "Block Party" in October.











Lake Tahoe Campmeeting Begins July 31 thru August 4



One of the most beautiful places in the world for camping is our own Lake Tahoe. Nestled amongst the beautiful pine trees and next to the picturesque clear water, one truly feels closer to God. And what a site for Campmeeting!

Starting Monday night, July 30, hundreds of Adventist Christians will camp under the stars, listen to inspiring messages, and eat tons of grillers and corn dogs, culminating with Sabbath's Reno Convocation on August 4.

Speakers include Elder Dick Duerksen, Assistant to the President of Maranatha Volunteers International; Dr. Arlene Taylor, one of the world's leading experts on brain function; and Pastor Peter Nieri, pastor of the Paradise Church in Las Vegas Nevada. A special musical concert will he held Sabbath afternoon by *The Heralds*. Our own Pastor, Robert Roth, will be part of the Sabbath School lesson panel.

Mid-Year 2012 Treasurer's Report

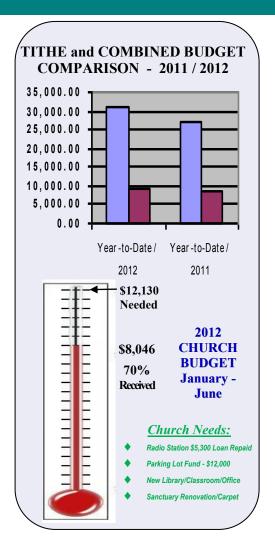
Despite the bleak economy in the state of Nevada, God is blessing the work of spreading the Gospel in Northern Nevada. At the end of June, 2012, our Winnemucca Seventh-day Adventist Church Comparative Tithe Report listed our returning God's tithe at \$27,251.20 - an **11.8% increase** as compared to the same period 2011. Overall, the Nevada-Utah Conference reports a 4.53% increase in 2012 vs. 2011.

Other components of the Personal Giving Plan show similar results. Nevada-Utah Conference Advance (including other conference giving) reports at \$2,704.18 - a 57.3% increase. Local church giving (including all other local programs and ministries) was \$14,680.32 - 9.1% increase. over the previous year. However, World Budget (including other world ministries) reports \$496.59 - a -59.3% decrease.

Our local Church Budget through June, 2012 has received contributions of \$8,046.42. Earlier this year, the Church Board authorized a 2012 Church Budget of \$24,260 which meant our church needs \$2,020 each month to meet its operating expenses. However, our local Church Budget giving has fallen behind through the end of June. We received only 70% of the funds necessary to meet our bills and various ministries.

The Church Board met in June and cut many of our local ministries budget amounts and decreased the church budget amount required by -21%. The new budget results in the need for \$1,600 each month to meet our operating and program expenses.

Please remember God's work and our local mission field in your giving both during the summer and the rest of this year. He will reward faithful steward-



Upcoming Winnemucca/Northern Nevada Evangelistic Campaigns

Have you discovered that Jesus notices everything? During His earthy ministry, He observed that "the harvest is great/plentiful, but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest …" (Matthew 9:37).

This coming fall our church will participate in several community outreach and ministry endeavors both in Winnemucca and our surrounding communities. These include:

- ⇒ September/October Financial Peace University outreach in Elko together with our sister Elko church.
- ⇒ October 9-day Elko Evangelistic Series
- ⇒ August / November Winnemucca Soup Kitchen Ministry
- ⇒ September "The Great Hope" distribution campaign
- ⇒ October Winnemucca "Block Party"
- ⇒ November "Forks Over Knives" Health program/Lovelock

Please pray and get involved. God needs workers like you!

CONNECTIONS Training Identifies Members Spiritual Gifts for Service

Our Sabbath School Special Project "Connections - Implementing Spiritual Gifts in the Church" has passed the half - way point. Pastor Rob has been leading our church members through the training process of discovering the right people, in the right places, for the right reasons. Each member has thus far completed their Spiritual Gift Assessment and Observation Assessment. During August, we will bring everything together: Clarifying our Spiritual Gifts; Linking our Primary Passion and Primary Spiritual Gift; and preparing for our personal consultation.

Listed on the Hallway Bulletin Board is our Church Family Connections Roster which lists each member's progress during this course. Everything is being brought together with the purpose that each member will know their Spiritual Gift and how it can fit together with our church's mission statement. The 2013 Church Nominating Committee will use this information to help find "the right people, for the right places, for the right reasons" for next year's church ministries.

Prayer Meeting - Great Controversy Countdown Concludes This Month

Our weekly Wednesday evening service continues to be a blessing as we are working our way through the Conflict of the Ages Series. We have made our way through the books *Patriarchs and Prophets, Prophets and Kings, Desire of Ages, and Acts of the Apostles*.

Our journey concludes this month as we finish our mid-week study by examining the final book of the series - *The Great Controversy*.

Starting in August, we will start a weekly,

detailed, chapter-by-chapter study of *The Great Controversy*.



Camp Meeting Schedules

Central California Conference July 12-21 Soquel, CA
Northern California Conference July 19-28 Redcrest, CA
Nevada-Utah Conference July 30-Aug 4 Lake Tahoe

HAPPY	Ce	<i>Celebrating</i> uly / August Birthdays		
	July / Au	gust E	Birthdays	
July 04	Edward Holsclaw	July 28	Leo Hart	
July 06	Jeanne Hart	Aug 04	Timothy Coursey	
July 07	Lawrence Weirton	Aug 10	Bryon Amstrong	
July 08	Isabel Sanchez	Aug 22	Virginia Spalinger	
July 10	Twila Davis	Aug 22	LaVonne Wool	
July 19	Drake Whitlock	Aug 24	Dan Miles	
July 20	Rene Boyd	Aug 27	Bob Dexter	
July 20	Bryon Harvell	Aug 31	Iean Miles	

Nevada-Utah Conference Women's Ministry Retreat -- October 5-7, 2012

- ♦ Venue: Nevada-Utah Conference Office, 10475 Double R Blvd., Reno, Nevada
- ◆ Theme: "Journey to Spiritual & Physical Health"
- Speakers: Dorothy Means, Pacific Union Conference Women's Ministry Director and Patrice Boyd, social worker
- Overnight Accommodations: Staybridge Suites just across the street from the conference office. Individuals needing accommodations will register themselves at 1-775-657-8999 for \$85/night plus tax for as many as 4 people per room. A block of rooms have been reserved under "Seventh-day Adventist".
- Registration: \$55 through September 10. After September 10, \$65. Includes Sabbath lunch and dinner only.
- Brochures and bulletin inserts have been mailed to each church and women's ministry leader.
- For additional information or additional brochures, please contact Robyn Cordova, (801) 969-5303 or email robynlc@hotmail.com.



Station Upgrades are now in place, and a new computer system has been delivered and is in the process of installation! Next steps involve producing live and local programs for broadcast to our community.

If you have ideas for a fund-raising event, or are interested in helping to support the station with a special "love gift" please contact one of the KKTT-LP board members—Pete Wool, Wendy Dexter, or Julie Roth.



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Together in grace, service, community, and worship

Pastor's Corner:



"WELCOME TO CAMPMEETING!"

Throughout the land, Seventh-day Adventists have been, currently are, or soon will,

communicate this greeting to fellow believers in our community of faith.

Campmeeting is in our blood. For as long as there has been an Adventist, there has been campmeeting. In fact, many members believe that Adventists invented the celebration.

However, according to Wikipedia this American practice exploded in the early 19th century primarily amongst the Baptists and Methodists. During the Second Great Awakening movement in the Northeastern United States, William Miller attracted huge crowds to his tent meetings, which later gave birth to the Adventist cultural happening known as Campmeeting. Campmeeting is in our blood.

Campmeeting is a time for community. We get to see family and friends we haven't seen for years. We share watermelon, vege-burgers, and corn dogs. We search for deals at the ABC Bookcenter. We scramble together at the Auditorium Book Sale for Pacific Press frisbees tossed by energetic book managers. We purchase thousands of "The Great Hope" mini-Great Controversy books for sharing back home with the unsaved. Campmeeting is in our blood.

Campmeeting is a time for literature evangelism. It's "ShowTime." Glow Tracts, It Is Written brochures, Adventist World Radio pens, Amazing Facts free DVD's, . . . the list of independent ministries is endless. Booths, displays, tables, racks, self-published books, multi-disc DVD collections, and millions of reams of paper line the public auditoriums and meeting tents. Digital displays of brilliant color burst out from huge flat-screened monitors. Campmeeting is in our blood.

Campmeeting is a time for preaching. The best, brightest, and most appealing preachers gather to inspire the faithful. It is a spiritual feast with tantalizing exotic dishes served by the likes of Batchelor, Byrd, and Bohr to whip up the devoted. Cries of "amens" fill the air in direct response to Rojas, Finley, Duerksen, and Nelson. It seems that everyone is saying, "Now that was an inspired message." We leave to go back to our homes stuffed with "spiritual dessert." Campmeeting is in our blood.

However, Campmeeting has a shadier side. It is dark, sinister, and comes right from the devil's handbook. Debate, arguments, accusations, and slander are heard, witnessed, and shared with anyone who will listen. Each "side" of believers tries to corner the market with their version of truth, while exposing the other side as evil, apostate, and as agents of Satan. It's in our blood. For as long as we have been an organization we seem to fall into the trap of missing the purpose of Campmeeting. Looking back at our

heritage, we used to enter a town, issue challenges to debate other Christians and display our superior knowledge. In 1888, the buzz around our assembled Campmeeting (GC session) was to argue and debate who was the 10th horn of the beast. But a 61-year old little lady went against the tide by talking about a change - Jesus.

Campmeeting is in our blood. In heaven, when we gather together in Campmeeting style, we won't spend our time arguing and spreading untruths about each other. We will know the real reason for Campmeeting - it's about Jesus. Everything else pales in comparison.

Friends, Campmeeting season is here. We have the opportunity to continue as in the past and use this time to try out our latest weapons on the liberals or our new smart bombs against the fundamentalists; or we can choose the road least traveled and focus our time on Jesus. It has worked before in our past. It will work in our ultimate future. Why not put it to practice in our present. Camp-

meeting is in our blood.

Yours in His service, Pastor Rob