

# The Path

Newsletter of Crowfoot Baptist Church

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## Getting Acquainted with Nancy Ross

by Karen Wilkinson



When pulling up to Nancy's driveway, I was greeted with Nancy's kind and welcoming smile. Nancy lives in a lovely home, on property that has fruit and nut trees, and beautiful flowers everywhere. Upon entering the house, I was greeted by one of her "furry kids," Abby, a gray cat who was just as welcoming as Nancy. Later I was to meet her second cat, Charity, who is a Calico and a bit more shy at first, but she warmed up after a while.

Nancy began attending Crowfoot In 2010 when she retired from her job in Portland and moved to Lebanon. She moved here to offer respite care to Beverly Darling's sister, Babe, and relieve Beverly, who is Nancy's cousin. For a while Nancy lived in a 5th wheel on Bev and Walt's property and was praying for a home in the country that had three bedrooms. God gave her just that...the home where she now resides.

Nancy's younger years were spent between the Berlin and Lacombe area. She doesn't really remember her family attending church, but believes they were Christians because of a Bible she has now that her dad gave to her mother when married. They would allow her to go to local churches, and Nancy remembers going to Lacombe Baptist Church and giving her heart to Jesus at Vacation Bible School. When age eight, tragedy came to their family. Her father was killed in a logging accident. Life became pretty fuzzy to her at that time. She does remember her mother being pregnant with her fourth child and hoping for a sister, as she already had three brothers! Her wish didn't come true and she was blessed with a fourth brother, whom she dearly loves. Through school regular life resumed for Nancy and she remembers walking to the Berlin Baptist Church for Sunday School and Youth Group, and once went on a camping trip with the youth.

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## The Harvest

As you drive outside of town these days look at the fields. Many are harvested clean. And those bare fields silently tell a story: the farmer planted seed, he let it grow all season, but then he uprooted everything out of there, sorted it and put it either into the silo or onto the burn pile, and now it's time for a moment's rest and celebration.

**Pastor Jeremy Zderad**

In Scripture the harvest is often a picture of Christ's return that will bring this period of history to a close (Matthew 13:30, 39; Revelation 14:15). All the gospel seed he has scattered around the world will have taken root among many. And when He appears, his angel field hands will separate these from the rest. Then it's time for a feast!

That harvest is sure to come, as sure as fall came again this year. That's why everything Christ demands of us now—absolute trust and unrivaled obedience, sacrificial love and evangelistic courage—will all be worth it in the end.

*“Even so, Lord, quickly come, bring thy final harvest home  
Gather thou thy people in, free from sorrow, free from sin  
There, forever purified, in thy presence to abide  
Come, with all thine angels, come, raise the glorious harvest home”*

[from “Come Ye Thankful People, Come” by Henry Alford]



## Community

### Prayer Requests

1. *That our church would be bold in sharing the gospel*
2. *That our church would respond to immediate opportunities to share the gospel*
3. *That God would grant us fruit in evangelist zeal and efforts*

So, how was high school for you? How about middle school? That's what I thought you'd say.

**Pastor Jason Bigelow**

Middle School was the worst time of my life, and high school wasn't much better. It wasn't because of homework, long bus rides, or gross lunches either. It had more to do with the circumstances of life and the fact that I didn't have the necessary tools to process some pretty hard things.

Life is hard to navigate in your teens, and it's almost impossible when you lack positive role models. The teens in our community need our help. They need followers of Christ engaging in meaningful, gospel centered relationships with them. That's called discipleship, and it's the mission our Lord gave us.

We currently have unprecedented opportunities to disciple teens in our community who would otherwise never hear a message of hope. You don't need to understand theology, be a good teacher, or even be interesting. All you need is a relationship with Christ, a willing heart and the courage to be a friend. Christ will provide the rest.

Jeremy and I have committed to stepping into these relationships and you can join us. Talk to me if you're interested in stepping up with us.



### Sermons

- 11/3: Acts 2.47
- 11/10: 2 Chronicles 7.14
- 11/17: Colossians 3.16-17
- 11/24: Mark 2.18-22

### Jr. Church

#### Verse of the Month

I Corinthians 15:4  
“that He was buried, that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures.”

#### Big Picture

Our mission is to tell others about Jesus.

#### Lesson Schedule

- 11/3: Jesus appeared to the Disciples
- 11/10: Jesus and the doubter
- 11/17: Jesus forgives and restores
- 11/24: Jesus gave the great commission



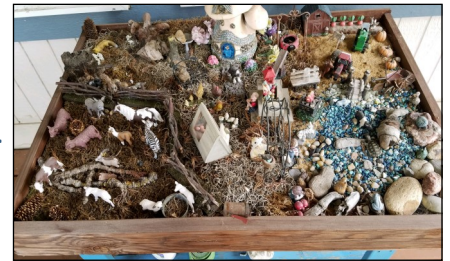
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Around 2 1/2 years after her father's death, her mother married Archie Wolfenbarger, who had a son and daughter living with him. She finally got her sister! She loved her stepfather and considered him her "dad." She also loved her new brother and sister, and they all became very close. In the fall of 1964, after graduation, Nancy started attending a private medical assistant school in Portland. A year later she acquired a job at Physicians Medical Laboratory and worked there for 46 years until retirement. In her mid-20's her mother passed away. It was then that her sister, who also lived in the Portland area, asked Nancy to attend church with her at Trinity Evangelical Church in Tigard. This is when Nancy began teaching Sunday School to preschool children. After a while, she started a children's evening program called Adventure Club for kindergarten - 6th grade. They would have a time of Bible study, singing, and crafts. She gave the children incentives through play money and a store. Every month they could use their earned money to buy goodies from the store. The kids loved it! She also enjoyed field trips with the kids, such as visits to the zoo, airport, city parks, and had a couple camp-outs. She felt God's call to minister to children while at Trinity. Today, Nancy still teaches Junior Church to children in pre-school through kindergarten at Crowfoot.



Nancy has quite a few hobbies and interests. She loves gardening and planting flowers. There is so much beauty around her house. She loves quilting and machine embroidery. She made her first quilt when she was in her 20's. Hiking is another love, especially along the beach in Yachats and the Smelt Sands National Park. The beach gives her such peace. Walking among the trees in fall is another activity Nancy looks forward to. She enjoys reading, especially light mysteries from Guidepost books. On her front porch, she has a miniature gnome village. It is so much fun...it makes me want to start my own!



Other activities Nancy helps with at church are PrimeTimers and the Care Ministry. She has such a giving spirit and enjoys helping out where needed. And I can say that it is such a blessing to see her before Sunday School most Sundays worshipping God in her seat with eyes closed as we practice the morning's worship songs.

## Thanksgiving Feast

**Saturday, November 23 at 2:00 p.m.**

Crowfoot will be enjoying the 2019 Thanksgiving Feast again this year. This is a good opportunity to bring neighbors, friends, or loved ones to partake in a delicious meal and enjoy the afternoon's festivities.



There is a need for volunteers to help with 1) food prep the day before, 2) meal prep the day of, and 3) clean up after the meal. Clipboards will be available starting November 3<sup>rd</sup> for people to sign up to help. There will also be a need for people to sign up to bring specific foods, and how many will be attending. Please consider how you can help and who you would like to bring.

## Be | Undivided

*1 Peter 2.12 "Live such good lives among the pagans that, though they accuse you of doing wrong, they may see your good deeds and glorify God on the day he visits us."*

A surprising invitation to bring the love of Christ to the lost in our community is opening wider and wider as we watch. "Surprising" because of where it comes from—the Lebanon public schools. Although they know our commitments, school administrators have asked the gospel-centered churches of Lebanon to have a direct, positive influence in the lives of students and staff.

This partnership, called **Be | Undivided**, is led by Tyler Grove, Family Ministries Pastor at Valley Life Church, a partner church through Transform Lebanon, and Skyler Bascom, a counselor at Lebanon High School. These two brothers in Christ have been encouraged by administration to recruit and bring in volunteers to help with everything from one-on-one mentoring of higher-risk students, academic tutoring, staff encouragement and many other ways.

We have the opportunity to share the love of Christ and even, if asked by the student or staff, to share the reason for our hope [1 Peter 3:15]. Pastors Jeremy and Jason are already involved and have had incredible opportunities to do both!

If you are interested or would like more information please contact Tyler Grove, 541-570-3200.

## Tea at the Bigelow's



On Monday, September 9, Anna, Ruby, Hazel and Violet Bigelow welcomed nine women from PrimeTimers to their home for a tea consisting of pastries, small sandwiches, desserts and, of course, a nice variety of teas.

It was beautiful and the food delicious! We were welcomed by smiling faces, and gracious service. Ruby even read us a lovely story about a teacup.

Thank you, Bigelow ladies, for a wonderful luncheon!

You are so appreciated!



## November



- 01...Stan Wilkinson
- 02...Matthew Straw
- 03...Ellen MacArthur
- 03...Joren Marble
- 03...Debbie Prather
- 04...Mandy Andrews
- 07...Sharon Lee
- 09...Taran Hogleund
- 11...Tyler Weller
- 12...Paul Hogleund
- 14...Michelle Presley
- 15...Cindy Van Meter
- 17...Caleb Guerrero
- 17...Nehemiah Zderad
- 18...Austin Linville
- 18...Colette Smith
- 18...Isaiah Stevenson
- 21...Diane Farrell
- 21...Don Smith
- 23...Christopher Wynn
- 24...Rick Kaloustian
- 25...Darrin Danielson
- 25...Jessica Meek
- 27...Skiler Denué
- 28...Nellie Kosmala



- 07...Ed & Debbie Prather
- 19...William & Janice Swindle
- 22...Ron & Betty Wallace

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