



## REGIFTING LOVE

*Care-filled love is the clearest marker of true spirituality.*  
(Ref. 1Cor. 13:1-13)

This is one of the great themes of 1 and 2 Corinthians. If we were to consider the main message of these two letters it could easily be: 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind,' and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself.'

As we are learning from our study in 1 Corinthians, neither of these comes easy to us. To love each other means that we must be willing to give up our autonomy, individualism, and rights for the good of others. This is what Scripture describes as real freedom, that is, freedom in Christ. It means freedom to deny ourselves and follow his example. This is a radical freedom because we can trust Jesus with our lives, our children's lives, our things, our wealth, our jobs, and even our identity. When we allow the Spirit to change us, he will empower us to be united, serving each other and taking care of each other in the power of love. And if we do this, we will be a radical, life-giving community.

~ TOM MILES

## LADIES PAINT NIGHT

About 40 ladies came together on May 9 for the Women's "Paint and Praise Night." We started off with a loaded nacho bar which included many choices of meats and toppings. Thank you to all the ladies who planned and chopped!

Katie Wardle led the praise portion in both English and Spanish. There is just something special about a room full of women lifting their voices in praise! And even more so when it includes another language.

The bulk of the evening was spent painting. We were blessed to have our resident artist, Amelia Burks, lead us step-by-step in painting Mt. Hood as seen from Dog Mountain. Amelia was a fabulous instructor, combining humor and patience as we attempted to follow along.

Everyone agreed it was a fun night and several asked to do it again. We decided against Dianne Taylor's suggestion to gift Pastor Tom's office with 40 pieces of original art!

~ CONNIE CRANDALL

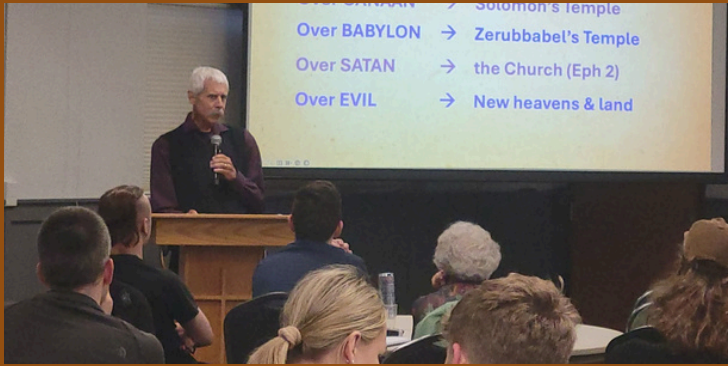


CELEBRATING MOMS! Left: Spanish Women's LifeGroup luncheon. Right: WVBC moms with flowers gifted by Men's Ministries.





# NEW TESTAMENT BIBLICAL THEOLOGY



The New Testament Biblical Theology class taught by Ray Lubeck began May 15 and hosted 96 students. It is quite an experience to be in a class with diverse ages and backgrounds, yet all are there because of their love and value of the Scriptures.

If I were to describe the class in one sentence: It is filled with excellent material and a lot of fun. Classes with Ray are challenging in their content and depth and they hold your attention. It is impossible to take enough notes. Sheri Richter, a PhD student and former student of Ray's has been sharing in some of the teaching, as well as Patrick Vestal. Special thanks to Patrick, Zeke Goodrick and Caleb Teague for their preparation of the room, the audio/video, and administration of the class. ~ TOM MILES

## FAMILY HIKE



A group of us headed out to hike up Multnomah Falls, connect with the Wahkeena trail and hike the 4 miles over to end at Wahkeena Falls. We had an awesome time enjoying each other's company. The morning was beautiful and we were blessed with sunshine and many wildflowers as we passed a total of six waterfalls. Be sure to join us next year!!

~ PATRICK VESTAL

## THE ROCK



The Rock ended on such a strong note this year! We celebrated with families joining us the last night for a chance to get a glimpse at all the fun we had. We started the night with tractor rides and then we sang, had one last puppet show and honored our group of 5th graders before they moved up to the big leagues of youth group. Thankful for the kids lives the Rock is impacting for Jesus!

~ VERA HALLMAN

## HOME TO HEAVEN



**David Boulware**

Nov 22, 1950 -  
May 1, 2025

## GRADUATES 2025

**David Bartolo**  
Reynolds High School

**Yovany Heranadez Perez**  
Reynolds High School

**Joselynn Rios-Lara**  
Reynolds High School

**Leonel Rochin**  
Reynolds High School

**Cody Timberman**  
Mt Hood  
Associates of  
Applied Sciences

**Jean-Mikael Tshibanda**  
Multnomah Seminary  
MASB (Master of Arts in  
Biblical Studies)

**Seraphine Bastin  
Tshibanda**  
Multnomah Seminary  
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## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

## ANNIVERSARIES

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