



LIBERTY Baptist Church

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February 2017

Update on Missions

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Dear Friends of Seattle,

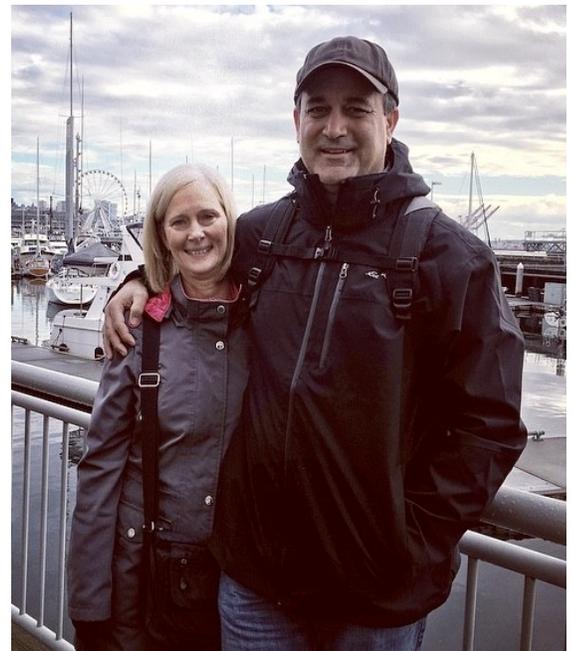
You are receiving this update because of your serious concern for church planting in downtown Seattle. Lisa and I want to express our gratitude for you financial and prayer support. Without a doubt, your partnership is a great blessing to us both—even essential to the success of the work.

As you know, we landed in Seattle on October 26, 2016, at the tail-end of the wettest October in Seattle history. And that's saying something! Since then, we have been getting into "urban shape", learning to navigate city life, adjusting to a new culture. God has given us a deep love for this city.

We have become adept at bus/train travel, Uber rides, and walking the streets. We are getting familiar with the constant flow of humanity below our window. By God's grace, NAMB provided a beautiful apartment in the neighborhood of Lower Queen Anne—another indication of Southern Baptists' commitment to evangelize the cities of America. From Queen Anne we have about a ten minute bus ride. The apartment came fully furnished so our things will remain in storage for the first year as we seek God's leading on a permanent downtown apartment. Of course, housing is a priority prayer request for us in 2017.

I know you will pray for us, so let me offer you a few other concerns:

1. Pray that our conversations will lead to friendships, that will in turn lead to the gospel. For example, we had Jeff and Parisa in our home the Thursday before New Year's. The conversation lasted until midnight. This is one sharp couple. Both are in the computer industry. Jeff is an accomplished biker, snow boarder, hiker, etc. Parisa is an immigrant from Iran. Her family's story of survival is inspiring.



Church Staff:

- *Nathan Rose,
Senior Pastor*
- *David Bronson,
Worship Leader & Director
Student Ministries*
- *Brandon Freeman,
Administrative Assistant*
- *Jewel Schlotterer,
Financial Assistant*

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The conversation turned to their recent honeymoon to Athens, Greece. We shared mutual memories of that great city. Jeff related that when they climbed up Mars Hill it dawned on him: "This is the place that church in Seattle was named for!" They allowed me to explain Acts 17 and Paul's declaration of the gospel to the Areopagus. Jeff and I talked of a future coffee where I will give him a Bible. They invited us to come to their house for dinner.

2. Pray for other new friends to understand the gospel: Amanda (who opened our new bank account) and her boyfriend Jason; Bridgette the flower lady who had lunch with Lisa; Kyle who we met at the Mexican restaurant way back in February 2016; Arthur the young pharmacists we met in the coffee shop; Patrick and Nadia who we had extended time with in the coffee shop (do you see a coffee shop theme happening?); David who runs a bookstore in the Market; Jamie who works at the Library; Lindsey the young mom (a decorated Marine who was injured in Afghanistan) who will meet with Lisa for coffee with her young son; and on and on. It occurred to me that "this work will move at the speed of friendship." May it happen!

3. Pray for the potential first-meeting place at the Pike Place Market. We have been given favor with Sarah and the other ladies in the office that oversees the rental of the Market meeting spaces. It is possible these ladies will help secure a place for the first gathering of a future church. Talk about an ideal location!

4. Pray for potential mission teams coming to join us in prayer-walking and engaging the lost. Three churches are in the process of planning such trips.

5. Pray for a young seminary couple who has committed to join us in the work. They will have a great time of transition following his graduation in May 2017.

6. Praise God for His provision. Without a doubt God continues to provide every need. Many times we have been humbled with the faithful sacrifice of God's people. We only want to be worthy of their trust.

Again, dear friends, thank you for your partnership in the work of church planting in downtown Seattle. Of course we miss family and friends, this is constant. But, there is also a great urgency for the work. Often we have asked ourselves: "Why us? Why has God chosen us for this work?" And the answer comes: it is only for His purposes and glory. Thank you for sharing the journey.

Onward!

Stuart Bell, NAMB Church Planter, Seattle

FUSION Team



Greetings from South Asia!

It has been about two weeks since we arrived in country and we have yet to slow down! After one week of adjusting/orientation we moved in with a local believer and his family. We are partnering with him to see the vision of Revelation 7:9 fulfilled. We have two tasks to complete this vision. The first is to share this vision with other believers and give them the tools to succeed. The second is to share the message of hope with non-believers and to equip them for a lifetime of obedience. We have already been blessed to see a man come to share in the same hope we have, and we are excited to see what happens next!

You can partner with us by thinking of these requests:

- That by the Spirit we will be able to impart this vision of Revelation 7:9 to others.
- That by the Spirit we will be bold in sharing the message of hope.

Without your partnership this would not have been possible! Thank you so much.

Jonathan Pratt

WE'RE ON THE WEB!

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50's Plus: February 13 Event!

On Monday, February 13 at 12:00 noon, the 50's Plus Group will be having a Valentine's Day celebration! The menu will be fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, seven layer salad, rolls and dessert catered by Hy-Vee. This will be paid for out of the Senior Ministry funds donated at each potluck luncheon.

The highlight of our January luncheon was Mary and Orville Melvin's ham, beans, and cornbread. Thank you Mary and Orville and to all others who brought wonderful dishes. We had great fellowship with 37 attending. Thanks to all who helped! You're the best.

-Bobbie Colt

Thank you Note from James Allen Family

To the kitchen people of Liberty Baptist Church,

We want to express our sincere thanks for providing food and for your kindness in the loss of our brother Jim.

Thanks again,

James Allen Family

ONLINE GIVING



Available through our church website at www.lbcliberty.org. Click on "Give" and read about Why Give? And various ways to give. Chose the one that's best for you.

Questions? Talk with Pastor Nathan or call the church office 816-781-1234.

February Birthdays

2/2	Nicole Hood
2/3	Lana McClain
2/3	Bo Sires
2/5	Destiny Martin
2/7	Caleb Rose
2/9	Delmar Ford
2/10	Olivia Scharnhorst
2/13	Jack Bronson
2/13	Lilyahna Leatherbury
2/14	Kaitlyn Wright
2/20	Peggy Ethetton
2/20	Millie Starr
2/22	Paul Eklof
2/24	Joe Crossett
2/24	Belinda Morrison
2/25	Faith Mantia
2/28	C.C. Brewer
2/28	Opal Graham

February Calendar

WEEKLY Calendar of Events

SUNDAY

Equipping Groups, 9:30 a.m.

Worship, 10:45 a.m.

WEDNESDAY

Prayer Meeting, 5:45 p.m.

Youth, 6:30 p.m.

Mission Friends, RA's and GA's, 6:45 p.m.

MONTHLY Calendar of Events

1st SUNDAY

RA's to New Beginnings, 10:45 a.m.

1st MONDAY

WOM Ashton Court Ministry, 2:30 p.m.

Deacons Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

1st TUESDAY

Church-wide Prayer & Fasting

2nd SUNDAY

Women's Prayer Breakfast, 7:45 a.m.

Finance Committee, 12:00 noon

2nd MONDAY

50's Plus Event

3rd SUNDAY

Men's Prayer Breakfast, 7:30 a.m.

3rd MONDAY

Newsletter Deadline, 10:00 a.m.

3rd WEDNESDAY

RA's to New Beginnings, 6:45 a.m.

3rd SATURDAY

Nominating Committee, 9:00 a.m.

3rd SUNDAY

Pastoral Training Group, 5:00 p.m.

4th THURSDAY

CPBA Disaster Relief Council, 7:00 p.m.

OTHER Calendar of Events

SATURDAY, Feb. 4, 9:00 a.m.

Church Work Day

Thank you Note from Janet McLeod

Thank you to those who set up the tables, go the food ready to serve, and cleaned up at the January potluck.

Thank you

Janet McLeod



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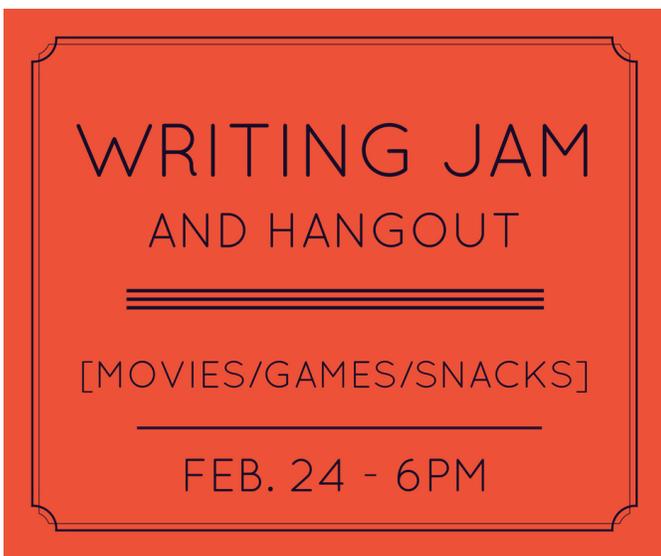
We truly cannot thank you enough for all of your generosity towards our family. We love staying in your house! It is so nice to have a yard. And having the preschool right next door and elementary school right down the street, it's the perfect location.

Thank you to many sweet ladies for providing some delicious meals—we have enjoyed those so much!

Every person we have met at your church has been friendly, encouraging, and helpful. It is truly a delight for us to be here. We look forward to getting to know you all better in the months to come!

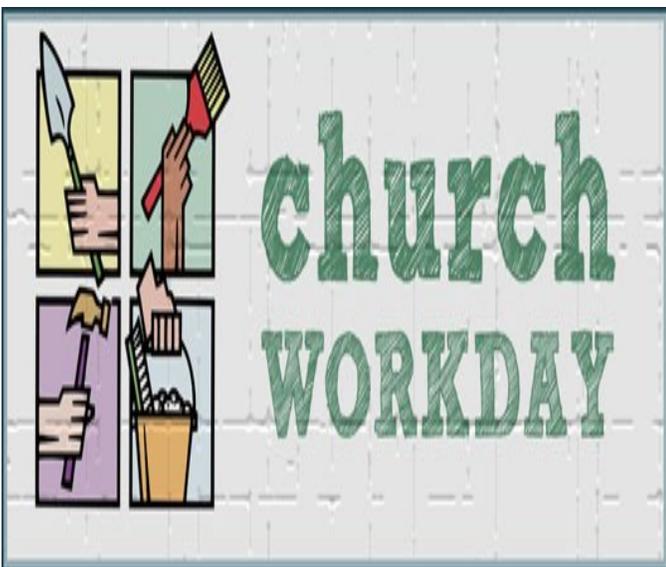
Serving alongside you for the sake of the Gospel!

Jesse, Shanee, Joya, Gus, and Luci Snodgrass



The first-ever Youth Writing Jam and Hangout will be taking place on February 24 at 6:00 p.m.! The students will be getting together at the church to hang out, eat snacks, play board games, and hold a writing jam. If your student doesn't like writing, that's ok! The students will also watch movies and play games. The event will end at 10:00 p.m.

If you're interested, or would like to know more, feel free to contact David Bronson, our Director of Student Ministry at david@lbcliberty.org.



On February 4, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., the Property and Grounds Committee will be overseeing a church work day! We hope you join us!