

DID YOU KNOW?

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By Reed Rydberg

As I was preparing to go fishing, I decided to go see my friend, Pastor Don and ask what kind of lure he uses in his fish for men.

Pastor Don Pedrick is the pastor of the Community Bible Church. He moved here one and a half years ago with his wife Mary. I was surprised to find out he has only been a pastor for five years. He has also been a missionary, teacher, coach, truck driver, janitor, salesman, athletic specialist and more!

He was born in New York and has lived in Los Angeles, California; Washington, South Dakota, Oregon and has lived over 10 years in the countries of Greece and Hungary.

I asked Pastor Don what he likes most about his present job and he said, "I enjoy the interaction with people and the ability to tell of the mercy and grace of GOD". Pastor Don welcomes discussions about life, work, parenting and how GOD pertains to all of it. "One of the things you may learn about me is, I am not judgmental, but I tell the truth as GOD sees it", he said.

His favorite quote is found in the bible in the book of Hebrews: "Since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses, let us throw off everything that hinders, and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith".

Pastor Don loves to read and hike. He has two grown sons, six grandchildren and two Mastiff dogs. Because of his world travels he has a taste for a variety of foods which include Italian carbonanra, Mexican chimichangas, Greek gyros, Hungarian goulash and an occasional steak, and of course, fish!

I started out preparing to go fishing and ended my visit inspired and hooked.

