

God Is Alive & Well

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ticed. Bricks may become loose and the wall becomes weakened. But—a watchful and concerned eye will stay on its post. And when a weakness is quickly seen, repairs are made immediately. The wall is once again strong and able to withstand and keep the enemy out.

This little scenario is likened unto the life of a Christian. Our Lord has equipped us with all the tools we will ever need to remain impregnable. He has even given us an instruction manual—The Holy Bible. However, periodically the wall, to our spiritual lives, must be reinforced: by staying in the Word, by not immersing one's self in worldly situations without any spiritual backup, by NOT doubting, by staying (walking) with the Lord.

Today—our young people are at risk again. The culprit is wearing a different costume—but, it's the same guy.

Satan lures, connives, deceives, instructs, sits down right beside you, befriends you, romances you and entraps you.

Our young people are out on the streets selling drugs and buying drugs (of all kinds). The reason that they are sporting is—"I need something to get by-on." Or—"Nobody wants to give me a job. What else do you expect me to do to earn a living?"

Parents, teachers, pastors and families—don't get angry with the youth. Get angry with Satan!

God is not dead. He is alive and very well. He never went any place. He's been here all the time. Just like the song says, "Waiting patiently in line."

God knows just how mankind operates. Mankind is so fickle. When will we ever learn that God is God and beside him there is none-other? I guess—it will be when time whangs away. The scripture says that there will be a loud shout of a trumpet; then—Jesus will appear in the clouds. Hallelujah!

But—who—all will be ready to go with Christ when he returns? I sat at one of my prayer board meetings recently and during prayer-time, I wept because I know that some of my close relatives are not going to see God's face because they refuse to get ready. They refuse to believe. They refuse to

Portland Community College Celebrates "Art Beat 1993"

The annual celebration of the arts at Portland Community College (PCC) will take place May 3 through May 7 at the Cascade, Rock Creek, Open and Sylvania campuses. The public is invited to attend and all events are free of charge. This is the seventh year of presentation. For more information please call, PCC Visual And Performing Arts Office, 244-6111, ext. 4264.

Schools Sponsors Parent Forums

Portland Public Schools Alliance Project sponsors parent forums dealing with child-rearing concerns Wednesday, April 14 through June 2 at Sellwood Middle School Library, 8300 S.E. 15th. Child care is available. For more information, please call Chris Rudolf, 280-6354.

Job Information Fair

The City of Salem is hosting its sixth annual Job Information Fair, co-sponsored by Chemeketa Community College with the theme "Building Diversity in the Work Force."

It will be held on Thursday, May 6, at Chemeketa Community College, Building 7 gymnasium. The Fair begins at 12 noon and will be open until 5 p.m. The Fair is open to everyone to come any time during the day. Admission to the event is free.

Representatives of state, federal, county and city agencies, private employers, educational programs, and employment services will be at the Fair with information about full-time, part time, summer, and temporary jobs, educational opportunities, and other services for people looking for work. All those interested in finding out about future job possibilities and current openings in the Marion, Polk, and Yamhill County area are encouraged to attend.

acknowledge that God is alive.

Whether or not people want to believe it—there is a heaven and a hell. There is a God who rules over everything and everybody. There is an evil spirit named "Satan". Believe it! Believe it! If you don't believe it now, one day, tomorrow will be too late. There will be wailing and screaming and yelling and death like you've never ever witnessed before—in your lifetime. Let there be no doubt. God is alive and well.

Go to the Holy Scriptures. Within the pages of the Bible, the solutions to every problem in the world are contained. Don't just hang-out or hang-around doing nothing, just getting more and more stupid as the days pass; just letting Satan and his little evil friends coerce you into doing all manner of evil things; things that God will not and will never allow.

[Matthew 15:16-20 GNB] Jesus was speaking to a crowd of people and the disciples were also present as he spoke. He was explaining, to them, the things that will make a person spiritually unclean.

Jesus said to them, "You (disciples) are still now more intelligent than the others. Don't you understand? Anything that goes into a person's mouth goes into his stomach and then on out of his body. But the things that come out of the mouth come from the heart. These are the things that make a person ritually unclean. For from this heart comes the evil ideas which lead to kill, commit adultery, and do other immoral things; to rob, lie, and slander others. These are the things that make a person unclean. But to eat without washing your hands as they say you should—this doesn't make a person unclean."

In this same chapter, Jesus says that every plant that his Father in heaven did not plant will be pulled up. And he went on to say, "Don't worry about them! They are blind leaders of the blind; and when one blind man leads another, both fall into a ditch." Can't be fooled by charlatans! Know God for yourself. Read the Bible every day. It's your road map to heaven.

CORRECTION

A picture of Dr. Lonise Bias appeared in our April 14, issue, her name was incorrectly spelled as Dr. Lonise Vias. The Portland Observer would like to apologize, we hope that this did not cause any inconvenience.

Comments on Bridge Access Wanted

A public workshop on concerns for bikers or wheel chair persons crossing bridges on over the Willamette bridges on April 22 at 7:30 to 9pm, at the Portland Bldg., Room C on 2nd flr. Persons with disabilities requiring special accommodations should call Dan at 248-5050 (TDD 1-800-735-2900) at least 24 hours in advance.

Mt. Hood Community College Hosts 'Women In Trades Fair'

Oregon's 1993 "Women in Trades Fair" is expected to draw several thousand women interested in careers in the trades to the campus of Mt. Hood Community College, April 24, 9am to 4:30pm.

The statewide sponsored fair will bring together working women, their advocates, employers and educators to answer questions and offer support and mentorship to others who dream of being part of Oregon's new traditions.

The fair will offer panels and workshops, demonstrations and booths, hands-on "try it" workshops and a women's work clothes fashion show. Employers and representatives from training and apprenticeship programs will be available.

The fair should be of special interest to tradeswomen, students, parents, employers, educators, advocates and women looking for a challenging career.

Workshops will include Promoting Diversity in the Work place; Pre-

paring for Work: What Help is Available?; Possibilities in Trades and Technical Work; How to Survive" Mentors and Networks; Legal Rights for Working Women; Women Moving From the Trades to Entrepreneurs; Stopping Sexual Harassment; Tools for MORE Tradeswomen; Labor/Marketing Analysis: Future Growth of Oregon Industry; and Images of Females in Education and Media.

Hands-on workshops will allow participation while women demonstrate and share their skills as bus mechanics, electricians, floor coverers, carpenters, bricklayers, painters and more.

A wide variety of booths and displays will be set up by employers, training programs, and apprenticeship programs. The following organizations are scheduled to participate:

Associated Builders and Contractors; Brick and Tile Apprenticeship Trust; Central Electrical Training Trust; City of Portland; Floor Covering Joint Apprenticeship Training;

Ironworkers apprenticeship and Training Trust; Job Corps; Local 290 Plumbers and Steamfitters Training; METRO; Mt. Hood Community college women in Transition and New Traditions programs; Oregon Advanced Technology Consortium; Oregon Bureau of Labor and Industries' Apprenticeship and Training Division; Oregon Department of Education; Oregon Department of Transportation; Oregon Tradeswomen Network; Painters' Apprenticeship; Portland Community College B-FIT, B-WEST, Project Independence and Skill Center programs; Sheet Metal Training Fund' Tri-Met; U.S. Army Corps of Engineers; and many more.

Admission is free. Free childcare and parking will be available. All ages are welcome. Mt. Hood Community College is located at 26000 S.E. Stark St. in Gresham. For more information call Marie Benedetti at 731-4893, Lana Barr at 731-4083, or write to "Women in Trades Fair," P.O. Box 86620, Portland, OR 97286.

Education For Economic Gain, "Ain't Nobody's Business But My Own!"

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tors, and on and on ad infinitum. The thing to understand is that a "Trade Association" Works like a "family", each member in support of the other and with a formal structure that collects and distributes relevant information, publish texts on operations, accounting, sales, marketing, finance and so forth; also conducts classes, regional or by mail, develops employee health plans and pension plans. To become acquainted with the spectrum of their activities is to gain a business education not obtainable elsewhere.

Gale's encyclopedia provides the name, address, phone and FAX of most groups. They should be written to obtain additional information on services and activities—and for publications and bibliographies.

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Programs Teach "Discipline That Doesn't Hurt"

Parents can learn effective and comfortable techniques for disciplining their children at a free series of programs sponsored by Multnomah County Library called "Discipline That Doesn't Hurt."

All parents know that discipline is a difficult yet necessary part of raising children. Each program in the

"Discipline That Doesn't Hurt," series will teach parents important skills that will help them to determine what techniques will work best with their child.

Parents evaluate their own situation by answering questions such as: How do personal and family values affect discipline? What

is usual for a child to be doing and learning at different stages of development? How does a child's unique personality affect his or her development?

The project, presented in cooperation with the Oregon State University Extension Service, includes help from Volunteer Parent Educators.

"Discipline That Doesn't Hurt," will be offered at the Capitol Hill Branch Library located at 10723 SW Capitol Hwy., on May 1, 8, 15 and 22 from 9:30-11am. Call 248-5385 to register.

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