

LIMEY PASTOR

Climbing back into the saddle of God's adventure



COLIN BROWN
Faith

Last week I wrote about the renewed call that I felt moving within me, and about the stirrings of thoughts and prayers within my being to return again to active ministry. It has been a year and a half since I was felled by my heart attacks and the following surgery. I no longer think that I could drop at any minute. The Lord has given me confidence. A year of running on a treadmill has helped. Preaching at other churches has helped.

The call to find a new place to do regular ministry (perhaps a new angle on ministry) gets louder and louder. I am lucky enough in my denomination to have a counselor, an adviser called Dan Clites, who is a pastor in LCMC (my denomination) who helps with new church plantings. I like that idea, but ... building a church from the ground up might be vainglory however — it may not be God's will for me anyway, perhaps it is better to wait on the Lord. These doubts also flicker in me.

I do need to obey God and ensure I take a Sabbath, a day of rest and prayer and reflection to gaze into God's word and only partake of God's activity. Otherwise things will be short-lived, and I might be too. But it is God's business and I will wait on his time. I trust I am in his care — as long as I listen to him!

I am 62 now, and in just a few months I will be able to look at some options for slowing down my other life — my working life elsewhere — and devoting myself to building the church that is not yet visible.

I plan to make the focus of my work, the sowing of the seed corn, which is the preaching of the word, not just

in Sunday sermons but broader — broadcasts, podcasts, broadsheets and stories. God sets spiritual fires where his word is sown to warm the hearts of his people. I love to preach, because it comes as new to me too when it takes place. When I preach, the Word reveals itself in new colors. It is not me but him who speaks. I hear new things when my ears are opened to his word.

"Behold," says Jesus, "I bring fire down to earth." The fire of Word and Spirit. What else can matter as much as this. It is the best job in the world! Emmanuel. God with us. I would like to stay in the eastern side of Oregon and help the growth of a Christian population there. People are honest, hardworking and creative. When the earth moves down at the coast, and it will, and the sea will drive inland for a while, Eastern Oregon will become more established and dense. A natural flux of people will arrive, and the agricultural strengths of the land will become more and more significant to our state.

The Christian strengths of Eastern Oregon will be doubled as the population increases and people come to new beginnings here. The racial mixes will be benign and rich in Christian fellowship. A microcosm of the true American promise of spirituality.

God's work will be to grow holy souls for the people here and create a holy land of God's promise. Let us do this together! Amen.

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FAITH BRIEFLY

Gospel singer to share in Irrigon

IRRIGON — A missionary and gospel singer from Joplin, Missouri, will perform at Columbia View Community Church in Irrigon.

Eldon Potts will sing and share Saturday at 7 p.m. at 1230 Highway 730, Irrigon. There's no admission charge and everyone is welcome. A freewill offering will be taken.

Potts is said to present a unique style of country gospel that shares a message of hope and salvation through Christ. Potts, who has a degree from Ozark Bible College, and his wife, Sue, have worked with Christ To The Nations Ministries, mainly in the Philippines.

For more information, call the church at 541-922-4531.

PUBLIC SAFETY LOG

WEDNESDAY

8:48 a.m. - Stanfield police took a report for assault on West Locust Street.
9:48 a.m. - Umatilla police took a report for the theft of pop cans from Big River Golf Course, 709 Willamette St., Umatilla.
10:57 a.m. - A Hermiston resident on the 600 block of East Browning Avenue told police her husband told her a male stole her pistol. She said she did not know how he got it or where he took it from.
12:22 p.m. - Harassment from neighbors prompted a residents on Southwest 13th Place, Hermiston, to talk to police.
1:01 p.m. - Stanfield police again cited 3D Idapro on Hoosier Lane for four complaints.
1:29 p.m. - Umatilla police responded to Ginger Court for a couch someone dumped in an alley.
2:09 p.m. - A resident on Birch Creek Road, Milton-Freewater, asked to speak to a Umatilla County sheriff's deputy about threatening texts someone sent.
2:18 p.m. - A man told Hermiston police he was the victim of an assault Tuesday night in the parking lot of Walmart, 1350 N. First St.
4:29 p.m. - A 911 caller reported someone left two friendly pit bull mixed dogs in the area of East Ballou Road, Milton-Freewater.
5:02 p.m. - Oregon State Police responded to a crash on the westbound side of Interstate 84 near milepost 207 just outside Pendleton. No one was injured. State police found the driver of a Subaru Legacy was talking on her phone in hands-free mode — thus not violating Oregon's law for driving and using a hand-held device — but she was not paying attention to traffic and drove into the rear of a semi-combination creeping up the hill.
A tow truck hauled off the Subaru, and state police cited its driver for following too closely and warned her for careless driving.
7:59 p.m. - A Hermiston resident on West Duane Avenue reported a large black dog that lives near her home lunged at her and tried to attack her.
10:06 p.m. - Hermiston police responded to a complaint about fireworks at East Ridgeway Avenue and Northeast Sixth Street. Police didn't find any suspects.

ARRESTS, CITATIONS

*Hermiston police arrested Levi George Herman, 37, of Pendleton, for violating parole, resisting arrest and felony methamphetamine possession.
*Pendleton police arrested Jordan Lee Swan, 29, of White Swan, Washington, for domestic violence charges of strangulation and fourth-degree assault.

MEETINGS

MONDAY, AUGUST 13

IRRIGON FIRE DISTRICT, 7 a.m., Irrigon Fire Department, 705 N.E. Main Ave., Irrigon. (541-922-3133)
PENDLETON SCHOOL DISTRICT, 6 p.m., Pendleton School District office, 107 N.W. 10th St., Pendleton. (541-276-6711)
HERMISTON SCHOOL DISTRICT, 6:30 p.m., district office, 502 W. Standard Ave., Hermiston. (541-667-6000)
MILTON-FREEWATER SCHOOL DISTRICT, 6:30 p.m., Central Middle School, 306 S.W. Second St., Milton-Freewater. (541-938-3551)
ADAMS CITY COUNCIL, 6:30 p.m., Adams City Hall, 190 N. Main St., Adams. (541-566-9380)
ATHENA-WESTON SCHOOL DISTRICT, 6:30 p.m., Weston-McEwen High School commons, 540 E. Main St. (Kim Thul 541-566-3551)
HEPPNER CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Heppner City Hall, 111 N. Main St., Heppner. (541-676-9618)
MILTON-FREEWATER CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Milton-Freewater Public Library Albee Room, 8 S.W. Eighth Ave., Milton-Freewater. (541-938-5531)
PILOT ROCK FIRE DISTRICT, 7 p.m., Pilot Rock Fire Department, 415 N.E. Elm St., Pilot Rock. (541-443-4522)
HERMISTON CITY COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Hermiston City Hall council chambers, 180 N.E. Second St., Hermiston. (541-567-5521)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14

PENDLETON PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION, 12 p.m., Pendleton City Hall community room, 500 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. (541-276-8100)
PORT OF UMATILLA COMMISSION, 1 p.m., Port of Umatilla offices, 505 Willamette Ave., Umatilla. (541-922-3224)
PENDLETON FARMERS MARKET BOARD, 5:30 p.m., Pendleton Early Learning Center, 455 S.W. 13th St., Pendleton. (541-969-9466)
WESTON CEMETERY BOARD, 6 p.m., Memorial Hall, 210 E. Main St., Weston. (541-566-3313)
PENDLETON LIBRARY BOARD, 6 p.m., Pendleton Public Library meeting room, 502 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. (541-966-0380)
LEXINGTON TOWN COUNCIL, 7 p.m., Lexington Town Hall, 425 F St., Lexington. (541-989-8515)
PENDLETON CITY COUNCIL WORKSHOP, 7 p.m., Pendleton City Hall, 500 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. (Donna Biggerstaff 541-966-0209)

DEATH NOTICES

Ray L. 'Bear' Miers Sr.
Hermiston
Dec. 29, 1951 - Aug. 5, 2018

Ray L. "Bear" Miers Sr., 66, of Hermiston died Sunday, Aug. 5, 2018, at his home. He was born Dec. 29, 1951, in Artesia, California. Services are pending with Burns Mortuary of Hermiston. Sign the online condolence book at burns-mortuaryhermiston.com

James Jerrod Woodward
Pendleton
April 10, 1939 - Aug. 7, 2018

James Jerrod Woodward, 79, of Pendleton died Tuesday, Aug. 7, 2018, at his home. He was born April 10, 1939. Services, and a full obituary, will follow in September. Burns Mortuary of Pendleton is in charge of arrangements. Sign the online guestbook at www.burnsmortuary.com.

Eugene Duane Krieg
Milton-Freewater
March 7, 1930 - July 30, 2018

Eugene Duane Krieg, 88, of Milton-Freewater died Monday, July 30, 2018, in Walla Walla. He was born March 7, 1930. Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home in Milton-Freewater is in charge of arrangements.

UPCOMING SERVICES

FRIDAY, AUG. 10

BATES, ANITA — Services at 1 p.m. at Burns Mortuary, 336 S.W. Dorion Ave., Pendleton. Burial will follow at Skyview Memorial Park, 70116 S. Highway 395, Pendleton.

SATURDAY, AUG. 11

MULDOON, MIKE — Celebration of life service at 10 a.m. in the chapel at Burns Mortuary, 685 W. Hermiston Ave., Hermiston.

SMITH, TED — Memorial service with military honors at 1 p.m. at the Country Church, 32742 Diagonal Road, Hermiston.

LOTTERY

Wednesday, Aug. 8, 2018
Megabucks
02-12-16-18-28-32
Estimated jackpot: \$5.4 million
Powerball
10-21-30-43-63
Powerball: 17
Power Play: 2
Estimated jackpot: \$223 million
Win for Life
28-43-56-57

Lucky Lines
03-07-12-14-FREE-20-23-27-32
Estimated jackpot: \$11,000
Pick 4
1 p.m.: 2-1-1-3
4 p.m.: 8-7-3-7
7 p.m.: 0-7-9-8
10 p.m.: 2-1-8-7
Thursday, Aug. 9, 2018
Pick 4
1 p.m.: 0-9-0-7

OBITUARY POLICY

The East Oregonian publishes paid obituaries. The obituary can include small photos and, for veterans, a flag symbol at no charge. Obituaries may be edited for spelling, proper punctuation and style. Expanded death notices will be published at no charge. These include information about services. Obituaries and notices can be submitted online at www.eastoregonian.com/obituaryform, by email to obits@eastoregonian.com, by fax to 541-276-8314, placed via the funeral home or in person at the East Oregonian office. For more information, call 541-966-0818 or 1-800-522-0255, ext. 221.

Destiny Theatres Fri - Wed, Aug. 10 - Aug. 15, 2018
Subject to change. Check times daily.
Hermiston Stadium 8
Hwy 395 & Theatre Ln - 567-1556
MoviesInHermiston.com
THE MEG (PG-13)
SLENDER MAN (PG-13)
DOG DAYS (PG)
CHRISTOPHER ROBIN (PG)
THE SPY WHO DUMPED ME (R-17)
DARKEST MINDS (PG-13)
MISSION IMPOSSIBLE: FALLOUT (PG-13)
\$5.50 Bargain Tuesdays**
**ALL DAY TUESDAY, MOST MOVIES.
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Doors Open: 9:30 AM Movie Starts: 10:00 AM
Check ONLINE for more information!

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Morning Celebration - 10am
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Celebrate Recovery - 6pm
Celebration Place - Kids - 6pm
The Landing - Teens - 6pm
WEEKLY
Groups For All Ages
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1911 SE Court Ave.
541.276.6417 • pendletonfirst.com

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Saturday Services
Pendleton
1401 SW Goodwin Place
276-0882
Sabbath School 9:20 am
Worship Service 10:45 am
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9:30 am Sunday Worship
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on 1290 KUMA noon each Sunday

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541-276-7590
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 AM
Sunday Bible Classes 9:45 AM
Sunday Youth Group 6:00 PM
Mon. Community Women's Study
9:30 AM & 6 PM
Awana Kids Club (K-6th grade)
Wed Men's Study 6 PM
MOPS meeting the 1st Thur of the Month 6 PM
To share your worship times call 541-278-2678

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church LCMC
Sunday worship at 10:00 AM
Pastor Michael Smith
420 Locust St. • Boardman, OR
541-481-6132

Grace Baptist Church
555 SW 11th, Hermiston 567-9497
Nursery provided for all services
Sunday School - 9:30 AM
Worship - 10:45 AM 6:00 pm
Wed Prayer & Worship - 7:00 PM
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Sunday School 10:00 a.m. (Nursery Provided)
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Check Out our Facebook Page or Website for More Information
541-289-4535
Tom Inch, Pastor
Grace and Mercy Lutheran Church, ELCA
(First United Methodist Church)
191 E. Gladys Ave. / P.O. Box 1108
Hermiston, Oregon 97838

Community Presbyterian Church
14 Martin Drive, Umatilla, OR
922-3250
Worship: 10 AM
Sunday School at 11:30

The Salvation Army
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Sunday Worship Service
9:30 - Sunday School
10:30 - Worship Service
Wednesday Bible Study
5:30 Family Fellowship Meal - 6:00 Bible Study
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150 SE Emigrant
(541) 276-3369

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352 SE 2nd Street, Pendleton OR
Sunday Worship 9am • 541-276-2616
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Wednesdays 6:00 pm
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Bible Study.....10:00 AM
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www.faithpendleton.org

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(541) 276-9360 or visit us at
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www.facebook.com/pendletonoregonbahais/

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201 SW Dorion Ave. Pendleton
Service of Worship - 10:00 am
Children's Sunday School - 10:20 am
Fellowship - 11:00 am
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Special Guest Speaker
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Sunday School: 9:30am
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