



Shawn Reida Magic Show

TAG and TeamKID concluded their year with a special Family Fun Night on April 20. Following supper, of grilled hot dogs and hamburgers, Shawn Reida, a magician & illusionist presented a magic show. He was able to involve the kids in his magic tricks. Shawn also shared the gospel in his presentation. It was a fun conclusion to a great year of both TeamKID and TAG. The Youth joined the evening by serving the meal and were able to participate in the presentation. While the younger kids are done for the year, the Youth Group will still be meeting during the summer months at the Backside at 7 p.m.





FROM YOUR FRIENDS AT GARDEN.

John 1:3 "Through Him all things were made; without Him nothing was made that has been made."

The May Day flowers and flower exchange rescheduling and the weather that evening, affected our numbers a little, but those that were able to attend assisted with a service project. May Day flowers were put together for the ladies of the church who are not able to attend on a regular basis due to physical limitations. Extra flowers were put together for anyone who wanted to deliver one to their neighbors or friends. The flowers were then split up between those in attendance and hand delivered to the recipients. After the service project was completed, those in attendance shared plants/flowers/succulents/seeds with others. It is so fun to see everyone's gardens growing! We hope you can join us in the fall!



High School Graduates



Katherine Harms—Berean Academy

Katherine is planning to attend Hutchinson Community College and study to be a radiology technician.

Elise Harms—Berean Academy

Elise plans to attend the College of the Ozarks majoring in Horticulture/Ag.



Matthew Morrison—Moundridge High School

Matthew plans to attend Hutchinson Community College and major in Political Science.

Seniors 2022

College Graduates

Jared Nelson (son of Chris & Julie Nelson) graduated from Hutchinson Community College with an Associates of Applied Science degree in residential construction. He is planning to work for Preferred Builders.

Jordyn Vogt (son of Scott & Amy Vogt) graduated from Hutchinson Community College with an Associates degree in Fire Science. He has accepted a position in Lowman, Idaho with the National US Forest Service for the fire season, from middle of June—October.

Susanna Goossen (daughter of Elwyn & Linda Goossen) graduated from Calvary University with a Bachelor degree in Biblical Counseling. She plans to work at Echo Bible Camp in Alaska this summer and then return to Hesston to work for a year.

Lexie Harms (daughter of Lindley & Kayla Harms) graduated from Calvary University with a Bachelor Degree in Business Administration Organizational Leadership. After her June 25th wedding, she and Ben will live in Neosho, Missouri where Ben has a youth pastor job.



Bridal Showers

On April 24th, we were able to shower both Kirsten Hiebert and Lexie Harms with a joint come and go bridal shower. Displayed on each of the brides' gift tables were pictures of the couple and also a brief "Our Story" for guest to read so they were able to catch a glimpse of how the future brides and grooms met. Kirsten and Anthony Broeder are planning a June 4th wedding and Lexie and Ben Jones are planning a June 25th wedding. Keep these couples in your prayers as they begin their lives together as a couple.



Vonnie's Views

This year I am reflecting on my readings as I journey through the Bible with two friends using a YouVersion Bible-reading plan. YouVersion has whole-Bible plans, topical plans, and book plans. Browse the options—you can start a Bible reading plan at any time during the year—and I encourage you to be in the Bible daily, no matter what plan you use!

I am most of the way through the book of Isaiah. Isaiah is one of the most-loved books of the Bible, and for good reason! Isaiah is beautifully written—even translated into English it is a stately book with magnificent imagery and lyrical writing. I cannot imagine how stunning it must have been in its original language of Hebrew.

Isaiah was a prophet for more than a half century, prophesying from Jerusalem during the reigns of Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, and Hezekiah. He may have been martyred by Hezekiah's evil son Manasseh. These were years of ups and downs for Judah—both politically and spiritually. During Isaiah's lifetime he was God's spokesman, calling Judah away from idolatry, away from trusting in anything or anyone but the One True and living God, and warning of impending judgement.

Isaiah paints glorious pictures of God and elegantly describes God's character. He describes God as the creator and initiator of all events of human history.

Do you not know? Do you not hear? Has it not been told you from the beginning? Have you not understood from the foundations of the earth? It is he who sits above the circle of the earth, and its inhabitants are like grasshoppers; who stretches out the heavens like a curtain and spreads them like a tent to dwell in; who brings princes to nothing and makes the rulers of the earth as emptiness. Scarcely are they planted, scarcely sown, scarcely has their stem taken root in the earth, when he blows on them, and they wither, and the tempest carries them off like stubble. To whom then will you compare me, that I should be like him? says the Holy One. Lift up your eyes on high and see: who created these? He who brings out their host by number, calling them all by name; by the greatness of his might and because he is strong in power, not one is missing. Isaiah 40:21-26 ESV

Amid brokenness and declarations of impending disaster, Isaiah emphasizes God as redeemer and restorer. He tells of a coming Savior from the line of David; a King with an eternal, righteous reign (unlike human kings).

The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shone. For to us a child is born, to us a son is given; and the government shall be upon his shoulder, and his name shall be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and of peace there will be no end, on the throne of David and over his kingdom, to establish it and to uphold it with justice and with righteousness from this time forth and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will do this. Isaiah 9:2,6-7 ESV

At the same time, Isaiah is very clear that God does not wink at sin or brush evil under the carpet. God's wrath is described—not just applying to God's apostate chosen people, but to all the nations of the world who have evidence of a creator and refuse to acknowledge that fact.

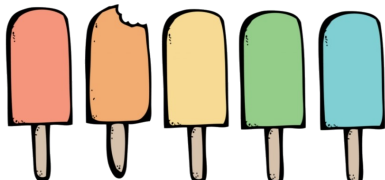
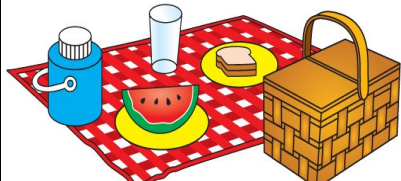
Wake yourself, wake yourself, stand up, O Jerusalem, you who have drunk from the hand of the Lord the cup of his wrath, who have drunk to the dregs the bowl, the cup of staggering. There is none to guide her among all the sons she has borne; there is none to take her by the hand among all the sons she has brought up. These two things have happened to you—who will console you?—devastation and destruction, famine, and sword; who will comfort you? Your sons have fainted; they lie at the head of every street like an antelope in a net; they are full of the wrath of the Lord, the rebuke of your God. Isaiah 51:17-20 ESV

I recommend the book of Isaiah as encouraging, uplifting, faith-building, awe-inspiring literature. Listen to it being read to you, read it aloud, copy beautiful passages into a notebook. You will be convicted and blessed. You will be astounded that this holy and eternal God reached down to us in love. 'For I, the Lord your God, hold your right hand; it is I who say to you, "Fear not, I am the one who helps you."' Isaiah 41:1 ESV
gratitude to my Savior and Lord? May God give us grace and strength to follow Him wholeheartedly!!

June

Prayer Calendar and Memory Verse

**Memory Verse: I John 1:5—This is the message we
have heard and declare to you:
God is light and there is absolutely no darkness in Him.**

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
			1 Pray for open doors for missionaries to proclaim the gospel.	2 Elwyn and Linda Goossen	3 Chuck and Connie Myers	4 Joe & Denise Goossen
5 The Lord God - merciful and gracious	6 Hannah and Josh Zook	7 James Goossen	8 Peter and Rachel Hansen	9 David and Tonya McCloud	10 Ivan and Mary Goossen	11 Mark and Mollie Kunkee
12 The Lord God - Creator, Redeemer, King	13 Josh and Camila Goossen	14 Daniel and Krissy Hansen	15 Tim and Renee Zook	16 Harvest Radio	17 Susanna Goossen - Echo Ranch Bible Camp	18 Across Nations radio stations
19 The Lord God - Almighty, Holy, Perfect Goodness	20 Nate and Andrew Goossen - BOTT Radio	21 Sonset Radio Transmitters	22 Café y Graca	23 Ashley Williams family - ministry in Honduras	24 Youth considering going into ministry.	25 Sunday School teachers
26 The Lord God - Father, Provider, Protector	27 Digibooks print shop in Ukraine	28 Local Bible studies	29 Our members in the workplace	30 Pray for the Holy Spirit to penetrate hearts and minds with the truth.		



STRAIGHT FROM THE HEART

June 8th marks the start of my third year as Executive Director at the New Hope Shelter. This also is the sixteenth year I have worked with the homeless. "But wait"...as they say on the commercials, there is more!! By June 8th I will starting my 47th year of marriage to Marilyn. This also, is the year I see grandchildren 24 and 25 arrive—a pair of twin girls arriving in the Joplin, MO area. They arrival date is in September just in time to celebrate my 70th birthday in October. The older I get the more I appreciate people who care....in what has become a rough and tumble cruel world.

Just recently I received an email from a tender hearted eighth grade girl from Irvine, California. How she got in contact with us I don't know, but her mission was an interesting one. She had seen all the homeless people in her community and in some of the other communities in California. She wanted our suggestions as to the things that should be listed on a Resource Card. She was proposing to put together the card and to distribute it to homeless people as a way of providing them help. I sat and thought about it for a few minutes before responding, as I appreciated the tenderness of her request. I then responded and I will share some of those responses with you.

I responded that they needed a place to sleep, food to eat, a place to shower, a mailing address and a place to do laundry. I mentioned that they needed access to a phone, computer access for job and housing searches, employment agencies and job tips, clothing, personal care items, and a whole lot more.

There was a special level of caring on the part of the Irvine, California girl, as I mentioned earlier. However, the level of caring I see every day from volunteers, supporters and the general public far surpasses that of our eighth grader. This seventeen-year-old organization has enjoyed your support, putting together all of the resources I mentioned above and more, for Homeless people here at the New Hope Shelter.

Have we arrived? No, by no means. We have a lot of work to do to better serve the needs of Homeless and Needy people in this area. With your help we will take on the challenges.

Love You,
Brian Bisbee, Executive Director



We have graciously been extended an extension of our Lease by Ember Hope until the end of 2023. By that time, we hope to have a new building erected on five acres on Meridian Road. Please pray for the process of surveying, platting and navigation through the City requirements. We need things to move in a timely fashion.



A BIG THANKS

- A team of 25 Folks from Grace Community Church in Newton who came and served us on the Big Serve on April 3. That team took care of so many things for us that needed to be done.
- The Barn Restaurant in Burrton who did a Mission Monday fundraiser for us on March 14.
- The Junior and Senior students in the Nursing Program at Hesston College who did an amazing job on a fundraiser benefitting the New Hope Shelter.



Lunch Food Needed:

We eat leftovers at Lunch. If you have Excess Food or food left over from a Church, Family, or Business gathering, please bring it to us. It would be helpful if you would call us at 316-283-7711, but it is not necessary. Left over grilled meat, casseroles, sandwiches, half pies or cakes, fruit and vegetables...you get the idea. All are welcome.

We will accept food from 8AM to 10 PM. We will make you this commitment. We do not like to waste food. If we get too much, we will share it people who can use it.

Volunteers Needed:

We can use volunteers for Service during the Day or Evening. We will train you thoroughly. It is a very fulfilling place of service. Our next Volunteer Training session is going to take place at the New Hope Shelter on May 19, 2022 from 7-8:30PM. Please give Shonda a call at 316-283-7711 and tell us you are coming along with a friend. You can

Men's Body Wash
Dishwasher Pods
55 Gallon Trash Bags
Head & Shouler's Shampoo
Nail Clippers
Hair Brushes
Dryer Sheets

Pine-Sol
Toilet Paper
Napkins
Paper Towel
Coffee
Powdered Creamer
Lunch Meat

Your Garden vegetables and fruits are welcome this Summer. If we get too much we will share with others. If you need more information, give Brian Bisbee a call at 316-283-7711.

Joe & Denise's Update

April 23, 2022

Dear Garden Community Church,

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 1 Timothy 2:1-4

Two months into Russia's war on Ukraine as we continue to see the horrors of the war, we realize more than ever that the above verses are a great ones to pray for Ukraine so they can live in peace, lives that are honoring to God and accomplishing His purposes.

Our church in Oleksandriya certainly has been spending time praying for their country, meeting at least twice a week for special times of prayer. They have been very active in reaching out and helping refugees that are transiting through our town as well as the less fortunate in our town. For Easter they prepared special packages for the children and were having three different children outreach events.

This last week we heard that Digibooks Press was awarded the large grant that we had applied for towards the completion of the money needed to buy the planned for press. During this time Ukraine has taken off import tax which is 20% of the cost of the machine. We are now actively looking for a used press on the European used equipment market, even though the conflict has not yet been resolved. The needs for literature will be great during the reconstruction period so we move forward trusting the Lord to bring all things together in His timing.





Praises

- Pastor Aleksander's parents rescue from Mariupol
- We were able to get money raised by Avant in for our church's humanitarian efforts
- The grant received towards purchase of a press

Pray

- That the Lord would heal the many broken hearts
- An end to this war of destruction and suffering
- *"..people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth."*
- Continued protection for our city of Oleksandriya

The right used press in His timing

In His grip,

Joe & Denise



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Happy Easter to all!

We hope you all had a special time celebrating Jesus' resurrection. We went to an Easter service at Hacienda El Refugio, a retreat center that is part of Youth World. The service was held on the mountaintop!

SO MANY ANSWERED PRAYERS:

- Hannah & baby have continued to be healthy!
- God has provided Amadas with a day center space
- Provision for each detail as we prepare to go to the USA

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- These last few days leading up to traveling to the USA, that God would give us peace in the midst of busy days & help us to get everything ready to go.
- Smooth international travel on Monday night, April 25th. Pray for Dakota as last time he cried a lot on the flights.
- Health for all of us before, during & after travel & continued health for Hannah's pregnancy. Energy for Hannah as pregnancy is very tiring.

New Amadas Day Center!

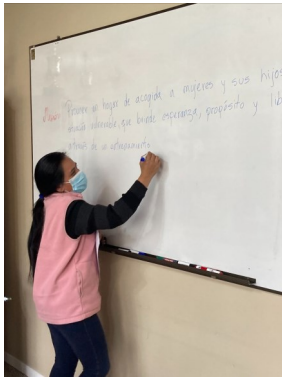


God has provided a space for us to use at a local community center in order to invite the Amadas women in prostitution to for coffee hour, to receive donations & for hopefully many other services in the future. Please pray for wisdom as we plan on how to use this tool for God's glory & for the provision of needed resources in order to expand services offered to the Amadas.



We had a beautiful dedication of the space that included songs, prayer, anointing the space with oil & cutting the ribbon at the entrance.

Strategic Planning Process



The ESME team recently finished a process of strategic planning. We ended up rewriting all of our vision & mission statements for each ministry. We are thankful to have spent the time focusing on what God has for us in this season.



We celebrated the culmination of this process & each person got a poster with all the updated vision & mission statements!

Family Updates



Hiking as a family!



Special times with dad playing the guitar & reading!



Hannah has had fun having friends over with little kids & Dakota has been learning to interact with others & share!

Hansen Update May 2022

Dear Praying Friends,

Recently reading through Deuteronomy I was impressed by how often Moses reminded the Israelites of God's faithfulness to keep His promises. As Moses finishes his discourse with them, they were on the verge of entering the promised land and Moses could not go with them, but he assured them God would fulfill His promises.

Then again in Joshua this same theme is brought up and Joshua says: (21:45) *"Not a word failed of any good thing which the Lord had spoken to the house of Israel. All came to pass."*

What a good reminder to us also of the many promises God has given His church. None of His promises will fail!

Ministry

In February I was in Florida for the annual security meetings. After dealing a lot with the pandemic, it is good for us to again focus more on the security threats our missionaries face. The circumstances are ever changing, so we want to be aware of trends and whatever else may be happening.

Later in February Rachel was able to come with me to the International Ministries Team meetings in Alabama. It was good to have almost the whole team together. (One of our team members was recently diagnosed with lung cancer, so please pray for him and his wife.) It was an encouraging time to discuss current challenges, read the Word together and to pray for wisdom and direction. We acknowledge this ministry is far too big for us. The Lord must be the One who guides and gives strength!



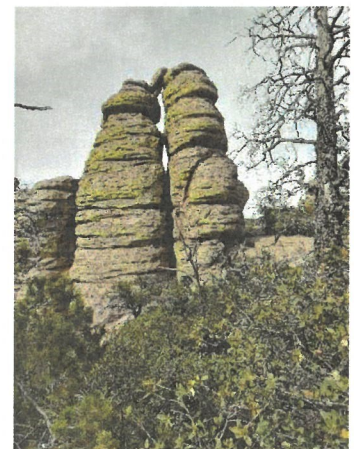
In March, Rachel was again able to come with me to board meetings at the Ethnos360 Aviation location in Arizona. It was good as a board to talk together and rejoice in what God has done over the last year and make plans for the year ahead.

The challenges are great, but God is indeed

greater still! Due to ticket prices, it turned out cheaper to stay a couple extra days. It gave us opportunity to do some sightseeing and hiking. I also had the opportunity to give an update to a church who is praying for our son, Philip, and family in PNG.

At the beginning of April, I was again in Florida to set up a new internet connection and Wi-Fi for the International Ministries office.

Over the next few months, it looks like I will mostly be working from home, except for another trip to Florida in June. Also, in June it will be decided whether we should host the



leadership forum in Thailand. It was scheduled for 2020 but had to be postponed and then postponed again in 2021. Lord willing, it will be possible in 2022.

Family

It is a great privilege for us to see 4 of our sons with their families working overseas. We are thankful they are following God's leading. Each family is facing challenges in ministry. Three of them are in different stages of culture and language acquisition and each in very diverse situations.



Daniel, Krissy, and Zephaniah left in March for Asia-Pacific and it sounds like they have settled in well in their new location. They are learning a lot of new things and are excited as they have started the National Culture and Language acquisition.

Philip and Natalie have made good progress in studying Kovol culture and language. In June, they along with Louis and Timon, will be going to Germany to start their home assignment.

Hans and Kalla are also progressing in Tajik study. In July Hans, Kalla, Everett, Grayson, Theoden, and Oliver are planning a 2 week break in Germany.



That means with Benjamin, Wina, and Noah already in Germany that the three families will be in proximity of each other. That means 7 grandsons in one country. So, Rachel and I began praying about the possibility of going for a visit while they are all there. And as of about 2 weeks ago the decision has been made to go and spend a week with them all in July, and Caleb, Steffan and Karl will be able to join us as well. Of course, we are all very much looking forward to spending that time together! – Late note: we hear from Daniel and family that they will have to leave the country they are in to get a more permanent visa, so they are possibly also going to be in with us Germany.

Rachel and I also hope we will be able to make a trip to the Faroe Islands in the fall. No dates are set yet, but we trust it will happen this time. I have not been there since 2019 and Rachel hasn't visited since 2011.

Thank You!

Thank you so much for your continued support as you pray and support us financially. Please let us know how we can pray for you also.

In Christ,

Peter and Rachel Hansen

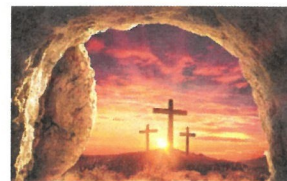
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THE RESURRECTION FOREFOLD



Job 19: 25, 26 Shout with Job! "For I know that MY REDEEMER LIVETH, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth. And though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God.

THE RESURRECTION PROCLAIMED BY JESUS CHRIST

Matt. 22:31,32 *"But as touching the resurrection of the dead, have ye not read that which was spoken unto you by God, saying, I am the God of Abraham, and Jacob? God is not the God of the dead, but of the living.*

John 14:14 *And thou shalt be blessed; for they cannot recompense thee: for thou shalt be recompensed at the RESSURECTION of the just.*

John 5: 28,29 *Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the RESURRECTION of life; and they that have done evil, unto the RESURRECTION of damnation.*

John 11:25 *Jesus said unto her, I am the RESURRECTION, and the life: he that believeth in me though he were dead yet shall he live.*

THE RESURRECTION PREACHED BY APOSTLES

Acts 4:2, 17:18, 18:24, 24:15, 26:8; Romans 6:5, 8:11; I Cor.15:2; II Cor. 4:14; Phil.3:20
Col. 3:3; I Thess. 4:15, 5:23; Heb. 6:2; I Peter 1:11; I John 3:2
Titles and references taken from KJV Bible

ENJOY A FEW HYMNS OF EASTER

**THE OLD RUGGED CROSS; I KNOW THAT MY REDEEMER LIVETH; AT CALVARY;
REDEEMED HOW I LOVE TO PROCLAIM IT; DOWN AT THE CROSS WHERE MY SAVIOR DIED;
FACE TO FACE; NOTHING BUT THE BLOOD; HALLELUJAH FOR THE CROSS!; LOW IN THE GRAVE HE
LAY; THE DAY OF RESURRECTION; CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN **TODAY**; HE LIVES HE LIVES;
I KNOW WHOM I HAVE BELIEVED; I WILL SING THE WONDROUS STORY; PRAISE GOD FROM WHOM
ALL BLESSINGS FLOW**

Just a personal note to let you know that we appreciate and thank God for what He has done for us. Thanks to you also for all your prayers, love, and support in our aging years. Your prayers saw us through some bad colds recently. Ev recently had a covid test and x-rays to check for pneumonia. We are very grateful that both came back negative. She even passed her driver's test and plans to sing again when she is over all the congestion.

Still Looking for the Rapture,

Norvin & Evelyn Schrag