



Pastor Aaron's Post-It

There is really nothing new under the sun as Eccl. 1:9 tells us. When we look at the lives of many in the Bible, transition has always been a part of life. But how do we have the hope of the Gospel for the changes that we experience today?

When we look at the big picture view of the Gospel spanning from Creation, to the Fall, to the Redemption through Jesus Christ, and on into the New Creation, we can witness God who is working out all things for His glory and praise.

The Lord truly is our hope, joy, and peace! Here are some truths we can cling to as we find our hope in Jesus and in God's goodness amidst the changing seasons of life and in our culture.

- Seasons of change can grow our trust in God, knowing He is in control (Jn. 14:27)
- God is still working great things in our hearts (Phil. 2:13)
- Times of transition are not wasted time (Eccl. 3:1)
- God works to redeem everything! (Rom. 8:28)

Welcome Our New Camp Judson Assistant Camp Director, Jake Rapp!

If you come to Camp Judson looking to meet the new assistant camp director, Jake Rapp, you might only see a blur of a silver truck since Jake is buzzing here and there at camp, working hard with Tracy and Danie to keep things running smooth.

Jake hails from the Black Hills area but now resides with his two daughters at Camp Judson in the camp house by the old mine.



When I had a chance to talk with Jake a few weeks ago (in between his projects and pressure washing the Outreach Lodge deck) Jake was happy to give me a few minutes to catch up.

Due to our mutual friend Pastor Ben Larsen from the Little White Church in Hill City, SD, Jake had an interesting conversation with Pastor Ben while cutting his hair. You see, Jake has been running a barber shop for several years in the Black Hills area and had been

praying for God to show him a possibility for ministry in another area. It's a good thing that Jake has had years of construction experience as well as camp experience as he had helped with a youth camp for several years in the past.

"It was a God thing to be able to work here at Camp Judson," said Ben. "It's been good since coming on. There is plenty to do and Tracy and I get along." Welcome Jake and family! We hope to see God continue to do good things through you at Camp Judson.

Moving Men's Roundup Date

Men's Roundup has often been scheduled in the warm sultry month of August over the years. Due to a few scheduling conflicts with our scheduled speaker and others, we are going to try for September 20-22 this year.

This year we have been blessed to have our speaker, former pro calf roper Dane Kissack of Spearfish, SD, come out and enjoy Camp Judson with the rest of us cowboy and city folks.

Information for registration can be found on the ABC of the Dakotas website as well as calling the region office at 605-575-2071. Thank you!



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Camp Judson Steering Committee and Camp Report

God is good, all the time! All the time, God is good! Despite the influences a lost world presses upon today's youth, we've seen a steady stream of young people coming to Camp Judson this summer, hungering for the Word of God. From the "Day Camps" late May and early June through both Senior High Camps, and every camp in



between, the response to God's calling has been exciting.

A common thread that we have seen is that; "Behind the scenes in many of these kids' lives, there are Godly parents, relatives, friends, and churches that are supporting and praying for them every day." Was your life changed by a week at Camp Judson or another Christian camp? Have you seen a difference in the lives of your friends following a Christian camping experience?

You can support Christian camping in many ways. There is financial support, volunteering, encouragement, and, not least of these - the power of prayer.

It has been a great camping season so far! Tracy, Dani, the staff, and our new Assistant Camp Manager, Zack ? have done a marvelous job in the face of many challenges. Continue to pray that the remainder of the summer goes well!

Only By His Grace,

Judy Waldman & Ken Wrede
Capital Campaign Co-Chairs



Pastor's Corner with Mark Tuttle

Each month, some time will be taken to get to know our ABCD region pastors. This month, we get to know a little more about Mark Tuttle, pastor of the First Baptist Churches in Burke, SD and Lucas, SD. Mark was willing to let us know a little about who he is and what makes him tick:

1. Who in the Bible would you like to meet? A. Barnabas...bringing people together
2. What is your favorite part of ministry? A. The relationships that have developed over the years...helping them walk through the stages of life
3. Family? A. Wife - Jane of 39 years. Grown children: Andrew and girlfriend Victoria, Luke and girlfriend Kylie and their two children Maisley and Renley, and Joshua and his wife, Allison.

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4. Originally from? A: KS and CO
5. Favorite food? A: Meat and potatoes
6. A favorite Bible verse? A. Rom. 8:28, "And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose."
7. How have you seen God working recently? A. In the hearts of some people in my churches of different generations as they will be baptized in Missouri River in August.
8. A favorite movie? A. Most recently is Rebecca St. James' story, *Unsung Hero*
9. Favorite book of Scripture and why? A. -Any of Paul's Epistles as they show the church how to live and be united and be the Body of Christ
10. What motivates you? A. A good cup of coffee and the knowledge that God wants to use me every day...so I look for Him.

Thank you for letting us get to know you and your faith a little more, Mark! God bless you, your family, and your ministry - in Jesus's name!



Camp Bentley Broadcast

Our 2024 camping season concluded in July with Family Camp and Sr. High Camp. Family camp went "Sailing with the Spirit". We had over 100 campers for the weekend with only one double room left and many first-time families. It was a wonderful weekend of worship, family fun, and fellowship. Thank you to Pastor Brian and Kristi Keithline and Immanuel Baptist of Minot for leading Family Camp. The Keithlines had never attended Family Camp so it was a big step of faith. Sr High Camp we looked at John 15 as we learned to "Abide". Sarah Stanley and Seth Wisthoff did a great job of challenging the campers and staff alike. Campers learned to abide with God in different areas of their lives.

One highlight of the week was a prayer walk around camp to abide in prayer. We have had many first-time campers at every camp with high attendance. God provided managers in Chuck and Sue Kranz as well as the other staff we needed. We look forward to ABY Convention at Camp Bentley for grades 7-12 on September 21-22. More details coming soon!



Here and There

This past month of July, your executive minister spent time connecting with churches in ND and Pierre as they are in the process of finding pastors for their congregations. It is not a speedy process and I am thankful for patient and prayerful committees and leadership in our churches!

I also had the blessing of being able to co-pastor Junior Camp at Camp Judson with pastor Ben Larsen from the Little White Church in Hill City, SD. The counselor team for Junior Camp was wonderful and worked hard and happy with our junior campers! Of course, our directors and camp grandpas and grandmas were fantastic!

With NECU (North East Christian University), I have been working with Ruth Fox from Friends of NECU to come up with solutions to securely get support to NECU. Your continued prayers for viable solutions in India are appreciated!

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Region Opportunities

This month and in September, there will be opportunities for our ABCD region pastors to learn, sharpen, and refresh. Some of these opportunities are:

ABC Emergency Services Center

When: August 5-7

Who: Anyone who wants to help with basic emergency services to those coming to Sturgis, SD.

Where: Sturgis, SD

Please contact Aaron Kilbourn at the regional office at 605-575-2071 if you are interested!



<http://www.sturgisaid.com/volunteer.htm>



Men's Roundup Coming in September!



SD AB MEN'S ROUND UP

SEPTEMBER 20-22, 2022
Round Up the Men and Boys!

Round Up the men and boys, and head to Camp Judson for a great weekend to grow in your faith, enjoy fellowship, relax, have fun, and eat some great food! No need to preregister, just register between 3:00 - 5 PM on Friday, September 20th at Camp Judson.

Costs: \$100 (18 and older), \$75 (ages 6-14), \$1/2 price for pastors, \$50 one-day rate, FREE (5 and under), Cabins 1, 2, & 3, and Insp. Lodge extra charge.

Weekend schedule on website: www.abc-dakotas.org



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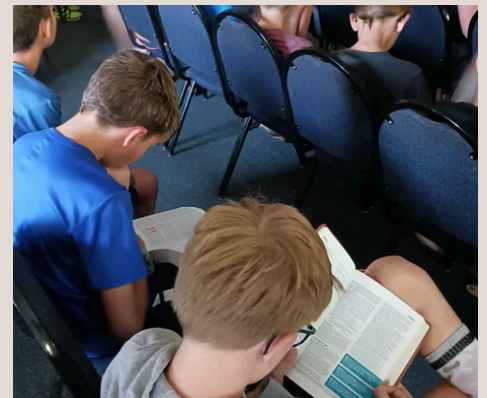
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A Time to Pray

Each month, we will feature prayers concerning our ministries in the Dakotas that we can offer to God, knowing that we can, "Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer." - Rom. 12:12

- Pray for our churches and pastors as they are preparing for school and fall ministries.
- Pray for our workers at Sturgis with the ABC Emergency Relief services as they witness and display the love of Christ in a variety of circumstances.
- Pray for our camp Bentley and camp Judson staff as they finish out a busy and God-glorifying summer.
- Pray for our pastors and churches as they shine the light of Christ during this election cycle in the USA
- Pray for our Nagaland missionary, Katie Longkumer, as her mother has fallen seriously ill
- Pray for our churches to see and appreciate the strength of fellowship with one another

PASTORS PLEASE NOTE!

The ABCD Pastor's Retreat that is scheduled at Camp Judson for October 2-4th. There seems to be a greater availability by pastors to come at that time. Registration for the October retreat will be available at: <https://abc-dakotas.org/region/abcd-pastors-retreat-registration>. Thank you for your consideration