



Branch Newsletter

“If I be lifted up, I will draw all men unto me.” — Jesus Christ

RCM Youth Visit

Zion's Outpost Branch hosted a group of eight youth associated with Restoration Campus Ministries (RCM) on March 3 and 4. These youth were from Truman



State University (Kirksville, Mis-

souri) and Missouri Western State (St Joseph, Missouri).

The group arrived on Saturday, March 3 at 4:00 pm. They met with the youth of the branch that afternoon and evening. They stayed in the homes of the Burfords and Newmans.

On Sunday, the youth provided a ministry program at the 11:00 am service. This was based on the theme “Time to Get Off the Fence. Using eight current topics of concern to youth, the RCM group illustrated enduring principles of righteousness outlined in the word of God. A skit introduced each subject which was

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Business Meeting Held

A branch business meeting was held on February 25, 2007 at 10:30 am. Elder Gary Whiting presided. Three items were acted upon.

The branch approved a gift of \$800.00 to Mexican Ministries Study Group to support the DVD and study material being produced by Seventy Frank Frye.

Delegates to the Joint Conference of Restoration Branches were selected. David Newman, Dwight Burford and Gary Whiting will represent the branch.

A proposal to spend \$6,500 from reserves to install a new audio system and a video system

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The Zion's Outpost Branch Newsletter is published monthly by the Publications Department of Zion's Outpost. The editor is Gary Whiting. Various sources are used for contributions and are so noted. The Newsletter is used to inform members, friends and seekers of the events taking place in the Branch and to promote the work of preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ. It is available at no charge to those asking for a subscription. Contributions to support its publication are appreciated.

Open Letter on Honduras Posted

Zion's Outpost Branch has found itself involved with the title and ownership of the Internado, a building once used as a boarding school in Siguatepeque, Honduras.

This has been covered in other issues of the newsletter. It has come to our attention that many rumors are circulating about the motives and actions

of the branch. Some of the rumor activity is occurring on the world wide web in chat rooms and web blogs.

To help answer these rumors and set the record straight, the elders have agreed upon posting a letter on the branch website to describe our involvement with the Internado.

The letter was reviewed by

several persons who are knowledgeable on the whole situation. The letter was also shown to the congregation at the last business meeting. It was approved and is now posted on our website.

This letter is the official response of the branch to all inquiries on the matter. Please refer people to the link below.

<http://www.zionsoutpost.org/PDF/Web%20Letter%20021807.pdf>

News from the Drope Family

Jeff and Laurie Drope have discovered that God is adding another arrow to their quiver of children. Translating this means . . . Laurie is pregnant. Her due date is not yet known.

An other area of excitement for the Drope family involves Jeff's job. Jeff lost his job in the pipeline area of Koch recently.

However, the Lord kept a door open for Jeff who has found re-employment in the previous research job he held before transferring to the pipeline.

Jeff started his new job in his old position on March 7, 2006. Jeff says that he will be working the midnight to 8 am shift at Koch. He believes the Lord

blessed him in this opportunity.

4 As arrows are in the hand of a mighty man; so are children of the youth. 5 Happy is the man that hath his quiver full of them; they shall not be ashamed, but they shall speak with the enemies in the gate. (Psalm 127:4, 5)

Business Meeting

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was approved. This system will replace the current audio system with a digital system. This will allow recording on CD's and in a format that can be posted on the web site. A new wireless microphone system will also be installed. This will allow for traveling microphones for use in prayer services, classes and business meetings. New speakers are included.

The system will also include capabilities for

video broadcasting and recording. We will ultimately be able to produce DVD's of services and classes. The digital projector will be permanently mounted and hooked to a PC for easier use in worship and classes.

The current PA system will be installed in the fellowship hall downstairs as part of the package.

An update was also provided on our work in Honduras. See article above on Open Letter.

Conference Week Begins April 1

The Conference of Restoration Elders (CRE) and the Joint Conference of Restoration Branches (JCRB) will meet in Independence, MO April 1-8, 2007. The two conferences are sharing the week to allow the saints to attend both meetings.

The Center Place Restoration School and Waldo Restoration Branch will host the conferences in their building which is just a few blocks north of the

Community of Christ Auditorium.

The week begins with a Sacrament Service on Sunday morning, April 1. This meeting is sponsored by the Pastors of Zion.

The CRE will begin its conference on Sunday afternoon. They are scheduled to meet until April 4 at noon.

The JCRB will begin its con-

ference on the afternoon of April 4. Its final business session will be on Saturday, April 7. On April 8 the JCRB will hold its closing worship with the Waldo branch in celebration of Christ's resurrection (Easter).

Elders from Zion's Outpost will attend both conferences. Zion's Outpost is registered as a participating branch at the JCRB will three elected delegates.

Zion's Outpost News and Notes

Marylyn Smith was admitted to Via Christi St. Francis on Saturday, February 18. She had swollen legs and a possible pneumonia. After several days at St. Francis she was transferred to Deseret Healthcare located on south Woodlawn at Harry. She is in room 323 on Unit 2. Marylyn is very appreciative of visits. The best hours for visits are mornings and evenings until 9 pm according to the staff at the facility.

Molly Smith has a new address. Please update your branch directory:

Molly Smith
306 S. Harvey
Burrton, KS 67020

The church library has been moved into the classroom across the hall. Extra bookshelves were installed by Pam Burford and some of her children. This allows for more books to be displayed. It also makes more room in the office.

The Facilities Committee has selected David Newman as their

new chairman He was selected at the meeting on Saturday, March 3.

A workday is scheduled for April 21, 2007. The formal hours will be from 8am until 3pm. Work will include yard work, electrical and cleaning work in the church and possibly in the storage building.

Sacrament Service Moved

The visit from the RCM youth required an adjustment in the branch worship schedule. The elders did not want to see the Sacrament competing for the attention of the saints. We also did not want to truncate the program from the youth.

It was determined, therefore,

to move the Sacrament Meeting to the second Sunday in March (March 11).

The day will begin with the 9:00am prayer meeting, followed by Sunday School. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be observed at the 11:00 am worship time.

Monthly Recipe

Hot Chicken Salad

- 2 cups cooked, chopped chicken
- 2 chopped hard boiled eggs
- 1 can creamed soup (chicken, celery, onion, mushroom)
- 1 cup mayonnaise
- 1 can, small, of water chestnuts, drained and chopped
- Crushed potato chips (enough to cover top of salad)

Preheat oven to 350°. Mix mayonnaise and creamed soup together in a large bowl. Then mix all the ingredients together in (not potato chips). Prepare casserole pan by spraying with oil. Pour the mixture into the casserole pan. Add some milk if mixture appears too dry. Cover the mixture with crushed potato chips.

Bake at 350° for 30-45 minutes. When done, the mixture should be bubbling in the middle.

Note on RCM Visit

The RCM youth visit allowed a reunion for three previous members of the branch and the Saints of Zion's Outpost.

Gabriel Anders began his life as a member of this branch. It was good to see him again. His musical skills are excellent and we are thrilled with his dedication to the Lord.

Amy and Ben De Selms had also worshiped at Zion's Outpost in the past. We enjoyed seeing them again. It is a joy to see how they have grown and matured in the Lord.

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followed by scriptures and testimony. Congregational hymns and songs by the youth were also a part of the worship.

It was a good morning of worship and instruction. The youth did a great job and provided an encouraging vision for all ages. They helped all to see that the principles of righteousness are practical, necessary and enduring.

A potluck lunch followed the services. Thank you to everyone who provided the excellent food for this extra potluck lunch.

The group left after lunch and prayer together



in the parking lot of the church.

We want to thank Kendal Geno, Rebecca Strychacz, Gabriel Strychacz, Gabriel Anders, Laura Euritt, Amy De Selms, Ben De Selms and Andy Sindt for their ministry to us.

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73 Wherefore, how great the importance to make these things known unto the inhabitants of the earth, that they may know that there is no flesh that can dwell in the presence of God, save it be through the merits, and mercy, and grace of the holy Messiah,

74 Who layeth down his life according to the flesh, and taketh it again by the power of the Spirit,

75 That he may bring to pass the resurrection of the dead, being the first that should rise.

76 Wherefore, he is the first fruits unto God, inasmuch as he shall make intercession for all the children of men;

77 And they that believe in him, shall be saved. (2 Nephi 1:73-77 Book of Mormon)



Sunday March 11 is the start of Daylight Saving

Oh, By the Way . . .

The Oak Grove Senior High Youth Group is scheduled to be at Zion's Outpost on the weekend of March 24 and 25. Watch the bulletin for notices and information regarding this ministry.

Ian Burford is preparing for an organ competition on the weekend of March 24 and 25.

Several youth retreats and activities are scheduled for this spring and sum-

mer. These are for junior high, senior high and older youth and singles. Please contact David and Debbie Newman for more details. You may also refer to the February 2007 Branch Newsletter.

Clayton Dove participated in the Walnut Valley League Wrestling Tournament. His matches were on Saturday, March 3, 2007. Clayton placed second in his weight

class in the middle school competition. Congratulations to Clayton for his fine performance as a wrestler this year. He finished the year 12-3 in all of his matches.

A branch workday is scheduled for April 21 from 8 am to 3 pm. Bring your energy, work clothes and a lunch!

Daylight Saving Time begins March 11, 2007 at 2:00 am.