

July 25, 2021 The Lord's Day

Welcome....We are so glad that you have joined with us today for worship, Bible teaching and fellowship. We trust that God may be glorified in our midst and that you might be strengthened in your faith and encouraged in your walk with the Lord Jesus. If you have not already done so, please sign our guest book today before you leave. Thanks!

Sunday Bible School @ 9:30 a.m.

Morning Service @ 10:30 a.m.

Message: "AMEN!"

Scripture Reading: Revelation 3:14-22



Evening Service @ 6:00 p.m.

Message: "In The Last Days - Pt.2"

Scripture Reading: 2 Peter 3:1-18

Prayer Meetings on Wednesdays 10:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.

Seismic Frogs

Which by his strength setteth fast the mountains; [being] girded with power: Which stilleth the noise of the seas, the noise of their waves, and the tumult of the people. (Psalm 65:6-7)

The male white-lipped frog of Puerto Rico communicates using more than a variety of sounds. The frog also sends seismic signals through the ground. Researchers studying the frog have learned that it is more sensitive to seismic signals than any other creature.



The frog communicates using chirps, chuckles and thumps on the ground. The male begins to establish his territory by sending out a rapid stream of chirps. When he is sitting in the mud, each chirp begins

with a thud. The thud is a thump on the ground that is strong enough to travel for some distance. It's thought that he does this by inflating his throat pouch so rapidly that it thumps on the ground, setting up a seismic wave.

The thump is an important part of the frog's territorial strategy. While his chirps tell other males his direction, they don't let the others know how far away he is. However, the seismic wave travels through the ground at a different speed than the chirp travels through the air. This difference allows the other males to know both the distance and direction of the male by the different times at which they hear the thump and the chirp. The other males respond to the chirps and thumps with longer sounds called chuckles.

Who taught the frog this complicated, but precise system? Who taught him how to measure distance by using both airborne and seismic waves? Only our wise Creator could have done this.

Ref: J.A. Miller. 1985. "Frog Talk: Chirp, Chuckle and Thump." Science News, Vol. 127, Jan. 12, p. 21. Clip art free Kidadl Colouring Pages

Creation Moments : "Churches may freely copy these bulletin inserts"

Coming Up

Mon Aug 2 ~ Civic holiday...

Mon Sept 6 ~ Labour Day...

Sun Sept 12 ~ Mortgage "Burning" Service - 10:30am

Sun Oct 3 ~ 25th Church Anniversary Services with Pastor Bob Wall of Faithway Baptist Church, Ajax.

Sun Oct 10 ~ Thanksgiving Sunday...

Mon Oct 11 ~ Thanksgiving Day... "Be Thankful!"

We are planning to make a 25th anniversary history book for Berean... we are looking for photos (printed and/or digital) and personal remembrances from years 2007-Present... if you are able to help with these resources, please let Pastor Bruce know.

Happy Birthday

July 31...Vitoriana de Souza

Aug 8...John deCroos, Amanda Little

Aug 19...Susan Sweetzir

Aug 24...Eva deSouza



Happy Anniversary

Aug 7...Joe & Marlene Scott

Aug 19...Richard & Janet Lloyd-Holcombe

Aug 22...Kevin & Stella Stroud-Lusk



Last Week's Attendance

SBS 18, AM - 31, PM - 9

Prayer Meetings -cancelled + 7

Dr. Abe Klahsen came home from Vic Hospital a week ago last Friday... he is better but will need some extra home care...please pray for God's will to be done in his body and life.

Don't forget to pray for others in our church family that are struggling with various health issues.

Missionaries of the Month are Kevin and Stella Stroud-Lusk, with Ethnos, in Manila Philippines. I learned of an organization that helps poor families build suitable homes (30sqm = 322.sq ft) which is the recognized lowest standard size for housing in the world. We would need to provide the land. This started a land search. The land we found was either too small, too expensive or not usable (side of a mountain) Pastor found a nice flat parcel of land that looked like it would work. It would cost \$160,000 US. We looked into fundraising ideas but discovered that we cannot raise ministry funds. It is not legal to raise funds to benefit individual families. It was a devastating day for me. But a miracle happened, they said that they have funded land and build in some of their projects. They solicit corporate donations to help with the cost and that would probably be the best option for our communities. Praise God, we were back to finding housing. The present location we are looking to the Lord to provide. It is 10100 sqm in size and should provide enough space for 240 families.

Please pray for our Pastor. He has to be the bridge between the community leaders and the organization leadership. He also has to work with the landowner, government officials and a host of others who play a role in the relocation project. One player which has been the hardest to work with is the subdivision leadership. They have made life and working difficult. They will not even provide a gate pass so that Pastor Lloyd can meet with officials to move the relocation project along. The subdivision needs prayer that they can give mercy and grace to the residents. They have completely enclosed the subdivision so that there is only one entrance point which requires a pass to enter. They charge them for the pass and restrict their transportation from entering. It has been an awful time. The families construct their housing out of scraps they find. They are not allowed to bring in construction materials. Subdivision has made changes to get rid of the informal settlers. Many subdivisions have spent money on hiring more guards during the pandemic to

protect them from being robbed instead of using the money to help their neighbours who are starving. In Pastor Lloyd's subdivision they have hired guards, built fences and spent hours policing the people instead of offering to help them relocate. There is a real animosity towards the poor by the wealthy. A problem that has deep roots in events of the past due to colonialism. A gap only God can change and I am not sure if it will happen in this subdivision.

I know this has been a long newsletter but I wanted to try and be honest and transparent of the events that have happened this past two years. I earnestly ask you to pray for the families (see bulletin board) as they look to God for hope, love and compassion because this present world is offering nothing.

We are praying for each of you as you navigate through life's many troubles that so easily attack and destroy our hope that we have in God. May God fill your hearts and minds with the joy of the Lord.



Just For Fun

- I love bacon because I can wrap it around anything. Basically it's the duct tape of food.
- The fact that my entire body cracks like a glow stick when ever I move, yet refuses to actually glow is very disappointing.
- My train of thought rolls down a different set of tracks.
- My favourite place for a walk is in a cemetery. Lots of quiet people, and everyone is at least 6 feet away.
- The great thing about books is there are no commercials.

Budget Notes for Last Week	
Tithes & Offerings	
Missions @ 17%	\$676.00
Ministry (\$1920 req'd)	\$3305.00
Total	\$3,981.00
Designated:	
Missions	\$80.00
Benevolent	\$200.00
Total	\$280.00
Total Receipts for the Day	\$4261.00

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...to the Glory of God!!