



Cape Neddick Tide

What's Coming and Going at the Cape Neddick Baptist Church
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PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

I write this a few days after Yogi Berra, one of the most beloved baseball players of all time, passed away at the age of 90. He may have played for the Yankees, but even Red Sox fans recognize his greatness and skill. Yogi was also known for his malapropisms. Sometimes what he said just didn't make sense. Here's a few of his more well-known sayings:

I usually take a two hour nap from 1 to 4.

Never answer an anonymous letter.

Baseball is 90 percent mental; the other half is physical.

Always go to other people's funerals. Otherwise they won't go to yours.

I can identify with Yogi Berra. Sometimes I will be in the middle of a sentence and have no idea how to end the sentence. At other times I'll realize that what I just said made little sense.

That's the way it is!!
Thankfully when God speaks He makes perfect sense. The Bible, His Word, is our infallible guide for faith and practice.

The Bible!! I hope you regularly read the Bible. I encourage you to go beyond reading and actually study the Bible. You may want to buy a Study Bible. I find the one I have, the NIV Study Bible, to be very helpful. How important it is that we interact with God's Word. I might not always make sense, but God does!!

One other note!! In the coming weeks I will continue to preach about **friendship**, quoting as I do many verses from the book of Proverbs. The overall verse comes from Proverbs 18:24, ***'There is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.'***

CONGRATULATIONS

Best wishes to *Mark Goodwin* and *Brandi Gray* who were married at the gazebo on

Short Sands Beach on August 29. We rejoice with you.



MISSIONS COFFEE

Just a reminder---on Thursday, **October 8**, at 2:00 PM Mercy Gonzalez-Barnes, an American Baptist Missionary working in Latin America, will share about her work in that area as well as the possibility of working with Cuban Baptists. Come and enjoy her presentation as well as delicious food.

OFFERING

Beginning on **October 11**, and continuing through **November 8**, we will receive the **World Mission Offering**, which goes in its entirety to the overseas work of our denomination, the American

Baptist Churches. When we give to this offering we are supporting God's work through International Ministries. Areas of work include evangelism, education, health, human trafficking, and theological education. Our goal as a church is **\$850**. Please use the special envelopes. Thanks.

ANOTHER WORD FROM PASTOR DON

Not another meeting??!!! You ever say that as you reflect upon the church calendar?? I should probably confess that I have said that on occasion!!! Yet I also recognize that meetings are very important to the life of our church. God can guide us through our meetings, He can encourage us, He can challenge us. SO in that spirit I remind you of the **Quarterly Meeting** to be held on Wednesday, **October 21**, at 7:00 PM. ALL who participate in the life of our church are welcome. Ideas are also welcome!!

CHRISTIAN ED BOARD

The Fall Launch for **Sunday School**, held on October 4th, was a Lego-Themed Event.



The games, Bible lesson, discussion and snacks made for a great learning time for the children, youth, parents and teachers. Sunday School will be held each Sunday from 9:00-10:00 am.

VOICE OF THE MARTYRS SPEAKER

Voice of the Martyrs is an international organization that helps, loves, and encourages persecuted Christians by providing Bibles, ministry resources, medical aid, practical assistance, and advocacy. It also aims to give a voice to those persecuted for their faith in Christ.

During worship on Sunday, **October 25**, Micki Merrill, a Voice of the Martyrs Coordinator in New England, will speak about the persecuted church today. This promises to be an eye-opening presentation. Plan now to be here. There will be a coffee hour afterwards.

DAY OF PRAYER



Please be in prayer with believers all over the world on **November 1, 2015**, which is the *International Day of Prayer for the Persecuted Church*. Our Christian brothers and sisters are

experiencing death, torture, loss of homes and burned churches- all because they have expressed faith in Jesus Christ. More than anything else, these fellow believers ask for our prayers. Pray that they will stand strong and that God will use them to bring many others to Christ.

Sue Norton

ABW

Our October meeting is moved to 2:00 on **Thursday, October 8**, with Mercy Gonzalez-Barnes. I first met her at a conference about 10 years ago. Not only is she a dedicated missionary, but she is a lovely person. Don't miss this delightful opportunity.

A Reminder: our group will be providing refreshments.

Also, our ABW will host the York Association Fall Meeting on **November 7th**. Please save that date! Gloria Nelson

LIFE TOGETHER BOOKCLUB

The Life Together Book Club continues to meet on Tuesday at 10am. The next meeting will be October 13. We are currently reading (and thoroughly enjoying), *"Flash: The Homeless Donkey Who Taught Me About Life, Faith, and Second Chances"*. All are welcome to join at any time. Please check with Sheri Nadeau or Pam Trafton if you would like to join us and to confirm meeting dates. Sheri Nadeau



It's Apple Picking Time

Before you know it **October 17th** will be here and that means time to create our homemade apple crisps for York Village's Marketfest. Last year's CNBC apple crisp sale was a grand success with all proceeds donated to the York Community Service Association, which includes the York Food Pantry.

We are going to participate in the 2015 Marketfest again this fall. Please bring your baked apple crisps to the church Friday, October 16th or Saturday (October 17th) morning before 7:00 a.m. Recipes will be available at the rear of the sanctuary.

Don't forget to sign up to make apple crisp and sign up to help serve apple crisp on Saturday October 17th at Marketfest. Free Christian books will be given away making this a good opportunity for the community to meet us and take home a gift from our church.

Thank you.
The Diaconate

**FAITH CRAFTING
TOGETHER GROUP**

Faith Crafting Together Group resumes on Thursday **Oct 29th** 10-12.

Come join the group as we have a wonderful time bonding together and sharing our stories. This time we will focus on making cards to uplift a friend or family member. I will help you create something specifically for you!

Any questions, please call me at 363-7036 or email cbutler2@maine.rr.com

Crystal Butler



Pastor Appreciation Luncheon - Sunday November 1st

In honor of Pastor Don and Gloria we are having a luncheon and fellowship time after the morning worship service on Sunday, November 1st. Members of the Hospitality Committee and Diaconate will organize the luncheon. This will be a time to show your appreciation for the loving care and shepherding that Pastor Don and Gloria provide our church family. A basket for cards and gifts will be available.

The Diaconate and
Hospitality Committee

GOOD READS

The people of the Bible are often fascinating, sometimes perplexing, as we see what they do or don't do. Here are three books from the Church Library that delve into four of these lives: *Joseph: A Man of Integrity and Forgiveness* by Charles Swindoll; *Living with Courage: Lessons from the Life of Daniel* by Bill Crowder; and *Restored: Naomi and Ruth* by Dan Schaeffer. You will find these books at the back of the sanctuary; just take and return. No check-out needed.

UPCOMING SUNDAYS

Oct. 4 *Words of Friendship*
Oct. 11 *How to Strain a Friendship*
Oct. 18 *Learn to Listen*
Oct. 25 *Voice of the Martyrs*
Nov. 1 *Be There*

LOOKING AHEAD

10/3 7:30 Men's Breakfast
10/8 2:00 Missions Coffee
10/13 10:00 Bookclub, Pam's
10/13 5:00 Trustees
10/15 6:30 BCE
10/17 Marketfest
10/21 7:00 Quarterly Mtg
10/25 Food Pantry
10/25 11:30 Fellowship Time
10/27 9:30 Outreach Venture
10/27 5:30 Diaconate
10/29 10:00 Faithcrafting
10/31 Change Clocks
11/1 11:45 Luncheon
11/7 9:00 ABW York Assn.Meeting

RANDOM NOTES

* Additional **Clynk** green bags and bar codes are at the back of the sanctuary, along with a sheet of

instructions. At last count 693 containers had been turned in, which translates to \$36.85 for the Food Pantry. Thanks to all participating in this program.

*This month's challenge item for the **Food Pantry** is pasta. Let's fill the box again!!

*The **annual meeting** of the American Baptist Churches of Maine will be held October 23-24 in China Lake. Schedule is posted on the bulletin board. If you are interested in attending, speak to Pastor Don.

SAMARITAN'S PURSE

We are excited to be taking part in Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child once again. On November 1st, 8th and 15th the Sunday School will be wrapping and filling shoeboxes.

We have collected quite a few shoeboxes already, but we do need appropriate items to put in those boxes. The cost for shipping is \$7.00 per box. By attaching a barcode label to each individual box, we will be able to track each box and find out the final destination countries.

Here are a few ways you might choose to participate this year: praying, wrapping, making or purchasing items, filling, writing personal notes to be included in boxes, donating for shipping costs or delivering completed boxes to drop-off location. Please share in this joy and be blessed. Christian Ed Board

