



Community Bible Church

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The social commentator Paul Harvey would often tell us of interesting people and issues that happened in their lives that we would never have known without Paul's efforts. He called it "The rest of the story." Our story begins with Martin Luther.

This is the 500th anniversary of the beginning of the Reformation. Martin Luther impacted the world when he challenged the thinking of the day regarding salvation and papal leadership. But what he did not know in 1517 was that because of his theological questioning, the celibate monk would take a wife in 1525. Katherine Van Bora was an ex-nun that Martin had helped escape from a convent. This headstrong woman, 16 years younger than Luther, would prove to be the God-appointed match to help Martin Luther speak before the leadership of the time. Katherine would endearingly become "my Lord Kate" as the marriage seasoned in time.

Katherine had to be special. She took on the task of refining a lifelong bachelor. Martin confessed that he had not made his bed for a whole year, and the bed was "foul with sweat." Martin suffered many illnesses, so Kate studied the art of medicine and massage. She took over the duties of the home which had been often neglected because of Martin's commitment to teaching, preaching and writing. History tells us she planted trees, harvested fish from the pond, fed the animals, provided for their care and slaughtered livestock for meat.

Together they raised six children. Though some reached adulthood with success, it might be better to look at the family members who died young. Elizabeth died at 8 months. Magdalena died at 13. As she lay on her deathbed, her father asked her, "My little girl, you would like to stay with your father here, and you would be glad to go to your father in heaven?" She answered, "Yes dear Father, as God wills." She died there in his arms. Finally, Martin and Kate's son who shared his father's name died pursuing the calling into the ministry.

God doesn't call all of us into unusual marriages and to do supernatural feats. We read of the Proverbs 31 wife, or women like Katherine and say, "I can't do that." My suspicion is that Katherine never expected to make such an impact in the life of her husband so that his ministry was fine tuned to impact the world. But that is just how God would use her unselfish life.

Moms, you make an impact on your children, invest in the neighborhood children, labor in the work world, and aid in the spiritual efforts of your husband. It will take a lifetime to realize the impact of your exhaustive labor. Don't give up. The world may need another Martin Luther, or the tenderness of a godly woman to help heal the hurts of your teen. Only daily faithfulness will put you in the right place at the right time.

It will only be in the coming years that we will enjoy seeing how "the rest of the story" unfolds.

Happy Mother's Day,
Pete

Their Story

"Their Story" is a segment of our newsletter that focuses on how individuals have lived unique lives in the service of the King.

Rick and Lynnette Luchau moved to Central Point in 1976 and have been in the same house for 40 years. They have graced us at CBC for the last nine years but this has not been their first time with our family. Their youngest daughter had friends in the CBC youth group so the entire family attended while she was in high school.



Rick grew up as one of four kids in Orange, CA in what Lynnette describes as an "Ozzie and Harriet" type of family. The whole family knew Jesus. It was Rick's grandmother who prayed the whole family to salvation and she played a vital role in everyone's spiritual development. Lynnette was born in Tucson, AZ but raised in So. California with three siblings. At the age of five or six her parents went their separate ways, leaving her grandmother to take care of the kids, who took them to a Presbyterian church. Lynnette had not heard the message of salvation there and it was through Rick's grandmother that she heard about being saved by grace.

Rick and Lynnette met at a restaurant in Newport Beach and dated for several months before Rick knew he wanted to marry her. Lynnette was taken in by the family and she says that Rick's mother "was wonderful. She was the kind of mother I never had." They have been married for 44 years in a happy, God-inspired relationship, and have two daughters and two grandchildren. They are soul mates and Lynnette describes their relationship with Song of Solomon 3:4, "I have found the one whom my soul loves."

Rick served in Vietnam with the Navy from 1968 to 1971 before working for Grange Co-op for 33 years in the Petroleum Div, until he retired in 2010. Lynnette started working for the phone company at age 15 and stayed for 34 years. She was able to retire at age 50 and then worked with special needs children.

The family's greatest challenge came in 1985 when Lynnette was diagnosed with Hodgkin's disease. Lynnette needed to go to Los Angeles for six weeks while Rick stayed home to take care of their two daughters. Lynnette says, "Rick is a rock. In heaven Grandma will be proud of him." The good news is that Lynnette has been totally free of the disease for 32 years.

Rick and Lynnette love fishing, camping, walking, baseball games and traveling to see their daughters in the Portland area. Lynnette humorously adds that she says this to their daughters, "Your mother can die a happy woman now because you both know Jesus and know a good clearance sale." Lynnette's favorite verse is Joel 2:25 and Rick's is Philippians 4:13.

Submitted by Bob Rolls

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 9 & 10:45 am Will & Estate Planning- 5 pm	1 MAY 10 am- Ricketts Bible Study 6 pm Keyser's BK 6:30- College	2 9:30- Ladies Bible study 6:30 pm- Prayer @ Heyden's	3. 6 am-BK 9 am- Ladies Prayer 10 am Bible Study 6:30 Fusion/C56 Routed WT-6:30 pm	4 NATIONAL Day of Prayer Bethel Church- 7 pm	5 9 am Ladies Quilting	6 MEN'S FISHING TRIP 5 pm- Educational hours 6 pm- Sat Night
7 9 & 10:45 services 12:30- Budget Explanation meeting 5:30 pm- The Loft	8 Swaims CC Group 6 pm Keyser's BK 6:30- College group 7 pm- Mentor's meeting	9 9:30 am- Ladies Bible Study 5:30- Elders & Deacons 6:30 pm- Prayer @ Heyden's	10 6 am-BK 9 am- Ladies Prayer 10 am Ladies Bible Study 6:30 C56, Fusion, Routed, WT-6:30pm	11 7 pm- VBS 7 pm- Brother's Keepers	12 9 am Ladies Quilting ABF Movie Night	13 5 pm- Educational hour 6 pm- Saturday Night Church
14 9 & 10:45am Mother's Day Baby Dedications	15 10 am- Ricketts Bible Study 6 pm Keyser's BK 6:30- College group	16 9:30 am- Ladies Bible Study 6:30 pm- Prayer @ Heyden's	17 6 am-BK 9 am- Ladies Prayer 10 am Bible Study SILVER RING THING- 6 pm MEDFORD WT-6:30 pm	18 7 pm- VBS 7 pm- Brother's Keepers	19 9 am Ladies Quilting ABF Movie Night	20 Children's Ministry Conference- 9am 5 pm- Educational hour
21 9 & 10:45 am services Community groups	22 6 pm Keyser's BK 6:30- College group	23 9:30 am- Ladies Bible Study 6- Swaims CG 6:30 pm- Prayer @ Heyden's	24 6 am-BK 9 am- Ladies Prayer 10 am Bible Study Veteran's Dinner- 6 pm WT-6:30 pm	25 7 pm- VBS 7 pm- Brother's Keepers	26 9 am Ladies Quilting 11 am SELC Graduation.	27 3 pm- C56 Bowling at Roxy Ann 6 pm- Sat Night Church
28 Memorial Day Weekend- 10 am Service Picnic in Park	29 Memorial Day CBC CLOSED Pastor Dale's birthday	30 9:30 am- Ladies Bible Study Office closed 6:30 pm- Prayer @ Heyden's	31 6 am-BK 9 am- Ladies Prayer Routed Senior Night- 7pm WT-6:30 pm	1 JUNE 7 pm- VBS 7 pm- Brother's Keepers	2 9 am Ladies Quilting	3 5 pm- Educational hours 6 pm- Sat Night Church

BK- Brother's Keepers

Upcoming Events



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY Conference

May 20th, 9am-2pm



If you work in ANY area of children's ministry, or would like to learn more about CBC's children's ministry, please plan on joining us!

Register online at <http://www.communitybible.us/Childrens-Ministry-Conference>


Contact Angie Swaim at angieswaim@communitybible.us for more information.

Anyone currently serving, or interested in learning more about any area of children's ministry at CBC is invited to join us as we explore child evangelism, working with special needs, engaging kids, and current curriculum training. This will be a day of worship, encouragement, and building one another up as a children's ministry family. There is no charge and lunch will be provided.

Please plan on joining us! Please sign up online.

Contact Angie Swaim for more information: 541-613-3297.

The 66th Annual National Observance
May 4, 2017



**FOR YOUR
GREAT
NAME'S SAKE!**
HEAR US... FORGIVE US... HEAL US!

theDove invites you to attend
Southern Oregon National Day of Prayer
Bethel Church | 4245 Vista Point Dr., Medford, OR 97504 | 7pm - 8pm



Our Annual Veteran's Dinner is Wednesday,
May 24 at 6 pm. Please sign up in our foyer.

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