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## Green Sabbath and Falling Walruses

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Climate change...Green Sabbath...  
Covid-19 pandemic... the Great Reset...  
if you've been following world events  
you've heard these buzzwords tossed  
around. What, if any, is the connection  
between these terms? And what  
is their relevance for Seventh-day  
Adventists?

In September 2020, the Metronome,  
a 62-foot-wide electronic clock with  
a 15-digit display facing Manhattan's  
Union Square in New York City, was  
transformed by climate activists into  
a giant "Climate Clock", displaying to  
passerbys the exact years, days, hours,  
minutes and seconds left to curb  
greenhouse gas emissions enough to  
give our Earth a two-thirds chance of  
not increasing its temperature by 1.5  
degrees Celsius. A small  
rise, one might think,  
but purportedly  
enough that  
the earth  
may  
lose

its coral reefs and arctic sea ice. (Note,  
in the previous sentence, this all  
rests rather precariously on the word  
"may".) According to this computation,  
our carbon budget will be exhausted in  
approximately 7 years. Famines, floods,  
and disaster are predicted to follow.<sup>1</sup>  
Elite influencers and world leaders who  
attended the World Economic Forum  
in Davos, Switzerland, in January 2019,  
were moved to tears at the sight of  
walruses falling to their death from  
Siberian clifftops. The emotionally  
charged footage from *Our Planet* was  
narrated in person by world famous  
Sir David Attenborough, who stated  
that this was due to lack of sea ice,  
caused by climate change. However,  
in his newer BBC documentary, *Seven  
Worlds, One Planet*, footage appearing  
to be from the same incident and  
shot by the same cameraman,  
makes it quite clear that  
polar bears were driving  
them off the cliff.<sup>2</sup> Polar  
bears hunt walruses,  
and this strategy lets  
them avoid fighting  
the dangerous beasts  
head-on. Walruses  
are easily spooked  
and stampedes  
can be caused by  
predators or  
cameramen  
drones  
used to photograph  
them. Some sources say  
that polar bears and  
walruses are currently  
thriving, despite sea ice decline,  
and there is no evidence of

a climate emergency in the arctic.<sup>3</sup>  
Whether or not this is the case, dying  
walruses have become an icon for the  
climate change movement, inspiring  
such activists as 18-year old Greta  
Thunberg, who has received worldwide  
acclaim. In 2019, she spoke to the World  
Economic Forum challenging them to  
action with the words, "I don't want  
you to be hopeful. I want you to panic...I  
want you to act as if our house is on fire.  
Because it is."<sup>4</sup>

***"Management by crisis  
is a technique as old as  
politics itself."***

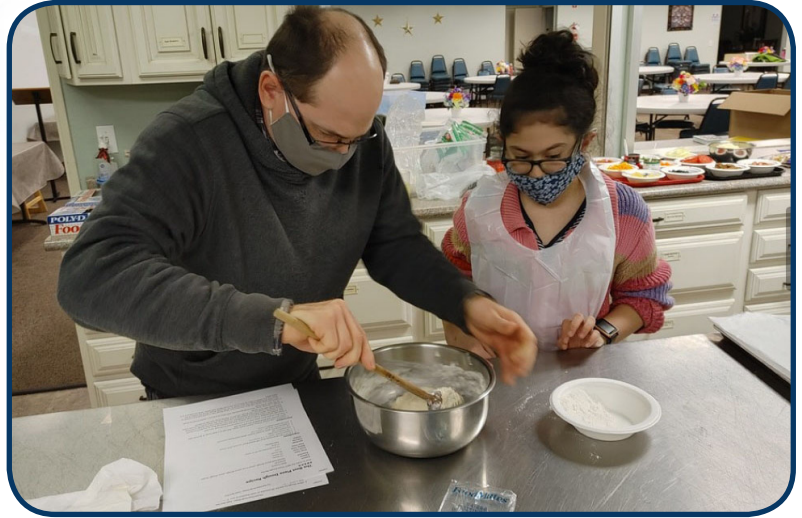
*"However, its widespread use on  
an international scale is much more  
recent...The objective of a managed  
crisis is to have people accept something  
as a solution to a particular crisis that  
they never would have accepted if that  
crisis had not been (continued on page 8)*



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# Pathfinder News



Here is our Grants Pass Pathfinder Club working on the Pizza Making honor and the String Art honor, under the apt leadership of Eric Wagner and his dedicated staff.

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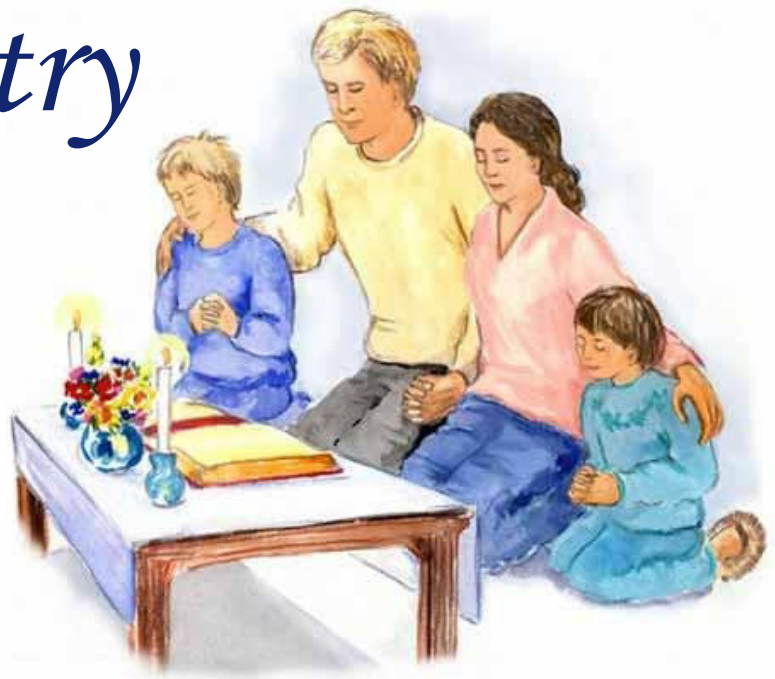
# Prayer Ministry

## KEEP YOUR EYES FOCUSED UPWARD

I'm one of those kind of people who is a knowledge hound. I enjoy doing investigation in anything I am interested in. My first interest is of course the Bible, so I love to read and search as I study. My other love is gardening. However, by the end of last summer I had gardening burnout and didn't even want to think about it again. Well, for some reason I am again researching and studying gardening. I guess it's because the sun is now out occasionally! Lol!

But now I am going to reveal something about myself that I have had to put the brakes on. And that is the political and Covid world we find ourselves involuntarily involved in. I would read and listen to this opinion and that opinion on what would happen in the presidential election, the controversy surrounding it and a whole host of other information which is readily available on the internet. Then I would watch videos on what this doctor said or that doctor said and whether masks work or do not work??

But what I found happening to myself was I was thinking about it too much. It was taking up too much time and I was not at peace. I don't care what your opinion is on any subject in the world, it is on the internet and it will suck up your time.



Therefore, I made the decision that I would control myself in those areas and spend my time mainly in the Bible, the Spirit of Prophecy, and videos about God. Now, you may not be able to relate to what I have just explained, but if you can....take inventory about how much time you are spending on worldly information and see if you need to take control also. I have come to the conclusion that I do not want to stick my head in the sand and not know what is going on around me. BUT, I must put my time with God FIRST and FOREMOST.

The other thing I have concluded is the world is going to continue its downward spiral because it is predicted in the Bible. And it seems to be in high gear on that downward road. I realize I am not to just sit and do nothing, but I can pray. I may not be able to influence Washington or the decisions concerning Covid, but I can petition the King of the Universe and He can influence them. I can pray for God to hold back the Four Winds of Revelation 7 to give us more time to reach the lost. And I can pray for God's will in our families, in our country and in the world because I trust Him and I know that HIS Will is the best way.

So friends keep praying, keep studying and keep witnessing, for the signs around us are saying with a LOUD voice that Jesus is Coming Soon! If you feel the need, come pray with us on Monday nights at 7 PM on Zoom. God be with you my friends...

~Donna Griffith, Prayer Ministry

### Thoughts & Prayers

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## Spring Edibles and Health Giving Herbs

The promise of Spring is in the air! I hear the frogs, the birds singing in a new season, the hint of warm sunny days, fattening buds on the trees, shrubs and raspberry canes. Daffodil shoots, crocuses, snow drops, and maybe, just maybe, the hint of early sweet violets in the sunniest parts of the garden, releasing their exquisite scent!

It is time to enjoy the outdoors, to explore nature and enjoy the bounty of free wild greens with their many varied mild flavors and definite health benefits. These are common local plants of the garden and field, somewhat easy to identify, (do an internet search and select images) and plentiful.

They can be harvested and eaten as salad greens, and are considered safe and nutritious. The chlorophyll, vitamins, antioxidants, minerals, and other phytochemicals are beneficial and cleansing to the body systems, and enhance energy production and physiological functions.



**Miner's Lettuce** - *Montia perfoliata* - An easy to identify common fleshy low growing plant of lawns, gardens, edges of fields and forests, in moist soils. It has

a short growing season and is in seed by June. Its fleshy leaves encircle the stem, and the flowers develop from the leaf centers. This is a very good wild food to start with as its mild taste is a great introduction to wild greens. All parts are edible.



**Chickweed** - *Stellaria media* - A sprawling, delicate looking, entangled or matted, carpet of light green leaves and stems. Easily identified by the one row of hairs along each stem, tiny white flowers, and a cucumber-like flavor. It is one of the most enjoyable gourmet wild spring greens. Harvest by cutting the growing tips with a pair of scissors. This plant has the ability to soothe inflamed tissues, both internally and externally, (applied as a poultice), and helps the body burn fat.



**Dandelion** - *Taraxacum*

*officinale* - The ubiquitous and scourge of many a lawn, dandelion is in fact one of the most nutritious and life supporting plants on our planet. A whole book could be written on this wonder of nature! The hollow flower stems distinguish dandelion from its false cousins that often confuse the newbie. Its deeply toothed leaves are highly nutritious and supportive of the bodily functions from digestion to elimination, liver function, a diuretic with net gain in potassium, mild laxative and a general pick-me-up tonic. The latex from dandelion was once used to make rubber during a shortage in the First World War. The roots have been roasted and ground as a coffee substitute. Pick the young new leaves for salads, the older leaves for stronger medicinal effects. Roots can be eaten raw or boiled, but tend to be bitter and medicinal.



**Watercress** - *Rorippa nasturtium-aquaticum* - This plant is found growing in a moving stream of water. Although not very common, it does come in abundance when you find it. It is easily transplanted to a location that has moving water, but may

need protection against flooding that will wash it away. The white flowers are small and form a cross, the leaves are divided into smaller leaflets, five to seven on each leaf stem, and the main stems often have rootlets growing into the stream. Its tangy mustard flavor adds to a salad and has the benefit of vitamin C. There is a land relative called Bittercress that has a milder flavor and is quite common. You may have got its seeds in your eyes as it's capsules explode when you touch them!



### **Violets** - *Viola species* -

The flowers of violas are edible and add color to a salad. Johnny Jump Ups are quite tasty. **The leaves are not to be eaten\*** as they contain saponins and other compounds that can upset your stomach. Other flowers that are edible include Nasturtium, Calendula, Squash, Pumpkin, Cabbage and mustards for spicy flavoring, Rose petals, and many other vegetable plants, \*except those of the tomato and potato family.



### **Sheep Sorrel** - *Rumex acetosella* -

Grows in pastures and gardens, 8 to 12 inches tall with a narrow plume of reddish insignificant flowers. It is the young arrow shaped leaves that are harvested, preferably before flowering. These are tangy, acidic like lemons, and are added raw in small quantities to flavor a salad

or cooked vegetable dish. A larger relative, Dockleaf, Yellow Dock, is eaten, usually boiled, like spinach, but may be eaten raw in small quantities. Wood Sorrel has a similar flavor but looks more like a three-leaf clover, and grows in the forest.



### **Lamb's Quarter** -

*Chenopodium album* - A common weed of cultivation, 1 to 2 feet tall or more. An open bushy annual with triangular to diamond shaped leaves, that have a greyish powder beneath the leaves with a slippery or greasy feel to them. This highly nutritious plant is called Fat Hen in Europe because of its protein content that puts meat on chickens! The leaves may be eaten raw or lightly steamed like spinach.



### **Wild Mustard** - *Brassica nigra* and relatives -

These are common plants of cultivation, disturbed soil, pastures, and are members of the cabbage and kale family. The characteristic mustard flavor pervades the species so any of these wild plants can be used for food and flavoring. The leaves are eaten raw or cooked, the seeds used like mustard, and the developing flower buds steamed like broccoli. An identifying feature of all the brassicas (or crucifers) is the four petalled flowers forming a cross. Some are yellow, others are white.<sup>5</sup>

Radish is sometimes seen in the wild too, and the young seed pods taste wonderful! Mustard oils are stimulating to the circulation and digestion.



### **Wild Onions** - *Allium*

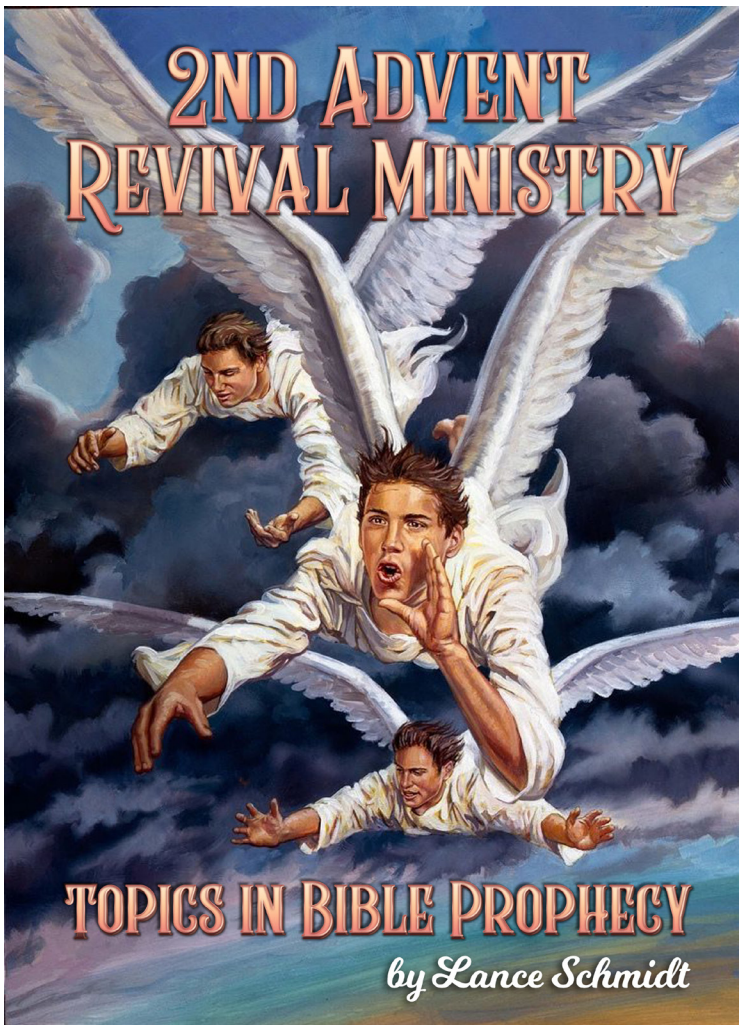
*Species* - As you walk into a moist meadow, you may smell the faint or strong smell of onions. They are quite common at mid to higher elevations where spring comes later than in the valleys below. If they smell and taste like onions they are onions! There are warnings about confusion with poisonous plants like the Death Camas which does not smell like onions. Onions and Garlic are nature's natural antibiotics. Other wild plants that are edible include the White and Red Clovers, brown seaweeds, young fiddleheads in small quantities, Common Mallow, Salad Burnet, and others that would better be shown by an expert!



### **Pine and Fir Needle**

**Tea** - A refreshing and vitamin C rich tea can be made from the new tender spring shoots of these trees. Crush or blend a handful of needles in a pint of water, infuse for 15 minutes, strain and drink. As Spring approaches, there will be a nature walk arranged to help you identify and sample some of these and other useful wild plants.

Bon Appetit! ~Tony Bigginton



Ellen White said, *“The formation of small companies as a basis of Christian effort is a plan that has been presented before me by One Who cannot err.”* Evangelism, p. 115. She continues talking about the importance of small groups in Gospel Workers, p. 193, *“Take your Bible, and open before them its great truths. our success will not depend so much upon your knowledge and accomplishments, as upon your ability to find your way to the heart. By being social and coming close to the people, you may turn the current of their thoughts more readily than by the most able discourse. The presentation of Christ in the family, by the fireside, and in small gatherings in private homes, is often more successful in winning souls to Jesus than are sermons delivered in the open air, to the moving throng, or even in halls or churches.”*

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# 2ND ADVENT REVIVAL MINISTRY

## Sample of Presenter's Notes and Powerpoint



Isaiah calls Jesus the "Prince of Peace".<sup>4</sup> In following Him, we find true peace, the kind of peace that lifts us above the clamor of the world, into a heavenly atmosphere. Even in the middle of chaos, persecution, or trouble, the Christian can have this peace—unexplainable, but real.

**Does God care about our temporal needs?**

**Philippians 4:19** And my God shall supply all your need according to His riches in glory by Christ Jesus.

King David's prayer after his fall is an example of genuine repentance. He didn't try to excuse his sin or escape the results. He wanted forgiveness, but also a pure heart. He wanted to get back in harmony and connection with God. A new heart isn't just an emotional experience. When Jesus becomes the center of a person's life, they have new thoughts, goals, and motives. God changes them from the inside out. Pride and selfishness die.

**What does this new life look like?**

**Psalm 40:8** "I delight to do Your will, O my God, and Your law is within my heart."

The amazing thing about God writing His law on our hearts is that it changes us so that we WANT to obey Him! We find DELIGHT in walking in God's ways, being in His will! Instead of trying to force ourselves to do the right thing, it becomes our own thought and desire. Sin becomes distasteful and even hateful to us. As we allow God to change us, we realize that we are becoming different from the inside out!

**Where does this kind of repentance come from?**

**Romans 2:4** Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance?

When we think about the cross, it becomes a little window into the pain and grief that sin has brought to the heart of God since its beginning. God feels all the misery that sin has brought. We start to realize what our sins have cost Jesus, and the enormity of His sacrifice for us. He risked everything—put it all on the line—for us. We can't even wrap our minds around the magnitude of His sacrifice. The more we think about the plan that He put into operation for our redemption, the more we are drawn to Him.

**What happens to our sins when we repent?**

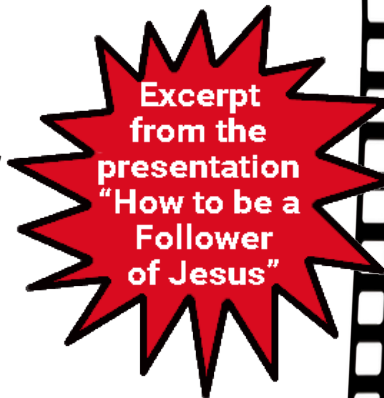
**Acts 3:19** Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, so that times of refreshing may come from the presence of the Lord.

Jesus described His dependence on His Father as an illustration of what our lives will be when we depend on Him the same way. As long as we stay connected to Jesus, He has promised to work in us "both to will and to do for His good pleasure"<sup>10</sup> and to continue this work until He returns for us.<sup>12</sup> This is how we grow as Christians. It is all **Him**, **His** life, **His** work in us. It is like we die, and He lives in us.

**How did Paul describe this exchange?**

~Melissa Derfler

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(Green Sabbath & Falling Walruses, con't from page 1)  
 brought to their attention. A managed crisis has three stages. First, those who desire a change in a specific direction, and who have sufficient resources, present a crisis to the public. The crisis can be created or invented, or an existing crisis can be adopted. Second, the crisis is widely publicized. Finally, when there is sufficient public alarm, the managers propose their academically hailed solution to the crisis."<sup>5</sup>

Currently, President Biden is addressing the perceived climate change crisis. Ricardo Silva writes in America: The Jesuit Review January 28, 2021, "Before the second-ever Catholic president even set foot in the White House, he gave Pope Francis his word, promising he would work with the leader of the global church to address the crisis of climate change. On the first day in office, President Joseph R. Biden Jr. made good on his promise, signing an executive order for the United States to rejoin the Paris Climate Agreement, renewing a commitment that his predecessor had reneged on. Pope Francis has devoted much of his papacy to teaching about care for the planet and raising the priority of climate change on the world agenda, and Mr. Biden has consistently affirmed the pope's vision for climate justice. 'Pope Francis is right in "Laudato Si"'. Never have we so hurt and mistreated our common home as we have in the last two hundred years...My faith teaches me that we should be a nation that not only accepts the truth of the climate crisis, but leads the world in addressing it."<sup>6</sup>

Pope Francis has made the fight against climate change one of the

cornerstones of his papacy. His 2015 encyclical, "Laudato Si, On Care For Our Common Home", not only carries binding force for all Catholics, but has been presented as a blueprint for the entire world. Pope Francis stated, "A global consensus is essential for confronting the deeper problems, which cannot be resolved by unilateral actions on the part of individual countries... Global regulatory norms are needed to impose obligations and prevent unacceptable actions..."<sup>7</sup>

Why is the pope so interested in climate change? It is because "nature-based faith or earth-centered spirituality is something sacred and cherished by many religions, and because it is one common point that unifies politicians, religions, pantheists, and pagans..."<sup>5</sup>

The Green Sabbath Project is an organization that is implementing the climate change agenda. Their mantra is, "Is there nothing you can do about the environment? Nothing may be one of the best things you can do. One day a week. Do nothing."<sup>8</sup>

Their mission is to "spark a mass movement of observance of a weekly day of rest -- shabbat, sabbath, a green sabbath or a weekly earth day -- on which impact on the environment is minimized as much as possible. We envision individuals and groups choosing whichever day is most meaningful to them... As taken up by individuals and communities, it may or may not be connected to organized religion or God... Our materials and events span the range of approaches: religious, spiritual, pantheistic, agnostic and materialist."<sup>8</sup>

They believe that "Green sabbaths will constitute both a model of the

ecologically-sane world to come and an actual foretaste of it."<sup>8</sup>

Thus, on the green sabbath, members are urged to rest, to "avoid the manipulation or harming of nature" *ibid*, to go vegetarian or vegan; to walk, cycle, or carpool to services; and lay aside computers, phones, tablets, etc. Suggested activities include holding a "group meditation, focusing on a mantra for or about the planet"; or "connecting with a tree or plant, indoors or out"; writing "prayers for the earth, the rain, your favorite trees or recently lost species", or "thanking God, mother earth, the rain cycle, or your body with original prayers or poems."<sup>8</sup>

## We can see how the stage is set for worship of the creation (nature), instead of the Creator, on a day chosen by the Catholic Church.

It is all about honoring Gaia, the goddess of Mother Earth. It is paganism with a modern new face, uniting the environmental movement, the new age movement, Eastern religions, and even the leaders of many Christian denominations.<sup>9</sup>

"The earth sustains humanity", wrote Hildegard von Bingen, a 12th century Benedictine nun, "It must not be injured; it must not be destroyed."<sup>6</sup>

In India, worshippers at the 2018 International Solar Alliance to combat climate change addressed the sun god, "Oh Sun God, we bow before you, you illuminate the external and the internal world and you are the best to be adored and worshipped. May you bless us."<sup>10</sup>

Is sun worship a way to combat climate change?

"Thousands deify nature while they deny the God of nature. Though in a different form, idolatry exists in the Christian world today as verily as it existed among ancient Israel in the days of Elijah." Their god "is little better than Baal, the sun-god of Phoenicia."<sup>11</sup>

The Green Sabbath agenda, linking climate change with the potential for Sunday legislation, also fulfills aspects of the Great Reset, designed by world economic leaders who meet annually in Davos, Switzerland. These world elites and billionaires gather to discuss the future of the world, often devising







## “Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy”

plans to radically change the economic and societal structures currently in place. The Great Reset “references a concerted, corporate effort to reshape world economies by the socialist mold, using the COVID-19 ‘pandemic’ as a catalyst... Alongside the destruction of capitalism, a major constituent part of the Great Reset is the green movement, a response to the ‘climate emergency’ to which Davos elites claim humans have contributed greatly through global warming. This, on their account, requires governments to enact social policies that levy heavy taxes on carbon dioxide-producing goods and encouraging veganism, for instance... ‘Building a better world is within our reach’, the Davos Agenda asserts, ‘but it requires global cooperation at unprecedented levels.’”<sup>12</sup>

This, of course, will require leadership. Many believe that Pope Francis is preparing to step up to the plate. Pope Francis is convicted “that he is the pope who will return to the throne as earth’s monarch. There’s no doubt that today he is the most powerful man on earth. He is considered the absolute, complete, and veritable king of the world.”<sup>5</sup>

In the last few months, the pope has met with CEO’s, bankers, environmentalists, teachers, and protestant leaders, seeking to implement the directives of his encyclicals. He has said that the Covid-19 pandemic, like the recent fires and floods, is nature’s response to the world’s ambivalence to climate change. He considers climate change a moral issue with a moral solution: a weekly rest for the earth – Sunday – as

outlined in his encyclical.

“And all the world marveled and followed the beast.” (Revelation 13:3)

A hundred years ago, we were told: “The Protestant churches are in great darkness, or they would discern the signs of the times. The Roman Church is far-reaching in her plans and modes of operation. She is employing every device to extend her influence and increase her power in preparation for a fierce and determined conflict to regain control of the world, to re-establish persecution, and to undo all that Protestantism has done.”<sup>13</sup>

“Now, following the recent election chaos, we have a Catholic president and a Catholic-dominated Supreme Court... It seems likely now that the papacy will use fear over climate change to introduce ‘family-and worker-friendly’ laws, including a Sunday mandate—a ‘green Sabbath’—to allow the planet to rest. Eventually, this global rest day will be used to completely replace the true Sabbath, leading to persecution designed to silence the voice of God’s people.”<sup>14</sup>

While there is still a window of opportunity, we must be focusing on sharing the three angels’ messages with those who will hear. We must give the call to worship God as the Creator and to come out of Babylon.

“The Sabbath will be the great test of loyalty, for it is the point of truth especially controverted... While the observance of the false sabbath in compliance with the law of the state, contrary to the fourth commandment, will be an avowal of allegiance to a power

that is in opposition to God, the keeping of the true Sabbath, in obedience to God’s law, is an evidence of loyalty to the Creator. While one class, by accepting the sign of submission to earthly powers, receive the mark of the beast, the other, choosing the token of allegiance to divine authority, receive the seal of God.”<sup>15</sup>

Let us pray for the anointing of the Holy Spirit as we share the truth about God and His holy day. ~Melissa Derfler

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# KIDS CORNER

## Bees

Bees are one of the most useful insects. During food-gathering, bees spread pollen from one flower to another. Many food crops, including fruits and vegetables, depend on bees for fertilization. Bees also produce honey, which people use as food, and beeswax that is used in candles, cosmetics, and other products. Bees live in almost every part of the world except the North and South Poles.

### Across

- The \_\_\_\_\_ is used to raise young bees and to store nectar.
- \_\_\_\_\_ provide food for bees.
- Bees are \_\_\_\_\_.

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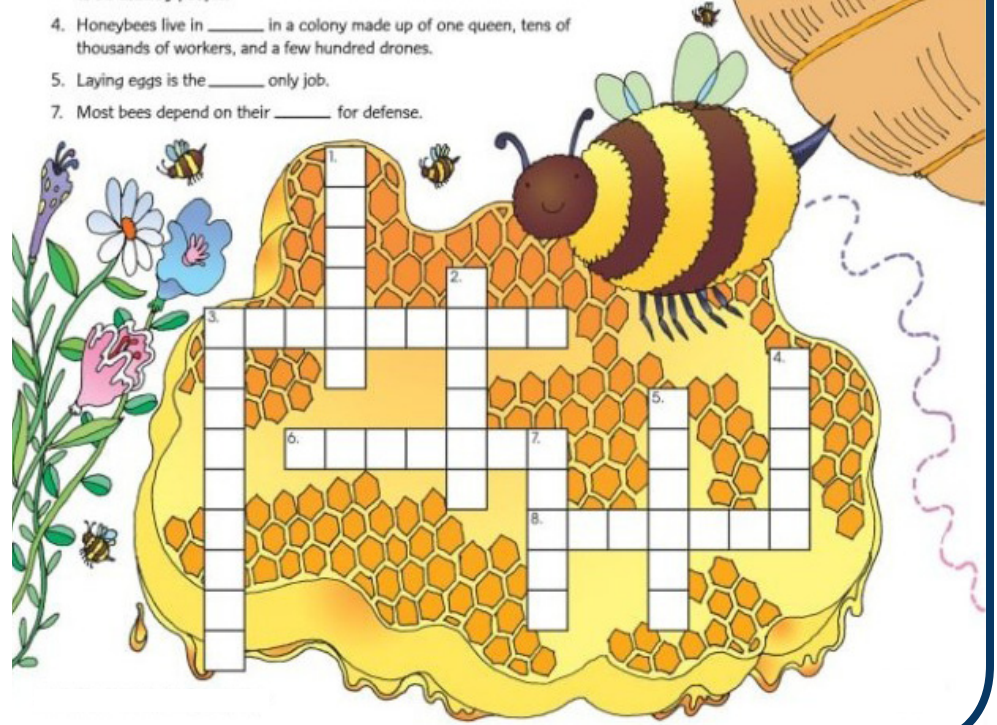
- The only function of the \_\_\_\_\_ is to mate with queens.
- The job of the \_\_\_\_\_ honeybees is to collect nectar and pollen from flowers.
- Only the kinds known as \_\_\_\_\_ make honey in large enough amounts to be used by people.
- Honeybees live in \_\_\_\_\_ in a colony made up of one queen, tens of thousands of workers, and a few hundred drones.
- Laying eggs is the \_\_\_\_\_ only job.
- Most bees depend on their \_\_\_\_\_ for defense.

drones  
flowers  
hives  
honeybees  
honeycomb  
insects  
queen's  
sting  
worker

Honeybees work very hard to gather nectar from flowers to make honey. See if you can fill in the blanks in these Bible verses about honey:

“Pleasant words are as an \_\_\_\_\_, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones.”  
*Proverbs 16:24*

“My son, eat honey because it is \_\_\_\_\_, And the honeycomb which is \_\_\_\_\_ to your taste.”  
*Proverbs 24:13*



## REPORT FROM OUR SCHOOL



As of now, the Grants Pass Adventist Elementary School has 32 students enrolled. This is getting close to the maximum they are allowed with the Covid-19 restrictions. Of those students, more than half (56%) of them require some amount of student aid to be able to stay in our school.

Last year the money donated for Student Aid was \$19,847. A little more than 30% (\$6,000.) of that was

money that the School Veggie Store was able to provide. The sole purpose of the Veggie Store is to increase the amount of student aid available.

This year the Veggie Store has already given \$4,000. to the Student Aid fund and we are on track to be able to contribute more than last year.

I want to give a BIG Thank You to all our church members who give to the Student Aid fund and purchase products from the Veggie Store. Because of your generosity, over half of our students, who otherwise might not be able to attend our school, are able to get a Christian education instead of going to a public school. I believe that we are “laying up treasure in heaven” when we support these families who want their children to be in our school.

~Ginny Frost



# 2021 WINTER



*The flowers appear on the earth; the time of the sowing of seeds is come.*  
King of Solomon 3:13

*Happy Birthday*

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## THE ACTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN YOU

If you've read your Bible at all, then you already know the Holy Spirit is a key player. Starting at creation (Genesis 1:2), showing up in the lives of God's people in the Old Testament (Judges 6:34, 14:6, 1 Samuel 11:6), and playing a central role in the development of the early church (The whole book of Acts). But did you know God's desire is for the same Holy Spirit to work mightily in you!? It's true. We're told that "The Lord is more willing to give the Holy Spirit to those who serve Him than parents are to give good gifts to their children." --The Acts of the Apostles, p. 50

In my desire to be baptized and out poured with the Holy Spirit like the disciples were at Pentecost, I've been learning that there are conditions for receiving this great promise and Divine presence. Here are some that I've found.

1) We must ask. "If ye then, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children: how much more shall your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to them that ask him?" Luke 11:13

2) We must beg for eternal life for others. "The Holy Spirit will come to all who are begging for the bread of life to give to their neighbors." -- Testimonies, vol. 6, p. 90.

3) We seek unity

and harmony with Christ. "When we bring our hearts into unity with Christ, and our lives into harmony with His work, the Spirit that fell on the disciples on the day of Pentecost will fall on us." -- Testimonies, vol. 8, p. 246.

4) We must be willing and appreciative. "If the fulfillment of the promise is not seen as it might be, it is because the promise is not appreciated as it should be. If all were willing, all would be filled with the Spirit." --The Acts of the Apostles, p. 50.

5) We must put away all dissension and cooperate with God in saving the lost. "Let Christians put away all dissension, and give themselves to God for the saving of the lost. Let them ask in faith for the promised blessing, and it will come." -- Testimonies, vol. 8, p. 21.

Regarding point number 5, are we, in our Grants Pass Church, putting away all dissension? Are we using that previously wasted time, with intentional efforts for the saving of

the lost? If we ask, God will help us accomplish these conditions. This is first accomplished by "Beholding" the living Word and thus becoming changed. Finally, we must work intentionally for the salvation of others.

So let me ask you this question. If someone was requesting a Thunder in the Holy Land Bible study, would you be willing to host one? In the next few weeks we are going to be advertising in our community for "FREE Thunder Bible studies" but we will need folks to host those ZOOM meetings. All who agree to do so will be given either a set of Thunder DVDs or will have the digital series downloaded to their computers.

We've been told that "Seventh-day Adventists ... have been given a work of the most solemn import,--the proclamation of the first, second, and third angels' messages. There is no other work of so great importance. They are to allow nothing else to absorb their attention." -- Evangelism p. 119

Our Church is choosing to answer the call and receive the Holy Spirit. Stay tuned for more details!

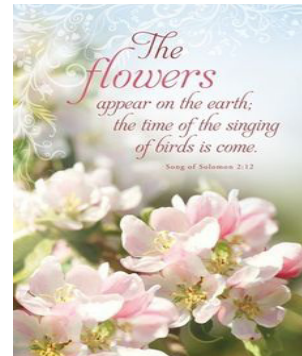
~Pastor  
Charles Byrd





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