



NOTES FROM THE PASTOR FROM PASTOR BOB

I received the following letter from Robert and Amanda.

Dear Del Norte Family,

Well, the bags are packed and we are heading out soon. Thursday afternoon our family begins the journey back overseas, and about the time you are getting ready to head to work Friday morning we hope to be arriving in our new city.

We have many changes ahead of us, and we need you to voice some prayers with us and for us as we go through the next month.

- Finding an apartment - A great place is not just about what it looks like or how comfortable it is. The surroundings are important as well as the neighbors. Please pray that He would put us in just the right place for our family where we can thrive and minister.
- Adjustments everywhere – Our children are more at the point where they understand what it means to leave family and move to a different culture. Also, we have not spoken the language in over six months. These are just a couple of the things that we face going back.
- Schooling - Levi is in kindergarten and we are still seeking guidance on what school he should be going to. Pray that we would have wisdom in knowing whether to put him in national school or to home school.
- Getting settled – The process of finding and settling in a new apartment is a lengthy one. After finding an apartment, we have to have our belongings (furniture, etc.) moved from our former city of residence. Please pray that we would be able to get all of the things done that are necessary and that our things arrive in decent shape.

We are very excited and a little nervous about the adventure ahead of us. Thank you for interceding on our behalf, and we look forward to sharing with everyone how God provided for our every need. Many blessings to each and every one of you in the coming weeks.

That all may know Him,
Robert, Amanda, Levi, Karys and Ethan



YOUTH PASTOR

As I drive around town I seem to see more and more people out on corners with cardboard signs asking for help. A few years back some members of our church came up with an idea for what they called Bags of Hope. These

were simply bags of food and such that they put together and sold to our church family so that when we came across those people we could have something to give them besides money. The month of February marks the return of Manna for our students. This is a time (usually the first Friday of every month) when we get together, make some PB & J and go downtown and pass them out to people we meet who could use one. Beginning this year we are also going to be putting together Bags of Hope when we get together for Manna, and so be sure to watch your calendars for Manna and know that the following Sunday we will be in the foyer with bags for sale so that you can have them with you the next time you come across someone who could just use a little help. In February we'll be having Manna on the 5th, so watch for Bags of Hope on February 7th. We ask for \$5 to cover the cost of what we put inside the bag.

If you haven't heard or seen, we have a brand-new website. Same address, www.dnbc.org, but it's a whole new site. HUGE thanks to Michael Hickman for all of his hard work in designing and putting together the new site. If you haven't checked it out yet, you should, and for anyone you might encounter looking for more info about our church it is an excellent resource and I hope you would all make use of it. That's all from me, thanks and have a good one.

Andy B

Saturday Night Life (Youth)



WORSHIP PASTOR

“Worship the Lord with All Your Heart”

Are the members of Del Norte Baptist Church Missional?

What is missional, you ask? According to Wikipedia it is this:

"Missional living" is a Christian term that describes a missionary lifestyle; adopting the posture, thinking, behaviors, and practices of a missionary in order to engage others with the gospel message. The use of this term has gained recent popularity due to the Emerging church movement to contrast the concept of a select group of "professional" missionaries, with the understanding that all Christians should be involved in the Great Commission of Jesus Christ.

Do you consider yourself a “non-professional” missionary? As we move into the future, together, I hope we will intentionally reach the lost by living as missionaries to those people God brings our way. I believe we worship God with our whole being, not just our attendance on Sunday morning. As we do the things we do, we should always consider how those things can be useful in furthering the message of Christ to this world in which we live. Stay tuned for more on being missional in our worship next month.

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Our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.

Ephesians 6:12-13 (NIV)

Thoughts on Today's Verse...

How often do you forget that we are in a spiritual war? Our enemy is deceptively cunning - take away the immediacy of a threat and the danger appears gone. But he's there, always. But rather than try to guess his plans, Paul reminds us to simply take up the tools God has given us and stand up to the evil one.



GROWTH PASTOR

Going & Sowing

Melodrama

Tickets for the Melodrama have sold at a faster pace than any other year. Thank you all for your continued support of this event. As of the writing of this article there are two nights that only have 2 seats left Friday, Feb. 5th and Saturday, Feb. 13th. the two other nights (Saturday, Feb. 6th and Friday, Feb. 12th) still have some nice seats available (26 and 12 respectively). Talk to me at church or call the church office at 881-9711.

Coming in February:

Healthy Marriages is a 6 week Small Group for couples. This educational series is designed to strengthen your relationship by focusing on some of the following core issues couples face together:

Effective Communication	Conflict Resolution
Expectations	Sex & Intimacy
Financial Management	Personal, Couple, & Family Goals

We have two dynamic couples from our church to lead this study: Lewis & Judy Williams and Wade & Kristy Peck.

The course "Kicks Off" on Sunday night, February 14th at 5:00 p.m. Men, make this a "part" of your Valentines gift to your spouse.

In His Service,
Kevin Warner

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CHILDREN'S PASTOR

Children's News

Saddle up and hit the trail on "Saddle Ridge Ranch".

We'll be roundin' up some of life's biggest questions and drivin' home answers as we explore the wide open spaces on *Saddle Ridge Ranch*. Join us as we discover who we are, that God cares about us, God has a plan for us, how we can be like Jesus, and what do we do with all we've learned.

In this one-week adventure you will drive home answers through Bible stories, crafts, motivating music, and games.

VBS Statistics

- In 2008, over 2.8 million people were enrolled in Vacation Bible Schools.
- Over 86,000 decisions to accept Christ as Savior were reported as a result of VBS.
- More than 3,000 people committed their lives to church-related vocations during Vacation Bible School.
- Over 37,000 people were enrolled in Sunday School as a result of attending VBS.
- Vacation Bible School is the single largest outreach event for most churches.
- About 25 percent of baptisms are the result of Vacation Bible School.
- More people have come to know Jesus as Savior through VBS than through any other single outreach event.

This exciting adventure is June 14-18. If you want to be part of this please contact me at 881-9711, ext 104.

Enthusiastically serving with you,
Lillian



DEL NORTE MESSENGER



"Del Norte Baptist Church is a united body of believers committed to grow in Christ and to reach others for Christ."

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb 5	Craft Gettogether	9:30 a.m.	Rm.120
	Melodrama	6:30 p.m.	cc
Feb 6	Melodrama	6:30 p.m.	cc
Feb 9	Ladies Bible Study	10:30 a.m.	Rm.120
Feb 11	Daytime Quilters	2:00 p.m.	Rm.120
Feb 12	Melodrama	6:30 p.m.	cc
Feb 13	Melodrama	6:30 p.m.	cc
Feb 14	Deacon's Meeting	4:00 p.m.	Rm.117
Feb 15	Evening Quilters	6:00 p.m.	Rm.120
Feb 16	Women on Mission	2:00 p.m.	Rm.117
Feb 18	SAM Game Day	10:00 a.m.	cc
Feb 19	Nicaragua Mission Trip		
	Craft Gettogether	9:30 a.m.	Rm.120
	Singles Fellowship	6:00 p.m.	Rm.111
Feb 20	Nix Reception	1:00 p.m.	Rm.111
Feb 23	Ladies Bible Study	10:30 a.m.	Rm.120
Feb 25	Daytime Quilters	2:00 p.m.	Rm.120
Mar 5	Craft Gettogether	9:30 a.m.	Rm.120
	SAM Game Night	5:30 p.m.	cc

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Limit articles to 250 words.

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