

Getting to Know You ~

Ted & Jeanne Coles

Ted and Jeanne have been married for 26 years, getting married on June 4, 1992. They were married at the Palm Beach Hotel, a very exclusive hotel in Palm Beach, Florida. They were married on a Thursday night and had a small gathering of about 60 family and friends. Ted and Jeanne went together for about ten months before they were married. Jeanne believes the Lord brought them together even though they were not practicing Christians at the time. Jeanne was raised an SDA Christian, but Ted did not come from a Christian family background. When they married Jeanne was working two jobs and was not attending church.

Ted was attending AA meetings and Jeanne decided to get to know what her new husband was into. She would read some of his AA books and literature, which, in turn, drew her closer to the Lord.

One morning Jeanne asked Ted if he minded if she went to church and he said "it was not his decision to make." So she started attending the Jupiter SDA Church in Florida. Although Ted was searching for a church, he did not feel inclined to attend the Adventist Church so he started attending a non-denominational type church complete with band and fancy praise groups. He decided that was not a proper church.

At this time the Jupiter SDA Church started holding an evangelistic series led by Lester Pratt. Jeanne invited Ted to attend – he said "yes." Lester and William Sampson, Bill Sampson's dad, came to their home to prepare them for baptism. This was what Ted was looking for and both Ted, for the first time; and Jeanne the second time, were baptized, but this time

together.

Ted had not been a religious person, but the AA Program led him to religion. They started going to church together and this made Jeanne very happy. They had a lot of growing to do from that starting point – spiritually and in their marriage. Ted was actually 35 years old when he got married to Jeanne. It was his first time being married.

They left Florida after living there for four years and moved to South Carolina. The Lord brought them here as life was getting too busy for them both in Florida. The machining business was moving out of southern Florida and since this field was where Ted's expertise was, they started taking vacations to see what else was available. They wound up in Greer and fell in love with South Carolina.

After they decided this is where they wanted to settle, it took a year to make the transition. They came, along with Jeanne's daughter, son, and two grandchildren. They rented an old farm house in Greer and loved it and country living. Eventually they moved into a double wide mobile home and started attending the Greenville SDA Church where the pastor was Gene Young. When they bought their home closer to route 14, they started attending Tryon and felt the Holy Spirit there. Jeanne says that as she looks back, she can see the Lord's hand in everything they did.

They started Integrity Tool, LLC in 2002, which took off and they still own that company although Jeanne has retired.

When asked what some of their interests are, Ted loves motorcycles and cars; Jeanne loves reading. She also has an interior decorators touch. She likes working with her hands including cooking.

A typical day starts between 5:30 –

6:00 a.m. Both are up and Jeanne gets Ted's breakfast ready and makes his lunch to take to work. They have a 30 minute devotion with each other each morning. They pray together before Ted leaves the house.

Jeanne's favorite Bible verse is John 14:1 - 3 and Ted's is James 4:7.

We've come to love Ted and Jeanne and praise the Lord for their great leadership at our church.



Adventist Community Services/Disaster Relief (ACS/D)
Bucket Brigade Campaign (BBC) See Page 14 for details

Matthew 25 Impact

Desirée Magnant

Matthew 25 Impact Project

Join us each month on the second Sabbath of the month for Outreach Sabbath. Various activities take place after potluck, and you can be a big blessing as we serve in our community. Upcoming outreach Sabbaths:

February – Jesus Loves You and so do We! Park ministry outreach to area parks.

March – Sole Hope - Shoe Party - #Nojiggers - Help us make shoes for children in Africa - protect the feet!

April – Sunshine Bands to White Oak Nursing Home (Tryon) and Autumn Care (Saluda)

May – Blessing Bags Ministry for Steps to Hope

June – Operation Sandwich and distribute sack lunches to homeless in Greenville, SC



Our Missionaries

As we arrived back in our post the feeling was one of mixed emotions. Knowing the Lord is in the lead but viewing the daunting task ahead was paralyzing. We were stuck in a hotel for the first few days due to snow and unable to reach our home. However, we soon recognized God's hand and we gave ourselves to prayer and reconnecting with Him. Pouring out our hearts for this people and accepting our inefficiency we asked for wisdom, just as Solomon in the days of old.

Then came the assurance, "The Lord will more than fulfill the highest expectations of those who put their trust in Him. He will give them the wisdom their varied necessities demand." *Prophets and Kings* 386.3

With that blessed promise we moved on in faith, though the bleakness of the concrete buildings and the snow coming down seemed to be a reflection of the hearts we are desiring to reach – cold and bleak. Then we received the most joyous news a Christian can hear. Someone wants to study the Bible! This was the news concerning the relative of our friend. It had seen God work a miracle on the friend's behalf in a direct answer to a prayer to Jesus.

Sabbath, we met with the person for the first time and had an amazing study together! We were then served a special meal that had been prepared just for us.



Lives Distressed Cannot be Blessed

Refused to be discouraged,
Refused to be distressed,
For when we are despondent
Our life cannot be blessed –
For doubt and fear and worry
Close the door to Faith and Prayer,
For there's no room for blessings
When we're lost in deep despair –
So remember when you're troubled
With uncertainty and doubt
It is best to tell Our Father
What our fear is all about –
For unless we seek His guidance
When troubled times arise
We are bound to make decisions
That are twisted and unwise –
But when we view our problems
Through the eyes of God above,
Misfortune turned to blessings
And hatred turns to love.

Fear not, for I am with you;
Be not dismayed, for I am your God.
I will strengthen you,
Yes, I will help you,
I will uphold you with
My righteous right hand.

Isaiah 41:10

Small Groups Come Join One!

The small group meeting at the school on January 30 will be "The Talking Donkey."

Future Topics

February 6: The Ravenous Raven

February 13: The Angry Dragon

February 20: The Helpful Fish

Supper and Scripture: Meets at the Magnant's Home - 123 Gray Court, Rutherfordton - This small group meeting meets twice monthly on the 1st and 3rd Friday evening for a meal together and then a study. Current content is The Story of Redemption. Participants will receive the book and each meeting the study guide pages. The purpose of the group is to grow closer to Jesus and each other as we prepare for the last days.

Leader:

Keith Magnant, 904-707-6792

Time:

6:00 p.m., Supper

7:00 p.m., Scripture

Hour of Prayer – Meets at Polk County Senior Center, 75 Carmel Lane, Columbus, 6:00 p.m., first Tuesday of every month. This is an interdenominational group praying for Polk County and the surrounding communities. Come and enjoy this refreshing time together.



Diluting the Gospel ~ 3

Liberty Department

Aristotle, the Macedonian Realist; The first one to try to prove the existence of God with logic

Continued from February

In John chapter 3 Jesus met Nicodemus, a well-educated Jew, and referred to him as “master of Israel”. He knew that Nicodemus is on the intellectual crossroad of his life. He knew that he had a burden: he needed help to find the truth. Jesus met him academically, intellectually. He did not speak simple to him. Actually, Nicodemus tried to lower the academic level of the conversation. First, he did not acknowledge Jesus to be the Messiah but just a teacher - not holding a degree from the “University of Jerusalem” and with his words he expressed some kind of unbelief. Then he responded to the words of Jesus with irony: “How can a man be born when he is old?” verse 4. Jesus refused to follow and kept the language highly academic. At the end, Nicodemus was completely lost. At this time Jesus gave him a hint so Nicodemus will have a base for his reflections: “And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, even so must the Son of man be lifted up” verse 14. Jesus knew that Nicodemus do not need explanations with simple words and he will appreciate the academic discussion. We read that Nicodemus grew in faith. When he saw Jesus lifted up on the cross, he connected all points of this conversation, stood firm in his fate, took care of Jesus body after the crucifixion, and helped gather the runaway disciples. What a wonderful example. In “The Desire

of Ages” we read: “In the interview with Nicodemus, Jesus unfolded the plan of salvation and his mission to the world. In none of His subsequent discourses did He explain so fully, step by step, the work necessary to be done in the hearts of all who would inherit the kingdom of heaven.” Jesus knew that in front of him stands a scholar capable to understand the entire plan of salvation in one short meeting - no parables and no stories. To the uneducated Jesus spoke simple, to the educated He used erudite language. Jesus did whatever it takes to reach and save them from their bondage. How about us? Are we ready to do whatever it takes?

Now, let’s ask ourselves this important question: As Christians, where we stand on this - Faith or Reason? If we answer, Faith is the basis of understanding then, we have to agree with St. Augustine of Hippo (a 3rd and 4th century theologian and one of the Latin Fathers of the Church). In his work he agreed Plato’s philosophical views with the teachings of the Bible. With this he contributed for the arrival of the intellectual darkness (The Dark Ages). If we answer, Reason is the basis of understanding then, we have to agree with another saint from the Roman Catholic Church - St. Thomas Aquinas (a theologian from the 12th -13th century). Aquinas made the Aristotelian philosophy to agree with the Biblical teachings as well. Thus, he heavily contributed for the coming of the Renaissance and then - our modern secular thinking.

How quickly the things can get complicated and we can get lost in

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this ocean of ideas. Without a trusted reference, we will be blown by the wind, wandering around with no direction - that’s what the Devil want us to do anyway. In Matthew 16:15, Jesus asked his disciples: “But whom say ye that I am?” In verse 16, Peter answered: “Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.” Here is the response of Jesus in verse 17: “Blessed art thou, Simon Bar-jona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.”

Is Jesus suggesting the Platonic fate? Interesting! To better understand; let us refer to the Spirit of Prophecy (Manuscript Releases Volume Nine, Page 202): “God never asks us to believe, without giving sufficient evidence upon which to base our faith. His existences, His character, the truthfulness of His Word, are all established by testimony that appeals to our reason; and this testimony is abundant. Yet God has never removed the possibility of doubt. Our faith must rest upon evidence, not demonstration. Those who wish to doubt will have opportunity, while those who really desire to know the truth will find plenty of evidence on which to rest their faith.”

Let’s go back to the Bible. We read in Luke 7:19 about the greatest prophet ever walked on earth - John the Baptist: “And John calling unto him two of his disciples sent them to Jesus, saying, Art thou he that should come? Or look we for another?” In one point of time, the faith of John was shaken and he

was looking for assurance that Jesus was the Messiah. When the two men posed this question to Jesus, He delayed the answer (verse 21); and He let them observe His work for a little. Then He answered to them (verse 22): “Go your way, and tell John what things ye have seen and heard; how that the blind see, the lame walk, the lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, to the poor the gospel is preached.” This is the comment of the Spirit of Prophecy regarding this occasion: “The evidence of His divinity was seen in its adaptation to the needs of suffering humanity... The disciples bore the message, and it was enough” - “The Desire of Ages”. Note - Jesus asked the disciples to carry the evidences they observed to John. The evidence (not proof and demonstration) was enough for him. “never removes the possibility of doubt.”

Series finale coming in March



Rogersville Intentional. . .

Southern Tidings

The Children's Ministries Department of the Rogersville, Tennessee Church, has been very active in getting children involved in learning about God and His love.

Every month on the fourth Sabbath, the children get to go into a classroom with a few teachers, do crafts, sing songs, and ultimately get closer to Him.

The children are learning how God created the animals for people to enjoy and take care of. To illustrate this lesson, the group recently went to a local wildlife park called Bays Mountain in Kingsport, Tenn. There they enjoyed a picnic lunch provided by some of the adults in the church, followed by a walk through the animal habitats.

They learned about the wolves in the park — what they eat, how often they are fed, where the wolves come from, and more.

The church has much more planned for their children, as well as the children in their community. Sharon Borton¹ and Donna Owen have been leading the team

of adults recently, along with the aid of other church members — Stephanie and Leroy Morie, Doug and Brandy Jenkins, Curtis and Ruby Hinrichs, Tim and Mae Luttrell, Lauren Freire², and others.

Programs and activities with the children are vital to their growth. Prayers are appreciated for the children (and adults) at Rogersville Church and the surrounding community as they lead the next generation to God. Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these," Matthew 19:14.

1 – The Borton family was the one who put me up in their living room when I visited and looked out at the stars and knew God was calling me. It was also their house that I first boarded.

2 – My parents received a call from the church elder concerned that I was "associating with some of the hippies in the community." A few months later I was privileged to stand at the top of the baptistry as Lauren was lowered into the water!



The Rogersville, Tennessee, Church has a plan to teach the children in their church and community about God. They set aside one Sabbath monthly to do crafts and sing songs, with the goal of getting closer to God and better understanding His love.



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Program Format:

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DVD Presentations

Kip Anderson, Dr. Neal Barnard

Hans Diehl, Dick Nunez

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Morgan Center

2820 Lynn Road - Tryon

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Health Nugget

Michael Owens, Sr.

“ Every man that striveth for the mastery is temperate in all things”

TEMPERANCE AND DIETETICS

Every student needs to understand the relation between plain living and high thinking. It rests with us individually to decide whether our lives shall be controlled by the mind or by the body. The youth must, each for himself, make the choice that shapes his life; and no pains should be spared that he may understand the forces with which he has to deal, and the influences which mold character and destiny.

Intemperance is a foe against which all need to be guarded. The rapid increase of this terrible evil should arouse every lover of his race to warfare against it. The practice of giving instruction on temperance topics in the schools is a move in the right direction. Instruction in this line should be given in every school and every home. The youth and children should understand the effect of alcohol, tobacco, and other like poisons in breaking down the body, beclouding the mind, and sensationalizing the soul. It should be made plain that no one who uses these things can long possess the full strength of his physical, mental, or moral faculties.

But in order to reach the root of intemperance we must go deeper than the use of alcohol or tobacco. Idleness, lack of aim, or evil associations, may be the predisposing cause. Often it is found at the home table, in families that account themselves temperate. Anything that disorders digestion, that creates undue

mental excitement, or in any way enfeebles the system, disturbing the balance of the mental and the physical powers, weakens the control of the mind over the body, and thus tends toward intemperance. The downfall of many a promising youth might be traced to unnatural appetites created by an unwholesome diet.

Tea and coffee, condiments, confectionery, and pastries are all active causes of indigestion. Flesh food also is harmful. Its naturally stimulating effect should be a sufficient argument against its use; and the almost universally diseased condition of animals makes it doubly objectionable. It tends to irritate the nerves and excite the passions, thus giving the balance of power to the lower propensities.

Those who accustom themselves to a rich, stimulating diet, find after a time that the stomach is not satisfied with simple food. It demands that which is more and more highly seasoned, pungent, and stimulating. As the nerves become disordered and the system weakened, the will seems powerless to resist the unnatural craving. The delicate coating of the stomach becomes irritated and inflamed until the most stimulating food fails of giving relief. A thirst is created that nothing but strong drink will quench.

It is the beginnings of evil that should be guarded against. In the instruction of the youth the effect of apparently small deviations from the right should be made very plain. Let the student be taught the value of a simple, healthful diet in preventing the desire for unnatural stimulants. Let the habit of self-control be early established. Let the youth be impressed with the thought that they are to be masters, and not slaves.

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Health Nugget

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Of the kingdom within them God has made them rulers, and they are to exercise their Heaven-appointed kingship. When such instruction is faithfully given, the results will extend far beyond the youth themselves. Influences will reach out that will save thousands of men and women who are on the very brink of ruin.

If you have received a blessing from this short excerpt from the chapter of temperance in the book of Education, I invite you to read the rest on your own. There is a lot more blessings where this came from.



Prison Ministries

Lorna Dever

I was in prison and you came to see me. Matthew 25:36 NKJV

Have you ever asked Sean Eckmann how it is going at the prison? If not, try next time you see him. A broad smile and exuberance flows through his body.

Sean goes every Sunday morning at 8 a.m. to meet with the men in a designated pod. Sometimes he sees ones he has seen

Hats & Socks

Outreach Sabbath

Collected:

Adult Hats – 63

Kids' Hats – 30

Scarves – 20

Gloves – 80

Socks – 40

See picture below!

before, other times it is someone new.

We are looking for more people willing to help in this ministry. We need men and women. They have now opened the ladies' section.

We need someone to help when Sean is unable to attend. I'm working on getting a slot on Thursday evening to go to the ladies' area.

Please contact me, 828-817-1544, if you would be willing to help

Happy Cookies

Judy Kyzer & Dorisann Brandt

- 5 cups Walnuts, Ground
Grind Walnuts in Vitamix or Blender
- 1 1/3 cups Whole Wheat Pastry Flour
Add – Pastry Flour and stir thoroughly
- 1 teaspoon Salt
Add – Salt and stir thoroughly
- 2/3 cup Flaxseed Meal
Add – Flaxseed Meal and stir thoroughly
- 1 1/2 cups Pecans
Add – Pecans and stir thoroughly
- 2 cups Coconut Flakes
Add – Coconut Flakes and stir thoroughly
- 1 1/2 cups Medjool Dates
Add – Medjool Dates as you stir to keep dates from sticking together
- 5 teaspoons Vanilla
Add – Vanilla while stirring and mix thoroughly
- 1 1/3 cups Maple Syrup
Add – Maple Syrup while stirring and mix thoroughly

Preheat oven to 360°. Spray Coconut Oil Baking Spray on cookie sheets. Form cookies in your hand (use coconut oil on fingers to keep batter from sticking to you). Bake 15 to 16 minutes.

“ I added chopped mango & dried cranberries also. Less coconut & dates.

Bucket Brigade

Carolina Conference

The Bucket Brigade Campaign (BBC) is an initiative to provide basic cleaning supplies to residents in the Carolinas and beyond, who suffered devastation from Hurricanes Florence and Michael. The contents for each bucket will cost approximately \$40.

METHODS OF INVOLVEMENT:

- a. Purchase items and fill buckets
- b. Donate money to have buckets filled

The ACS/DR leaders voted Sunday to continue with this new project and make it possible to have buckets filled and ready for distribution whenever disaster strikes.

It was noted by the Disaster Relief (DR) team that the way disasters are handled has evolved over the years. The national government is no longer available, therefore, help has come from local levels.

For more information, please contact Lorna, 828-817-1544 or news@tryonsda.org.

SS Homework

Wanangwa Hartwell

From the Sabbath School lesson for January 9, 2019, where we were asked what a letter to our church might look like, if written in the style to the seven churches of Revelation.

Unto the angel of the church of Tryon write; These things saith the Word, which is God and which was in the beginning with God;

Think you that I am blind and see not, or that I turn a deaf ear to the cry of them that seek me? I see your ways and the lightness with which you bear My Name. You think that you do My work by lighting a lamp on a hill, but you close it in with bars and doors that it be not shed abroad.

Yet I know you seek Me and would have my truth. You have much love that could benefit My children who do not know Me. Come close to Me, that you may sit at my feet and learn of Me. Then you will feel the weight of My glory and be endowed with the power of My Spirit in the earth.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches. To him that overcometh will I give to drink of the water of life, that they may never thirst again.



Outreach – February 9

Desirée Magnant

Join us as we go to area parks to share Jesus love. We'll be handing out balloons that say "Jesus Loves You" and providing water bottles, singing and setting our light out on the "hill". Depending on how many volunteers we have, we will visit Harmon Field, Landrum Park, Stearns Park and the family park just off main street in Saluda. Let us know in advance if you will come so we can plan accordingly. Call or text Desiree at 386-481-8215 or via email at desiree5472@hotmail.com.



Pathfinder Fundraiser

Chrisy Witt

Please come out February 9, 6:00 p.m., and enjoy a dinner and a family movie night hosted by your Pathfinder club.

We will be having a Spaghetti and meatball supper with a nice salad and dessert. The Pathfinders will be your servers for the evening. So, come out, relax and enjoy your church family together!

This will be a fundraiser for our trip to the International Oshkosh Camporee. There will be a tip jar placed at each table for a donation basis!!

After dinner we will show the film *War Room*.

Hope to see you all there!

Verified Volunteers

Children's Ministry

Many of you may have already completed the certification and background check program for church and church school employees/volunteers called "Verified Volunteers."

The Conference requires that anyone working with children must complete this training program and have a background check. You might be thinking, "Oh, I'm not a leader in a children's Sabbath School, I don't need that." I challenge you to think again. Do you ever volunteer to help out at a one-time event involving children such as teaching an honor class to the Pathfinders/Adventures, school picnic, VBS, childcare for evangelistic meetings, driving children to and from church or school events? If so, this training is very important and necessary.

Training is easy, simply go to www.ncsrisk.org/adventist. You will need to create a user name and password, then follow the on screen prompts to complete the 45 minute training process. Once you

have completed you will fill out the background check.

This certification is good for 3 years, and as your certification is about to expire I will send you a friendly reminder to go online again and renew.

Even if you do not have any involvement with children, I still recommend taking this training. It does not hurt to be knowledgeable and to be on guard. To know how to spot the signs of child abuse/neglect. Our children are precious, and the more eyes and ears looking out for them the better!

Please feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. I am glad to help! In addition I have a list of everyone that has been certified, in case you are wondering when you are needing to renew your certification.

Thank you!

Kari Owens

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How to Help

Ted Coles

Hello All, I want to share this bible passage with you in Acts 3. When I read it it tells me that I am supposed to help heal others, through Jesus Christ.

Now Peter and John went up together to the temple at the hour of prayer, the ninth hour. 2 And a certain man lame from his mother's womb was carried, whom they laid daily at the gate of the temple which is called Beautiful, to [a]ask alms from those who entered the temple; 3 who, seeing Peter and John about to go into the temple, asked for alms. 4 And fixing his eyes on him, with John, Peter said, "Look at us." 5 So he gave them his attention, expecting to receive something from them. 6 Then Peter said, "Silver and gold I do not have, but what I do have I give you: In the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, rise up and walk." 7 And he took him by the right hand and lifted him up, and immediately his feet and ankle bones received strength.

Now healing isn't always physical. Most of you know I have had my fair share of physical healing. I want to talk about emotional and spiritual healing.

Usually we don't realize that people all around us are in need of emotional and spiritual healing. Its hard to tell when people need help, there is no sling or cast to show us they have a problem.

I know when I am hurting I usually don't want help – I want to fix it myself , with Gods help of course!

But God has put a lot of people in my life to help me. All I have to do is ask, which is hard to do.

So when I ask for help it is all around me.

I want to ask you to not wait for

someone to ask for help, but to offer help. Start by asking someone if they need to talk, about anything, at anytime. Do they need help or friendship, or prayers, this can open up discussion. How about a hug!, when I was recuperating from my leg injury one day Brook and Audrey Witt gave me a hug, I guess I looked a little pathetic, but it sure made me feel welcome, wanted and changed my whole day, you see there was a good amount of depression with my recovery and that day it was gone. The cure for depression was someone else showing me the Grace of Jesus Christ.

We have such power with Jesus to change peoples lives and it is the greatest gift we'll ever get.

Now if something some does or says upsets you or effects you uncomfortably, please go to that person and ask for some clarity. You don't have to go with an attitude or a "chip" on your shoulder, just go, pray first but go!

I am always surprised how things turn out when I go to someone with what I perceive as a problem with them and after discussing it, it turns out to be not as bad as I have imagined.

I have a sign in my office that says "Its not going to happen that way". This is to help me realize that I don't know whats going in someone else's head. And I cant possibly know until we talk.

So I ask you please reach out to each other and help us all to be healed through Jesus.

Thank you so much for your help and support, and thank you for all your prayers they are felt all the time.

Ted Coles



Hour of Prayer ~ First Tuesday, 6:00 p.m.
Polk County Senior Center

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Do you like to read?

Are you able
to get on the Internet?

I need someone
to do some
easy research for me!

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Tryon
Seventh-day Adventist Church

Journal

February, 2019

It Only Takes a Spark

Lorna Rae Dever

It only takes a spark to get a fire burning.

The year was 1979. I had completed a year of teaching in Warner Robins, Georgia and returned to Little Creek Academy in Knoxville, Tennessee to teach in their elementary school. I had done my Student Teaching and Dean's Practicum classes there prior to my year of teaching in Georgia. As they had no Girl's Dean during the summer, I became the dean, which continued through the school year. It was during this time that I became acquainted with a lady from Tryon, whom some of you will remember – Elaine Parris. I had her daughter, Lisa, in my dorm. Elaine would often stay in my apartment when she came to see Lisa – Just a small part of my life at Little Creek.

At the end of the school year I chose not to return to Little Creek, but had no idea what I wanted to do. The principal's wife, Sheila, invited me to join her for a weekend at Carolina Camp Meeting on beautiful Lake Junaluska. As we got in Sheila's car to leave there was a small piece of paper under her windshield wiper which read, "Teacher Needed. Lorna call (gave a number). Elaine"

I called the number and learned it was a small company of Seventh-day Adventists who wanted their children to have an Adventist education, but they couldn't afford a conference-paid teacher. I looked up the location on a map – A small town in the Eastern mountains of Tennessee. I argued with myself over it. My mother attempted to get me to go and at least look at it. Finally, to get her to quit bugging me, I drove the miles to the most remote location imaginable in the United States. They could pay me a small amount of money, and offered a small room for me to stay in, and a small shack that they would fix up for my classroom. As I lay on the sofa that night and looked out the bay window at the huge sky I felt so small in the big universe. The only thing that kept going through my head was my favorite song, *I'll go where You want me to go, Dear Lord. Over mountain, or plain, or sea. . .*

Two years I spent teaching in the small little mountain area. I started with four students for a company of six families. When I left they had formed a church and purchased property where they placed a double-wide for school and church until they built themselves a beautiful sanctuary.

Fast forward 36 years, *Southern Tidings*, August 2019. *Rogersville Intentional With Children*. My heart burst with pride as I read the article and realized what had happened with that *small* beginning so many years ago – I was not the only one involved!

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27 10am - Thrift Store 12pm - Cooking Class -	28 9am - Thrift Store	29 9am - Thrift Store 2pm - Office Hours -- 9pm - Bulletin deadline	30 8am - Church Office -- 8:30am - Circle of 9am - Thrift Store 1pm - Church Office -- 6:30pm - Small Group	31 9am - Thrift Store 1pm - Church Office --	1 9am - Thrift Store 5:57pm - Sunset	2 No Fellowship Lunch Local Church Budget - 9:15am - Sabbath 10:45am - Worship 5:58pm - Sunset
3 10am - Thrift Store 2pm - TSDA Business	4 9am - Thrift Store	5 9am - Thrift Store 2pm - Office Hours -- 6pm - Hour of Prayer - 6:30pm - SCHOOL 9pm - Bulletin deadline	6 8am - Church Office -- 8:30am - Circle of 9am - Thrift Store 1pm - Church Office -- 5:30pm - Inspection - 6pm - Adventurer 6:30pm - Small Group	7 9am - Thrift Store 1pm - Church Office -- 6pm - Reversing	8 9am - Thrift Store 6pm - Small Group 6:04pm - Sunset	9 Youth Sabbath @ Tryon 9am - Adventurer 9:15am - Sabbath 10:45am - Worship 12:30pm - FELLOWSHIP 2:30pm - Outreach - 6pm - Pathfinder 6:05pm - Sunset
10 CO-OP ORDER DATE 10am - Thrift Store	11 9am - Thrift Store	12 9am - Thrift Store 2pm - Office Hours -- 9pm - Bulletin deadline	13 8am - Church Office -- 8:30am - Circle of 9am - Thrift Store 1pm - Church Office -- 6:30pm - Small Group	14 Valentine's Day 9am - Thrift Store 1pm - Church Office -- 6pm - Reversing	15 9am - Thrift Store 12pm - School Noon 6:11pm - Sunset	16 Local Church Budget - NO FELLOWSHIP 9:15am - Sabbath 10:45am - Worship 6:12pm - Sunset
17 10am - Thrift Store	18 Presidents' Day 8am - School Winter 9am - Thrift Store	19 8am - School Winter 9am - Thrift Store 2pm - Office Hours -- 9pm - Bulletin deadline	20 8am - Church Office -- 8am - School Winter 8:30am - Circle of 9am - Thrift Store 1pm - Church Office -- 5:30pm - Meeting - 6pm - Adventurer 6:30pm - Small Group	21 8am - School Winter 9am - Thrift Store 1pm - Church Office -- 6pm - Reversing	22 8am - School Winter 9am - Thrift Store 6pm - Small Group 6:18pm - Sunset	23 Carolina Youth - 9:15am - Sabbath 10:45am - Worship 12:30pm - FELLOWSHIP 6:19pm - Sunset
24 10am - Thrift Store	25 9am - Thrift Store	26 9am - Thrift Store 2pm - Office Hours -- 9pm - Bulletin deadline	27 8am - Church Office -- 8:30am - Circle of 9am - Thrift Store 1pm - Church Office -- 6:30pm - Small Group	28 9am - Thrift Store 1pm - Church Office -- 6pm - Reversing	1 9am - Thrift Store 6:24pm - Sunset	2 No Fellowship Lunch Local Church Budget - 9:15am - Sabbath 10:45am - Worship 6:25pm - Sunset

Harbor Seals

Ronnie Hartwell

Do you have a dog? How smart is it? I want to tell you about the world's smartest dog. Her name is Chaser and she is a Border Collie.

Border Collies were originally bred by shepherds on the border between England and Scotland, hence their name. They are a special kind of herding dog, because they use their eyes to stare down other animals until they move, rather than barking or nipping at them.

Chaser is a special Border Collie because her owner was a scientist. He knew Border Collies were considered the smartest dog breed and he wanted to see how much Chaser could learn. Want to guess? Try 1,022 different TOYS, let alone other words around the house! That's one smart dog!



Lady

Some people say the Border Collie is the smartest dog breed. His ability to impose his will on sheep makes him the best sheepherding dog in the world -- but watch out, because he'll try to impose his will on you, too!



Chaser

Did You Know?

Border Collies are known as herding dogs, but a Border Collie currently holds the Guinness World Record for Fastest Car Window Opened by a Dog. Striker, a Border Collie from Hungary, opened the non-electric window in 11.34 seconds. Impressive!

