

Missions

Promoting Missions Work Locally, Nationally, and Internationally

» Missions Budget Y-T-D is **\$42,325**. Giving Y-T-D is **\$45,689**. As of **January 29**, Missions is **\$3,364** ahead of budget.

» **The Giving Closet is Open Wednesdays & Thursdays, 1-5 PM**

Thank you for the gift cards and the food. When I didn't have any money, I would use the gift cards to my buy family Christmas presents. And when I was hungry I would snack on the food you guys gave me I am very thankful. Vanessa (Fir Grove student/Angel Tree recipient)

Dear First Church of God, I was very happy because of the gifts you gave my family. The Red Robin card that you gave my family was a nice treat. We enjoyed our meal at that restaurant. My little brother was happy when he got the candy that you included in the bag. I was also able to buy a Christmas dinner because of the Safeway gift card you gave us. Your good deeds have helped so many people. Thank you so much! Tyler (Fir Grove student/Angel Tree recipient)

News

Church-wide news, announcements & events.

» **Updated Giving Record:**

DATE	BUDGET	TITHES	ATTENDANCE
January 8	\$34,000	\$35,005	1291
January 15	\$30,000	\$23,018	1058
January 22	\$28,000	\$32,709	1212
January 29	\$25,000	\$35,718	1260
	Y-T-D BUDGET	Y-T-D RECEIVED	Ahead of Budget
	\$1,101,000	\$1,105,545	\$4,545

Message Notes

Pastor Bruce Hazel

LESSONS FROM JUDAS

John 13:1-31

From Judas' story we learn much about:

1. Jesus' Great Love

Love demonstrated:

2. Our Own Will Power

verse 18b *"He who shares my bread has lifted up his heel against me."*

3. Decisions and their Consequences

Verse 27 *"What you are about to do, do quickly," ... he went out into the darkness*

I John 4:9-10 *"This is how God showed his love among us; He sent his one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him. This is love: not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins."*

I John 3:1 *"How great is the love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God!"*



FIRST LIFE WEEKLY

Services » Sat @ 5pm, Sun @ 9:30am Contemporary; Sun @ 11am Traditional

February 4 & 5, 2012

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Welcome to Vancouver First Church of God. We are so glad you are here and want you to feel welcome! If you have any questions about our ministries or classes, please visit our Information Center located in our church lobby and pick up a "Welcome Brochure."

Attendance - Prayer Cards. If you attend service today, please let us know you were here by filling out a card and placing it in the offering bucket. Thank you!

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Learn about upcoming events, get the latest news, give online, and even listen to or download Sunday messages from our website at www.vanfcog.org.

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STUDENT LIFE

7th - 12th Grades.

» Dating & Sex Series — February 5 & 12 @ 11 AM CLC 6202

It's time for our annual dating and sex series here in Student Life: *Body, Mind, Soul*. Parents are invited to attend. If you are unable to attend with your child, please sign a permission slip. For more information contact Student Life Pastors Renee Thompson or Richard Doe.

MEN'S MINISTRIES

Ministry for all men of the church.

» Portland Trailblazers vs. LA Clippers Basketball Game

Thursday, February 16. Ticket are on sale in Café Connection. Ticket cost is \$16. We will take church vans to the game.

» Annual Men's Retreat — March 16-18

This year's retreat will be held at Anderson Lodge. Our speaker will be Todd Braschler, who brought us '*Fight Like A Man*' 5 years ago at Men's Retreat.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Ministry for all women of the church.

» Ladies Quilting Group

Come join us in tying baby quilts for The Giving Closet. We meet **Wednesdays, February 8 & 22** in room 120 from 11:30 AM to 2:30 PM. All skill levels are welcome. A light lunch is served. For more information, call Deanna at 360.576.3867.

» Women's Ministry Bunco Party — Monday, February 6

Ladies, join other women from 6:30 - 8:30 PM in room 120 for lots of fun, food and laughter. It's free! Childcare is provided.

» Widow's Might — Save the Date

Ladies, mark your calendar for our next fun event on **Saturday, March 17!**

ADULT MINISTRY/CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Bible Fellowship, Community Learning for Life, and Small Groups.

» What Does the Church of God Believe?

The Church of God reformation movement began as gospel singers and preachers crisscrossed the American Midwest, spreading the message of holiness and Christian unity. What motivated its beginning? What distinguishes it now? This 13-week series starts **Sunday, February 5** at 9:30 AM in the Fireside Room.

» 40 Days in the Word Starts in One Week!

Haven't signed up for a small group yet? You still can; in 3 different ways: 1) Come to Café Connection Sunday morning, **February 5** and visit the sign-up tables under the big blue signs where small group hosts will be available to chat, OR 2) fill out the insert in today's bulletin and drop it in the offering bucket, OR 3) sign up online at www.vanfcog.org. There's only 1 week left to join a small group before we start *40 Days in the Word* - a study that will help you love the Word, learn the Word, and live the Word like never before! Workbooks are available for \$10 in Café Connection or in the church office during the week.

» The Road (Young Adults ages 18-30)

Join us **Sunday, February 5** for fun, food, and games as we celebrate Tyler Slocum's new adventure! We'll gather at the home of James Teague, 9402 NE 82nd Ave, Vancouver 98662 starting at **5 PM**. Pizza will be served. Please bring a side dish to share. Need directions? Call 852-0914. Mark your calendar - on **Friday, February 17** we'll have 'Game Night' @ 6 PM in CLC Youth Room.

» Register Now for 2012 Senior Retreat — April 17 - 19

Senior adults are invited to the Senior Retreat in Cannon Beach, OR. Pick up registration information at the Information Center or download it from the church website. Call Ramona Russum at 695-2740 if you have questions.

» AA Invites You — Wednesday Evenings @ 6:30 - 7:30 PM

"*Wine To Water*" is an official, open Alcoholics Anonymous meeting that meets every Wednesday evening in CLC 5160.

» 2 Thessalonians Study Begins Sunday, February 12

All adults are invited to join in a new study of 2 Thessalonians. The Friendship Bible class meets Sundays at 9:30 AM in room 120.

FOUNDATION BOARD

» Foundation Board to Award (5) \$2,000 Scholarships

Scholarship applications for 2012/2013 are available in the church office. Applications must be turned in no later than 5 PM on Friday, February 10.

PRAYER MINISTRY

A vital ministry of the church.

» Current Military List

We are updating our prayer list. We want to pray for your loved one who is currently serving in the military. Please email office@vanfcog.org with family member's name, your relationship, where in the world they are serving, and their branch of armed forces.

» Prayer Room Open Sundays — 10:30 - 11:30 AM

There are trained teams available to pray with you for all your needs in our Prayer Room, located just inside the West entrance.

SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

Find a way to serve ...

» Church Facility Workdays — Thursdays, 8 AM - 12 PM

Volunteers are welcome every Thursday to work on a variety of projects around the church facility. Call Steve Olson in the church office, 360.816.6900, for more information.

» Christian Reading Material Needed for the Clark County Jail

Bring your donations to the Information Center. For safety reasons, only soft covered reading materials are allowed. Thank you for keeping our local jail stocked with Christian books.