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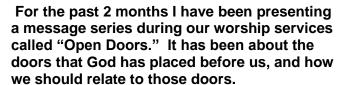
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From the desk of Pastor Ron Mellor



When we open our eyes to the doors that are open in front of us, we can begin to see that even the everyday circumstances in our lives are open door opportunities to bless others.

This was certainly the way it was for Linda Wilson-Allen. A story of her "doors" appeared on the front page of the *San Francisco Chronicle* newspaper on September 8, 2013.

I will summarize ... Linda is a bus driver for the city's metro-transit system. She knows the regulars who ride her bus and tries to take a personal interest in them. For example, a woman in her 80s named Ivy was struggling in getting some heavy grocery bags on the bus. Linda got out of her bus driver's seat to carry Ivy's grocery bags onto the bus. Ever since this kind act, Ivy lets other buses go by so that she can ride on Linda's bus.

Another time Linda saw a woman named Tanya waiting in a bus shelter waiting area. Linda could tell that Tanya was lost. Since it was almost Thanksgiving, Linda invited Tanya over for Thanksgiving dinner and became her friend.



Linda has built a culture of a caring community on her bus. In appreciation, her passengers have brought her gifts like potted plants and flower bouquets, and one rider even offered her the use of his vacation home.

The newspaper article was called *Linda the most beloved bus driver in all of San Francisco!*

Being a bus driver can be a thankless job along with horrible traffic, grouchy passengers and even engine breakdowns. How can Linda have such a positive, others-centered attitude about her bus driving? The *Chronicle* article gave the secret. "Her mood is set at 2:30 a.m. when she gets down on her knees to pray for 30 minutes." She described her prayer time as: "There is a lot to talk about with the Lord."

When she gets to the end of her shift she always tells everyone on the bus, "That's all. I love you. Take care."

If anyone wants to know where the Kingdom of God is to be found, we can find it on the #45 bus of the San Francisco Metro!

Open doors are around us everywhere. When we are aware of making the everyday activities of our lives an opportunity to serve others, real blessings will take place in our lives and the people that we serve!

Pastor Ron Mellor

1 March 2018













Mike & Deanne Albright March 19
Ron & Bonnie Matson March 31

Sunday, March 11, 2018





Q Why should you not iron a 4-leaf clover?

A Because you should never press your luck.



CHRISTIAN SCHOOL PHONE: (707) 822-1738

School Hours: 8:15 a.m. – 3:05 p.m. Friday: 8:15 a.m. – 1:35 p.m.

Grades K–8: Ruthanne Altsman, Principal

School Secretary: Debbie Rosenburg Email: hbcs.secretary@gmail.com

2017–2018 School Year

Saturday Night, March 10
Skate Night

Thursday, March 16
Family Maker Night

M-F, March 26-30 Spring Break

Sunday, April 8

Science Fair/Open House Watch for more information later.

For more information about HBCS GO TO THE SCHOOL WEBSITE AT: www.baysideca.adventistschoolconnect.org

OR THE CHURCH WEBSITE: www.mckinleyvilleadventistchurch.org



HBCS SKATE NIGHT

Saturday night, March 10, 2018 6:45 – 8:45 p.m.

LAST SKATE NIGHT OF THE YEAR

Food will be on sale!









Weekly Meetings on Wednesdays 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Co-leaders of Community Services
Tina Ahrens & Norma Werner

COMMUNITY SERVICES



and BAKE SALE

March 18-21 & 25-28 Sunday – Wednesday 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sale ends Sunday, April 8

EACH SALE DAY FOOD WILL BE ON SALE

Sunday Lunch Special

Vegetarian Burgers with Chips, a drink or soup of the day with bread.

(TO GO OR EAT IN)

All proceeds go to help the needy.





MARCH 2018	
OFFERING SCHEDULE	
March 3	Local Church Budget
March 10	Adventist Television Ministries/World Budget
March 17	Local Church Budget
March 24	Local Church Budget
March 31	NAD Evangelism



Religious Liberty and A.I.

(Artificial Intelligence)

From Kathy Anderson

In the December newsletter article I told you about the new religion and church that had been established to worship Artificial Intelligence.

The reason for such veneration is said to be due to the fact that A.I. is smarter than humans.

To push this idea into our consciousness, Amazon has opened its first cashless and fully automated store without cashiers and checkout line that is using A.I. algorithms in Seattle, WA. (Jan. 22, 2018)

As humans on Earth I believe it is safe to say that we have moved into a new paradigm of power that many of us are not going to be able to manage easily.

We Bible students will be better prepared than most to avoid the occupation of A.I. in our lives.

Joshua, chapter 8, has an amazing story about how Joshua and Israel destroyed the city that had been raised up in the Promised Land. It was laid to rubble and is still desolate to this day.

ALL POWER TO JESUS OUR KING FOREVER.

Future Dates to Remember

MARCH 2018 SERMON SCHEDULE

March 3 Open Doors-7

What about closed doors? Sometimes the most important realization that we can come to about certain doors in our life is, "Thank God for Closed Doors!"

Speaker: Pastor Ron Mellor

March 10

Gerald Babanezhad, the Coordinator of Muslim Outreach for the Pacific Union Conference, will speak on "His Other Sheep"

(How to reach Muslims spiritually)

March 17

"The Incredible Power of Everyone."

This first message is titled, "Everyone Is Invited."

Speaker: Pastor Ron Mellor

March 24

"The Incredible Power of Everyone-2; Everyone Is Included."

Speaker: Pastor Ron Mellor

March 31

This worship service will be a resurrection-emphasis of joy and thanksgiving that the tomb of Jesus is empty! Pastor Ron will share a special "Easter" message:
"Good News from the Graveyard!"

Speaker: Pastor Ron Mellor

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March 10, 2018 Worship Service

This service will equip attendees for reaching out to Muslims, helping to fulfill the Gospel Commission.

Presenter Elder Gerald Babanezhad,
Coordinator of Muslim Outreach at the

Coordinator of Muslim Outreach at the Pacific Union Conference, will share the historical setting and perspective of Islam, and the role of the Adventist Church in sharing the

Three Angel's Message with Muslims.

This information will help us to enhance a Muslim's understanding of Seventh-day Adventists, testimonies and much more.

The service will be followed with Q&A time.





News from Our Pathfinder Club

Betty Newman, Area Coordinator

From Julia Courtney-Williams Pathfinder Director

This time of year finds Pathfinders busier than ever. On February 17, the club met at Eureka SDA Church in full-dress uniform and conducted the entire church service. We are trying to instill in the Pathfinders reverence and respect for sacred things.

When we prepare and participate in a church service we are showing respect to God. Each club is required to have a Pathfinder Day once a year. Since our club represents two churches, we are having Pathfinder Day at each of those churches this spring. The Pathfinders wear full dress uniform and take part in all the activities of the church service, including invocation, scripture reading, offering call, deacon duty of taking up the offering, special music, children's story, and the main program.

Pathfinders began the program by forming a color guard and marching in with the U.S. and Pathfinder Flags and posting them at the front of the church. Last year, Christian and Joey both studied and earned the Lego Honor. Part of the requirement was to make a legos project to represent a Bible story, and to tell the story. Each of the boys did that project, again, for the 'children's story' on February 17. The children in attendance at church that day seemed to be very attentive.

Another important honor earned this school year was the Temperance Honor. The Pathfinders made temperance posters and each one held his/her poster up and told about it. Christian recited a Bible verse and Ellen G. White quote about Temperance. Near the end of the program, several Pathfinders demonstrated some first aid bandaging.

In March we plan to go to Petrolia for a Pathfinder Sabbath, and in April we will have a program at McKinleyville SDA Church.

Our work-a-thon is coming up in April. Pathfinders will likely start calling for sponsors in early March.

In early May we have Pathfinder Fair in Napa, and later in May we have a service project at Redwood Creek Summer Camp.

Talk to me if you have a child or grandchild who may be interested in joining our club in September 2018.

Julia Courtney-Williams

CAN COLLECTING FOR THE NEEDY









Messiah Family Ministries' Children, Youth and Adult Choirs present

Praise the Lord! Laudate Dominum

A Spring Choral Concert

Saturday, April 28, at 6:30 p.m. Sunday, April 29, at 4:30 p.m. & 6:30 p.m.

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Director: Don Cushman

Accompanied by: Angela Burkhart, Dan Ely, Kathleen Ely,

Kristin Renfer & Kara Renfer

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