



# Our Little Messenger



April 2020

Irrigon Seventh-day Adventist Church

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From Pastor Brian

If you've spent much time looking at the news recently, it is very possible that you have become discouraged at the exponentially growing bad news. Perhaps with the ever-increasing amount of people being infected, your family also has been directly affected by COVID 19. With community events shutting down, families isolating themselves at home, and people being laid off work, if you let it, life could become very depressing.

As Christians our hope is not based on what is going on in this world, our hope is in Jesus Christ and the eternal life we have in Him. The Apostle Paul had some experience with tribulations, and he shares with us how tribulation works in our lives. He wrote in Romans chapter 5, "1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. 3 And not only that, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that

tribulation produces perseverance; 4 and perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us."

While I don't always understand how we can "glory in tribulations", I do understand that in difficulty we are drawn closer to our Heavenly Father. When we are filled with the Holy Spirit of God the results are the fruits of the Spirit, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control. In difficult times we are not overcome by fear and anxiety, but the fruits of the Spirit are the more made manifest in our lives. As is says in 2 Timothy 1:7, "7 For God has not given us a spirit of fear, but of power and of love and of a sound mind." When life seems to be too much; when you feel overwhelmed, remember the power of the love of God in our lives can and will overcome.

One last Bible promise to remember is 1 John 4:4, "You are of God, little children, and have overcome them, because He who is in you is greater than he who is in the world." If God calls us to endure difficulties it is also, He who will grant us the strength to endure. Where God guides, God provides.

Pastor Brian, Terra, Simon, Leah & Mark



**Sunset**

Friday	Sunset	Sabbath	Sunset
April 03	7:26 pm	April 04	7:27 pm
April 10	7:35 pm	April 11	7:36 pm
April 17	7:44 pm	April 18	7:45 pm
April 24	7:53 pm	April 25	7:55 pm

**Offering Schedule**



April 04- Church Budget  
 April 11 - Christian Record  
 April 18- Church Budget  
 April 25 - Share the Life

**TITHE & OFFERING** -Go to

www.irrigon7thdayadventist.org & follow the Online Giving directions. OR mail the enclosed tithe envelope to the church in the self-addressed envelope

**Anniversary Milestones**

15 Ray & Dena Clauson (31 years)  
 29 JB & Nancy Blank (14 years)



**Birthday Blessings**



**Birthday!**

19 John Buckner  
 19 Christian Martsucelli  
 22 Conner Lafferty  
 22 Rene Verhaeghe, Florida  
 23 Isaiah Hollingsworth  
 27 Joy Lancaster (ID)  
 30 Shayla Asher (NV)

06 Frank Brandin  
 09 Bonnie Brandin  
 12 Cheryl Griffitts (WA)  
 12 Terra Yarbrough



- 01 Elder's Meeting, via phone if needed
- 01 Bible Study & Prayer, via Zoom, 7 pm
- 03 Vespers, POSTPONED
- 04 Prayer Time, 8:30 am (Church Library) - POSTPONED
- 04 CHURCH SERVICE via Facebook
- 07 Family Closet - CLOSED
- 07 Celebrate Recovery Roundtable, 6 pm, POSTPONED
- 08 Bible Study & Prayer, via Zoom, 7 pm
- 11 Prayer Time, 8:30 am (Church Library) - POSTPONED
- 14 Family Closet - CLOSED
- 14 Celebrate Recovery Roundtable, 6 pm - POSTPONED
- 15 Bible Study & Prayer, via Zoom, 7pm
- 18 Prayer Time, 8:30 am (Church Library) - POSTPONED
- 19 Church Board, 10 am Via Zoom
- 21 Family Closet - CLOSED
- 21 Celebrate Recovery Roundtable, 6 pm - POSTPONED
- 22 Work Bee - 2:30 pm - POSTPONED
- 22 Bible Study & Prayer, via Zoom, 7 pm
- 25 Prayer Time, 8:30 am (Church Library) - POSTPONED

