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DESERT SPRINGS COVENANT CHURCH
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(*Quenching the Thirst of all Generations*)
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April 2015

I'm a huge J.R.R. Tolkien fan. I first read **The Hobbit** and **The Lord of the Rings** my senior year in high school. I've re-read them three times since, aside from the Bible I rarely re-read a book. I took several Christmas breaks to read those books to my two oldest kids when they were little. That's four Christmas breaks – four years. There are many great lessons in those stories.

One of my favorite lines I often quote, especially on the start of a backpacking or hiking adventure is Biblo's advice to Frodo: *"It's a dangerous business, Frodo, going out your door. You step onto the road, and if you don't keep your feet, there's no knowing where you might be swept off to."* There is a risk leaving your comfort zone. Most of us are wired to play it safe and stay close to home.

However, if you follow Jesus life will be an adventure. He calls me and you to follow him and we often do not know where that will lead us. Do you think that Peter ever thought he would end up leaving the comfort of home and hearth in Capernaum, the familiarity of fishing on the Sea of Galilee to travel Asia Minor and end up dying reverse-crucified in Rome? What about 'the doubter', Thomas? Do you think that he originally had dreams of traveling all the way to India to plant churches and die as a martyr along the Sea of Bengal in Chennai, India? Almost all of the disciples died far from home.

Jesus' command to "go into the world and make disciples" does not necessarily mean traveling to a foreign country. You are on mission when you are "going out your door". It is an adventure to follow Jesus, listen to his voice and obey. It takes willingness to leave our comfort zones to walk across the room, to talk to someone about spiritual matters, to lovingly and humbly serve others or to sacrifice things that make us feel secure and safe. When you follow Jesus "there's no knowing where you might be swept off to". Where is Jesus calling you to follow him? Don't be afraid. It's going to be a grand adventure!

Pastor Ron



*Easter Egg Hunt
following Worship
Sunday, April 5th. Thank
You Veronnica Meaders for
Officiating.*

Check out our web site: dscchome.com
for the latest information prepared by
Brent Terlson.

Prayers for a safe and fun trip for the men as
they travel to the Air & Auto Museum- Hood
River, Oregon



Dave Gyll, Moderator, Dave Hurley, Vice Moderator, Al Akerson, Clerk, John Clark, Financial Secretary, Beth Bodeau, Treasurer
Leadership Team: Mark Richart, Mary Garber, Jason McCollum



I would like to THANK all the women and young girls who came to the card making Saturday, March 21. We made 71 cards and they will be mailed to church members, friends, families who need to be remembered on various occasions. Each one was made with love and caring.

Ladies, don't forget to register for the **Women's Retreat April 24,25,26 at Vista Hermosa Retreat House.** Deadline for registering is **April 12.** In order that we have enough study books for everyone. It will truly be a **Garden experience.** There is nothing better than to walk with Jesus.

We will be having our Women's Tea in May..more info later this month.





**DESERT SPRINGS
COMMUNITY GARDEN**

YOU ARE INVITED!

OPENING PROGRAM
of the
DESERT SPRINGS COMMUNITY GARDEN
Saturday, 11 April 2015

9:30 am – Introduction to Vegetable Gardening Workshop
11:00 am – Opening Program
Refreshments to follow

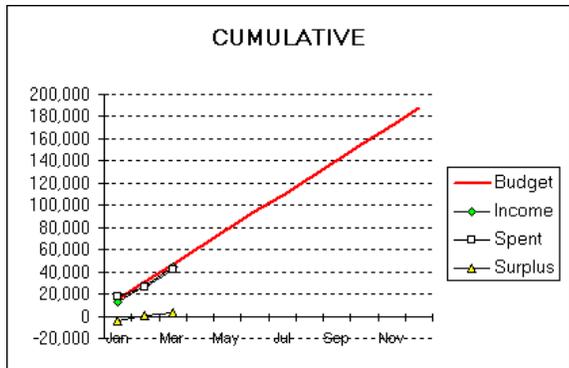
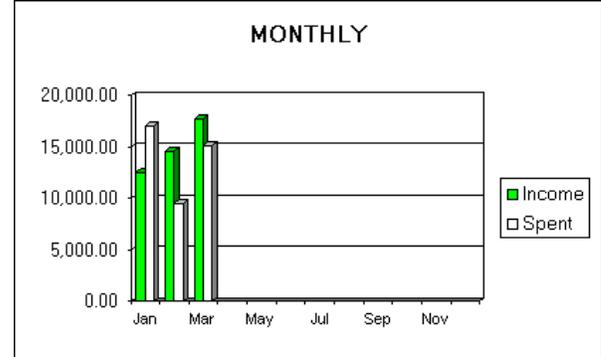
For additional information about the garden:
Beverly Eads – 554.4061

CALENDAR FOR APRIL 2015

CHURCH 10:00 A.M CHILDREN S.S. 10:00 A.M.
SUNDAY 6:00 p.m. Prayer at church
TAE-KWON-DO Sat. 3:00 p.m.
Mon. 6:00 p.m.
Thurs.. 6:00 p.m.

YOUTH: Wednesday 6:30-8:00 p.m.
Men's News: Road Trip to Air & Auto Museum
Saturday, April 4
Small Groups: Please check with Dave Gyll or your leader for April times
There will be **NO** Maundy Thursday Service
Friday, April 3 GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE 7:00 p.m.
April 5 EASTER SUNDAY –**Easter Egg Hunt**
Second Sun: Elders meet after church
April 12: Deadline sign-up for Women's Retreat
Mon., April 13, Wo's. Leadership Team Mtg.
Tuesday, April 14: Leadership Team meeting
Friday-Sunday: April 24-25-26 Women's Retreat

Income from Financial secretary's Records
Spent from Bank Account Statements (No Outstanding Checks)



Budget Line Represents Total Budget Spread Evenly By Month
March Special Receipts
1,500.00 House of Hope Joint Occupancy Fee
100.00 Debt Reduction
90.00 Benevolence
62.87 Kids Mission Fund (Clean Water)

Budget approved by Congregation – 187.415
Surplus + Income - Spent