### REFLECTIONS

NOTE: Molly Avery, 14, is filling in for her grandfather this week.

What counts as righteousness? Being righteous literally means to be right, especially in a moral way. When Jesus died on the cross for us, he gave us a path to Heaven and allowed us to personally be in the presence of God. That's righteousness.

On Thursday, April 21, 2022, my cousin Deacon asked me to help him create a backstory for a Dungeons and Dragons character. The game has a Lord of the Rings feel—loosely based on medieval myths—so I helped him create a wood elf named Anorak. After we figured out the appearance and personality for him, he needed a job. So, Deacon decided that we should create a job for him based off an acronym of a common word. He chose the word BREAD. What we came up with is definitely vague—Bringing Righteousness Everywhere Always Daily—because, again, what counts as righteousness? Deacon and I interpret it as spreading the Good Word, since we can't be righteous without faith through Jesus, and we decided that Anorak the wood elf would spread righteousness everywhere always daily. Spread the BREAD for short. That worked out perfectly because I misspoke while explaining that on the brainstorming call with Deacon, and he said that he's stealing Spread the BREAD as the slogan.

Many people since then have started using the term, even if they don't know the origin story or the deeper meaning behind it. There are also so many people in the world who don't understand or haven't even heard of the Good Word, so we need to do our part in literally spreading the Word. David Anderson, our youth leader, came up with the idea of prayer walks and potential food pantry donation drives through a neighborhood near the church, and we'll probably continue that when it isn't quite so hot outside. In the meantime, we've been trying to redecorate our Sunday school room, and we'll probably eventually work on cleaning out the third floor of the church.

It's also the little things that bless people and bring smiles to their faces, even if we don't fully explain the Good Word to them. Giving someone a compliment or even just a smile can brighten that person's day. Have a good week and remember to love God, love others, and Spread the BREAD. Molly Avery

Shri Lankan minister D.T. Niles, 1908-1970, wrote "Evangelism is one beggar telling another where to find bread."

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# **Our Church Family**

### **LIVING CENTERS**

Zarrow Pointe Kaiser Health Center #214 . . . . . . Dorothy Lee

### **AT HOME**

Alice and Bill Barrett

Elizabeth Burke

Georgia Metcalf

Berta Caldwell

Marion Corbett

Lydia Ford

Paula McPherson

Georgia Metcalf

Bonnie Nutting

Ben and PJ Shepard

Leslie White

### IN RESTORATION

Alice Barrett Franciscan Villa Room #82

### **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**July** 12 Timothy Shoecraft

16 Rita Snellgrove

21 Patty Hickman

**OUR LOVE AND SYMPATHY** is extended to the family of *Waneta Reynolds* in her passing on June 12. The family held a graveside service on Thursday, June 16. A celebration of her life will be held at the church on Saturday, July 23 at 4:00 p.m.

There will not be an **Evangel** next week due to postal requirements.

# **Looking Ahead**

### SUNDAY, JULY 3

SUNDAY, JULY S			
9:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast		
10:00 a.m.	Politics and Steadfast Righteousness —Titus 3:1-11		
11:15 a.m.	Bible Study and Conversation		
11:55 a.m.	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal		
	Tuesday, July 5		
8:00 p.m.	Prayer for the Nations		
	Kevin Avery's Facebook Zoom link		
Wednesday, July 6			
5:00 p.m.	People's Pantry Ministry		
	Clothes Closet Ministry		
6:30 p.m.	Prayer and Bible Study		
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SUNDAY, JULY 10			
10:00 a.m.	Healthy Churches Have Responsible Leaders —1 Timothy 3:1-13		
Tuesday, July 12			
8:00 p.m.	Prayer for the Nations		
	Kevin Avery's Facebook Zoom link		
	Wednesday, July 13		
5:00 p.m.	People's Pantry Ministry		
	Clothes Closet Ministry		
6:30 p.m.	Prayer and Bible Study		

## **Behind the Scenes**

### BARBEQUE DINNER POSTPONED

We are postponing the Church Fellowship Barbeque Dinner until **July 24th**, out of an abundance of caution due to this recent surge of the coronavirus.

### UPDATES ABOUT THIS EVANGEL

Last week's Evangel, dated June 24, was not printed or mailed out. A digital copy was posted to our church website: www.BradenPark.org. Our church printer, *Jerry Don Dale*, took ill while on vacation the previous week. He had emergency surgery and also developed pneumonia a few days later. Also, Bro. Darryl and Dorothy, along with Bill Ess, had contracted Covid-19. This week's Evangel runs *Molly Avery's* reflections on trying to spread righteousness in the world of Dungeons and Dragons, a world which seems as scary as our own world.

The WCBC Reunion of members from the 1960s through the mid-1980s was a joyous occasion. Many testimonies were shared about the lifetime spiritual impact of the ministries of our church to change and shape people for eternity.

### FOR THE CHURCH RECORD

Weekly Budget Need	1,904.00	
General Receipts June 26	\$	1,356.00
Special Offerings June 26	\$	00.00

Thank You to all who are providing sustaining tithes and offerings.