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# TABERNACLE BAPTIST CHURCH

# The Visitor





Youth Retreat 2017 Pathfinder and Vick Summer Camping



The annual Youth Group Retreat is coming up on *May* **19 -21***st* **at** *Pathfinder Lodge*! This year's speaker is Rev. Michael Ware from Webster Baptist Church. Cost will be \$20.00 per person (the church will pay for the rest of the cost). Please contact Karen Dunne or Say Wah Htoo to register and make payment. *Registration is due no later than Sunday May* **7**, **2017.** 





There was a young boy who lived in the Pacific Northwest many years ago. His name was Paul. His parents were the proud owners of one of the first telephones in their neighborhood. The boy was fascinated by the phone, especially when he discovered that inside the telephone there lived an "amazing lady". Her name was "Information Please" and there was nothing she did not know.

One day, when he was home alone, he accidentally hit his finger with a hammer. The pain was terrible and he did not know what to do. Then he thought of "Information Please". He quickly climbed on a stool, unhooked the receiver, held it to his ear and called inmouthpiece, the to "Information Please." A small clear voice answered, "Information."

"I hurt my finger!" He wailed into the telephone. "Is your mother home?" "There is no one home but me." He cried. "Are you bleeding?" "No." "Can you open your icebox?" "Yes." "Then go and get some ice and hold it to your finger." Paul did that and it helped a lot.

From then on, Paul called, "Information Please" for everything. She helped him



with schoolwork, taught him how to spell little words like "fix". She told him what to feed his pet animals and when his canary died she listened to his grief tenderly and said, "Always remember there are other worlds to sing in." Somehow these words made him feel much better.

When Paul was nine, his family moved back east. As the years passed, he missed "Information Please" very much. Some years later, he chose a college back out in the Pacific Northwest. When his plane had a layover in the city where he used to live, he decided to dial "Information Please".

Miraculously, he heard the same small clear voice he knew so well. "Information". Paul hadn't planned this but suddenly he blurted out, "Could you please tell me how to spell the word, fix?" It was a long pause. Then came the familiar soft answer. "I guess your finger must be all healed by now." Paul laughed. "So it is really you. Do you have any idea how much you meant to me when I was a little boy?" She replied, "You will never know how much your calls meant to me. I used to look forward to your calls so much."

Paul asked if he could call her again when he was back in the area. "Please do." She said, "Just ask for Sally." Several months later when his plane landed again in his old hometown, he called. This time a different voice answered. He asked for Sally. "Are you a friend?" The operator asked. "Yes, a very old friend. My name is Paul." He answered. "Well, sorry to have to tell you this. Sally has been very ill these last few months. Actually she's only been working part-time for several years because of illness. She died five weeks ago."

But before he could hang up, the operator said, "Wait a minute, did you say your name is Paul?" "Yes." "Well, Sally left a message for you. She wrote it down in case you called. Let me read it to you. It says, 'When Paul calls, tell him that I still say there are other worlds to sing in. He will know what I mean.'"

Paul thanked her and hung up. He did know what Sally meant.

What a beautiful and powerful thought for this Easter season. It is a reminder that there is life beyond the grave.

"Where, O death is your victory? Where, O death is your sting? The sting of death is sin and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ." (1 Corinthians 15:55-57)

Pastor Richard

This story is from encounters with Christ by J. W. Moore. Christian Globe Network, Inc.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE INCLUDED IN TABERNACLE'S PICTORIAL DIRECTORY?

Dear Church Family,

Do you know all fellow Tabernacle Baptist Church members or staff by name? If not, we are excited to announce that we have scheduled for Lifetouch Church Directories to prepare a new pictorial directory for TBC! It will contain individual, family, and generational (grandparents, daughter, son, etc...) photographs of our members and staff. It will also feature updated addresses and phone numbers and candid pictures of our church activities.

Each individual or family will select a pose for the directory. For your convenience, you will be able to view your portraits within minutes from being taken. You will have the opportunity to order additional portraits, if desired.

Each individual participant or family will receive a FREE:

- 8x10 portrait
- <u>AND</u> Pictorial Directory.

For your appointment, please plan on being here for one hour. The dates when Lifetouch will be here to photograph are:

Wednesday,	May 17
Thursday,	May 18
Friday,	May 19
Saturday,	May 20
Sunday,	May 21
Friday,	June 2
Saturday,	June 3

*Sign-up on Sundays after each service, in Thorn Chapel or call the office at* 315-735-7534. We suggest that you <u>sign-up as soon as possible to secure a preferred date and time</u>. Please sign up for your picture appointment no later than May 14 or you will not be included in the directory.

Tom Deragon Gwen Deragon Photography coordinators

CTORIES AND PORTRAITS

## Attention All Tabernacle Women!



You will soon be receiving the annual request for your support for Tabernacle Women's Ministries. We encourage you to carefully consider your gift this year. This is our only fund raiser and your generous gift will help us meet our goal of \$1750. It is important for us to maintain our ties to the wider family of American Baptist Women and with your help we can continue to do that. All gifts are tax-deductible and a receipt will be provided, just check the box on the form. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

## New Church Keys and Locks

We have had our old outside locks replaced with new. If you have a key to the church, you will not be able to get in without a new key. To obtain a new key, please see Mike Dunne or Tammy in the office. Please bring your old key with you. Anyone issued a key will be required to fill out and sign a Key Release form to accept responsibility for it. Please note: Children 18 and under must have adult supervision while in the building.

## **Bicycles**

Do you need a bicycle? Please speak with Olive San, if you or someone in your family would like a youth or adult-sized bicycle. Bike locks and helmets are also available.





Htoo Paw Ley, Matt Walter, Victor Tet, Rosemary Gagnon, Joseph and Alice Moore, Jaw Ley and family, Elise Olsen, Wilbert "Bill" Roberts, Jr., Sally Reisenberger, Kevin Baum, Philip Dubyna, Shirley Watkins, John Kopiel and Carl Beyer.

In Loving Memory of Shwe Mi who passed away on April 15, 2017





ARE YOU GRADUATING?? If you are graduating from High School or College in 2017 please let us know *no later than May* 14, 2017 – We would like to include your name in our graduate recognition, which will be held in June. High School graduates are asked to provide your name and a re-

cent picture. Please give the picture to Say Wah Htoo or Olive San.





# Services, Meetings, Special Events and Deadlines

Karen Women's Group Prayer and Bible Study Saturdays, 10:00 a.m. Karen Choir Practice Saturdays, 4:00 p.m. Karen Language Class Saturdays, 4:00 p.m. Saturdays, 4:00 p.m. Youth Praise and Worship Team Practice Youth Meeting Saturdays, 6:00 p.m. English Worship Service and Sunday School Sundays, 10:00 a.m. Karen Worship Service Sundays, 11:15 a.m. **Prayer Meeting** *Sundays,* 4:30 *p.m.* **Baptism Class** Sundays, May 7–28, 11:30 a.m. Church Cleaning Day Saturday, May 6, 10:00 a.m. Youth Retreat Registration due-date Sunday May 7, 2017 Ministry Coordinating Council Meeting Sunday, May 7, 12:30 p.m. *Mother's* Day Sunday, May 14 Sunday, May 14 Graduation Name and Picture Submission Deadline Monday, May 15, 6:00 p.m. 23rd Annual Rescue Mission Alumni Banquet Lifetouch Pictorial Photoshoots May 17-21, June 2&3 Youth Retreat at Pathfinder Friday, May 19– Sunday, May 21 Sunday, May 21 **June Visitor Submission Deadline** Memorial Day ~ Office Closed Monday, May 29

Meaningful	May 7	May 14
Messages for	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Fifth Sunday of Easter
Today	John 10:11-18	John 14:1-14
Holy Bible	May 21 Sixth Sunday of Easter John 14:15-21	May 28 Seventh Sunday of Easter Luke 245:44-53

The Office Closed on MEMORIAL DAY

Monday, May 29



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Tabernacle Baptist Church Sunday Worship

10:00 a.m. 11:15 a.m. English Service Karen Worship

#### **Office Hours**

Monday through Thursday 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. *Closed on Fridays*  In Case of Emergency, please contact:

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Church Office 315-735-7534

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