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## Move to Assurance Ministry Newsletter (Steve & Eileen)

Greetings in our Lord Jesus Christ from Steve and Eileen...

**The Transition Is Going Well:** Thank you for your support and prayers. We have been overwhelmed with the tasks that needed doing these past few months, but the end of the transition phase of our ministry is coming, and we're already started moving back into full-time outreach and evangelism. Let's start with what has been accomplished over the past few months.

### Cannon Beach Bible Church:

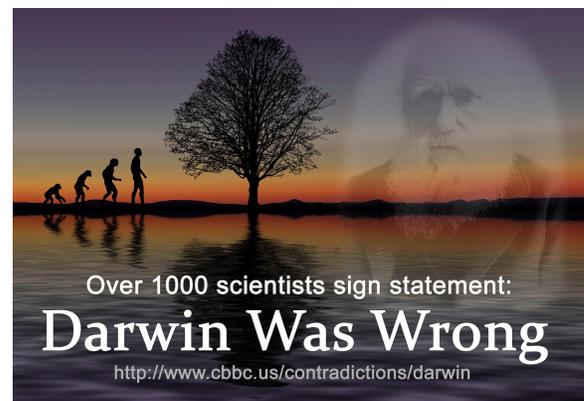
When I started in 2013 the church was a day away from closing and the building becoming a warehouse. Today the church is financially sound, the building has been tremendously upgraded, and our weekly attendance is averaging 25-30 people. I can't take all that much credit, my goal was simply to preach and keep the doors open. Denny Norris and his family (the missionary leading the Hispanic church) have done more than their share, and the people in our church – 100% of them – have always been ready to work hard at whatever needed doing. And now Chris, our new pastor, has been hitting home runs with sermons that are right on the mark Biblically, and he has truly been leading us into a more Biblical worldview. Come, see what it is like, join us some Sunday morning at 10:30 AM.

### Here is what I've been doing the past few months:

All of Chris' sermons are now online as both audio and video. They are available by going to: [www.CBBC.us/sermons](http://www.CBBC.us/sermons). I am the cameraman on Sunday; I then do the video editing on Monday; create the graphics; post the sermons on the web; and do social media posting. It usually takes me until Tuesday afternoon to get it all done. I am currently working on automated transcribing of the sermons so there will also be a text version available. Live streaming is still on hold as we are, after six months, still waiting for the internet to be installed.



**Our web site upgrade is complete.** I needed to completely redesign the church website ([www.CBBC.us](http://www.CBBC.us)) to be responsive... meaning it resizes properly for phones, tablets and desktop computers. In addition all of the content is updated or new. I've also made all of my book available free on the church web site (<http://www.cbbc.us/cannon-beach-free-books.php>) and the complete content of "Did God Really Say? A Response To Humanist Accusations Against The Bible" has been made into web pages – it is the section of our web site that draws the most traffic. In addition, I try to make at least one meme (for social media) a week, using those to proclaim God's truth as well as bring people to our web site (where God's truth is proclaimed). Our Facebook page is at: [www.facebook.com/CannonBeachChurch](https://www.facebook.com/CannonBeachChurch). We are on GAB at: <https://gab.ai/MTASteve>



**Facility Maintenance and Upgrades:** We are continuing to repair and catch up on church maintenance. One of our biggest projects has been reupholstering our dining room chairs. They were in BAD shape, with missing feet, torn fabric and foam poking out through the many holes. Everybody in the church has lent a hand and 35 of the 60 chairs are complete. In addition we are painting, repairing, replacing, and upgrading throughout the church. My goal is to complete at least one project every week.

## **Evangelism, & Outreach**

I have started to book locations and make arrangements for our summer outreaches. I've also been meeting with people who are interested in outreach, but need some help to get started.

We are planning outreaches for several of the major events here in Cannon Beach: 4<sup>th</sup> of July, Sand Sculpture Weekend, and the Coast Community Festival. I am also looking into several possibilities, that I can't announce yet, for other types of outreaches in Cannon Beach. I am also planning booths for the Tillamook County Fair and Clatsop County Fairs, and to be helping with a booth at the Columbia County Fair.

We're also looking at events in Seaside and Astoria. Seaside has some unusual ones. For example, they will be hosting The Oregon Ghost Conference at the end of March. But, that conference does not even allow discussions about religion in any way or form within their exhibit area (or anywhere).

I'd love to be doing some outreaches in the Portland area, but to do that we need local help. So we are looking to partner with someone like you.

**Creation Museum:** If you stop by for a visit, we can now show you our cast of a Lucy disarticulated skeleton and a Laetoli tracks cast. Joe Taylor is making one more special "fossil" casting for us, and then we'll have all of our exhibit materials. A ministry in Tennessee will shortly be making the molds we need for our kid's craft area. In addition, we are in production for the museum's first series of Science Pastor video podcasts. ([www.SciencePastor.com](http://www.SciencePastor.com))

**Final Thoughts:** In many ways this will be a year that determines what our future MTA ministry looks like. There is a huge need for the gospel on the North Coast, but can we reach people? Are our skills the right ones for this area? Or is God calling us to be more focused in other areas?

Please be asking the Lord to make the future of this ministry clear to us. We are starting to feel our age, and we have the feeling we may be nearing the end of our race, but we don't know if that end is a year away, or ten years away.

Last time I asked for prayer that God would help me to quickly learn the skills needed to upgrade the church and MTA web sites. God answered your prayers! I never would have believed this old dog could learn the new tricks needed for today's web sites. Thank you for your prayer and Praise God!

Please let us know how we can be praying for you, or if there are resources you need to help you share the good news about Jesus Christ..

Thank you!

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