Cover Story Continued

A STORY FOR YOU

hours in my mind, and thanking God for all of His answers to our prayers to save our friend. The response that I heard in my mind was this: "Mark, I have given you everything that vou praved for this weekend to show you My love, when will you give Me everything?"

"Lord. I don't know if I'm capable of that, but I'm willing to try," I replied.

Back home. I knew the Bible had the solutions to a happier life, but it seemed so big, so technical, so unrelated to me. So I asked God to show me a climbing story in the Bible that could help me develop a friendship with Him.

I was amazed at all the climbing stories in the Bible. The one that first captured my attention was in 1Samuel 13,14. Further study revealed Christ as "The Rock" and 1 Samuel 14:13 reveals the secret to a relationship with Jesus. "And Jonathan climbed up on his hands and knees with his armor-bearer after him."

Stay connected to Jesus by never letting go of His hand and spend much time on your knees in prayer. The best climb recorded in Scripture is of a first ascent, by a Woodworker, up Mount Calvary. The Bible is a whole new book for me now. It's

personal. It's about a Climber, that was also a Woodworker who died while saving me from myself, but now lives with me as my best friend.

What is your interest in life? I bet the Lord has a story for you. Ask Him to show it to you, and in the process I hope you will fall in love with the Author of The Book.

P.S. - I've been asked which is the best version of the Bible. and my personal opinion is, the version that you actually read and get to know Jesus in..

> Mark Graham Rice Lake SDA Church

Camp Meeting

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Veggie Dog Feed

Saturday night after the meeting come to a veggie hot dog feed under the ABC awning. All donations will benefit WA.

AU Strawberry Shortcake Feed

The Andrews Alumni Strawberry Shortcake Feed will be at 3:00 pm today at the AU cabin.

AWA Help

If you are an A. & P. mechanic or I.A. please come by the AWA booth or contact Ric Swaningson at 414-397-3495.

Plants For Sale

Camp meeting plants will be for sale after the evening meeting. They will be \$10 each, please pay Jean Schwark in the Pavilion.

Fireside Lodge Cafeteria

SABBATH'S MENU

BREAKFAST

cinnamon rolls • pumpkin bread Saucettes • scrambled tofu shredded hash browns oatmeal • fruit bar

LUNCH

mac & cheese • chicken wings winter blend vegetables glazed baby carrots • salad bar whole wheat rolls . cookies

SUPPER

Grillers • shoe string fries soup • fruit bar

From His Word

TODAY'S READING

"How sweet are Your Words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth! Your Word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path."

Psalm 119:103, 105

Weather Forecast



Sabbath Partly Cloudy

Thunderstorms 20% precip 40% precip

HIGH

68° LOW

Saturday Night

Subject to change without notice

Previous Enigma Answers

Enigma 1: Evening Enigma 2: Left Foot



Mark Graham: God's Word Has A Story for You

■ eremiah 33:3 says, "Call to ■ Me, and I will answer you, and show you great and mighty things, which you do not know."

I was one of those who was trying to keep up the appearance of a religious life for the sake of family and reputation. As a young person I had been assigned to memorize Scripture verses. Not being the fastest of learners, this was a difficult task and quickly became drudgery. Other things that were more interesting took my time like mountaineering and woodworking. Who has time for the Bible when these other books tell of amazing mountaineering feats and the climbers who accomplished them? World famous furniture makers showcased their exquisite joinery and machining, and finishing skills. The study and research of both these interests, along with the practice of them, consumed most of my time. A young and growing family consumed the rest.

Some thought I had it all together: married with three beautiful daugthers, manager in



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a furniture factory, and deacon and junior Sabbath School teacher at church. Oh how wrong they were. There was a dark side to my personal life that no one knew about.

One day when I could no longer look at myself in the mirror, I asked God to help me.

About this time, the church we were in got a new pastor. Fred Riffel. We became friends with common interests in the outdoors, camping and climbing together. At the time, I didn't really understand what it was the drew me into a friendship with Fred. I thought it was our common interests, but as I watched his interactions with others, it was apparent that He was enjoying life way more than I was and this made me curious as to his secret for such a happy, peaceful life. Whatever it was that Fred had, I wanted it for myself.

On a church backpacking trip down to the Smokey Mountains, one of the hikers became distressed with a medical emergency, and through a series of miracles God revealed His loving care to me in a way that is still amazing. We aborted the trail hike and on Sabbath decided to hike to a waterfall in Cades Cove. As the sun was setting, Fred was leading out in worship at the top of the falls. As others were singing, I was reviewing the miraculous events of the last 24

PRESIDENTS FAREWELL MESSAGE MIKE EDGE



As camp meeting draws to a close I hope that you have rediscovered the Bible as your guide, friend, and constant companion. God invites us to spend time in His Word daily, uncovering truths just waiting to be discovered by a heart seeikng to get closer to Jesus.

God has painted a clear picture of His character. He has inspired men to write messages designed to help us fall in love with Jesus. He has communicated, in simple yet profound ways, His plan for you and me to join Him in heaven where sin and sickness will never cause pain and separation. Because of His great love, He reaches out through His Word and seeks to draw us to Him.

My prayer is that each of us will resolve to spend more time every day with God through His Word.



Elder Karl Hafner, Elder John Bradshav

Camp Meeting 2015

Mark you calenders now to attend Camp Meeting 2015, June 12-20. Elder John Bradshaw, speaker/director for "It is Written," has agreed to be our first weekend speaker. The second weekend speaker is Elder Karl Hafner, mission strategist & pastor at Kettering Health/Kettering Church. Watch the WI website, *wi.adventist.org*, for more information.



Sabbath Baptism

Come share in the joy as between 5 and 500 people are baptized this afternoon at 4:00 pm in the swimming area.

If you would like to follow Jesus in baptism and possibly be included in the baptism this Sabbath, please speak to your pastor, Pastor Michael Edge or Pastor James Fox. It will be our delight to pray with you and arrange for your baptism to the glory of God.

Camp Meeting 2014

BY THE NUMBERS

532 quarts of strawberries sold by WA this camp meeting.

3,358 times the word "God" is used in the KIV version of the Bible.

31,173 verses in the Bible.

2,000 DVD's will be burned this year by Pastor Strehle and crew, along with 1,000 CD's.

BIBLE ENIGMA 1

"Yahweh is my God" his moniker inferred/The mentor did great miracles, sometimes with just his words/He let me hang around him 'till his last undying day/And I was honored then to hang around his protege

Kevin Wilkinson

BIBLE ENIGMA 2

In ignorance and arrogance he bragged of me as wealth/ He wasn't counting blessings, he was counting on himself/ The emptiness inside him my condition counterposed/And that night proved his future not so grand as he supposed

Kevin Wilkinson

Find today's enigma answers at wi.adventist.org. Clues on administration reader-board.

Ellen G. White Devotional

HIGHEST EDUCATION

God's Word is our light. It is Christ's message to His heritage, who have been bought with the price of His blood. It was written for our guidance, and if we make this Word our counselor, we shall never walk in strange paths. Our words, whether we are in the home or associating with those outside the home, will be kind, affectionate, and pure. If we study the Word and make it a part of our lives, we shall have a wholesome experience, which will always speak forth the truth. We shall search our hearts diligently, comparing our daily speech and tenor of life with the Word, that we may make no mistake...

From a diligent study and faithful practise of the principles of the Word of God, we shall obtain the highest of all education. The Word must not be neglected for other interests. No other food can build up the spiritual life. My brethren and sisters, do not depend upon minister or physician to create your experience for you...

The Bible is the voice of God to His people. As we study the living oracles, we are to remember that God is speaking to His people out of His Word.... If we realized the importance of searching the Scriptures, how much more diligently we would study them!

In Heavenly Places, 132 Review and Herald, March 22, 1906

Question of the Day

THE BIBLE VERSE/CHAPTER THAT MEANT THE MOST TO ME THIS WEEK WAS...

Dwight Rosen

John 3:16 "for God so loved the world" and all the verses Dick Duerkson used about grace.

Patricia Antoine-Norton

Philippians 4:11 "for I have learned to be content in whatever circumstances."

Wendell Springer

Matthew 21, the entire chapter.

Faith Lawton/Madeline Jordan

Ephesians 6:10-17 "Put on the full armor armor of God."

Michelle Rosen

Joshua 1:9 "Do not be terrified for the Lord your God is with you."

Jennifer Reeden

Romans 8:28 "and we know that God causes all things to work together for good."

Olivia Minett

John 3:16 It's the first one I memorized.

Kenneth Leiva

Exodus 20:13 It just seems to sum it all up.

