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WHO IS SQUANTO?

Rev. David Hanson, Senior Pastor

O give thanks unto the Lord; for he is good: because his mercy endureth forever.
Psalm 118:1



Squanto

Squanto helped the starved Pilgrim colonists to recover from their first bad winter by teaching them the maize cultivation. He taught them use fish to fertilize crops. Also he taught them how to catch the menhaden. He was there when the Pilgrims had the first Thanksgiving. On January 1, 1585, Squanto was born near Plymouth. He was captured by Captain George Waymouth and brought to England. Fernando Gorges taught him English and trained him to be an interpreter. Squanto returned to North America and was captured again by Englishman Thomas Hunt and was sold as a slave in Spain. A monk taught him about the Christian faith. Then he returned to North America. On March 22, 1621, Samoset introduced Squanto to the Plymouth colonists. The Pilgrim colonists were surprised that he spoke English very well and used him as their interpreter and guide. Squanto helped the Pilgrims by talking with Chief Massasoit about peace with the Pilgrims. Peace lasted for 53 years. Squanto became sick and died on November 30, 1622.



Joseph

But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive. *Genesis 50:20*

The story of Squanto reminds us of Joseph in *Genesis* being sold as a slave. He was selected by the Pharaoh to prepare food for seven years before drought appeared and lasted for seven years. He saved his family and the Egyptians from being starving according to God's purpose.



Jesus Christ

But we are bound to give thanks always to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:
II Thessalonians 2:13

Every one of us is a lost sinner since Adam and Eve disobeyed God. That is why God the Father sent His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross for us. We realize that we have sinned against God as the law of God has shown us that we have broken it. Thank God for His great love for us by sending His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to die on the cross for us. We believe in Jesus Christ as our Savior. We are new creatures in Christ. We always thank Jesus Christ for salvation and eternal life.

Deaf Baptist Ladies Retreat

Debbie Seneff

The Deaf Ladies Retreat in Erlanger, Kentucky was a rich blessing for four of us (Debbie Seneff, Sharon Petersen, Joanne Harris, and Noreen Bowers) who attend Deaf Liberty Baptist Church. I wanted to go this year as the retreat brought the ladies from all over the nation. One deaf woman flew from Alaska. I had been off from work due to government shutdown so the time in Kentucky allowed me to focus on fellowship uniting with other Christian sisters and be amazed at what God can do in our lives. The opening message was giving by the bubbly founder, Sharon Bordean who spoke about our amazing God.

The host church was very organized and helpful. They presented a funny skit on Friday evening. Many workshops were given by different deaf female leaders across our country. Some topics included how to have a Christian marriage with Christ at the center, how to overcome sinful habits, how to deal with bitterness, and how to have a fruitful prayer life.

The highlight of the retreat was to visit the new Creation museum founded by Ken Ham. This is a fabulous museum which not only explains the creation story, but it also explains the fossils and dinosaurs.

Our pastor's wife, Charlene Hanson, was chosen to receive a special plaque that honors a godly woman although she was absent for taking care of her husband.

All four of us had a wonderful time and brought back many cherished memories.

Editor's note: 154 ladies attended this retreat.



Mary & Martha's Deaf Retreat

Leslie Ann Sanders

Mary & Martha's Deaf Retreat was held on October 25-26, 2013 at Nazarene Theological Seminary in King Conference Center. The theme was LOVE ONE ANOTHER, based on verse Romans 12:10. Fourteen ladies attended.

Jerry Sanders, pastor of ministry, gave lesson from John 13:34, 35; 14:13 ; Genesis 1:26; & I Corinthians 13:4-8. Charlene Hanson, pastor's wife, shared the experience that her husband and she herself went through the last several months concerning David Hanson's health. She used the verses John 13:34-35. Leslie Ann Sanders, the co-coordinator, explained the three things people need to receive love from others, Love One Another, Honor One Another & Respect One Another, she also used John 13:34-35 and Romans 12:10.

The group had delicious boxed lunch delivered from Chick-Fil-A. Five ladies received drawing prizes. They seemed to enjoy their stay and would like to come back to the same place some other time.



The group at Martha & Mary Deaf Retreat



Speakers at MMDR: Charlene Hanson, Leslie Sanders & Jerry Sanders

Rev. Hanson Returns to Preaching

The last time Rev. Hanson preached was on February 10 and preached the shortest sermon ever due to fragility from his sickness. He was diagnosed having an aggressive lymphoma. He is in remission, but he hasn't walked due to chemotherapy destroying his nerve in his legs. He has been exercising and gone to physical therapy so he can walk. In the meantime while he was sick assistant pastors : Teddy Chang, Clark Corogenes, and Jerry Sanders had took turns preaching. On November 3 he returned and preached his first sermon in his wheelchair. It is good to have him back. Praise God! You can see the video of his sermon in the church website: www.deaflibertybaptist.org.



Remington Family

Mike Remington and his family stopped at metro Kansas City for a long trip from Arizona for a visit to our church. They were on the way to Columbus , Ohio. We were glad to have them over, especially to celebrate Thanksgiving by eating Thanksgiving potluck with us. Mike Remington shared his work concerning Remington Ranch, a rehabilitation ranch, using the Bible to help the addicts and others. He shared the purpose of the ranch. The Remington Ranch is named after Mike's grandfather. After the presentation he preached on giving thanks. During the

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Sunday School Mike was able to share his missionary work in Benin working with Victor Vodounou who had came to Canada for college education in French, his native language and America for rich experiences in working with the Deaf people. Afterwards, his family enjoyed eating Thanksgiving dinner with us.



Mike Remington shared the work of his ministry in Arizona

Mike shared his mission trip in Benin in Africa



Everyone including the Remington enjoyed their Thanksgiving meal



Calendar of the Coming Events

December 6	Christmas Tour
December 14	Christmas Potluck & Movie
December 15	Rev. Jim Sloan sharing his report on his mission trip to Kenya
December 22	Christmas Musical
December 25	<i>Merry Christmas</i>

