



August 2018

Family Fun Night

Wednesday, August 8th 6:00pm

Join us at Dufur City Park for a free night of fellowship. We will have a BBQ and games for everyone. Invite your friends and neighbors to join our church along with the New Heights youth group down at the park.

Volunteers Needed

Help run simple games for kids at the Historical Society during Vintage Dufur Days on Saturday, August 11th from 12:00-2:00. Contact Tim if you are interested.

Church Events

- July 30—Aug 3 CIY
- Aug 5th – CIY Testimonies during church service
- Aug 8th – Family Fun in the Park
- Aug 7th —Aug 10th New Heights Group
- Aug 11th—Aug 12th Vintage Dufur Days
- Aug 12th— Church at the Fairgrounds 9-10am
- Aug 26th – Mission Spotlight—Child Evangelism Fellowship
- Aug 28th—Elders & Leadership Meeting

- FARM EQUIPMENT
- TRACTOR PULL
- HISTORICAL MUSEUM
- VARIOUS DISPLAYS
- STEAM ENGINES
- DEMONSTRATIONS
- BLACKSMITHING
- NARRATIONS

3RD ANNUAL CELEBRATION



- LIVE MUSIC
- FOOD
- CRAFTERS
- BARREL TRAIN
- KIDS GAMES
- CAR SHOW
- QUILT SHOW
- PETTING ZOO
- PARADE

AUGUST 11-12, 2018

Pastor's Notes

Sarah and I were on our way to The Dalles when we saw the beginnings of the Substation Fire. As we crested the top of auction yard hill we could see smoke billowing our way. We pulled off to the side of the road and watched for about thirty seconds before a police officer came near and told us to turn around. And so, we did. We had to get Ruthie to gymnastics that day. So, I turned around and went down Old Dufur Road. We made it to the gymnastics building just fine. While we were there the fire ran approximately ten miles and continued to wreak havoc for several days. Those you know within Dufur Christian Church were fighting the fire to save their farms!

The evening of July 26th, I was coming back from Camp Morrow and, yet again, saw another huge plume of smoke. This time another fire raged around Easton Canyon. As of the time of this writing, July 27, it is still burning and has caused more evacuations.

These two fires are the closest that flames have come to Dufur since I moved here in 2007. During the Substation Fire, my wife definitely got into preparedness mode of being ready to leave in case we needed to evacuate. While I was also in that mode, I continue to think about how we can be ready to be helpful to a neighbor in order to faithful followers of Jesus.

With that said I'd like to give you a few biblical ways to think about being prepared to help and love your neighbor.

1. Material possessions are only passing through your hands. You are a steward and not an owner. Make sure you are available to part with what can be helpful to your neighbor. Make sure it's not just your leftovers!
2. Extend help instead of waiting for someone to ask you. Get on the phone and call someone. With social media and the ability to find almost anyone, it is easy to send an email, a private message, or a wall post so that those who are facing hard times can get back to you as they are able.
3. Pray for them to have strength. Pray for them to have clarity of mind. Pray that they can be made whole again (emotionally, financially, and physically).
4. Write a letter. Make sure it is hand written, and that it offers encouragement and support.

If you're not an extrovert, or a person who likes to put yourself out there to help, then team up with an organization that is helping. That can be a church, a disaster relief fund, or the local firefighters. Call them and ask how you can be helpful.