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One of my favorite pastimes is to write poetry. I want to share one of those pieces with you to illustrate how my walk with Jesus has included times when I felt smothered by his presence and I needed my space primarily because I knew I could not live up to his expectations for me.

My God - My Friend

My God is my friend; we walk hand in hand
Up a narrow path; he tells me, I can.
His love surrounds me in all that I do;
His power enables my dream to come true.

Sometimes I tell him, "Go away, can't you see.
I need to be alone so I can just be like me.
But he continues to tap on my shoulder with love;
And he begs me, "Please, I can guide from above."

Then I gladly accept his invitation and pray
"Please forgive me, my God, what more can I say."
He opens his arms; he is happy you see
To have me again, just to be me.

From The Desk of Joyce Palmer, Editor



DIANA KOHN is our featured member of the church family. She was born in Lewiston, Idaho; grew up in a logging community with two brothers. She was active in 4-H and church. After graduating from U. of Idaho with a degree in Biology, she went to Spokane, WA to work. She

met and married Roy Kohn there in 1976 and moved to El Paso. She was divorced in 1992. Diana has a daughter (who lives with her active duty military husband in Lawton, Oklahoma) and a son, who lives in El Paso and recently graduated with his Masters in Physical Therapy and has begun work on his Doctorate. Diana has had a distinguished career working for Cardiologists for over 25 years. She presently works for a practicing Cardiologist in Las Cruces.

CHURCH CALENDAR - SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 9 AND 11 AM

Finance/Stewardship Mtg.	Jun 2, 3pm
Outreach Mtg.	Jun 3, 7pm
Dove Circle	Jun 8, 1pm
Book Study "Travel Guide To Heaven"	Jun 10, 7pm and Jun 12, 10am
Father's Day Bake Sale	Jun 20
Future/Property Mtg.	Jun 23, 7pm
Volunteer Recognition Dnr.	Jun 26, 5pm
VBS Planning	Jun 27, 12:15pm

NOTES OF INTEREST

Note of Thanks: Mary Swendiman asked that I relay to the congregation heartfelt thanks for the support and kindness shown to the Phillips, Kimmich, Sridaromont and Swendiman Families upon Brian's death. They appreciate all efforts from members, friends, and especially Pastor St. Clair.

Two More Graduates: Congratulations to Justin Tasker, graduating from Chapin High School and Amanda Grimes, from Silva Magnet High School.

Women's Day Breakfast

Women's Day Breakfast held Saturday, May 8 in Fellowship Hall, New Hope Lutheran Church Picture

The Women's Day Breakfast was attended by 25 (plus) ladies and pampered by a crew led by Miguel Hernandez, Chief Cook. This was a day for all the women to leave off the cleaning, shopping, etc. and come and be waited on!



Since Miguel's fame as a chef is well known, this year the tables were graced by our own out of town guest, Jennifer nee Gannon, all the way from San Antonio. She said she could smell the BACON all the way down!

Thanks to Miguel, Susan, and all the crew (Dave Osborne, Norbert Brauner, Howard Swan, Mark

Swendimen and Gery Amundson) for putting on a fine repast—but most of all thanks to all the gals in attendance for gracing the poor drab men with their lively, brilliant selves. "It was an honor to wait on them," says the crew and for those who missed it – hopefully you can make it next year!

Picture was provided by Alice Brauner

NOTE FROM KAREN MILLER

Spring Rummage Sale

I want to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped with the Rummage Sale. Tasks such as emptying the sheds, picking up items, donating items, setting up, pricing, sales, cashiers, and cleaning up. Without the support of these people, the rummage sale would not have been such a success! The amount taken in was \$1,559.00. Proceeds will go toward maintenance of the church property.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Health Fair | June 27 |
| Book Study, "Three Cups of Tea" | July 8 and 10 |
| Vacation Bible School "High Seas Expedition: Exploring the Mighty Love of God" | Aug 2 - 6 |
| Book Study, "A New Kind of Christianity" | Aug 12 and 14 |

Note from the Editor: Pastor St Clair is an outstanding leader for group discussions on our Book Study Activity. Please mark your calendar to attend!

Greetings from Kathy Hamblen, Parish Nurse!

We will be having a Health Fair on June 27th, with the emphasis of Osteoporosis. Martina Jackson will demonstrate some exercises that could be helpful in addressing symptoms of osteoporosis. Please join us in fellowship hall!

Anyone who can help with transportation of folks to doctor's appointments or similar health needs can call Kathy at 757-2087 or 740-2534.

Happy moments, praise God.
Difficult moments, seek God
Quiet moments, worship God.
Painful moments, trust God.
Every moment, thank God.