



The Life Line

DECEMBER 2009

HUNTING SEASON EXTENDED

BY KAROL KAPELLE

*“Your enemy the
devil prowls
around like a
roaring lion
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someone to
devour.”
1 Pet. 5:8*

Okay! I'm just going to say it. I don't understand why people get so excited about deer hunting season. There. I've said it. I know some of you are screaming at me right now asking, "Is she crazy? What's wrong with her?" Others are nodding in agreement with me saying, "Me, too! What's all the fuss about?"

Well, whatever your position, it's America and you can hunt if you want or stay home and sit by the fire or do both! Besides, it only lasts a few weeks and then life gets back to normal.

As I sat home one day (while the others were out hunting), I believe the Holy Spirit dropped a thought into my heart. It went something like this: "Even though deer hunting season will soon be over, the devil's hunting season is always open." Hmmm. That's something to think about. The verse that immediately came to mind was, "Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour (1 Pet. 5:8).

Although I don't understand it, there is something about the "thrill of the hunt" that hunters enjoy...the sneaking around,

the waiting, setting the sights on the target, and then, the kill.

I thought about how the devil must enjoy seeking me out, trying to find my weaknesses, presenting a temptation, and then waiting. Waiting for me to fail. I believe he's very patient. And then I envisioned him "licking his chops" as he sees me fall to that temptation and he comes in for the "kill"...keeping me in bondage to a particular sin, stealing my joy, etc.

Yes, my "deer" friends, the devil is out there hunting for each of us. And, when we do manage to resist his temptations and live in victory, he hasn't given up! When hunters miss their chance at the "big one", they don't want to give up and quit, they just become angry! They are ready to go back out with a vengeance! So is the devil. So, "be watchful and alert (v. 8)". Don't let the devil catch you off guard.

Then another thought caught my attention. It says in verse 8 that the devil prowls around **LIKE** a roaring lion. But, Rev. 5:5 tells me that my Savior **IS** the Lion of Judah. Which one has the real power? I'm glad I serve the **REAL** "King of *this Jungle*."

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 04—Ladies' Tea
- 06—Missions Day
- 13—Christmas Pageant
- 24—Christmas Eve Service
- 31—New Year's Eve Party

CHRISTMAS PAGEANT PLANNED

New Life will present a Christmas Pageant on Sunday, December 13 at 3:00 PM. Lunch will be served following the program.

If you or a member of your family has a song to sing,

a poem to recite, instrument to play, special talent to share (e.g. juggling), please let Karol K. know so it can be listed in the program.

If you would like your child to have a part in the Sun-

day School recitations and songs, contact Karol K. as well.

All ages and talents are welcome to participate!



CHRISTMAS TEA HELP NEEDED

Helpers are needed to set up for the Ladies' Christmas Tea to be held on Friday, December 4.

It takes many hands to make this such an enjoyable evening for so many ladies in our communities.

A few good men/boys are needed to help with the lifting and some construction as well.

Listed below are just some of the many

"chores" to be done:

Wednesday 1-6 PM

- Set up Christmas trees
- Iron tablecloths
- Stack chairs and position tables
- Hang lights

Thursday 9 AM-6 PM

- Decorate trees
- Decorate tables
- Set up vignettes

Friday evening

- Set up/serve lunch
- Wash dishes
- General cleanup

Please come for as little or much time as you are able and bring a sack lunch if you plan to help on Thursday.

If you have any "school" related items you can bring them to the church or let Carrol Dahl know what you have available.

Also, ladies, please don't forget to bring your favorite Christmas cookies and sweets to share for the Tea luncheon.

Let's work together to give our neighbors and friends a special night!



MISSIONS DAY SET

"Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature (Mark 16:15)."

You will have the opportunity to learn more about those that have followed the call to spread the Gospel to all corners of our world when New Life hosts a Missions Day on Sunday, December 6 beginning at 10:30 AM.

Gary and Avaneil Carlson, former missionaries to South Africa, Jamaica, and the Bahamas, will share with us some of their own missions experiences, as well as, help stir in us a desire to reach our own communities for Christ or perhaps answer the call to do mission work of some kind in other parts of our world.

A potless meal of various ethnic dishes will be served, so please bring your favorite recipe from Germany, Norway, Russia, China (you get the idea). Avaniel will also be speaking to the ladies following the meal.



Bring your offering to help purchase bikes for refugee children in Vancouver, Canada!

Please be prepared to bring your collection of coins and bills as we will receive our final offering toward the purchase of bicycles for the refugee children in Vancouver (through the ministry of Larry and Jean Johnson—WillGo, Inc.).

Christmas Eve
Service
Thursday, Dec. 24
4:00 PM



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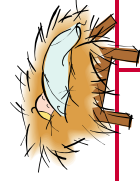
Thursday, Dec. 31

7:00 PM

New Life Fellowship

Feel free to invite your friends and neighbors! Please bring sandwiches, snacks, etc.

Adults only, please!



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
*PLEASE NOTICE THE DATE CHANGE FOR POTBLESS	Anniversaries 23-Jason & Bobbi Gleason 31-Jacob & Wend Bjorlie	Beauciairs	Bible Study/You 7PM J. Gleason	K. Boeckel N. Swenson	A Y b N g 6:30 AM @ 5 8 = 9 G N A. Ehlers	A Y b N g 8:30 AM B. Wegener
POTBLESS 6 MISSION DAY S. School 9:30 Service 10:30	7 Arlene Ehlers G. Bjornson	8 H. Ehlers H. Gleason	9 Bible Study/You 7PM J. Parker	10 Gospel for Asia J. Bjorlie	11 A Y b N g 6:30 AM D. Donahue	12 J. Gedrose G. Twete
13 S. School 9:30 Service 10:30 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM 3PM	14 A. Gleason D. Smaaladen	15 B. McKelvey J. Messner	16 Bible Study/You 7PM K. & RJ Messner	17 J. Cudworth R. Haugland	18 A Y b N g 6:30 AM Will Go, Inc.	19 C. Christofferson D. Wallace
20 S. School 9:30 Service 10:30 D. Harlen	21 P. Bjorlie L. Hoffarth	22 A. Topp B. Boettcher	23 NO BIBLE STUDY H. Messner	24 Christmas Eve Service 4:00 PM A. Boeckel	25 O. Gleason	26 D. Hoffman C. Ahl
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There will be
NO
 Bible Study or
 Youth Group
 on Wednesday,
 Dec. 23!

**It's Christmas
 at the
 Country
 Schoolhouse**



18th Annual Christmas Tea
 Friday, December 4
 7 p.m.

Program will consist of children's recitations and music as well as teaching by Avanel Carlson, Apple Valley, MN. Mrs. Carlson has taught elementary education in Williston, ND, and Robbinsdale, MN, as well as Trinity Bible College, Ellendale, ND, and in Bible colleges in South Africa, Jamaica and the Bahamas.

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Ladies and girls of all
 ages are welcome

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Worship Services: S. School 9:30 AM
 Service 10:30 AM
 Wednesday Bible Study/Youth Group 7 PM

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