



News and Information from the President's Office assembled by Judy Williams

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Updates. . .



Thanksgiving 1906!

by Dale Galusha

We are all familiar with the words of the Apostle Paul: "In all circumstances give thanks, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus."

—1 Thessalonians 5:18.

1906 was a challenging year for Pacific Press in Mountain. View, California. In April, the San Francisco earthquake caused much damage and loss to the Pacific Press buildings.



Then in July a fire destroyed Pacific Press. Yet, in November of that year, 1906, *Signs of the Times* issued a "Thanksgiving" Issue. Let me share parts of the article expressing Thanksgiving to God:



THANKSGIVING TO GOD

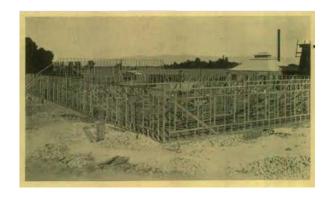
Surely it was a discouraging outlook that faced the directors and employees of the Pacific Press Publishing Company as they stood around their burning building the night of July 20, with no power to stay the fire or save the contents of the building. The smoldering embers of the next morning were an even worse picture, and yet we were not discouraged. There were many causes of thankfulness on the very face of it.

First of all, we thanked God that there were no lives lost. Not a single soul injured physically. Secondly, we were thankful that that which the building represented was not destroyed in the building itself. The building itself stood for a message, but that message would go to the world even tho the building were in ashes. Notwithstanding our loss of hundreds of thousands, God's old Book with its message was left. For that we praised Him.

We felt also to praise Him for His sweet Spirit which came to us the very night of the fire when we met to counsel, about two o'clock in the morning, to make what decisions were necessary for our employees, to send telegrams to important centers, to thank God together for His goodness in preserving us, and to seek Him for light that we might know the way out of the difficulty.

We are thankful to God that He is leading us over the new path. . .

We have been and are thankful to God for the expressions of kindness and support and fellowship and hearty good-will which have come to us from our friends in this cause and our friends outside of our organization and work. We esteem these highly because of the help which these expressions have given us.



"A word spoken in due season," how good it is Humanly speaking, it looked at one time as tho we could not build again, but we are grateful to God that in the place of the ashes and ruin is rising another building, more economical in its simplicity, more convenient in its arrangement, and better fitted in every way for the prosecution of our work; and so at this period of the year, when men all over the country are giving thanks from various motives and for various things, we, too, wish to join with them and express also our devout thanksgiving to God for all His mercies and goodness to us, a renewed expression of that which we feel every day; for we would learn even in all these afflictions, and the clearer light which has shone through them, and the greater blessings which have come because of them, to in "everything give thanks, for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus" concerning us.—Signs of the Times, November 21, 1906.

What a powerful testimony!

They were thankful for the message that God had called them to proclaim.

This Thanksgiving season, let's each take time to thank God for the way He continues to lead in each of our lives, and that we have the privilege to proclaim the same message given to those who have gone before us.

Christmas Party Reminder

by Julie Nichols & Social Committee



Be sure to save the date of Sunday, Dec. 3 for our annual Christmas Party at the Wahooz Galaxy Ballroom, the same place we had our summer party! There will be a raffle, live music, gifts for the children and of course delicious food! Invitations have been sent out and everyone should have received one. If you do not have an invitation, reach out to HR, and we will get you taken care of. Please be sure to RSVP by filling out the invite and returning it to HR by Monday, November 20th. We'll see you there.

Only 40 days until Christmas!

Annual Employee Sale through Dec. 9



We would like to invite you to shop at the Nampa ABC for your special employee pricing on titles in the Fall Catalog. If you haven't

already received your copy in the mail, you can pick one up at the ABC.

As an employee, you will receive 50% off on the catalog items. And again, these great discounts are offered to employees for gifting or for personal use, and are not meant for resale. If you have questions, please contact Veronica Ceniceros in Customer Service (ext. 2560).

We will also offer the Bible Stories, Bedtime Stories, Great Stories for Kids and My Bible Friends at Special Pricing.



Inspector PIP Looks Back . . .

GSAA Bell Choir Chapel



Picture by Josie Duke

It was a pleasure to start our day on Monday with the Gem State Academy Bell Choir. Thank you to each student for sharing their talents in music with us.

Employee Update. . .

We have many new employees who have joined our team over the past few months.

We will be learning more about each one in upcoming Press in Prints.

No Chapel Next Monday

Please make note that this coming Monday, November 20, there will be no Chapel in the Owyhee Room. We hope you have a safe and blessed Thanksgiving with friends and family.



November 2023

- 15 PAYDAY
- 20 NO CHAPEL Thanksgiving
- 22 PPPA Holiday Thanksgiving
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- 27 Chapel Nitza Salazar Children's Min.
- 29 PAYDAY

December 2023

- 3 Christmas Party Galaxy Event Center
- 4 Chapel Doug Church Prod. Ded.
- 11 Chapel Gloria Hughes Retirement
- 13 PAYDAY
- 18 Chapel Dale G. Christmas Chapel
- 25 PPPA Holiday Christmas
- 26 PPPA Holiday Christmas
- 27 PAYDAY

