

How Can You Believe in Coincidences?

In Life Light we are studying the story of David and how the triune God worked in his life. The question was asked of “a time God used a seemingly coincidental event to accomplish His purposes” in our lives. My answer was blank, not because there were none, but because there were so many. And, here is one story of God working in the lives of broken, ordinary people, many of whom you know.

Many years ago, God saw the needs of many poor orphan children. The Holy Spirit moved the hearts of a couple named Artura and Lilia of Mexico to step out in faith and take these children into their care and start an orphanage. God found a few people at First Lutheran in Missoula, Montana, and filled them with a desire for a mission among orphans in Mexico. While there He led them to Imuris, Sonora, Mexico and Kid’s Kingdom. Once again God remembered the orphans and the people of Imuris who had not heard the Gospel. He inspired the people who loved the mission to return and tell the stories of the needs of these orphan children and the community in need of a church. Our Lord filled the hearts of the members of First Lutheran to be moved with compassion. He caused gifts of time and money to be made to accomplish His purposes – housing, feeding, clothing the orphans and bringing the Word of God to them and to the community.

Our heavenly Father then showed Artura and Lilia and the people of First Lutheran the developmentally disabled children who had nothing. Once again, He found His people who would respond to the urging of the Holy Spirit and who would work and give to start a home in Benjamin Hill. He directed Pastor Mark’s path to other ministries that could help. He caused the Lutheran Extension Fund to start a new grant program dedicated to bringing people to Christ through outreach ministry. Through this work inspired by God, the story was written. The members prayed for the mission and continued to give to the building of the new orphanage and church. God answered prayers with the awarding of a grant to continue His work.

I don’t know about you, but I can’t wait to see what comes next. Praise be to God Almighty.
Joyce Anderson

Pray For Our Military...

Willy Lytton, grandson of Norm & Dori Balko
Mathew Betts, grandson of Vicki Kaul
Colby Klemp, grandson of Denny & Leah Klemp
William Hatfield, cousin of Denny & Leah Klemp
Adam Moody, son of Chuck & Sylvia Moody
Dean Ward, son-in-law of Jack & Marlene Sundt
Matthew Bejcek, brother/brother-in-law of Krista & Gregg Neibauer
Pastor George Schaffer
Greg Parrow, son-in-law of Hal Wiltgen
Patrick Gargan, cousin of Helen Christensen
Ryan Ocampo, nephew of Bob & Lu Lehman
Fred Moss, grandson of Ruth Lee Thompson
Dusty Starman, nephew of Rick & Pam Shaw
Erica Coburn, daughter of Donna Coburn



If you have a friend or relative currently serving in the Armed Forces, please notify the church office and we will include them in our prayers.