

December 2025

Dear Friends,

Wintery greetings to everyone! I hope that you are enjoying the advent season, and that you will have some special times with your family and friends this month.



About a year ago, I began to obey some special instructions that God gave me at the BFP conference in Willingen (Upland). **When we obey God and do what He says, there are some important things that we must remember:**

- 1) True obedience requires a **timely response**. Just like when we who are parents expect our children to do something – there is an expectation about when we want to see them in motion. If we ask our children to set the table, it is understood that the food is almost ready to be served. The plates and silverware should be moving from the kitchen to the dining table within the next few minutes. Often people say that they want to obey God, but do not respond **when** He is wanting them to.
- 2) True obedience is something we do **even when we don't see immediate results**. Too many obey in the beginning but give up when it looks like there is no fruit. All successful people know that anything worth doing requires time and effort. There will also be **spiritual opposition** to the things that God is wanting carried out. We need to know in advance that true obedience involves continuing to do what God has said until He says stop!
- 3) True obedience is a **personal commitment**. Just because others quit the team does not mean that you should also stop what you are doing. The often-sung song, "I have decided to follow Jesus", includes the verse that says, "Though none go with me, still I will follow...". At the end of the day, I must answer the question, "What did God ask me to do?".

What others are doing or not doing has no relevance when it comes to my obedience. I must lead the way and get personally involved – **obedience cannot be delegated.**

- 4) True obedience requires a **proper attitude**. Just like God loves a “cheerful giver”, He also loves it when we do things out of a heart of love. I truly do not think that God gets any satisfaction out of watching His children do things with a stinking attitude. I know that I don’t want anyone doing anything for me while complaining. In God’s house, we serve with gladness! It is an honor to be chosen by Him for a special task.

Well maybe you are wondering what it is that God asked me to do. **He asked me to focus the rest of my years – my best years – on reaching out to the next generation.** This is also the mandate He gave me to pass along to our church. We can focus on many things, but I believe that if we fail at this, we have failed at the most important thing that is on His heart.

I continue to focus myself and to emphasize this to our church family. One thing that can help us is to listen to the videos of the BFP conference from last year. If these messages do not grab your heart, then I do not know what will.

Check out the message that was preached on evening 3:
<https://www.youtube.com/live/Inh7YKW42Vo?si=hJWmPSKIIIGpNrOWG>

May you take the time to let God put a fire in your heart for the next generation(s).

Have a blessed Advent season.

Your Pastor Rande Loucks

Dates ♦ December



Was?

Fr	05	18:00	Royal Rangers
Sa	06	18:30	Young adults
Su	07	10:30	Church service
We	10	19:00	Themed Church service
Fr	12	18:00	Royal Rangers
Sa	13	18:30	Young adults
Su	14	10:30	Church Service afterwards Meet & Greet
Sa	20	18:30	Young adults
Su	21	10:30	Church Service
We	24	16:00	Christmas Eve – Family Church Service Abend
Su	28	10:30	Church Service

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We have a new WhatsApp Channel:

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Dates ♦ January



Was?

Sa	03	18:30	Young adults
Su	04	10:30	Church service
Fr	09	18:00	Royal Rangers
Sa	10	18:30	Young adults
Su	11	10:30	Connect-Group Church Service Afterwards, the Pathfinders invite everyone for a meal and fellowship.
We	14	19:00	Church service
Fr	16	18:00	Royal Rangers
Sa	17	18:30	Young adults
Su	18	10:30	Church Service
Fr	23	18:00	Royal Rangers
Sa	24	18:30	Young adults
Su	25	10:30	Church Service
Fr	30	18:00	Royal Rangers
Sa	31	18:30	Young adults

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Looking Forward

Wednesday Service on Dec. 10, 2025

Theme:

Happy marriages and what is it for them:

Every marriage starts with a relationship. Already in this stage you can lay the tracks for open and honest communication, which leads to trust. It is never too late to change the course.

Sarah Mareyen



„Meet & Greet“ on Dec. 14, 2025

After the service there is an invitation specially for people who have not been in church for a long time. Meet our pastor Rande L. Loucks at delicious meal, listen to something about us as church and tell something about you. Questions are welcome. Please register in advance.

Christmas Eve service

on Dec. 24, 2025

On Christmas Eve we will celebrate a family worship service for about 1 hour at 4.00 p.m. A colorful and joyful program will await you – our warming up for Christmas.

We wish everybody a peaceful Christmas season and a good start into the New Year.



Connect Group Service

On Jan. 11, 2026

Here we present our concept of small groups and invite you to be part of one group. The new groups will start from this day. If you would like to have your own group, please speak to the connect-team (Sylvia Loucks) and share your plan. Here you will receive all the support you will need.

Afterwards the Pathfinders will invite to a Snack. They want to use the opportunity to find out how connected you are already and what would help you in the church.

WhatsApp Channel

There is a channel on WhatsApp, in which we will post information. So people, who are not on Church Tool , can receive information, if something is on short notice or special importance.

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Other information

The Pastor's office will be closed for vacation from December 20, 2025, to January 6, 2026, and can only be reached in case of emergencies.