

## Teacher Dedication ~ 2025



August 23, 2025 was Teacher Dedication Day at Auburn church. With Pine Hills Adventist Academy starting August 21, the teachers and staff and those teaching at other schools received a prayer of dedication from Pastor Mel. Let's continue to support and pray for them.

- Teachers are like angels, sent from above. They are blessings in disguise.
- May the Lord continue to bless you as you bless others with your knowledge and love for teaching.
- Blessings to you as you nurture these young minds and help them grow in knowledge.
- Students don't care how much you know until they know how much you care.

# Somewhere In the Middle

All of us are on a journey,
It starts when we find Jesus,
Until we exit on a gurney,
A journey to grow more like Jesus.

It isn't shameful to fall short,

Because most have a sinful nature,

If we continue to be the sort,

That looks on life as a long journey.

He can make even the worst person,
Into someone that shines a light,
He can give us all a reason,
To shine that light on Him.

Sometimes it may seem like, We will never be so perfect, How can mortals be godlike, A task too daunting to select.

We can only keep on trying,

To grow more like Jesus,

What counts is you're trying,

The growth is in the journey.

Most of us will never arrive,
We are somewhere in the middle,
That means we continue to strive,
To become more and more like Jesus.

Upcoming Events

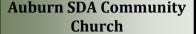
Sept 5-7 — Fallen Leaf Lake Church Campout (No Church Service)

Dec 21 - 2nd Annual Bethlehem Market, 1-4pm

Broadside of the Barn Social - More info soon

## Church Birthdays

Wanda Rasche	Sep 04
Emerson Spieth	Sep 07
Annmaree Gipson	Sep 08
John Kaster	Sep 08
Keith Murillo	Sep 08
Mace Stokes	Sep 10
Nathan Riojas	Sep 10
Rachael McDonald	Sep 10
Ashley Galicia	Sep 14
Dennis Hanson	Sep 14
Rodney Wehtje	Sep 14
Bonnie Carter	Sep 16
Elizabeth Porco	Sep 17
Grant Lockwood	Sep 21
MeeRa Chong	Sep 22
Lloyd Teff	Sep 23
Ivanette Osborn	Sep 24
Michael Lockwood	Sep 25
Mike Wood	Sep 29



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### Sermon Agenda



Sept 6: NO CHURCH Sept 13: Pastor Mel

Sept 20: Pastor Mel

Sept 27: Pastor Mel





- 1. Be patient with yourself
- 2. Reach out to others dealing with loss
- 3. Be present and accepting
- 4. Listen without judgment or an agenda
- 5. Be respectful but proactive
- 6. Acknowledge your feelings



#### **Garden Fresh Vegetable Stir Fry**

from Pillsbury Heart Healthy Recipes



#### Ingredients:

- 3 medium carrots, cut diagonally into 1/4 inch slices (1-1/2 cups)
- ♦ 1 cup broccoli florets
- ♦ 1 cup cauliflower florets
- ♦ 1 garlic clove, minced
- ♦ 3 tablespoons water
- ♦ 1-1/2 cups pea pods
- ♦ 1 medium red bell pepper, cut into 1/4 inch strips
- ♦ 1/4 cup chopped onion
- ♦ Salt & pepper to taste
- ♦ 1/4 teaspoon dried basil leaves

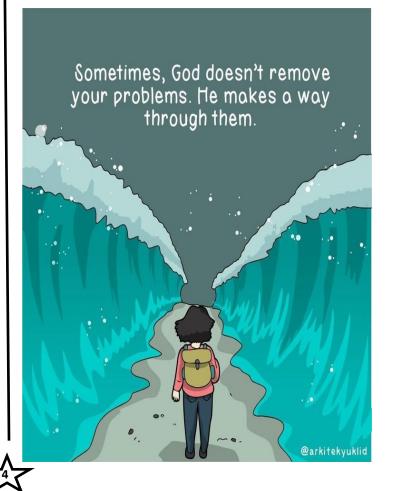
#### **Directions:**

Spray large nonstick skillet or wok with cooking spray. Add carrots, broccoli, cauliflower, & garlic. Stir fry for 2 minutes Add water. Cover and cook 3-4 minutes until vegies are crisp-tender. Add pea pods, bell pepper, onion, basil, and seasoning. Stir fry about 2 minutes or until liquid is almost absorbed and vegetables are crisp-tender. Serve immediately. Makes 4 - 1-cup servings.





Kaylie Wareham (above) receives gifts from Pastor Mel, celebrating her recent baptism by her father.





#### Matthew 28:19

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Not many of those recently baptized take the mandate in Matthew seriously enough to actually consider selling all their worldly possessions and moving to a mission field. We use the excuse that it isn't God's leading, or it isn't practical now-a-days. But Teddy & Nikki Mamoulelis have relied on the leading of the Holy Spirit and are in the final stages of doing just that. They are scheduled to leave for Croatia soon. We wish them and their family all God's mercy and blessings on their endeavor.

