

Kainos Kapsule

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RANDOM PONDERINGS

Thank you to those who made the trip and took the time to hear me preach on June 14. It was great to see you.

Tualatin Hill Christian Church has elected me to be an elder. This is the second congregation that I have officially served in this role.

I was able to help teach a person to play pinochle. He has caught on fast and will be a welcome addition to our group

SINGLES MINISTRY

<http://www.westsidesingles.org>

In my July 2007 newsletter I wrote about a wedding I officiated on short notice because of international red tape; I met the parents of the bride as were visiting here in Oregon in June. A Bar-B-Q was arranged and we played Apples to Apples. It was good interaction and great to meet them.

This month I am leading the WSM Share N Care session as we discuss "Christian Nutrition—those things that make for spiritual maturity."

CALL OUTS

<http://www.nwsca.org>

Last month I was in the middle of responding to the events rippling out from the incident from the Jackson Bottom murder/suicide. My partner and I helped the family coordinated several out of state notifications and then we counseled with several neighbors and children about their reactions to this event.

I attended a great training at WCSO called "Church Watch" about making our places of worship safer from crime. I would recommend when this is offered again that your congregation send a representative.

In the midst of this busy month I was able to get in one ride-a-long with a deputy. Our calls included routine traffic stops, missing persons, a DHS welfare check. The devotion for this month develops out of a call on this ride; see the blog on MySpace titled "It's All About Me!"

I was asked to officiate a graveside service for a lady who had been married 66 years and lived in Hillsboro for 45 years.

On the day of my ride-a-long I attended the first 4 hours of the Sheriff's Trauma Response Team training (I missed the afternoon role playing, ah shucks).

Take Care.

"Do not repay evil for evil or abuse for abuse; but on the contrary, repay with a blessing. It is for this that you were called—that you might inherit a blessing."

1 Peter 3:9