

# Behind the Scenes

July 2023

Better Life Broadcasting Network  
PO Box 766, Grants Pass OR 97528  
BLBN.org 541-474-3089

*And I will walk  
at liberty,  
For I seek  
Your precepts.*

Psalm 119:45



## God, The Faith Builder

*By Charlie Oliver*

Have you ever had a project or goal go completely off the rails, only to find out later that what you saw as problems turned out to be exactly what was needed for things to work out right? Hearing others share how God came through brings me hope and encouragement, and today I'd like to do the same for you. You see, I find myself in these faith-building circumstances frequently, the results of which turn my doubt into praise as I watch in awe as my Lord turns the impossible into possible.

I'd been looking forward to that week in May for a very long time. After literally years of frustration, we were ready to put the final pieces in place and see Better Life Television back on DirecTV. The new circuits were in place, the hardware purchased, and on Tuesday, I'd be handing the equipment over to the DirecTV field engineer for installation in Medford and Eugene. Monday afternoon, I pulled all the gear together for the next day and found that I was one power supply short. I needed to deploy two D2D units for the DirecTV job and only had a power supply for one.

I need reminders, but I don't always like them. I like to think I can do things on my own, getting things done and solving problems. I don't like to feel powerless, and that's exactly how I felt at that moment. This had to be solved within the next few hours in time to meet the DirecTV field engineer on Tuesday morning, who, by the way, had driven all the way from Boise, Idaho for this job. There was nothing else to do but pray.

Thankfully God is patient with me because prayer shouldn't be my last resort tool. But that's what it was at that moment as I reached up for help. Here is where things got cool. You see, I figured this is where God was going to have to take over, but what I found was He had been moving things from the get-go. In fact, the failed power supply that I thought was the problem wasn't a problem at all, it was simply the vehicle God used to put me in contact with the one person who could point to and resolve a problem that I didn't even know existed yet. Wow!

What I didn't know at the time was that the two sites the DirecTV engineer would be visiting on Tuesday and Wednesday were not ready for the

*Continued on page 4*

## Important July Dates

**July 2** - Just a reminder this is **National I Forgot Day!** This is a chance to acknowledge and laugh about the times we forget things while taking steps to help prevent forgetfulness. It is also a time to slow down, destress and prioritize the things that matter most.

**July 7** - It is a sad thing to have a special day for this one, **National Tell The Truth Day.** According to a book by M. Hirsch Goldberg, the average human being lies approximately 200 times each day, which includes “white lies” and avoiding the truth by omission. If that seems like a lot, then maybe the University of California research will sit a little better, suggesting that humans typically tell two lies per day, on average. But whether it’s two lies a day or 200 lies per day, this research might indicate the need for a day like **Tell the Truth Day!**

**July 27** - **National Take Your Pants For A Walk Day**”, walking as little as 10 minutes daily can provide numerous health benefits. It does not matter where you walk - streets, parks, along the river, or the seaside, hiking will benefit the body and improve your mood. Why not start today!



## Inspirational Musings

*By Jeanette Stark*

Do you believe in miracles? The kind of miracle that leaves you shaking your head and rubbing your eyes and wondering, “Did that just happen?” Those kinds of miracles. I do. I believe!

Several years ago, on Stories of Faith, we shared 4 stories that all had a common thread. Four stories that most people, perhaps even Christians, would not believe.

The first story took place on coastal Highway 101 just out of Waldport, Oregon. The woman behind the wheel was driving south on Highway 101. She saw a utility work van preparing to turn right onto the highway, heading north. She could see the driver of the van looking to his left to make sure no traffic was coming and then he pulled out, swinging wide and, directly into her lane. There was no time to do anything, and nowhere to go if there was, and all she could do was grip the steering wheel and cry out the name of “Jesus” for salvation. She closed her eyes and braced for the inevitable. Instead, she felt a buzzing type of vibration through her body, opened her eyes, and saw the van in her rearview mirror, still in her lane, but now directly behind her and still headed north.

The experience happened to my mother, and she did not share that story with a single soul for over 3 years. She was afraid no one would believe her. A miracle! A true, modern-day miracle.

She was visiting her old church one day and felt impressed to share her story for the first time. After class, a longstanding friend approached her and said, “Dee, thank you for sharing your story. The same thing happened to my family and me and we have never told anyone.”

She then told my mom how they were coming down the Santiam Pass on the McKenzie Highway. They had been at the Hoodoo Ski Bowl all weekend and were now headed home in the dark in their Suburban, towing a large trailer with their snowmobiles. As they came around a corner, a fully loaded log truck was directly in their lane. With no time to do anything, the log truck drove directly through the Suburban and the trailer and the snowmobiles and kept driving in the opposite direction without so much as a scratch or interruption.

Luke reminds us in chapter 18 that what is impossible with man is possible with God. We worship a God of impossible situations!

We were talking to Bill on the phone one day. Bill was a regular caller here at Better Life and when he heard of those two miracle stories, he said, “I have one for you!”

Bill shared that his mom and dad were traveling west on Highway 42 between Winston and Bandon when they came around a corner and there was a log truck in their lane. With no time to do anything except brace, they too experienced the miracle of becoming invisible.

## Nutty Bean Burger

Summer is in full swing. A time when many think of burgers and eating outdoors. With that in mind, we would like to share a delicious burger recipe with you.

Serve this Nutty Bean Burger on Tasty Burger Buns with a side of Spinach Strawberry Salad and finish your meal with Frozen Pineapple Dessert. All these recipes are found in the Better Life Recipe Booklets. Call, email or write us and request your free copy. We hope that you enjoy this recipe.

### INGREDIENTS

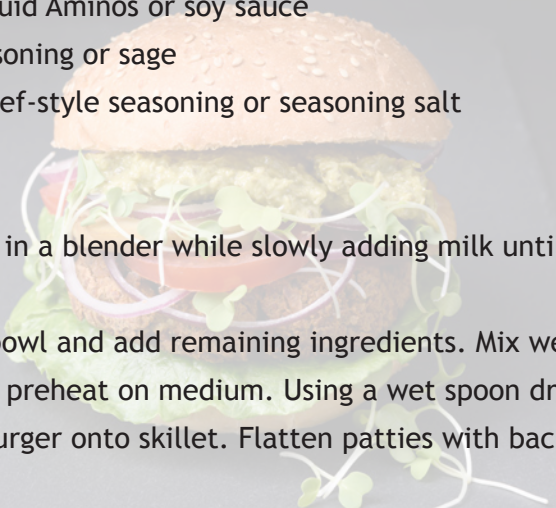
1 cup canned garbanzo beans  
 1/4 unsweetened soy milk  
 1 cup quick or regular rolled oats  
 1 onion minced  
 1/2 cup chopped walnuts and/or sunflower seeds  
 2 tsp Bragg's Liquid Aminos or soy sauce  
 1 tsp Italian seasoning or sage  
 2 tsp McKay's beef-style seasoning or seasoning salt

### DIRECTIONS

Blend garbanzos in a blender while slowly adding milk until smooth.

Pour into large bowl and add remaining ingredients. Mix well. spray skillet and preheat on medium. Using a wet spoon drop large scoop of burger onto skillet. Flatten patties with back of spoon.

Cover and brown slowly for about 7 minutes each side. Serve immediately, or refrigerate or freeze for later.



## Reaching the World

Emails, Letters & Phone Calls

We receive numerous emails, letters, and phone calls each month asking us for prayer. We count it an honor to pray for others.

Each weekday morning, we gather for staff worship. We lift up the names of those people in need of heavenly-intervention. Toni is asking for prayer to heal from lung cancer. Sharon would like healing in her hand. We have requests from folks who want to attend church but are unable. Prayers for gunshot wounds and severe burns and aches and pains and surgeries. We have parents imploring us to pray for their adult children to come back to church and turn their lives over to Jesus before it is too late.

Hebrews 4:16 says, *“Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.”* ESV

If we can pray for you or someone in your life, please do not hesitate to ask. If you have an answered prayer, contact us so that we can rejoice with you. You can reach us by email, mail, or phone.

*Continued from page 1*

installation. Unlike previous installations where all the equipment would be in shared rooms, requiring only a short network cable to connect everything, DirecTV's head-ends required a much more intensive installation. The only reason I found this out on Monday was that I had a failed power supply, and the one person who was able to help me with this was also the one person who knew about the work that needed to be done before DirecTV could complete the installation.

God is so good. I called the DirecTV engineer Monday night, explaining the issue. So, Tuesday morning, instead of simply handing over the equipment, I met the engineer at the Medford head-end and installed the 200 feet of network wiring necessary for the connection. On Wednesday, I repeated the exercise, meeting up in Eugene and running another 70 feet of network wiring at that head-end. With only a few configuration changes, both circuits look great as they enter the required DirecTV testing phase, which is the final step toward resuming our DirecTV broadcast in the Eugene and Medford Designated Market Areas.

Friends, this is the God we serve and the One we share with others through our Better Life Television broadcasts. I am thankful for the reminders that He is there and am grateful for all the ways He is helping to grow my faith and trust in Him. Do you have a faith story to share? We'd love to hear it! Or maybe you're waiting for an answer right now? We'd love to pray with you! Look up, He's coming soon! -CO

*Continued from page 2*

We then put these three stories on Facebook and then heard from a man that was traveling with his daughter. He shared that he and his daughter were traveling on a steep mountain road, there was a sharp curve ahead and when they came around it, a log truck was directly in their path. The father said all he could do was grab his daughter's hand and yell at her to close her eyes. The next thing he knew, they were stopped on the opposite side of the road, having gone straight through the truck, untouched.

Do you believe in miracles? I do!

***"...He is your God, who has done for you these great and awesome things which your eyes have seen."***  
Deuteronomy 10:21 NKJV

More recently, we received an email from a woman who shared that her husband was driving a log truck heading west on the Tiller/Trail Highway. A vehicle was stopped in front of him to make a left turn into Milo Academy. The problem was that the vehicle had to wait for another car coming from the opposite direction. The log truck driver did not have enough time or space to stop his truck. Saying a quick prayer, he swerved into the oncoming lane to avoid slamming into the car waiting to turn left, all the while praying he did not hit the vehicle that was advancing towards him. There was no collision.

Do you believe in miracles? I do.

***For it is written: "He will command his angels concerning you to guard you carefully;"***  
Luke 4:10 NIV

Thanks for taking the time to read what's on our mind, but we want to know what's on yours? Do you have a miracle to share? Possibly a poem, photo or family recipe? Would you like to give someone a pat on the back or share an inspiring story? We cannot guarantee all submissions will be printed, but we'll try.

Our mailing address is:

PO Box 766

Grants Pass, OR 97528,

or email us at [newsletter@betterlifetv.tv](mailto:newsletter@betterlifetv.tv)



# Donations Made to Better Life



## In Honor

**Ron & Robin Davis**  
Bernie Beck

**Jerry & Zola Lewis**  
Thomas & Vye Santos  
**Henry Martin**

## In Memoriam

**Madison Jewell Baird**  
Floyd & Celeste Sweat,  
grandparents

Robin Martin, wife  
**Jim McHan**

**Dave & Arlean Bechtel**  
Ron Bechtel, son

Donald Erb  
**Olen Nations**  
Mary Nations, wife

**Gene & Gladys Burrill**  
Ron Bechtel

**Don Oltman**  
Jeanne Oltman, wife

**Kendall Christy**  
Ruth Christy, wife

**Norman Parmenter**  
Wally Dunks

**Jean Colburn**  
Wally Dunks

**Richard Shawn**  
Edward & Elsie Cape

**Marta Davis**  
Ron Davis, husband  
Richard & Carol Rogers

**Sonja Shull**  
Donna & Melvin Griffith

**Don Derby**  
Mary Derby, wife

**Kenneth Smith**  
LolaMay Smith, wife

**Wanda Florea**  
Kimber Florea, daughter

**Art Spenst**  
Charlene Spenst, wife

**Marcella Harrom**  
Charleen Gerlic,  
daughter

**Dominic Michael Springer**  
Andie Springer, mother

**Anita Heisler**  
Bob Heisler, husband

**Edgar (Ed) Thompson**  
Vida Thompson, wife  
David Tompson, son

**Kathy Herndon**  
Bill Herndon, husband  
Kayla Herndon, daughter

**Oral & Pearl Tucker**  
Ron Bechtel

**Jim Hitchcock**  
Lois Bookout, wife

**Bob Varney**  
Marianne Varney, wife

**Frank Hurd**  
Rosalie Hurd, wife

**Delmer Wagner**  
Melvin & Alma Johnson

**Clayton Konzack**  
Peggy Konzack, wife

**Ken Ward**  
Donald Erb

**Gerald Kovalski**  
Floyd & Celeste Sweat

**Dustin Weidman**  
Kimber Florea, mother

**Rita Bjelland Lathim**  
Floyd & Celeste Sweat,  
parents

**Vern & Virginia Wells**  
Pam & Steve King,  
daughter

**Hans Calvin Wiggers**  
Robin Martin,  
grandmother

If you wish to make a donation in honor of, or in memory of an individual please call our office during regular business hours, or mail your donation to:

Better Life  
PO Box 766  
Grants Pass, OR 97528

Phone: (541) 474-3089  
**Note: It may take up to 2 months for names to appear in the newsletter.**

## Did You Know?

You can share Better Life TV to friends and loved ones that are not in the viewing area. They can watch on Roku, YouTube, iOS and Apple TV with the free apps.

## CHANNEL GUIDE

### Dish Network & DirecTV

#### Ch. 30

Curry, Jackson, Josephine, Klamath, Lake & Siskiyou Co.'s

#### Ch. 36

Benton, Coos, Douglas & Lane Counties

ALSO watch via the internet using free apps for Roku, iOS and Apple TV

CITY	CABLE	ANTENNA
Ashland, OR	K25IM-D	22 .....30
Bandon, OR	KAMK-LD	21 ..... •
Brookings, OR	K48GO-D	22 .....30
Canyonville, OR	KAMK-LD	21 ..... •
Cave Junction, OR	K16NK-D	..... • .....30
Coos Bay, OR	K44FH-D	21 .....44
Corvallis, OR	KAMK-LD	12 ..... •
Crescent City, CA	K25NO-D	21 .....25
Eugene, OR	KAMK-LD	12 .....36
Gasquet, CA	K25NO-D	..... • .....25
Gold Beach, OR	KBLN-TV	22 ..... •
Grants Pass, OR	KBLN-TV	22 .....30
Klamath Falls, OR	K31NH-D	22 .....31
Medford, OR	K23EX-D	22 .....30
Merlin, OR	K33GJ-D	22 .....30
Mt. Shasta, CA	KBLN-TV	13..... •
Portland, OR	KEVE-LD	..... • .....31
Port Orford, OR	KBLN-TV	22 ..... •
Redding, CA	K33HH	..... • .....33
Reedsport, OR	KAMK-LD	21 ..... •
Reno, NV	KNRC-LD	..... • .....14
Rogue River, OR	K17EZ-D	22 .....30
Roseburg, OR	KTVC	21 .....36
Springfield, OR	KAMK-LD	12 .....36
Yreka, CA	K49IG-D	13.....30

# Better Life TV Program Schedule

# July 2023

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Midnight	It's Coming	Coming Out	Country Wisdom	Bible Answers	Gospel Outreach		Praise!
12:30 AM	Secret Life of the Desert	Women in the Word	The Incredible Journey	Earth's Final Conflict	Maranatha Mission Stories	Your Favorite by Request	12:30 AM
1:00 AM	From Sickness to Health	3ABN Homecoming	Sanctuary/Salvation&Our Savior	Earth's Final Conflict	Revelation's Ancient Discoveries	Doug Batchelor	1:00 AM
1:30 AM	David Klinedinst	Boots 'N Bibles	Authentic	Women in the Word	Better Life Today	Revelation Now	1:30 AM
2:00 AM	Digital Disconnect	Unlocking Bible Prophecy	Stories of Faith	Receiving the Word	Adventist World Radio	Secret Life of the Desert	2:00 AM
2:30 AM	Evolution Impossible	When We Talk	Nature Music	White Horse Media	Worship Hour Special Series	Multitude of Counselors	2:30 AM
3:00 AM	The Seventh Day	Impact Canvasback	The Whole Message	Nature Music	Ultimate Prescription	Revelation Insights	3:00 AM
3:30 AM	The Carter Report	Exercise Variety	Better Life on Tour	GP Worship Hour	NEWSTART Now!	Amazing Facts Presents	3:30 AM
4:00 AM	Amazing Adventures	3ABN Today	Fountain View Music	Amazing Facts Presents	Authentic	Gospel Outreach	4:00 AM
5:00 AM	3ABN Today	Exercise Variety	Exercise Variety	Exercise Variety	Animal Encounters	Nature Music	4:30 AM
5:30 AM	Your Favorites by Request	Authentic	3ABN Today Live (repeat)	3ABN Today	Exercise Variety	Exercise Variety	5:00 AM
6:00 AM	It's In The Bible	Variety	Secret Life of the Desert	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	5:30 AM
6:30 AM	GP Worship Hour	The Carter Report	Variety	Shelly Quinn Presents	ASI Conventions	Bible Answers	6:00 AM
7:00 AM	Simple Truths Sabbath School	Adventist World Radio	Worship Hour Special Series	It's In the Bible	Ken Cox Ministries	Optimize for Life	6:30 AM
7:30 AM	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	The Seventh Day	Ken Cox Ministries	Cook :30	7:00 AM
8:00 AM	Boots 'N Bibles	Off the Grid	Maranatha Mission Stories	Variety	Jesus for Asia Now	Enjoy Healthy Eating	7:30 AM
8:30 AM	Exercise Variety	Abundant Living	Cook :30	Receiving the Word	Behold the Lamb Presents	Catching the Light	8:00 AM
9:00 AM	Better Life Today	Heaven's Point of View	Body & Spirit	Fountainview Music	Amazing Facts Presents	Stories of Faith	8:30 AM
9:30 AM	3ABN Today Live (repeat)	3ABN Today	Unstacked/Purposes/Intimate Clarity	Help! I'm a Parent	God's Last Message to the World	Pioneer Media	9:00 AM
10:00 AM	Catching the Light	Variety Hour	3ABN Today	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Secrets Unsealed	9:30 AM
10:30 AM	Worship Hour Special Series	Unlocking Bible Prophecy	Country Wisdom	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	Secrets Unsealed	10:00 AM
11:00 AM	Authentic	Summer Camp Meeting	Gospel Outreach	Lineage	Jesus for Asia Now	Behold the Lamb Presents	10:30 AM
11:30 AM	Good News for Muslims	Strategies for Strongholds	Behold the Lamb Presents	Better Life Today	Amazing Facts Presents	Behold the Lamb Presents	11:00 AM
Noon	Lineage	Ken Cox Ministries	Ken Cox Ministries	It Is Written	Body & Spirit	Behold the Lamb Presents	11:30 AM
12:30 PM	Better Life on Tour	Nature Music	Featured Ministries	Catching the Light	Body & Spirit	Behold the Lamb Presents	Noon
1:00 PM	Celebrating Life in Recovery	Mark Finley Presents	Maranatha Mission Stories	It Is Written	Journey 'n Journals	Behold the Lamb Presents	12:30 PM
1:30 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	It's Coming	Exercise Variety	Behold the Lamb Presents	1:00 PM
2:00 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	3ABN Today	3ABN Today	Behold the Lamb Presents	1:30 PM
2:30 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Variety Hour	3ABN Today	Behold the Lamb Presents	2:00 PM
3:00 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Variety Hour	Variety Hour	Behold the Lamb Presents	2:30 PM
3:30 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	The Whole Message	The Whole Message	Behold the Lamb Presents	3:00 PM
4:00 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	The Whole Message	The Whole Message	Behold the Lamb Presents	3:30 PM
4:30 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Bible Gems/Creation Crafts	Kitchen Fun	Behold the Lamb Presents	4:00 PM
5:00 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Kids Time Praise	Grandma's House	Behold the Lamb Presents	4:30 PM
5:30 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	It's Coming	Islam & Christianity	Behold the Lamb Presents	5:00 PM
6:00 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Prophecy Unsealed	3ABN Today LIVE	Behold the Lamb Presents	5:30 PM
6:30 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Doug Batchelor	Simple Truths Sabbath School	Behold the Lamb Presents	6:00 PM
7:00 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Summer Camp Meeting	Boots 'N Bibles	Behold the Lamb Presents	6:30 PM
7:30 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Stories of Faith	White Horse Media	Behold the Lamb Presents	7:00 PM
8:00 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	The Seventh Day	Nature Music	Behold the Lamb Presents	7:30 PM
8:30 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Lineage	Mark Finley Presents	Behold the Lamb Presents	8:00 PM
9:00 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Ken Cox Ministries	3ABN Today	Behold the Lamb Presents	8:30 PM
9:30 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Ken Cox Ministries	Authentic	Behold the Lamb Presents	9:00 PM
10:00 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	NEWSTART Now!	Women in the Word	Behold the Lamb Presents	9:30 PM
10:30 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Your Favorites by Request	GP Worship Hour	Behold the Lamb Presents	10:00 PM
11:00 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Jesus 101	Discover Prophecy	Behold the Lamb Presents	10:30 PM
11:30 PM			Prophecy Unsealed	Unstacked/Purposes/Raw Questions	Jesus for Asia Now	Behold the Lamb Presents	11:00 PM
				Unstacked/Purposes/Raw Questions	Fountainview Music	Behold the Lamb Presents	11:30 PM

DVD copies are available for many programs. Please call (541) 474-3089 for more info.