

WATERLOO NORTH MENNONITE CHURCH

INFORMATION SHEET – Sunday, March 13, 2005

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

Mar. 20 - 8:45 & 11:00 - WL - John P

Pr. - Miriam

Thurs., Mar. 24 - 6:15 pm - Seder Meal

Fri., Mar. 25 - 10:00 am - Good Friday Communion

Service

Mar. 27 - 9:45 - WL - Len Friesen, Pr. Chip Bender

Apr. 3 - 8:45 & 11:00 - WL - Lynn B F

Pr - Len F

ATTENDANCE: March 6, 2005 8:45 - 86 11:00 - 122

OFFERING REPORT – March 6, 2005

Operating Fund Contributions \$3,500.00

Year to Date \$124,200.00

Designated Funds: \$50 Refugee Fund

SCHEDULE FOR NEXT SUNDAY,

March 20, 2005, 8:45 and 11:00:

Pray-er 8:45 - Gloria E 11:00 - Len F

Ushers 8:45 - Bob B, Lead; Alan S

11:00 - Mel L, Lead; Barbara C

Offering Collectors 8:45 - Nathan S-G

Maria S-GI, Laura F, Nicholas P

11:00 - Katarina K, Zoe A

Kayla S, Andreas D H

Nursery 8:45- Betty P F & Paul F

11:00 - Peter & Sharon T

Library Elaine S

THIS WEEK AT WNMC

CHIP AWAY – Chip is away on spiritual retreat Wednesday night to Thursday afternoon.

COMING AT WNMC

EASTER CHOIR – Bill M will be directing a choir for Easter Sunday. This is an inclusive event and all are welcome to participate. The choir will be singing Gordon Young's 'Now let us all praise God and sing'. Rehearsal will be 9-9:30 on Easter Sunday morning before the service. Please call Bill M if you would like to participate.

HOLY WEEK – a) **Thurs., Mar. 24, 6:15 p.m.** A Seder (Passover) Service with a simple soup supper. A joyful time of celebrating God's deliverance, which begins our journey through Good Friday and Easter. Children and adults are invited. *SIGN UP TODAY* at the table in the fellowship hall. There is **NO CHARGE**. b) **Fri., Mar. 25, 10 a.m.**, Good Friday Communion Service.

c) **Easter Sunday, Mar. 27, 9:45 a.m.**, Easter Worship Service followed by Easter Breads to share and fellowship. There will be no Sunday School. d) please bring your Easter flowers prior to the service (earlier in the morning or in the week) so that they can be arranged at the front of the sanctuary for our Easter celebration.

EXPLORING THE CONFESSION OF FAITH –

Anyone interested in participating in conversations to explore the confession of faith please speak to one of the Ministry Team members.

MEN'S BREAKFAST – Join us for an informal men's breakfast on Sat., March 26th, 8:30 a.m. at Dearborn Restaurant, 105 Lexington Rd., Waterloo.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR! – On April 16th, the youth will be hosting the annual Spaghetti Supper and Silent Auction. The Silent Auction will begin at 5 p.m. and the dinner served at 5:30 pm. Tickets will be on sale **TODAY** in the Fellowship Hall. If you have items to donate for the Silent Auction, please contact Ben E or Paul F). We would like your donations by Sat., April 9th.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

DO YOU HAVE A KEY – for the church? Do you **NEED** a key for the church? If you can answer yes to either of these questions then this announcement is for you. We are in the process of changing the locks on the front door and hope to have this completed by the end of April. If you need a key for the church, please either email Vera or leave a note in her mail slot (Secretary) letting her know that you need a replacement so we can make sure you receive a key before the switch.

Facilities Committee

NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY – A new church directory is being done for mail slots next Sunday. If you are not listed in our church directory and would like to be, or if there are changes to your present listing, contact Vera by **Tues., March 15th**.

THE MENNONITE – Eleven households in WNMC currently subscribe to the Mennonite. Persons not familiar with this magazine are invited to check out copies in our library. Anyone interested in subscribing, call or email Vera by Sunday, March 27th.

PRAYER REQUESTS

We hold in prayer:

- Phil Y as he recovers from surgery for a double hernia.
- Rhoda Z brother, Jeremy, during a difficult time in Pakistan where he is teaching English.
- workers at Budd Automotive, including Gary C son, Ryan, as they experience layoffs.
- peace in Israel and for Glenn Witmer in Jerusalem as he seeks to educate and build bridges.

We give thanks:

- the support of Xanthe M and her family following the untimely death of her sister's fiancé.
- the celebration surrounding the 98th birthday of Agnes E grandmother to Natasha Kand Tanya S
- the happy new home for Morgan and Rhonda C

COMMUNITY EVENTS

PALM SUNDAY PEACE WALK – 4th annual Peace Walk **TODAY**, sponsored by Stirling Ave. Mennonite Church Peace & Justice Group. Meet at 1:15 at Stirling Ave. Church to participate in the walk to Kitchener City Hall and back (approx. 1-1½ hours total). Questions? Contact Matthew Bailey Dick at MCEC (matthew@mcec.on.ca)

MSCU ANNUAL MEETING – Tuesday March 29 - Mennonite Savings and Credit Union Annual Meeting with guest speaker Dr. Ronald J.R. Mathies, Executive Director MCC. The meeting begins at 7:30, with registration beginning at 7:00pm at St Jacobs Mennonite Church, 1310 King Street North, St Jacobs. Everyone is welcome to attend. Refreshments will be served.

ROCKWAY SR CHOIR BENEFIT CONCERT – Wednesday March 30, 7:30 pm at Waterloo North Mennonite Church. Proceeds will go towards the choir's trip to CAMS Choral Festival in Rosthern SK. Come and enjoy the choral and instrumental talents of the Sr choir, Concert Combo and the Chamber (String) Ensemble. Admission is free with donations graciously accepted.

MCC MEAT CANNING – MCC is seeking ministerial permission to proceed with meat canning this April in spite of a recent ruling that prohibits mobile meat canners in Canada. See the MCC website www.mcc.org/canning for more information on how you can help.

WOMEN OF MCEC – women are invited to an Enrichment Day Saturday, April 16, 10:15am-3:30pm at East Zorra Mennonite Church. Registrations forms available from Elsie Flaming. See poster on the bulletin board for more details.

MCEC MISSION DINNER – Sat., Apr. 23, 5:30 p.m. at Breslau Mennonite Church. Experience an evening of food, stories by refugees from around the world, music and dance. Freewill offering for Mennonite Coalition for Refugee Support. Register by Apr. 15 with Bev (650-3806) or bev@mcec.on.ca

MCC RELIEF SALE – Tickets are now available for the **Ontario Mennonite Relief Sale Promotion Dinner** to be held **Mon., Apr. 11th**, 6:30 pm at Bingham Park Lodge.

Guest speakers will be Dave & Mary Lou K, returned workers from MCC Uganda. Tickets at \$15.00 per ticket are available from Tim S today and next Sun., Mar. 13th. From Tues., Mar. 15th to Tues., Apr. 5th, tickets will also be available during the week from the church office, as well as from Tim S on Sundays. Advance ticket sales only.

MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA AND USA – joint convention, “*Can't Keep Quiet*”, will be held **July 4-9, 2005** in Charlotte, NC. WNMC can have five delegates attend. MCEC is arranging bus travel for adults and will have perhaps two buses going. If you are interested in attending as a delegate for Waterloo North, contact Gloria Eby (664-3236). See poster on bulletin board.

SILVER LAKE MENNONITE CAMP – is looking for people interested in joining the Board in the positions of Secretary, Treasurer and Members at Large. If you are interested, please contact Jill S (519-568-8159) or <ksauer@sympatico.ca>

VBS Aug. 15-19, 2005 – “Celebrate the Psalms: Our God is Awesome!” In just 5 short months Erb St. Mennonite Church will be filled with 150 children and leaders! Planning has begun and this is your invitation to join this great ministry. We are looking for **Youth, Young Adults, and Adults** of all ages to serve as Group Leaders, Kitchen Leaders, and Troupe Lunch Providers. The MCEC VBS Troupe will be giving leadership to the centres and worship. Talk to members of the VBS Committee (at WNMC - Julie Snyder-Penner) if you are interested in this great opportunity to grow in your faith alongside children!

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