

WATERLOO NORTH MENNONITE CHURCH

INFORMATION SHEET – Sunday, June 11, 2006

Upcoming Worship Services:

June 18 - WL - Ann B
Pr - Renee S

June 25 - WL - Ron F
Pr - Natasha K

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, June 4, 2006 - 205
Matins Service Attendance: 48

OFFERING REPORT: Sunday, June 4, 2006:

Operating Fund Contributions \$5,100
Year to Date (69% of fiscal year) \$207,800 (62% of the budget)
Designated Funds: Congo Fund \$3,400
MCC \$500
Mennonite Church Canada Witness: Andrea P \$200

SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, June 18th, 11:00 a.m.

Worship Leader Ann B
Pray-er Carol S
Pianist Ann S
Song Leader Lee S
Ushers Ingrid R (lead), Marg K
Matt W, Phil W
Offering Collectors Luba P, Lynsey B
Jamie T-P, Saskia S-P
Library Marg K
Coffee Makers/Servers Kevin L

THIS WEEK AT WNMC

MEN'S SLOWPITCH - Wed., June 14th. Meet at 8:45 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Ball diamond "A" for a Regular Season game against Breslau! For more game times check the website: (http://www.geocities.com/mennoniteslopitch/2006_schedule.html)

50 +/- GROUP - Wed., June 14th 10:00 - 11:30 a.m. Henry & Elsie F enjoyed travelling from Fort Lauderdale to San Francisco via the Panama Canal. Come out and hear all about it.

COMING AT WNMC

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST - June 17th, 9:00 a.m. at Café Bon Choix.

CHIP BEGINS HIS SABBATICAL - On Monday, June 12th through July 16th.

BUDGET VISIONING MEETING - June 18th, 11:00 am - 12:00 pm - A congregational meeting to briefly review our operating budget and facilitate discussion related to "big picture" issues and how/if our budget planning reflects our congregational vision. Please plan on joining us for this important discussion. Activities for children will be arranged.

PRAYER GROUP FOR CONGO - Tues., June 13, 7 p.m. (Note time change), at the home of John and Lorraine P, Waterloo. Ray B will join us to offer insights into the joys and complexities of life in D.R. Congo. Open to anyone interested in praying:

- for the delegation from our congregation travelling to the D.R. Congo as election observers.
- for those in the Congo preparing to receive observers.
- for Congolese Christians running for office.
- that we may stretch our vision as a congregation to encourage our Congolese sisters and brothers in the faith and be encouraged by them.
- for a possible partnership to blossom between us.

"REJOICE" - Rejoice is a quarterly devotional magazine for individuals and households. It is published jointly by Kindred Productions and Faith and Life Resources, publishers serving Mennonite Brethren and Mennonite Church congregations in North America. A one year subscription costs \$26.80, Contact Henry F by June 15th if you are interested in ordering.

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

A HEARTFELT THANK YOU - to the members of the Pastoral Search Committee - Wanda W-M, Chair, Gloria E, Dale B-C, Phil R, Abner M, Kara K - for bringing the pastoral search process to a successful conclusion. We now look forward to Ardith F arrival in mid-August and pray that God will lead and bless our ministry partnership with Ardith.

TRAVELING THIS SUMMER? - Remember that you can give post-dated offering cheques to help ensure WNMC expenses are met over the summer months. Cheques can be put in the offering or the Treasurer mail slot.

STUDENT AID PROGRAM - WNMC has a congregational student aid program to assist students who attend Mennonite educational institutions. Information and applications are available on the literature cart and applications can be submitted to the "Student Aid Committee" mail slot by June 18th.

VBS 2006 UPDATE - Registrations are coming in. We encourage parents to register their children and their friends ASAP. Extra forms are available on the table in the foyer. **Volunteers:** We are grateful for those who have already volunteered. If you are still interested speak to Shirley G or Julie S-P.

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS -If you are interested in the important work of Christian formation, and would like to get a new perspective on your own faith, consider volunteering to teach Sunday School next year. One teacher is still needed for each of these three classes: four year olds, Grade 4 and Grade 5. Questions? Please see Sheri S or Delores H-P.

PRAYER ITEMS

We hold in prayer:

- Milo S, as he begins ten days of radiation treatment in London, to arrest the spread of cancer in the spine.
- Shirley and Abner M, Laura and Milo S as they await news of their niece who has been missing for a few weeks.
- The Pastors representing Mennonite Churches in Windsor and Essex County who are preparing to make a presentation to the Essex County School Board, regarding the proposal to have a paid military co-op program offered in their public high schools. Committed to "extending the peace of Jesus Christ" we offer our prayerful support to these sister congregations as they challenge the school board to consider the implications of providing economic incentives for youth to participate in a culture of violence.

We give thanks:

- with Andrea P as she leaves for Africa (June 8) to spend the summer as a mission volunteer at the Bethesda Health Centre in Cotonou, Benin.
- with Chip B as he begins a sabbatical, June 12-16. May this be a time of rest and renewal.

GRACE LAO MENNONITE CHURCH - Egg Roll Sale, **Sat., June 17th**, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm. Proceeds for the Lao Building Fund. To order see sign up sheet on bulletin board or call 584-7482 or email gracelao@golden.net.

HIDDEN ACRES MENNONITE CAMP - Annual Chicken Barbecue on Tues., June 13th, 5:30-8 pm. All proceeds support Hidden Acres' ministry to children, families and individuals. Advance tickets only, available from Peter Paetkau or call (519)625-8602.

CELEBRATING THREE DECADES OF WOMEN IN MINISTRY: Reflections on the Changing Face of Leadership" on Tues., June 20th at 6:30 pm. at Conrad Grebel University College. Featured panelists include Martha Smith Good, Renee Sauder, Wendy Janzen, Muriel Bechtel, hosted by Marianne Mellinger. As part of this fundraising banquet for the Lebold Endowment for Leadership Training, Ralph Lebold's new book, "Strange and Wonderful Paths: the Memoirs of Ralph Lebold" will also be released. Tickets are \$75 (part receiptable, includes a complimentary copy of the book.) Call 519-885-0220 ext. 223 for tickets or more information.

MENNOHOMES INC. FUNDRAISING CONCERT - Sunday, **June 25**, 2006 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Jacobs Mennonite Church, 1310 King St. N., St. Jacobs. Featuring recent University of Western Ontario Voice graduate, Bethany Horst, accompanied by her sister, Abby Horst. The concert will include both sacred and secular classical works. A free will offering will be collected in support of MennoHomes Inc. Please make cheques payable MennoHomes Inc. See poster on b.b.

THE BOOKSHOP AT PANDORA PRESS - invites the church community to our annual BBQ (on our MCC neighbours lawn), Fri., June 23, 3-6 p.m. Special guests: John Lapp, Ralph Lebold, Leah Dawn Bueckert and Daniel S. Schipani. Call 745-1560 to RSVP.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS