

WATERLOO NORTH MENNONITE CHURCH

INFORMATION SHEET – Sunday, July 16, 2006

Upcoming Worship Services:

July 23 - WL - Renee S
Pr - Peter P

July 30 - WL - Natasha K
Pr - Renee S

ATTENDANCE: Sunday, July 9, 2006 - 99

OFFERING REPORT: Sunday, July 9, 2006:

Operating Fund Contributions \$3100
Year to Date (77% of fiscal year) \$228,000 (68% of the budget)
Designated Funds: Congo Fund \$325

SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, July 23rd, 9:45 a.m.

Worship Leader Renee S
Pray-er Renee S
Pianist Karen B
Song Leader Marnie G
Ushers Mary F (Lead), John G
Library Harry H

COMING AT WNMC

50+/- GROUP - Wed., July 26th at the Gascho Farm (rain or shine) for a potluck picnic. Bring salad or dessert or cold cuts, lawn chairs, cold drinks. Coffee will be provided. Meet at WNMC at 10:00 a.m.

THIS WEEK AT WNMC

OUT OF THE OFFICE - Sharon B. will be out of the office on Tues., July 18 and Wed., July 19 for a First Aid Course. She will be back in the office on Thurs and Fri. Julie S-P will be in the office on Tues. and you can leave messages on the answering machine as well.

MEN'S SLOWPITCH - Tues., July 18th. Meet at 6:45 p.m. at the Bloomingdale Ball diamond "B" for a Regular Season game against Waterloo MB! For more game times check the website: (http://www.geocities.com/mennoniteslopitch/2006_schedule.html)

CHURCH FAMILY NEWS

COFFEE MAKERS/SERVERS - are needed for July and August. Please sign up at the servery window.

RIDE NEEDED TO AIRPORT - The Congo team of seven is flying out of Toronto at 7:10 p.m. on **Wednesday, July 26th**. They need transport to the airport so are looking for anyone who could drive them, either in a large van (they are going with carry-on luggage only) or in two vehicles. If you would like to send these folks off in this way please contact Mary Lou's Dave K.

FLOWERS FOR RENEE'S FAREWELL - In acknowledgement of Renee's gift of arranging visual aids for worship, everyone is invited to bring a garden flower for the worship service on July 30, Renee's last day as interim pastor. You can put this flower into a container at the back of the sanctuary as you enter. The flowers will be brought forward early in the service.

CARPETS CLEANED – WNMC carpets will be professionally cleaned on **Tues., Aug. 22nd**. Access to the facilities will not be possible from 9:00 am Tues., until 9:00 am Wednesday morning. Thank you!

PRAYER ITEMS

We hold in prayer:

- Phyllis A's mother as she undergoes radiation treatment for breast cancer. Pray too for Phyllis and her family as they offer care and support.
- Dave, Aleda and Kara K, Barbara C, Tim S, Kathy L and David O as they prepare for their journey to the Congo to serve as election observers. Next Sunday, July 23, we will send them with a special congregational blessing in our morning worship.
- Our prayers go out to Bishop O and the Ugandan people at this time. Bishop O has just returned to Uganda from his sabbatical in North America. Pray for him as he reconnects with his people and engages with the issues they are struggling with. Pray also for the peace talks that are happening as we speak between the Lord's Resistance Army, the Government of Uganda and the Sudanese Government. Pray that the leaders of these different groups would be willing to listen and to think of others before themselves, for the benefit of many so that shalom may come to the land.
- Pray for our Congolese Mennonite brothers and sisters who feel abandoned by the international community. As stated in the July 10th issue of the Canadian Mennonite: "By 2007, MCC will reduce its staff in the DR Congo to one representative. Congolese Mennonites represent 20 percent of the approximately one million Mennonites and Anabaptists around the world. The general perception in the Congo is that it is being abandoned [by the international community]," MWC associate executive director Pakisa Tshimika said. "The war was known to everybody. There's been no official condemnation....even by the churches, right or wrong. Those [whom the Congolese] used to call brothers and sisters, they don't see them anymore." MWC president Nancy Heisey said MCC and MWC need to talk together when such relationships change. "We need to be in conversation about 'relationship maintenance,'" she said.

CANADIAN MENNONITE UNIVERSITY

CMU's Outtown Discipleship Schools have space available for a few more students. If you are between 18 and 24 (or know someone who is) and want to learn more about God, yourself and the world, contact CMU admissions at 1.877.231.4570.

COMMUNITY EVENTS

MENNONITE CHURCH CANADA'S AFRICA LEARNING TOUR - planned for February 22 to

March 7, 2007. Hosted by Rudy & Sharon Dirks. www.mennonitechurch.ca/getinvolved/index.htm for more information.

ABNER MARTIN MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP, sponsored by Menno Singers, will be awarded again this year to a graduate or undergraduate who: 1) will study in a recognized music program full-time during the 2006-2007 academic year; 2) has been affiliated with an MCEC congregation for some time; and 3) has contributed musically in church and community. Deadline: September 15. Value: \$1,000. For an application form or more information contact Lewis Brubacher. Tel: 519-884-3072. E-mail: Lbrubacher@sympatico.ca. Website is http://www.mennofoundation.ca/mfc4_2.html

MCC JOB OPPORTUNITY - Administrative Assistant - Recycling, New Hamburg Thrift Centre. Mennonite Central Committee is seeking a person with strong interpersonal skills with people of all ages, willingness to work in a team environment and an awareness of second hand retail market trends. This full-time salaried position is available starting August, 2006. Deadline for application July 19. For more information contact Cath Woolner, 519-745-8458 or cathw@mennonitecc.on.ca.

CIRCLE OF FRIENDS - Project Assistant, Kitchener. This project works with women transitioning from shelter living to independent living in the community. Mennonite Central Committee is seeking a person with experience in the non-profit social service or health sector, experience working with and managing volunteers, strong administrative and communication skills. Half-time, salaried position. Application deadline September 18, starting October, 2006. For more information, contact Cath Woolner, 519-745-8458 or cathw@mennonitecc.on.ca

TEN THOUSAND VILLAGES is seeking individuals to fill two positions at our head office in New Hamburg, Ontario. They are Accountant and Web Store Manager. Information regarding these jobs may be

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under 'about us'.