



# WATERLOO NORTH MENNONITE CHURCH

8:30 a.m. Matins Service 9:30 Sunday School 10:45 a.m. Worship Service



## INFORMATION SHEET – Sunday, May 20, 2007

### Upcoming Services

**May 27** Pentecost- Communion in 10:45 Worship

**June 10** Sunday School Picnic at Gascho farm 10:00 a.m.

**June 17** - Beginning of Summer Worship Schedule

**Aug. 13-17** Vacation Bible School at WNMC

<b>ATTENDANCE: Sunday, May 13, 2007</b> - Matins Service .....	42
- Worship Service .....	157
Operating Fund Contributions for May 13: .....	\$5,500
Total Contributions to date: .....	\$201,950
Contribution Target to June 30 <sup>th</sup> (76% of total budget).....	\$255,360
Designated: \$90 The Gathering	

### **Schedule For Sunday, May 27, 10:45 a.m.**

Worship Leader .....Natasha K & Andrea W  
 Preacher ..... Ardith F  
 Pray-er ..... Peter P  
 Song Leader .....Dale B-C  
 Pianist ..... TBA  
 Library ..... Tessa D  
 Coffee maker ..... **Volunteer Needed**  
 Coffee server..... **Volunteer Needed**  
 Offering Collectors ..... Kara F, Simon F  
 ..... Maria S-G, Nick P  
 Nursery ..... Jeff & Loretta V S

### **TODAY**

#### **FOOD & SPIRITUALITY SUNDAY SCHOOL –**

There will be no Sunday School class on May 20<sup>th</sup>.  
 Classes will resume on May 27<sup>th</sup> with the final class  
 on June 3<sup>rd</sup>. On May 27<sup>th</sup> there will be a time of  
 sharing ideas and resources in regards to our food  
 choices. June 3<sup>rd</sup> will be a time of celebration of food  
 (including the eating of food!).

### **THIS WEEK AT WNMC**

**OFFICE CLOSED** – The church office will be  
 closed on Tues, May 22<sup>nd</sup> due to the statutory  
 holiday.

**MEN'S SLO PITCH** -. Regular Season – **Tues.,**  
**May 22,** 7 pm Diamond 'B' WN vs Erb St.

**PRAYER FOR CONGO, ETHIOPIA AND**  
**BEYOND:** Tue. **May 22,** 7:30 p.m. at Lorraine and  
 John P., Waterloo. Any one interested in praying  
 together for the Congo, our connection with the  
 Women Theologians there, Ethiopia and other  
 concerns, is welcome to join us.

**50+/- GROUP** – Wed., **May 23,** come for fellowship  
 and discussion.

### **REGIONAL OPEN HOUSES – May 27 & June 3.**

Invitations were put in mailslots. Please RSVP to  
 your host. If you have been missed or are listed in the  
 wrong region please call or e-mail Carol S.

### **COMING AT WNMC**

#### **CONGREGATIONAL DECISION-MAKING.**

1. Contract for Chip - Due to Chip's holiday schedule  
 in June, we would like to take action on renewing  
 Chip's contract prior to our congregational  
 meeting. CMC recommended calling Chip to a 3  
 year term and we need the congregation to take  
 action on this on **Sunday June 3**. This will be a  
 ballot vote.
2. **Congregational Meeting June 17** - There will be  
 a short congregational meeting to approve the slate  
 and the auditor.
3. Please see the CMC minutes from May 8 -  
 Highlights include a positive report from Chip's  
 review committee, plans for a retreat for CMC and  
 Ministry team led by Andrew Reesor McDowell  
 and discussion about communication at Waterloo  
 North.

**THE CONGO FOCUS GROUP** -is starting to plan  
 for the coming of 2 women from ATMCO  
 (Congolese Women Theologians) Oct 17 - Nov 5.  
 We need 4-6 hosts for them while they are in KW.  
 Please connect with Kathryn Good if you would like  
 to be a host for one week. We will not hold a lottery  
 for this privileged opportunity, but will be strongly  
 biased to selecting those hosts who have no Africa  
 experience.

**Mark Your Calendars** for the Simply in Season  
 Church Picnic on Sunday June 10 to be held again at  
 the Gascho Property near New Dundee. Details to  
 follow.

#### **SUNDAY SCHOOL SIGN UP -**

The volunteer sign up sheet will be at the back of the  
 church this Sunday morning. Don't lose out on your  
 chance to make connections with our wonderful  
 group of children!!! Any questions, contact Sheri M  
 S or Patty K

**JUNIOR YOUTH:** Reminder that the last event of the year is coming quickly. Camping at Gascho Farm on **June 9th- 10th.** More details to follow.

**YOUTH (GR. 9-12):** Join us for the last event of the year - the 2nd annual camping at Gascho Farm on **June 9th-10th.** More details to follow.

### **CHURCH FAMILY NEWS**

**CARING ADULTS AND YOUTH NEEDED - from August 13-17** in the mornings to nurture the faith of children and junior youth at VBS as centre leaders, group leaders, SK leaders, child care providers, drama members, musicians, or kitchen assistants. Please sign-up under the area in which you would like to participate or speak with a member of the VBS planning committee: Shirley G, Heather H, Linda R, or Chip B.

**VBS REGISTRATION FORMS** – Children of VBS age (SK to Grade 8 as of September 2007) have received an application form for VBS in their mail slots. Please submit your applications early in the VBS Registration Mailslot! Extra copies are available in the foyer.



**MCC RELIEF SALE - SAUSAGE ON A BUN PROJECT.** Waterloo North again will be doing Sausage on a bun at the New Hamburg Relief Sale, evening of **Fri., May 25** and all day **Sat., May 26.** This is a great fun opportunity to get to know others. Please sign up on the sheets at the back or talk to Tim S.

**MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER** - Kay W is transferring her membership to Erb St. Mennonite Church. We wish her God's richest blessings.

**STEWARDSHIP & FINANCE** - will host a Congregational Discussion **June 17**, following the worship service. We will focus on the topic "How our Spending Plan relates to our Church's purpose", which will include a panel of committee representatives reflecting on how their work relates to the congregational covenant. Childcare will be provided. Please plan to attend!

**MESERETE KRISTOS CHURCH & COLLEGE - June 17**, 3:00 pm at WNMC. We have an opportunity to hear an update on Meserete Kristos Church and College. The new president of the College, Negash Kebede, as well as Carl Hansen will present the story. The Legesse family, soon to be leaving for MKC will receive our blessing. Other Mennonite churches will be present.

**LOGOS Registration:** The spring session of LOGOS is over....and now the planning for fall begins! Two registration meetings are planned: the Sundays of **May 27** and **June 3** during the Sunday School hour at 9:30 a.m. The meeting on May 27 is specifically planned for **families new to LOGOS** or

for anyone wanting more information on this ministry. If **you are returning to LOGOS**, come on June 3. For both dates, please bring your chequebook as registration will be complete only with payment of the \$30 deposit. LOGOS is a ministry for youth and children from grades 12 to 1 which meets for two 10 week terms on Thursday evenings in fall and later winter. Questions? See LOGOS Co-directors Margaret A or Bev S-G.

### **PRAYER ITEMS**

*We hold in prayer....*

- Ateeq W, as he is immersed in legal custody hearings regarding his children
- Our Colombian brothers and sisters who continue to live and minister in a context of poverty, injustice and extensive armed conflict. (Today is named as a day of prayer and action on Colombia.)

*We give thanks...*

- with Ruth M for the safety of her colleague through a recent accident
- with Chris Y for safe travels and a good work experience in Mozambique
- with Nancy P, in recovery from recent illness
- with MC Canada for positive reception from the Evangelical Missionary Church in Cuba to recent visits, books and teaching on Anabaptism

### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**Action evening for Colombia:** Thurs. **May 24**, 7:30 pm. First Mennonite Church (800 King St E, Kitchener) view a short video about the violence affecting Christians in Colombia and write a letter supporting peaceful policy changes from the Canadian Government. Also, be ready to consider ideas for further action. Contact Scott Albrecht (519-749-0213 or [salbrecht@golden.net](mailto:salbrecht@golden.net)) for info. or see [www.PeaceInColombia.org](http://www.PeaceInColombia.org).

**HEALTH CARE AS HOLY WORK – May 28**, 7 p.m., Parkwood Mennonite Home. Pam Driedger will be the featured presenter for this initial session. No cost to participants. See bulletin board for poster.

**SOLVING POVERTY – Tues., May 29**, 11:30 am – 1:30 pm, The Pines, 115 Fountain St., S., Cambridge. Registration required – phone Sandy at 519-883-2353 ext. 5985 or email [communityconversations@owr.ca](mailto:communityconversations@owr.ca) –see b.b. for info.

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