

## PRAYER, PRAISE, BLESSINGS & REFLECTION

### WMC FAMILY:

- \*... **Hedy & John Dyck**
- \*... Health, healing, comfort: **K C** (John R's friend), **Kristen Nikkel**
- \*... **Congrats!**  
**John & Lorraine Reimer**, newly born G-daughter '**Nora Arabelle**'
- \*...WMC Residents @ Westview & Evergreen: **Agnes Epp, Betty Engbrecht, Kay Stow, Peter Neufeld, Elfrieda Epp, George J Neufeld, Tinie Sawatzky**
- \*... **Ron** (P Wes' dad) - journey to the Congo.
- \*... **John Reimer** has accepted the Western Rep seat on the MCM board.

### Wider Church....

- ... **MCM Annual Delegate Gathering:** prayers for those who are planning, prospective delegates and the hosts. May this time of discernment be filled with wisdom and understanding.
- ... Many **refugees** have come to Canada in search of safety & freedom as was the case of our earlier generations. The integration process can be intimidating and stressful. May support and love help to reassure all that they are welcome here.
- ... the following from a friend in the **Word Made Flesh** community:

... All across China, people are talking about **Li Wen Liang**, the doctor who discovered the novel coronavirus and last night he passed away. In December he was arrested for being a whistle blower 'spreading rumors' about a mysterious pneumonia like virus. This morning we found out he was in fact a fellow brother in Christ. Our hearts are deeply moved by his sacrificial choice to spread awareness about the virus despite the risks he faced, especially to his reputation and to his own health. He continued to care for patients up until he was infected himself. What a legacy to leave behind of what it means to be like Jesus to those hurting in a time of crisis. He chose to be an example of Immanuel, 'God with us' to the people of Wuhan. Can you imagine the joy he must have felt as he entered into eternity and heard the words, "Well done, my good and faithful servant"? Please pray for his family, especially his wife who is infected and 8 months pregnant with their second child. May God give them peace and comfort during this time. #jjayouwuhan

### WMC's Identity Statement:

'With our feet firmly planted in our Anabaptist and Mennonite beginnings, we work to reach out with our hands to welcome and lift up all who come here. We encourage one another with the heart of Christ to learn and to grow in spiritual maturity **and to take amazing risks for God.'**

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# Whitewater Mennonite Church



Worship Leader:

Edith Hammond

Message:

Ed Voth

*Mission Aviation Fellowship Canada*

Music:

Catherine & George Heide

Children's Feature:

Ed Voth

**February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2020 @ 10:45 a.m.**

**1 Corinthians 3:10, 15:1-10 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)**

According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and someone else is building on it. Each builder must choose with care how to build on it.

Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received, in which also you stand, through which also you are being saved, if you hold firmly to the message that I proclaimed to you—unless you have come to believe in vain. For I handed on to you as of first importance what I in turn had received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, and that he was buried, and that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers and sisters at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me has not been in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them—though it was not I, but the grace of God that is with me.

**1 CORINTHIANS CHAPTER FIFTEEN**

Y D L R N H D I L D F R U B E D	APOSTLES	HUNDRED
I D E E C I T E E L E O E V E N	ASLEEP	JEOPARDY
B U R R P E A R R W A L U H I S	BAPTIZED	LABORED
P R U A N S O R O D I H C G T O	BEASTS	MANNERS
Y H E E P B O P G E N A S I H T	BELIEVED	MEMORY
C L S T A O R G V I E U U R S T	BRETHREN	POWER
M I I L H D E E D R A R H R I S	CHURCH	PREACHED
R A G A T R D J P E F L I T U P	DAILY	PROTEST
P I N P D M E D D S Z F O B A S	DECLARE	RECEIVED
P R E N E D E N E E S I D O U R	ENEMIES	REMAIN
A L O M E T E L N E V U T B O S	EXCEPTED	RISEN
S S O T P R T C I I E I J P T I	FIRST	SHALL
A R L E E S S M L D A E E S A D	FOUGHT	SLEPT
Y U C E O S E N D A C M A C A B	FRUITS	SUBDUED
E X E P E N T R E T R E E D E R	GOSPEL	SUBJECT
E R A T E P M U R T B E A R E R	GRAIN	TRUMPET

Boissevain Youth: Stuart Burnett 557-7486 stuart\_burnett@live.com  
 Bible Studies resume January 7, 2020: Tuesdays: Jr - 3:30-5pm, Sr - 7-9pm  
 Feb 21 - Sr ~ Lake Adam  
 Youth are looking for snacks, contact Stuart!

*"For grace is given not because we have done good works, but in order that we may be able to do them."  
 Saint Augustine Of Hippo*



The Bible was not written down for quiet, private reading. It was meant to be read publically and experienced aurally, by listening (exm. Ex 24:7, Neh 8, Lk 4:16-20, 1 Tim 4:3). Listening, especially in our hyperliterate, fast paced society, provides a different experience and a valid (and beautiful) way to take in scripture. Listening builds focus and obedience. So, yes, listen to your daily readings, if you wish. (Why in the world am I making a case against reading the Bible!? I'm not, hang on.)

*In other news, the ReNew pastor's conference provided an intellectual and spiritual challenge and the space to have some really good conversation with colleagues. Andrew Root and Linda Loewen provided a practical yet depth of insight rarely encountered. Andrew, reading Canadian philosopher Charles Taylor, put a finer point on the challenges (and openings) to Christian formation in a secular age. Linda opened us up to the meeting place of neurology and psychology and brought it to bear on trauma, anxiety and depression. Both were at once funny, stimulating, and like drinking out a fire hose.*



**TODAY**

- Feb ~ **Welcome!**
- 20 ~ WMC supporting Boissevain Food Pantry
- 26 ~ Prayer / Scripture Reading, 7pm @ WMC
- Mar 5-7 ~ MCI Musical Production, 'Annie' **#1**
- 4-5 ~ Boissevain Festival vocal/choral, Millie Hildebrand adjudicating
- 7 ~ MCM Annual Delegate Gathering 2020, Altona Bergthaler MC
- 9 - 12 ~ Boissevain Festival Piano Sessions @ WMC
- 12 ~ Boissevain Festival Multigenerational Piano Fun Night 7 pm
- 22 ~ Boissevain Festival Awards Concert 3pm
- ~ Annual WMC Mission Sale is coming soon

**Activities & Interests ...**

**WMC:**

- a. **WMC** is working towards developing a web site. Along with this comes an opportunity for those with inspired abilities to create a **LOGO** that would represent WMC (*past, present and future*). Deadline for submissions – March 31, 2020 Herm
- b. **Piano humidifier** works better and lasts longer using distilled water. Water from dehumidifiers is ideal. **Contact Matt** if you can help with supplying this commodity.

**Community....**

1. **MCI Musical** March 5-7 presenting Annie. Need a ride? Bus transportation may be available. Contact **Matt Heide** for more information.
2. **MCC 100 Year Celebration** – Highlites on CJRB every Monday, Wednesday, Friday @ 9:20am <https://www.mharchives.ca/features/still-speaking/>  
**MCC Cycle Clear Lake** is on for July 4<sup>th</sup>. Exercise and \$\$ are a good match.

*Given the rapid international reach of the corona virus, immediate precautions include frequent handwashing, avoiding handshakes, and diligent cleaning of public areas.*