

**WMC FAMILY... Sawatzky, Tinie**

Health, healing, comfort:

...Condolences to Marc and Charlene Willerton and family on the loss of their daughter, Ava. She was stillborn on Wednesday, August 3. Thanks for all your thoughts and prayers.

...Tara Cassils, Jake Neufeld, Elizabeth Kuhl (Hedy & Edith's sister), Rita's nephew Tony and his family (Parents Karen and Phil)

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**WMC's Identity Statement:**

‘With our feet firmly planted in our Anabaptist and Mennonite beginning, 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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We acknowledge our presence on the lands of the Cree, Ojibway, Dakota and Metis nations. We recognize that we are guests on this land and will be mindful of our impact as we critically look at colonial histories and present-day implications. We acknowledge this as a first step in fulfilling our responsibility and commitment to truth and reconciliation.

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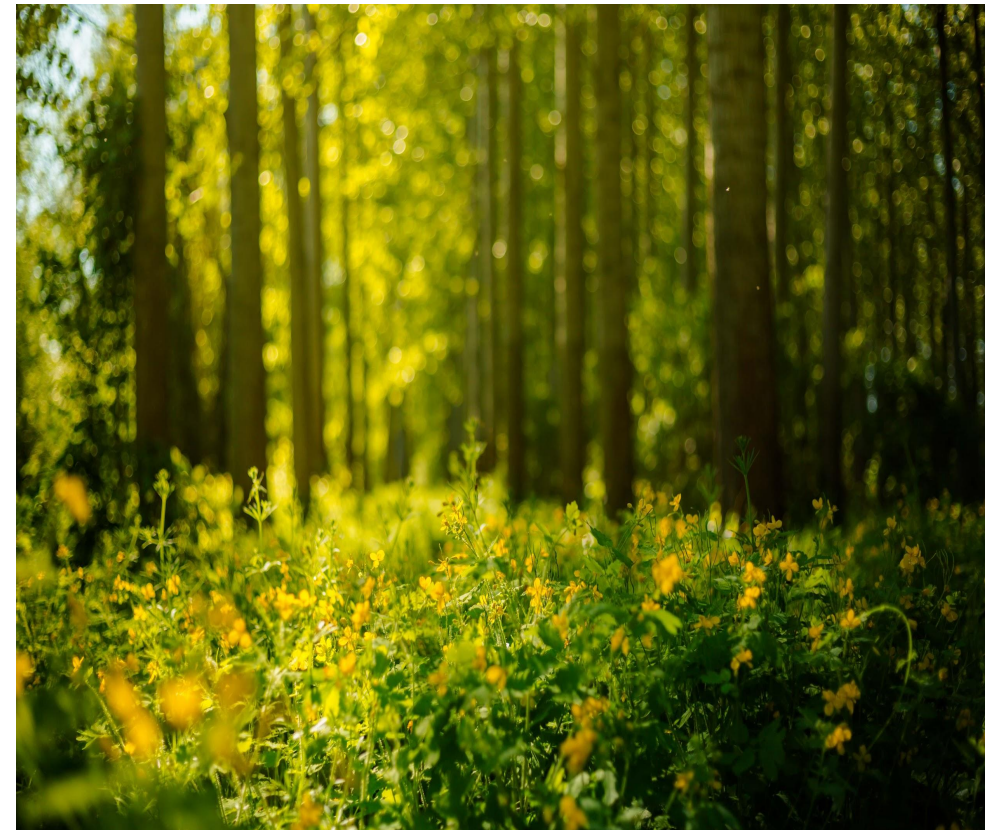
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**August 7th, 2022**

Music: George and Catherine Heide

Sermon: Pastor Terrell Wiebe  
*Bearing Witness in a Secular Age*

## Acts 17:22-34 NRSV

**22** Paul then stood up in the meeting of the Areopagus and said: “People of Athens! I see that in every way you are very religious. **23** For as I walked around and looked carefully at your objects of worship, I even found an altar with this inscription: to an unknown god. So you are ignorant of the very thing you worship—and this is what I am going to proclaim to you.

**24** “The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by human hands.

**25** And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything. Rather, he himself gives everyone life and breath and everything else. **26** From one man he made all the nations, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he marked out their appointed times in history and the boundaries of their lands. **27** God did this so that they would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him, though he is not far from any one of us. **28** ‘For in him we live and move and have our being.’<sup>[a]</sup> As some of your own poets have said, ‘We are his offspring.’<sup>[b]</sup>

**29** “Therefore since we are God’s offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone—an image made by human design and skill. **30** In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. **31** For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to everyone by raising him from the dead.”

**32** When they heard about the resurrection of the dead, some of them sneered, but others said, “We want to hear you again on this subject.” **33** At that, Paul left the Council. **34** Some of the people became followers of Paul and believed. Among them was Dionysius, a member of the Areopagus, also a woman named Damaris, and a number of others.

## Announcements and Upcoming Events

**August 14–19** – Pastor Terrell at Camp Koinonia

**August 14** – Wedding Shower for Clarice and Simon (details below)

**August 16** – Devotions at Westview and Evergreen (Volunteers needed! Please contact Heather Heide if you’re willing to help)

**Wedding Shower in Honour of Clarice Martens and Simon Dueck.**

**7pm August 14th, Kinsmen Park.** Please bring a lawn chair! Your presence is the best present, gifts not necessary. To contribute to a group gift (charcoal barbecue) contact Jill at 204-305-0931

**58th Annual Meeting of the Members of the Mennonite Central Committee**

**Manitoba** will be held in Sterling Mennonite Fellowship (1008 Dakota St, Winnipeg, MB R2N 1P2 ) on the date of **Sep 22, 2022** from 7–9 pm.

**Boissevain VBS will be held August 22–26** at the Boissevain MB Church!

Ages 4–11, Register at [MBChurch.ca/vbs](http://MBChurch.ca/vbs) or contact Darci Hildebrand @ 204-534-8701. If you are willing to be a volunteer please contact Tanya Dueck @ 204-573-2496

**A do-it-yourself fundraiser for everyone!** Join Go!100 and raise money for MCC this summer by doing 100 of the activities of your choice throughout July and August. Whether you choose to bike 100 km, make 100 perogies or donate 100 items to an MCC Thrift shop, you’ll bring tangible relief to refugees and displaced people around the world. Visit [mccmb.ca/go-100](http://mccmb.ca/go-100) for more information and to sign up.

**Volunteers needed!** The **MCC Thrift Shop** in Brandon is experiencing a backlog of donations, and would really appreciate more volunteers to process and price the many donated items. Come and be part of our volunteer team: meet new people and contribute to MCC’s ministries, which offer help worldwide to those who need it! Please contact **Shelly Burrows** at 204-727-1162 or [brandonmccthrift@wcgwave.ca](mailto:brandonmccthrift@wcgwave.ca).