

Prayer and Praise! – **Region 5 (USA) Leaders Retreat**

Pray for the Region 5 Leader Retreat taking place September 3 and 4 in at Gospel Mennonite Church in Seminole Texas. Their theme is “Healthy Leaders”. **Pray** too for the Region 5 Council Meeting that will be held on Friday September 2. **Praise** God for this group of leaders and their desire to respond to God’s leading. Arlie and Eva Peters, school director at Villa Nueva School, Bolivia, will be joining the leaders and sharing of their ministry in Bolivia.

Praise! – **Bill Wiebe, Gospel Mennonite Church, Seminole Texas**

Pastor Bill Wiebe of the Gospel Mennonite Church in Seminole Texas was the guest speaker at the Conferencia Mennonita Evangelica gathering at Steinreich Bible School in Cuauhtemoc Mexico from August 26 to 28. In last week’s email, prayer was requested for Bill. Here’s a brief note from him: “Thank you for your prayers. God heard and answered. I had no migraine headaches and the Holy Spirit was with me in a real way when I preached. Frankly, I did better than I thought I would. **Praise God!**”

Prayer! – **Glencross Mennonite Church**

The Glencross Mennonite Church (Manitoba) congregation is in search of both a full-time **Lead Pastor** as well as full-time **Youth Pastor**. Continue to **Pray** with the congregation that the right people will be led to these ministry roles. **Pray** too that the various leaders in the church will be encouraged as they give direction to the congregation.

Pray! – **Teachers and staff**

It’s September and “back to school” for many students and teachers. Some have already had a few days in the classroom. **Pray** for teachers and staff in both public and private schools. They have an extremely important task of teaching our children! Encouragement from parents and the community can make a huge difference in the life of the school.

Pray for the various upcoming events listed at the bottom of the message.

Missionaries Available for Speaking Engagements:

Correna Janzen works with Wycliffe Bible Translators in Papua New Guinea. She is currently in Morden Manitoba on Home Assignment until November 22. Contact Correna directly and have her share with your congregation about her ministry in PNG. Email: correna_janzen@sil.org

Arlie and Eva Peters arrived in North America for their 6-month Home Assignment. Arlie is the school director at Villa Nueva, Bolivia. They will be visiting various churches throughout the Regions. (See their schedule below).

September 2 – 4	Region 5 – Gospel Mennonite, Seminole TX, Region 5 Leadership Retreat
September 11 am	Region 3 – Bergfeld Mennonite
September 11 pm	Region 3 – Morden EMMC
September 18	Region 3 – Glencross Mennonite Church
September 25	Region 2 – Bagot Community Chapel
October 2	Region 2 – Morrow Gospel Church, Winnipeg
October – January	Region 4 – Ontario (Aylmer) area
January 4/12	Return to Bolivia

Around the World

We remember those affected by devastating flooding in these past weeks: residents of the East Coast of the United States and Canada reeling from Hurricane Irene and 500 Christian families in need of food aid after rivers flooded in Kasur, Pakistan (<http://www.worldevangelicals.org/pray/article.htm?cat=top&id=%202606>). Pray Psalm 69:1-2, 13-18 for those who have lost loved ones, homes, and economic security.

July/August 2011 Recorder – posted on the Go Mission! Website at <http://gomission.ca/wp-content/uploads/July-August-2011-Recorder-w1.pdf> . You will find additional information from MDS posted with the July/August 2011 Recorder. MDS provided me we lots of great information, but I just couldn't put it all into the Recorder. There is a separate 'supplement' on the website, which features the flooding in Minot, North Dakota.

September Prayer Guide is posted with the July/August 2011 Recorder.

Coming Events ...

Beth Moore Simulcast – Winkler EMM Church, Saturday, September 10, 2011

9:00am - 4:00pm. This is a one day event which includes worship with Travis Cottrell and features great Bible teaching by **Beth Moore** -- all broadcast live from Texas right here to Southern Manitoba!

Tickets are \$20 each, which includes lunch (if purchased before September 1st). *Tickets can be purchased at the* Winkler Bible Book Shop, Morden's Heartland Bookshop, Winkler EMMC or by calling [204.331.4620](tel:204.331.4620) or e-mailing: falkfam@mts.net

Austin Evangelical Fellowship, Austin Manitoba – Special Services

“Faith for the Real World” with special guest speaker *David MacFarlane*, Director of National Initiatives, Billy Graham Evangelistic Association. Join them on **Saturday September 9 to Sunday September 11** for sessions to encourage and inspire living out our faith. Contact Pastor Colin Bell [204.637.2173](tel:204.637.2173) for more information.

Theology Committee meetings, September 13 and 14 in Winnipeg

Newly formed **Theology Committee** will meet for the first time! **Pray** for them as they prepare for these meetings and work together on various assignments. A list of the committee members can be found on the Go Mission! website.

Xchange 2011, Saturday, September 17, 2011 in Winnipeg

Training opportunity for leaders, pastors and team leaders in your congregation. See attached brochure and poster. *Share this information with your entire congregation!* You never know who needs the information and you could discover some great up and coming leaders!

Peace Sunday, September 25. Mennonite World Conference has prepared materials which can be downloaded from the MWC website at: <http://mwc-cmm.org/index.php/mwc-commissions/peace-commission/113-peace-sunday-september-25-2011>. I have also attached a document “Post for Peace Sunday” written by Arlene Friesen, which may be helpful to you and your leaders.

Church Planting Congress, November 15, 16 & 17, 2011 – Calvary Temple, Winnipeg MB

Seasoned and new leaders! This is for you! Sign up today at <http://gomission.ca/index.php/church-planting-congress> to ensure your place at this exciting event! How does your congregation need to reach out to your community? Come ... be taught ... be challenged ... be encouraged ... be equipped! **Deadline for early registration is September 12.**

“Relay 75”! July 6, 7 & 8, 2012 – Winkler Manitoba (EMMC’s 75th Anniversary)

The EMMC will be celebrating their 75th Anniversary next summer! “Relay” has more than one meaning. (1) to pass along information; (2) pass on a baton / torch to continue towards the goal. We’ll be **celebrating God’s faithfulness** throughout our EMMC history, as well as setting new mission goals and encouraging churches and individuals to continue carrying the message of Christ to the next generation and to new places of ministry. Mark the dates on your personal and church calendars. Much more information will be coming to congregations through the Recorder, emails and the website. **God’s goodness and faithfulness is something to celebrate!**

Churches by Region

Region 1 – Alberta / Saskatchewan: Mennonite Gospel Church (Vauxhall AB), Hague Gospel, Hepburn Gospel, Warman Gospel, Wynyard Gospel, Sutherland Evangelical Fellowship (Saskatoon)

Region 2 – Manitoba Central: Austin Evangelical Fellowship, Bagot Community Chapel, Gospel Fellowship Church (Steinbach), Lakeside Community Chapel (St. Laurent), Gospel Mennonite (Winnipeg), Morrow Gospel (Winnipeg), Niverville Community Fellowship

Region 3 – Manitoba South: Altona EMMC, Bergfeld Evangelical, Glencross Mennonite, Morden EMMC, Winkler EMMC, Gospel Mission (Winkler)

Region 4 – Ontario: Aylmer EMMC, Gospel Fellowship (St. Thomas), Blenheim EMMC, Leamington EMMC

Region 5 – USA: Gospel Mennonite (Sublette KS), Gospel Mennonite (Seminole TX), Lighthouse Mission (Tigertown TX), Newell EMMC (Iowa)

Region 6 – Belize / Southern Mexico: Blue Creek EMMC, Spanish Lookout EMMC, Gospel Fellowship Chapel (Shipyard), Cuatro Banderas EMMC (MX), Hopelchen EMMC (MX)