

Care & Share



Thanks to the many volunteers for a very successful VBS 2017!

To God be the glory!

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

In last month's Care & Share, I wanted to add some things I had read about Queen Elizabeth but decided that would make it too long, so I'll use it this month. I find it interesting that during the 150 years of Canada being a Dominion, the British Commonwealth had two of its longest reigning monarchs. They were Queen Victoria who took part in signing the agreement of this event. Maybe the monarchy being less austere and formal, now as it was then, makes the present Queen more loved and respected than Queen Victoria. Some of the things I read about Queen Elizabeth are as follows. Even now, while in her 90's, she still works 40 hours a week. This is what one commentator says about her, "The Queen's remarkable life of service to nation and commonwealth has made her one of the world's most admired persons in the world." In her own words, "I know just how much I rely on my faith to guide me through the good times and the bad. Each day is a new beginning. I know the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long view, to give of my best in all that the day brings and to put my trust in God. I always draw strength from the message of hope in the Christian gospel." This is from her speech on Christmas 2002.

Our VBS program, this past month, seemed very successful with more than 60 children attending. It certainly took team effort. It is quite something to see what can be accomplished if all are willing to use their individual God given talents in His service. Karen Koomans did an excellent job again, setting up the scenery to go with the theme of the program. According to Pastor John, he just told her what this year's theme was and she went at it and with the assistance of some helpers, came up with a great design. Dayle Allan did an excellent job with the opening exercises, leading the children in some very enthusiastic singing plus more. Ian, the somewhat confused, excitable and needy character, showing up each morning, certainly added some entertainment. Thank you, Emma for your part. Thank you, Pastor John & Marlene for getting everything sorted and organized. It certainly takes dedication and time. Even the snacks were so that they somewhat coordinated with the theme of the day. Thank you kitchen staff for preparing for this, plus providing the rest of us with coffee and goodies. Sietske's "koek" was much appreciated. (Many asked for the recipe, so it is added below.) A huge thank you to all who took on the different responsibilities to make it all happen.

We are thankful with Peter & Leona Van Heyst for the progress Leona is making. When this Care & Share comes out, Leona may be at home again. We hope she can get around without much difficulty but she may have to take it easy for a while yet.

We are also are thankful with John & Linda Esselink who were able to spend three weeks in Oregon with their daughter and son-in-law, Irene and Kryn. Being able to do something like that while being 90+ years old certainly is a bonus, a special gift from a loving God.

Another reason for thankfulness was witnessing the baptism of Brooks Peter, son of Colin & Emma Kaemingh on July 23rd.

We extend our congregational condolences to Henriette Verhoef with the passing away of her father, Nicolaas "Nick" Verhoef, who passed away on July 11th in Peterborough, Ontario. Continue to pray for Henriette as she mourns the passing of her father and as she was brought to the hospital this past week, very weak and with some mobility issues.

Jan and Sietske van Zwol are leaving for the Netherlands August 14-29. For Jan, it has been seven years since his last visit. Sietske's sister, Sieuwke's cancer seems to be winning. The prospect does not look favourable for a recovery. All we can do is pray that she does not suffer much and enjoys her family.

We are thankful with Judy Kaemingh, whose granddaughter, Danielle Payne was miraculously spared from an incident that could have costed her, her life. She was hit on the side of her face with a large spike that was thrown by a lawnmower, barely missing her eye. She did get a deep cut from her upper cheek to her lip, losing a lot of blood and needing quite a few stitches but according to Judy there seems to be no serious after effects, though complete healing may take some time.

Bonnie Woolsey, who right now is in Tillsonburg with her daughter Becky, is on her way to Ancaster with her daughter Meghan, who will be studying at Redeemer at the end of August. Bonnie will be moving to Dryden. We wish her all the best.

We are thankful also for the progress little Nova Jade (baby girl of Tanner & Stevie Lee Kaemingh) is making. She was able to come home around the 20th of July. She is tiny but doing quite well.

May we remember to pray for Kim Van Rozen, who experienced some set backs which must be quite discouraging for family members.

Congratulations & best wishes to all celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in August. May you all receive a special blessing on your special day.

The more senior members celebrating this special day are Jacqui Hunsperger, whose birthday is on the 6th of August and Leona Van Heyst, whose birthday is on the 15th.

Nick & Hilda Schryvershof will be married 59 years on the 17th and Elmer & Helen Cates will be married 46 years on the 28th.

May God bless you all in every way.

Sietske's VBS Koek

4 cup flour

1 and 1/2 cup sugar

2 tsp cinnamon

2 tsp ginger

1 tsp nutmeg

1/2 tsp cloves

1 tsp baking powder

1 tsp baking soda

1 cup honey or beehive syrup

2 cup water

2 tsp anise seed

Mix and put in 2 loaf pans @ 325 degrees for 50 to 60min.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

FROM WORLD RENEW

To the congregation of Emo CRC: We are grateful for your donations of \$2,637.00 for World Renew programs received from April to June 2017. Your gifts are making a difference through our Canadian Foodgrains Bank projects, community development work in Nicaragua, and program fund (where needed most). Every day, World Renew witnesses God's power at work among people who live in adversity, as their stories are rewritten with the hope and courage that only He can give. Thank you for joining us in this journey, as we strive to seek justice and defend the oppressed (Isaiah 1:17) while looking to Jesus, the greatest Story Changer of all. To learn more about how you can continue to partner with World Renew to change the story, visit worldrenew.net.

FROM CITIZENS OF PUBLIC JUSTICE

Chew on This! Plans are underway for the 5th annual Chew on This! event, organized by Citizens for Public Justice and the Dignity for All campaign. Each year, volunteers go out to their communities on October 17, the International Day for the Eradication of Poverty, to hand out Chew on This! lunch bags, containing a food item, a magnet, and a postcard directed to the federal government. This year, Chew on This! will focus on making sure the federal government has heard the voices of people calling for a comprehensive national strategy following on consultations for the Canadian Poverty Reduction Strategy. To organize a Chew on This! event or for more information, go to dignityforall.ca/chew-on-this or contact Darlene O'Leary at darlene@cpj.ca.

FROM THE KING'S UNIVERSITY

August 2017 Announcements:

Campus Visit Opportunities at The King's University

As you are thinking about your future, consider King's as your stepping stone into a future of opportunities. Our formal campus visit program is finished for the 2016/17 academic year, but you can still experience King's campus first-hand through a personal visit. Dates for our 2017/18 campus visit events will be posted this summer. Please visit our webpage www.kingsu.ca/visit for more details.

Personal visits

King's Admissions is happy to arrange a private meeting or a campus tour with an Admissions Counsellor. Personal visits can be scheduled Monday to Friday between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

Fall 2017 application deadline

King's is accepting applications for the 2017/18 academic year! Please apply online at www.kingsu.ca/apply by August 15, 2017.

Contact us

If you have questions about King's events, programs, or applying for admission, please contact Admissions at 780-465-8334 or admissions@kingsu.ca.

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Thirty Dollars

A Story of Transformation

Thirty dollars. That's Rosa Chavara's savings goal for this year. In January, Rosa decided to try to save two dollars a month, and challenged herself to save double when she could.

Rosa lives in the community of Santa Gertrudis, Nicaragua, at the end of a winding, dirt road three hours from the capital city of Managua. Her family has lived there for years, eking out a living on their small farm, surviving both drought and torrential rains. It's not the best place to have a farm. **Life is hard in almost every respect.** Rosa and her husband, Modesto, have four children; the youngest, Jasmari, is just eleven months old.

After Jasmari was born, Rosa joined other women in Santa Gertrudis to form a savings group. Every member set a savings goal for the year. Rosa's was simple: **she just wanted to make sure she had enough money if Jasmari had a medical emergency.** She remembered from raising her three older children how she sometimes had to scramble to come up with money for bus fare to see a doctor when a fever spiked, or to purchase a prescription to fight off an infection. In Rosa's economy, thirty dollars goes a long way towards a child's health, even making a difference between a baby's life and death.

Rosa's savings group has 20 members. Luke Society Foundation, one of World Renew's partners in Nicaragua, helped them to organize their savings group. Collective rules had to be agreed on: the frequency and size of the deposits; how withdrawals could be made; and how and where cash could be 'banked' as it accumulated. Rosa was a quick learner. She was chosen to be president of the group and is one of three women on the management committee who holds a key to one of the three locks that secure their metal cash box. To have access to cash in the box, all three keys have to unlock their separate padlocks simultaneously — a rather ingenious security measure!

Halfway through the year, Rosa has already saved eighteen dollars. In her community, where cash is scarce, medical insurance is not accessible, and simple medical emergencies can quickly



become complicated, Rosa's savings make her feel powerful. Her committee is now considering short-term loans that can be extended to group members to start low-capital businesses. They think they will soon open a savings account in a bank — an idea would have seemed like a preposterous idea just one year ago.

World Renew and Luke Society Foundation have been working in the Santa Gertrudis community for the past three years. Whether digging a well, working to increase agriculture production, or improving health, their work seeks to help *change the story* so people like Rosa are empowered and communities like Santa Gertrudis are better places to live. **Thank you for helping make goals like savings thirty dollars in a year attainable.**

Blessings,
Mark VanderWees

August 2017

"He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will rest in the shadow of the Almighty. I will say to the Lord, 'My refuge and my fortress, my God, in whom I trust.'" (Psalm 91:1)



John Junior Mast

November 20, 1934 – July 1, 2017



Well Done Good And Faithful Servant

I (Mark) was so blessed to have this man as my father for 55 years! At 3:05am on July 1, 2017, Dad completed his earthly pilgrimage and received a glorious "Welcome Home!" from the Lord Himself. How precious to KNOW that he is SAFE in the arms of JESUS! He is walking streets of gold and is reunited with loved ones who have gone before him. Dad lived a legacy of faith in Jesus Christ and I am so grateful to God for his example of devotion. **"I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life."** (1John 5:13)

The events surrounding Dad's passing began on June 15 when he experienced a severe stroke. With our summer ministry schedule in full-swing, life became somewhat complicated for a few weeks. However, it was so awesome that the Lord enabled us to accomplish everything as planned: a week-long Chicago Trip with 29 high school students; 5 weeks of Northern Lights Bible FUN! (VBS) programs; Bible Camp at Sunny Cove, plus a myriad of other outreach endeavors that were undertaken. Many lives changed for eternity!! We are so grateful to the Lord for an army of giving and dedicated servants that helped make One Hope Canada 2017 summer ministries possible! Jesus Christ was exalted and the Gospel was made known!

Sunny Cove Bible Camp

Since Dad passed away on the day we were leaving to direct Bible Camp at Sunny Cove, we relied upon many very special people to help us. Rachel and Ben stepped up to assume many of our (Mark & Tina's) responsibilities. Others assisted with setting up camp. Many others served throughout the week as counselors, cooks, speakers, musicians, junior staff, nurses, life guards and activity group leaders. After camp was over, another special group of volunteers came to assist us with cleaning up. Virtually all of you reading this letter were **praying**. Thank you! Still others stepped forward to sponsor campers that would otherwise not have been able to afford it. We were blessed to share Jesus' love with 98 awesome campers at Sunny Cove! **TO GOD BE THE GLORY, GREAT THINGS HE HAS DONE!!**

Summer Ministry Schedule

We are now looking at 5 amazing weeks of Vacation Bible Schools, Bible Camp and the SCAP Chicago Trip in the near view mirror. **The Wilderness Canoe Trip will be taking place August 19-26.** We have 36 teens signed up to participate! Please **pray** for this 8-day adventure in the beauty of Ontario's pristine lakes around Nestor Falls. Please **pray** for the 10 staff that will be participating as well. **Thank you** for partnering with us in ministry to the "otherwise unreached" of Canada. Please **pray** for the Lord to bring in a bountiful "harvest" for His Kingdom. Thank you for upholding us before the Lord and supporting us in so many ways! **GOD is faithful in every way!**

Fall Ministry Schedule

It's all systems "GO!" for the fall discipleship programs that we conduct for children and teens who participated in summer ministry events. Please **pray** for these vital times of nurturing and spiritual growth in their Christian faith.

Guatemala Outreach "GO!"

Mark is coordinating 3 teams of people to minister in Guatemala during the months of October and November. At this point, we have 80 people signed up! Please **pray** for all the details yet to be finalized, along with the need to raise funds for the school we are building in San Miguel called "Innovating Dreamers Institute". In November, we will be constructing numerous homes in San Lorenzo, El Tejar and Pajales Dos. **Pray** especially for the Guatemalan people we will be serving in this amazing outreach! Please **pray** for the numerous Bible Schools that we will be conducting for children and the church services that Mark will be preaching at as well. If you would like to have a part in supporting these endeavors, donations can be made to "Guatemala Outreach" and sent to our "correspondence" addresses below. Thank you so much!

Thank **YOU** for partnering with us in the advancement of the Gospel to the "otherwise unreached" in Canada! Your **prayers** and **support** are greatly appreciated. We depend upon the Lord for our financial support that He supplies through His people. Thank you for being a great blessing to us through your sacrificial giving.

All for **JESUS**,

Mark & Tina Mast

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August 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Theodore Esselink *Theo & Marie-Ann deGroot (36th)	2 *Colin & Michelle Van Beek (3rd) 7:00 COUNCIL & CONSISTORY	3 Klyde Laplante Jeannette Veldhuisen 7:00 PRAYER MEETING	4	5
6 John Esselink jnr Jacqui Hunsperger *Jack & Wilma Esselink (35th) 10:00 WORSHIP	7	8 *Fred & Cathie Sinninghe (25th)	9 Betty Esselink *John Laplante & Kerri Tolen (20th)	10 7:00 PRAYER MEETING	11 *Paul & Karen Koomans (28th)	12 Emma Dykstra
13 Samuel Esselink 10:00 WORSHIP	14 *Arnold & Carol Kaemingh (35th)	15 Leona Van Heyst Natalie Veldhuisen *Marcus & Jenelle Veldhuisen (2nd)	16 Bridget Beck	17 7:00 PRAYER MEETING	18 Peter Osadchuk Fred Sinninghe	19
20 Mika Kooistra Mark Van Heyst 10:00 WORSHIP	21 Dirk Crans	22 *Luke & Marissa Esselink (2nd) *Colin & Emma Kaemingh (3rd)	23 Gary Esselink Cindy Kaemingh 7:30 PROFESSION OF FAITH CLASS	24 Dan Agombar 7:00 PRAYER MEETING	25	26
27 Jesse Esselink *Nick & Hilda Schryvershof (59th) 10:00 WORSHIP	28 *Elmer & Helen Cates (46th)	29	30 7:30 PROFESSION OF FAITH CLASS	31 Jenna Esselink 7:00 PRAYER MEETING		

