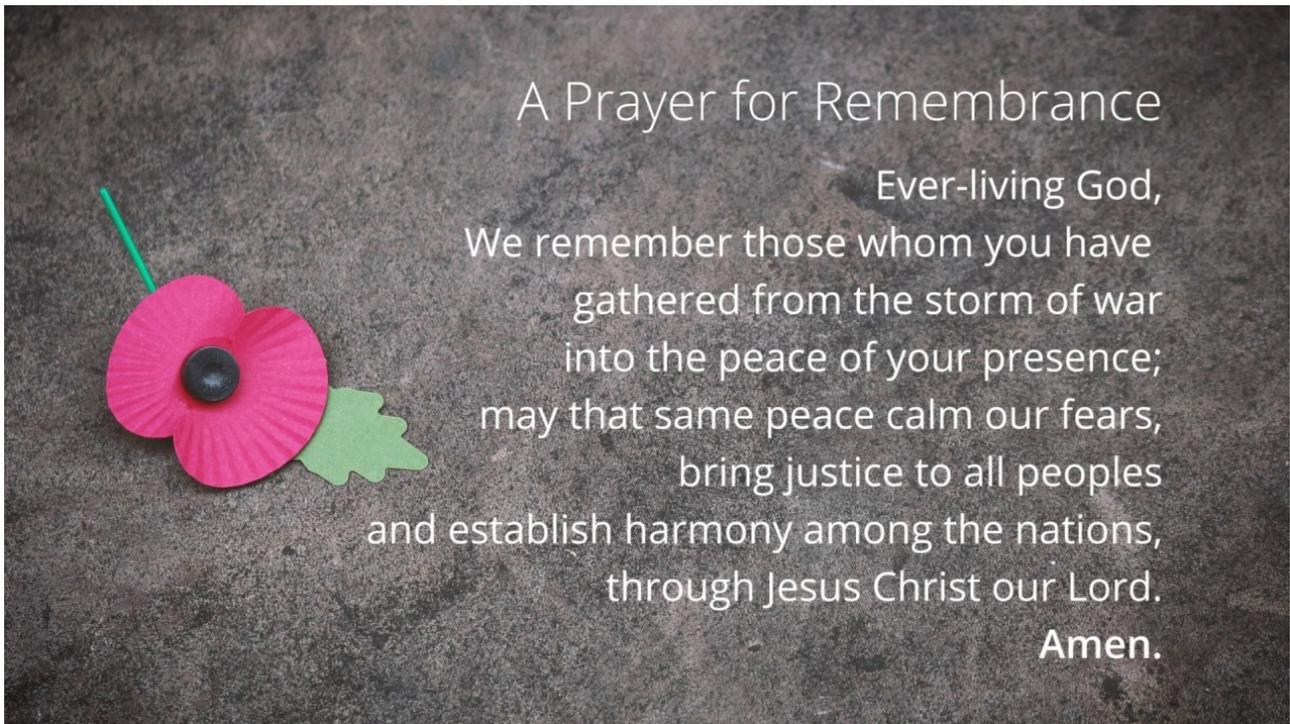




November 2019

Care & Share



OUR CHURCH FAMILY

In a recent article in the Winnipeg Free Press, by John Longhurst, he comments on how, by wearing a turban, Jagmeet Singh makes a stronger statement about his belief than any of the other candidates. He also mentions his humility, another highly recommended virtue. I know very little about Jagmeet's religious affiliation but that he is willing to make a public statement about what that religion means to him is admirable as much as we may disagree with what his belief is all about. I once heard someone say that if all Christians were as zealous and dedicated about what they believe as some of the other religious groups, the Christian church would grow considerably. As Pastor Kasey said, we are to make it our mission to make known to the world that Jesus is Lord of all because He redeemed that world by His death and resurrection.

Congratulations to John & Linda Esselink with the birth of another great granddaughter, a grandchild for daughter Liz & her husband, Ralph.

We are also thankful with them that John can be at home again and that with some home care, they are managing well.

Another reason for giving thanks is witnessing the Profession of Faith of Shayna Kelly on the 6th of October. May we remember to pray for all the young people of our congregation that they may grow in their faith and love for God.

We extend our sympathy to Brittany Bushby with the death of her father, Jeff Bushby from Thunder Bay.

Not being very observant, I am thankful that someone drew my attention to the face lift which our church's front door received. Thanks to Arend Wielinga who apparently spent more than a few hours on this project.

We wish safe travel to all those going to Guatemala this month and hope that, as all those who had this experience before, they will come back enthused and feeling rewarded.

Don't forget Remembrance Day on the 11th and try to attend the ceremonies that are held in our community. As most of us are of Dutch descent, we should be ever so grateful for what thousands of Canadian soldiers did for us in 1945.

Another reminder to come out the evening of November 15 for the annual Dorcas Society's Stampot Supper. It is always a time of good fellowship and fun plus a fundraiser for the many good causes the Dorcas ladies like to support.

We wish all those celebrating birthdays and anniversaries in November, a happy day and special blessings on those days. Those celebrating more than 65 birthdays are Louis Byma on the 22nd and John Esselink Snr on the 24th – his 95th. Nico & Jeannette Veldhuisen will be joining the 40+ anniversary club on the 24th. Best wishes to all of you!

A card was received from World Renew:

*We praise you, O God, Redeemer, Creator;
In grateful devotion our tribute we bring.
We lay it before you, we kneel and adore you;
We bless your holy name, glad praise we sing.*

AROUND THE WORLD,
WE SING HIS PRAISE
THIS THANKSGIVING.

We're so thankful for your church's support of world Renew's work in Nicaragua.
With a grateful heart, Naomi & the WR team in Burlington

From Dorcas Society:

A note to share with our congregation, who is so supportive of our mission work:

We were recently made aware of the refugees desperately fleeing Syria on foot to Lebanon. World Renew works through a local Christian church there, not only bringing the gospel, but also to feed families who've had to flee with just the shirts on their backs. They supply them with a month's basic food to hold them over while they settle and find jobs to support themselves. Every \$60 World Renew gives to this cause is multiplied by four for a limited time. Last Sunday the Dorcas ladies unanimously decided to send \$480 to World Renew for the Syrian refugees, which will be multiplied to make \$1,920 to feed the hungry. Thanks again; your faithful support has enabled Dorcas to reach out to others.

October 24, 2019

Dear friends,

I, Justin, have spent some time reflecting on the topic of *Stewardship and the Mission of God*. Most of the reflections focused on Matthew 25. It's led me to remind myself more frequently that I am serving/leading real people and that our organization exists for the sake of real people, not simply Bible translation. The following is my own reflection and application, of one section of this chapter, to my own life and ministry. I had the faces of real people in my mind when I wrote this.

³⁴ “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the creation of the world. ³⁵ For I was illiterate, considered worthless, and you taught me to read and find my worth in relationship to my Creator. I was taken advantage of in the market and could barely feed my family, and you taught me to write and do math, so I could calculate the just and fair price of my produce. ³⁶ I was beaten and left for dead, and your trauma healing course helped me find healing through God’s Word. I was treated as ignorant because of the language I spoke, and you came and lived with me, learned my language and modeled an aspect of what our Lord Jesus Christ did when He came down to earth and became one of us.” Matthew 25:34-36, from the *Justin’s Very Unauthorized Version*



The mission of God, of which our lives are a part, is about real people. People like Marcelina, pictured here, who I spoke with at her market stall where she sells cheese. When I get caught up in my daily tasks, meetings, emails, and in many good things, I often lose touch with this truth: Christ shows up in our lives every single day. And it is for real people that we spend our lives. Stewardship is so much more than managing money or time. It is caring for the people God puts in our paths every day; it is investing in relationships.

During those reflections, I came across the following photo of a statue called [Jesus the Homeless](#). What an amazing modern depiction of Matthew 25. Thank you for participating with us as together we serve marginalized peoples of the earth.



October - November Comings and Goings:

- October 7-11 - I was in Washington, DC to meet with a team developing the planning, monitoring and organizational learning systems of [SIL](#). We met with similar teams from World Vision and International Justice Mission and shared experiences and learnings.
- October 15-18 - I was in Dallas to meet with other close partners to evaluate the funding of Bible translation projects throughout the Americas.
- November 17 - 24 - I will be in Guatemala to facilitate a major celebration event with partners from around the world. It was approximately 100 years ago that the founder of [Wycliffe Bible Translators](#) and [SIL](#), Cameron Townsend, began work among the Kaqchikel people of Guatemala. It was during this period where God began to open his eyes to the needs of indigenous peoples and the need to work in local languages rather than in Spanish.

As we continue in this ministry by giving leadership to the SIL work of Bible translation and language development in the Americas, we trust God to supply our financial needs through churches and individuals who wish to partner with us. **We are currently lacking about \$450/month to reach 100% of the ministry budget that Wycliffe Canada has set for us.** If you would like to help meet this need, please see the donation information below.

Thank you for your trust and partnership through prayer and faithful generosity. Together we are working on something bigger than ourselves - **something that matters for all of eternity**. When you invest in this ministry, you are helping those who are illiterate, considered worthless, taken advantage of, traumatized, and treated as ignorant. Thank you for helping marginalized people learn to read, regain dignity, and access the Bible in the language that speaks to their hearts and changes their lives.

Serving together,

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Dear Friends and Family,

We are entering our fourth month in Chicago and the city is really starting to feel like home again! We are excited to share with you what has happened over the past few months and some prayer requests for the upcoming months.

August through October Happenings

1) Emersyn started school in September and so far she loves it! We live a short 10-minute walk from school and she has enjoyed getting to know her classmates and her teachers (even with being out over a week due to a teacher's strike).



2) We have begun to meet with a small group of people who have expressed a desire to be in community with us and begin a church! We started meeting on September 29th and will continue to do so every week for the foreseeable future! We are excited for the people God has placed before us!



3) We have a website and it's live! Feel free to click here and check it out or point people you know in its' direction! You can also donate through this page as well! <http://resonatehumboldtpark.org>

Prayer Requests

We would love your prayer for the following:

- 1) Continued wisdom in conversations with people surrounding starting a church. Please pray that God would continue to bring people our direction who desire to see the gospel displayed in our neighborhood and city!
- 2) Continued relationships with those that don't know Jesus. Both Talissyn and I have had opportunities to begin to build relationships with people who do not know Jesus. Pray that these relationships will continue to blossom and grow as we continue to spend time together.
- 4) Please pray for an upcoming vision night. We are going to invite a group of people to share our vision for a church in Humboldt Park and hope that others feel called to join us as well.
- 5) While we are meeting with people currently in our home, our desire is to build out a larger Sunday gathering sometime in the near future. Our hope is to align this with the Advent season. However, many hoops need to be jumped through before this happens. Please pray that if this is what God has for us, that we would know what steps we need to take when in order to make this a reality.
- 6) Please continue to pray for our family as we continue to adjust to living in Chicago. Our children have done extremely well in the transition, but there are days of sadness and missing family and friends in Nashville. Please continue to pray for them as they navigate what life looks like for our family here now.

If you would like to give to the Quibell's ministry, simply visit the site below and click the "donate now" link. <http://weareresonate.org/church-planting>

If you send us checks regularly, thank you! You can continue doing so (or start fresh today!) By writing your checks out to Resonate, with our names on the memo. Just send it to

Resonate Church

107 Woodruff St.

Madison, TN 37115

We also have a wish list on Amazon.com for some items we will need as a church. Feel free to check out the link below for items we will need in the foreseeable future:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1R6IBNWPD3VIW?ref=wl_share

Thanks for taking the time to read this! We really appreciate you! If you have any questions, let us know! We love to hear questions, and we also just love to hear from you! So don't be a stranger! Thanks again!



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NOVEMBER 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Haley Arin WORLD HUNGER SUNDAY 10:00 WORSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL CATECHISM	4 Theo deGroot jnr John Redford 9:45 DORCAS	5 7:00 COUNCIL	6 Janine Webb 10:00 COFFEE BREAK	7 Adam Esselink Ashton Veldhuisen 6:30 GEMS	8 Ed Dykstra	9
10 Skylar Arpin Carol Kaemingh 10:00 WORSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL CATECHISM	11 Megan Kaemingh 	12 Kristine Kaemingh	13 Hannah Veldhuisen *Dale & Kathy Kaemingh (37th) 10:00 COFFEE BREAK	14 Easton Veldhuisen	15 DORCAS STAMPPOT SUPPER	16
17 Wilma Kooistra 10:00 WORSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL CATECHISM	18	19 7:30 CONGREGATIONAL MEETING	20 Ayseling Foster 10:00 COFFEE BREAK 7:00 CONSISTORY	21 6:30 GEMS	22 Louis Byma	23
24 John Esselink snr *Nico & Jeannette Veldhuisen (40th) 10:00 WORSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL CATECHISM	25 Bonnie Toles	26 Annie Van Rozen	27 Katy Esselink 10:00 COFFEE BREAK	28 Susan Crans	29 Elliana Kooistra Donna Osadchuk Andrea Van Zwol Marcus Veldhuisen	30 Jake Esselink