

## Emo CRC's July 3rd Update

Your Council would like to provide you an update of what's happening with respect to the Christian Reformed Church here in Emo this week:

- As stated earlier this is a fluid situation and our planned service for Sunday, July 12 will be pushed back to the 19th. In discussion with our local health unit it has been determined that singing is not yet permitted under stage 2. Since singing is a core component of our worship service, we decided to postpone services until singing can be safely incorporated. Council is waiting for direction from the government regarding potential movement to stage 3, which will hopefully allow singing during worship services and increase participation. The date of July 19th for a worship service may change; an update will be provided as it becomes available.
- The nominations for elders and deacons are John Sinninghe, Gerald Veldhuisen and Peter Veldhuisen for the office of elder (2 positions to be filled) and Colin Kaemingh and Mike Veldhuisen for the office of deacon (2 positions to be filled). If you have any questions, please contact your elder. We will be using the eBallot process again for the congregation's vote of affirmation for the names above; originally this was scheduled to occur from July 1st - 3rd, but has been rescheduled for July 3rd to July 7th at 6:00 PM. The elders will contact those who cannot use the eBallot process. The ordination service will occur when we are able to meet again.
- We are still waiting to hear from Immigration and Citizenship regarding Dr. Marno's application. It has been approximately 5 weeks since the application has been submitted. Dr Marno is continuing to work with CMLT on his Article 8 process.
- Online services continue to be available through our website, [www.emocrc.ca](http://www.emocrc.ca).
- 18 - Think on This by Pastor Kasey is attached.
- A prayer letter is attached from Ian & Jessica Friesen. In the last 2 weeks there have been some major changes in the timeline for their ministry. Please see letter for details.
- A letter from the Hettingas is attached.
- The July birthday calendar is attached. If you would like a printed copy they are available in the box outside the entrance to the church.
- The July/August TODAY devotionals have arrived and are in the box just outside the entrance to the church and can be picked up by members anytime. You are reminded that you can also find the Today devotional online at [www.reframemedia.com](http://www.reframemedia.com).
- Bookkeeper Needed: The Christian Parents' Association is accepting applications for the position of bookkeeper, starting date of August 1, 2020. Hours will vary each month but are anticipated to be an average of 5 to 10 per month. Rate of pay is \$18 to \$21 per hour, depending on experience. Submit your resume and cover letter to Wayne Kooistra at [kooistra@tbaytel.net](mailto:kooistra@tbaytel.net) or mail to: Bookkeeper Position, Box 518, Emo, ON P0W 1E0 by Friday, July 10, 2020. For more information on duties, please contact Wayne.
- Please remember we do have financial obligations to meet with our budget, including monthly expenses. We kindly ask that you continue to support the church with your financial giving, particularly if you budget weekly donations. Budget envelope donations can be sent to the church's mailing address - Box 209, Emo, Ontario P0W 1E0, or if you wish to do e-transfers (electronic funds transfer) please e-mail the transfer to [emocrc.t@gmail.com](mailto:emocrc.t@gmail.com). The "second collection" for this Sunday will go towards World Renew/Canada Foodgrains Bank. World Renew is celebrating the generosity of the Government of Canada and churches like yours for helping to end global hunger and grow lasting hope for the world's farmers. We can make a difference by giving generously through World Renew to Canadian Foodgrains Bank conservation agriculture programs in Tanzania and Kenya to help equip farmers with the training and tools they need to achieve food security for their families and communities. Every dollar donated is generously matched up to 3:1 by the Canadian government!

You are reminded that when doing an e-transfer, you can put your envelope # (otherwise the deacons can look it up) and where you would like your donation to go to in the message/memo line. If you leave the message/memo line blank, donations will automatically go to the budget. The second collections for the following Sundays: July 12 - Raise Up Global Ministries July 26 - One Hope Canada/Mark Mast July 19 - Emo Food Bank August 2 - Budget

- As before, this continues to be a fluid situation and we will try to adjust as needed. The circumstances surrounding the COVID 19 virus may cause you or your family to need support during this time. Our deacons are prepared to help in any way. If you, or anyone you know of, require(s) help to have groceries or household items delivered to your/their home, prescriptions or mail picked up, or if you/they require financial assistance, please contact one of the deacons.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your elder or deacon.

**“Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.” Philippians 4:6,7.**