

June Niekerk News 2026

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**Newsletter
DEADLINE**

For the
July Niekerk News is:
June 21, 2026

Gifts for Visitors

Just a reminder, there are gift bags and folders that can be handed to our visitors



***Phonebooks can be
found by the
Information Center
magazine rack.***



a letter from the pastor

When the Answer is "No"

When the answer is "no", remember God never does nothing – That is, even when the answer to a prayer is "no" or "not yet", the truth is God has been and is working in the situations and circumstances that we're praying about. He says, *"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways," declares the LORD.* *"As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.* Isaiah 55:8-9

Pastor Tim and Mary are going to another church. It may seem after this "no" that time was wasted. However, in that time something was being formed in our own lives, and something was being forged in the Church. We believe that God was and is using this time to bring about His best for Niekerk.

We've been praying and preparing for Niekerk's next pastor. In the past two years God was not doing nothing. He is using the time to shape and prepare us and Niekerk's next pastor and his family. God is using these days to prepare and form something in them and in Niekerk.

Aurelius Augustine's mother, Monica, prayed to God and pleaded with her son to not follow through with his plans to go to Rome. While she was sleeping, he slipped away and boarded the ship. His mother prayed that he would not go to Rome. It was in Rome that Augustine was converted. He later wrote, "And what, O Lord, was she with so many tears asking of you but that you would not permit me to sail? But you, in the depth of your counsels and hearing the main point of her desire, regarded not what she then asked, that you might make me what she ever asked." God said "no" to what she prayed for so He could say "yes" to what she longed for. God was not doing nothing!

What are the longings—the prayers—of your heart? for your family & friends? for Niekerk? Keep on praying and let's watch together as the Lord, whose thoughts and ways are far beyond us, continues to bring blessing and is in the process of working all things together for our good.

*Jesus, Jesus How I trust Him, How I've proved Him o'er and o'er
Jesus, Jesus, Precious Jesus! Oh, for grace to trust Him more!*

Total Budgeted YTD Receipts	\$ 219,467.33
Total Actual YTD Receipts	\$ 179,857.30
Over(Under) Budget	\$ (39,610.03)

<u>GENERAL FUND:</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
2026 Beginning Balance	\$519,255.41
Monthly Budget Amount Required	\$46,242.00
This Month Envelopes Receipts	\$39,312.46
Year to Date Budget Envelopes	\$141,705.59
Over Budget Receipts	\$0.00
Interest	\$3,169.27
Facilities Rental Income	\$0.00
Total Receipts	\$144,874.86
This Month Disbursements	\$32,446.62
Year to Date Disbursements	\$204,608.67
Fund Balance	\$459,521.60

<u>EVANGELISM FUND:</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
2026 Beginning Balance	\$9,880.03
Monthly Budget Amount Required	\$4,875.00
YTD Receipts from Envelopes	\$19,788.05
YTD Over Budget Receipts	\$0.00
YTD Total Receipts	\$19,788.05
YTD Disbursements	\$11,133.07
Allocated Not Paid	\$4,875.00
Fund Balance	\$13,660.01

<u>BUILDING RENOVATIONS FUND</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
2026 Beginning Balance	\$104,738.98
Monthly Budget Amount Required	\$3,750.00
YTD Envelope Receipts	\$15,194.39
YTD Over Budget Receipts	\$0.00
YTD Total Receipts	\$15,194.39
YTD Disbursements	\$2,581.29
Fund Balance	\$117,352.08

<u>SPECIAL FUND:</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
2026 Beginning Balance	0.00
This Month Special Fund	7,677.35
Year To Date Special Fund	31,155.35
This Month Disbursements	7,377.35
Year To Date Disbursements	30,855.35
Fund Balance	300.00

<u>MISCELLANEOUS FUND:</u>	<u>BALANCE</u>
2026 Beginning Balance	\$ 38,768.06
Current Fund Balances:	
Niekerk Tuition Fund	11,178.76
Hockey Rock	2,464.54
Niekerk Christian Ed Fund	7,790.00
Hand 2 Hand Ministries	8,842.31
Community Impact	1,823.85
Health Pantry	1,892.71
Family Mission Trip Fund	6,965.84
Fund Balance	\$ 40,958.01

Cash Balances	
Beginning Balance as of 1/1/2026	\$ 672,522.48
Ending Balance as of 04/30/26	\$ 636,666.70

<u>CHURCH BUDGET</u>	<u>ACTUAL DOLLARS</u>	<u>BUDGETED DOLLARS</u>	<u>INCOME VARIANCE</u>
Receipts	179,857.30	219,467.33	(39,610.03)
Disbursements	218,323.03	219,467.33	1,144.30
Allocated Not Paid	4,875.00		
Spendable Income	(43,340.73)		(38,465.73)

NIEKERK CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
Council Meeting Minutes
May 4, 2026, at 7:30 PM

Growing in Christ and Making Him Known

01. Devotions and Opening Prayer: Carl Helder read from 1 Corinthians 3:17-18 & Luke 14:25-33 Cost of being a disciple.
02. Read and approved Council Minutes of March 13, 2026, by Randy Hoogewind
03. Deacons' Meeting
 - a. Loose Offering Collections & Schedule:
April offerings confirmed:

April 2	Benevolent Fund	\$325.00
April 5	Empower International	\$1,566.00
April 12	Community Impact	1,051.35
April 19	Growing Hope Globally	\$1,204.00
April 26	Gideons	\$1,141.00
 - b. June Offerings Scheduled as Follows:

June 7	Holland Deacon's Conference
June 14	Doors of Hope
June 21	Josh and Virginia Ham
June 28	Heights of Hope
 - c. April Benevolent Fund Balance:

	\$14,841.89
1 Disbursement	(575.00)
1 Deposit	325.00
April Ending Benevolent Balance	\$14,591.89
 - d. Benevolent Needs Discussed
 - e. Deacons talked about Haven House Ministry. Tentatively, plan on scheduling an offering for this ministry sometime in July/August, with hopes they will come and talk with our church about it.
 - f. Family Mission Trip
 1. Currently only five signed up for 2026. Looking to find more volunteers for this year's trip.
 2. Brief discussion on 2027's Mission Trip. The Deacons are planning a local trip again as we did in 2025.
 3. Open discussion, Correspondence and other items.
 - g. Evening Service Prayer. Brief discussion on schedule and options around the Deacons' prayer with the pastor before the service. Deacons will begin meeting with the pastor and the praise team no later than 4:45pm to pray with them in front of the church, instead of meeting separately with the pastor in the office.
 - h. Widow/Widower Dinner. Reminder that we are planning this for Thursday, May 21.
 - i. Next meeting: Monday, June 8, with opening devotions by Joel Kryger.
Closing prayer by Joel Kryger
Meeting Adjourned.
05. Shepherding Team Report
 - a. Districts assigned
 - b. Discussion on status of various families


06. Pastor Tim Nelson
- Carl Helder, Pastor John, Dave Helder, Randy Hoogewind, MJ Staal and Jim Hondred will meet with CIC Classis Holland on May 7 at 10am about Niekerk's "need" to go outside the CRC pastors.
 - Other questions including the next steps will be addressed.

Closing Prayer by Matt Maas
Meeting Adjourned

07. Pulpit Supply Schedule provided by Randy Hoogewind (*Subject to Change)

<u>Sunday</u>	<u>Morning Worship</u>	<u>Evening Worship</u>
May 31	Tom Pettinga	Duane Terpstra
June 7	John Nyitray	Cal Compagner
June 21	Ren Broekhuizen	Duane Terpstra
June 28	John Nyitray	Cal Compagner
July 5	John Nyitray	Tom Pettinga
July 12	John Nyitray	Tom Pettinga
July 19	Cal Compagner	Duane Terpstra
July 26	Bill VanderHeide	Cal Compagner

08. Next Communion: June 7 and August 2 and October 4
09. New Member, Profession of Faith, Baptism, and other membership matter provided by Randy Hoogewind.
10. Mutual Censure
11. Next meeting, Monday, June 8, 2026, at 7:00pm.
12. The meeting was adjourned.
13. Closing prayer: Matt Maas





**American
Red Cross**

**2026
Blood Drive Dates**
 Wednesday, July 15
 Wednesday, September 9
 Wednesday, November 11

One blood donation may help save three lives.

The American Red Cross commented that Holland is in the top ten of the Michigan cities for blood donations! The average donation is 1.12 with Holland at 3.4 donations.

June Thank You Notes

We would like to say "Thanks" for prayers, cards, and words of encouragement during Erv's surgery and recovery. Niekerk is truly a loving and caring church!

Erv & Bonnie Nagelkirk

Thank you so much for all the cards, text messages, phone calls for my 80th birthday. God is so good.

Bob Nyhof

Thank you for the cards, best wishes, phone calls for my birthday. God is good.

Jim Roelofs

Thank you Niekerk for the many cards and best wishes for my 80th birthday. We are so blessed to be part of a church family.

Randy Nykamp

Dear Niekerk family,

Thank you for all the many thoughts and prayers from our church family. We appreciate the cards, words, and prayers, as we said goodbye to our "long-term stepmom" Flos.

Jim & Donna Lampen

Thank you, doesn't seem enough to all of you who came to help me celebrate my 90th birthday! It was exciting, it was enjoyable, but also humbling to see so many people!

Also, thanks to Jane Steenwyk, Jan Hop, Marcy Brower, and Sherrie Janssen for all the kitchen help, which allowed my family the freedom to visit!

Vern Hoeksema

Thank you for the prayers, calls and cards when I had a total knee replacement during late April. Also, thank you to Pastor John for the visit and calls.

Marcia Walters

I would like to thank this wonderful Niekerk church family for a the birthday cards, notes and messages I received from you. I am feeling very blessed.

Thank you,
Denny Stoel

Friends, thank you for your recent gifts to Resonate for the Slacks' ministry and our "where most needed" fund (this portion has been doubled as part of our Match campaign). Your community continues to make a profound and resounding Kingdom impact!

Andrew Zokoe, Donor Relations
Resonate Global Missions

June Thank You Notes

Friends at Niekerk CRC,

World Renew Tanzania: School Children Need Desks

Thank you for your support of this important opportunity! I so appreciate how this was promoted; I have been praying for its success!

Blessings
Andrew Reinstra

MaryAnne has been doing pretty well, tired, etc. but improving. Yesterday she saw the doctor who previously had said we could travel. Short version: with help from our third daughter who will come Sunday night, we will be packing up, driving to Phoenix Wednesday, and flying to Michigan Thursday, D.V.

We'd already had yearly checkups scheduled with our doctors in Holland for Friday morning, the 29th. And a couple days ago Holland ENT called with an appointment for Monday June 1. That is for her voice which she has not gotten back yet; she speaks in a loud whisper.

So thanks for your prayers and concern, and we'll appreciate those for our transition and travel. All and all, things look good.

Fraternally,
Lou & MaryAnne Wagenfeld

A SPECIAL THANK YOU

To those who walked and/or pledged!

We were able to raise:

Right to Life of Holland Area
Pledges totaled: \$475

CROP Walk
Pledges totaled: \$495

Positive Options
Pledges totaled: \$420

June

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 Al Van Haistma	2 Kristi Driscoll Jonathan Kryger	3 Makenna Meekhof	4 Reinier deBlois	5 Linda Prince	6 Jim Kos
7 Barb Shoemaker	8	9 Rachel Helder	10	11	12	13 Deb Bosch
14	15	16 Lindsey Haan	17	18 Bev Leegwater Joyce Morren	19 Linnay Dozeman	20
21 Deb Schierbeek	22	23 Earl Bosch Verna Jansen Sandy Van Dyke	24	25 Jana Rigterink	26 Kayla Texer	27
28	29	30 Ron Kapenga	<h1>Happy Birthday</h1>			

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community impact

The Community Impact Team met several times this spring; planning, reviewing, and participating in service.

Here are some highlights: It was great to work in combination with the Fellowship and Worship Teams for the Easter Services and breakfast. We were able to have great food, fellowship, and worship as we celebrated Christ's resurrection.

Coming June 3, members of the Impact Team will be sharing treats with staff and children of Holland Hights Elementary on their last day of school. The congregation is welcome to come. It's Wednesday, June 3, at 10:45am. If you do come, note that their location is at the old Longfellow Building as Holland Heights' building has been under construction. This will be a great way to bless one of the schools in our community.

Also, Hockey Rock is right around the corner. The first night being Monday, June 15. It's a great way to get involved with some of the youth in our area. It can open doors to share your love for Jesus! There are many different ways to help, look for future announcements in the bulletin.

The team continues planning for future opportunities and events. The pumpkin party is October 22; and a Chili Cook off in January or February 2027.

Once again, Sara Walters and Deb Slenk were able to help children in our area through the Care Portal. If you have any questions about the Care Portal ask these ladies as I'm sure they would be happy to share some of their involvement. These past months middle school and high school aged kids were helped with clothing, shoes, and sports equipment.

We thank the congregation for their support and willingness to help and bless those in our community with all their gifts of time, talent, money and prayers.



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THANK YOU!

In 2025, God's provision and your faithful partnership made it possible to celebrate another record-breaking collection of shoebox gifts. We are thanking the Lord for the 12,205,900 Gospel opportunities that were lovingly packed and sent out across the world. We are also rejoicing that the Greater Grand Rapids area packed 37,744 shoeboxes gifts!

THANK YOU for partnering with Operation Christmas Child to help take the Gospel of Jesus Christ to millions of boys and girls around the world.

Please pray that these gifts will open doors for us to reach even more children with God's love in the new year.



CHURCH SECURITY

June

- June 7 Mike Venema
- June 14 Marcus Helder
- June 21 Dale Walters
- June 28 Carl Helder

**Remember to find your own replacement if you are unable to volunteer. Contact Jon Boeve with any concerns.

INDOOR WALKING!

Mondays and Thursdays
9:00am to 11:30am

The church will be open for those who need to get out, get moving, and stretch their legs. Whether you're an Olympic speed walker or a casual slow walker, all are welcome to come out, bring their kids, invite a friend, and start walking laps here at Niekerk.



Church Calendar

Remember to schedule your meetings, community group events, and any other activities with the church office.

Shared Meals



The freezer has Chicken Alfredo Casserole, Meatloaf & Cheesy hashbrowns, Chicken Bacon Ranch Casserole, Chicken Broccoli Rice Casserole, Tater Tot Casserole, Ham & Potato Casserole, Ham Pot Pie, Ham & Broccoli Breakfast Casserole, Cream Turkey, and Chili. These meals are for members of our church with needs and for those outside our church that could use a helping hand.



BRING YOUR CRAFTS

Ladies Quilting & Craft Day

Ladies take your sewing, knitting, scrapbooking, stamping or any other activity and join other women for a craft day starting at 9 AM until 4 PM in En Gedl. No need to sign up; come when you can, and leave when you must.



June

- 6-7 AM** Sandy Van Dyke
Abby Helder
PM Jenn Schierbeek
Trisha Texer
- 6-14 AM** Renee & Kayla Texer
Sue Hoekstra
PM Pat Texer
Jessica Schutter
- 6-21 AM** Emma Texer
Dana Hondred
PM Kris Roelofs
Lindsey Haan
- 6-28 AM** Dawn Folkert
Margaret Timmer
PM Melinda Kryger
Char Janssen

July

- 7-5 AM** Kathie Helder
Carol Venema
PM Deb Slenk
Kim Walters
- 7-12 AM** Sara Heeres
Laura Vander Zwaag
PM Deb Haan
Linda Timmer
- 7-19 AM** Kathi Petroelje
Kaylin Van Dyke
PM Sandy Van Dyke
Lisa Kragt
- 7-26 AM** Jenn Schierbeek
Renee & Kayla Texer
PM Abby Helder
Sue Hoekstra

Nursery Volunteers: Remember to find your own replacement if you are unable to volunteer. Contact Kaylin Van Dyke with any concerns.



June & July DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

June 8	Council Meeting
June 15	Hockey Rock
June 22	Hockey Rock
June 26	Monthly Prayer Meeting
June 29	Hockey Rock
July 6	Hockey Rock Council Meeting
July 13	Hockey Rock
July 15	Red Cross Blood Drive
July 20	Hockey Rock Family Day
July 31	Monthly Prayer Meeting



Church Members in Care Facilities

Royal Park Place

Judy Bosch
Nonie Rietman

Riley Grove

Jim & Lorraine Snay

Royal Park Atrium

Marge Boeve
Nick Ellerbroek



Heights of Hope partners with Circles, USA & Good Samaritan Ministries to offer Circles, an 18 - month national program designed to empower and equip families to move out of poverty and thrive. The method is intentionally, relational, and community-driven. It brings together people from all walks of life to support our Circle leaders and create change in our community.

Every Tuesday night **Circles** meets at our church. We support them with the use of the building. The program also provides the participants with a meal. If you are willing and able, consider providing a meal for



these dedicated leaders and their support team. Scan the QR code to see what dates are available.



**NIEKERK CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCH
WEATHER POLICY and PROCESS
Updated 3-13-20**

1. Whenever the National Weather Service issues a tornado **warning** for Ottawa County which extends past one hour before the stated beginning time of any scheduled church activity, that activity is cancelled.
2. Whenever the National Weather Service issues a tornado **watch** or any kind of severe thunderstorm alert for Ottawa County, which extends past one hour before the stated beginning time of any scheduled church activity, the Executive Committee* shall determine whether or not that activity is cancelled.
3. The Executive Committee* shall decide whether or not congregation-wide meetings and functions (*e.g. Worship Services, Congregational meetings, and the like*) shall be cancelled in situations of severe weather, which have not produced National Weather Service alerts (*e.g. heavy snow; fog; ice; and the like.*).
4. Each group's leadership shall decide whether or not to cancel, postpone, and/or reschedule the activities and/or functions of their own groups. (*e.g. Youth Group, Cadets; GEMS; Summer Bible Club; Hockey Rock, etc.*)
5. Cancellation notices will first be send by email on the Info@niekerkcrc.org. If you currently receive the bulletin and newsletter by email, you will also received the cancellation notices also.
5. Next, the cancellation notices will be posted on local TV stations: WOOD TV CHANNEL 8; WZZM CHANNEL 13; WWMT CHANNEL 3.
6. Rescheduling of any church related function or event shall be arranged, if reasonably possible, so the postponed meeting or event is not rescheduled to conflict with already scheduled events.

*For purposes of this policy, the Executive Committee will be deemed to include the preaching pastor, President and Clerk of Council when determining the cancellation of a worship service.



The Greener Side

InterVarsity in the Upper Peninsula

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End of Year Praises

Another school year is done! We just returned from a weeklong conference at Cedar Bay (formerly Cedar Campus) with our students. It was an incredible week to relive—and sometimes to hear for the first time—all the amazing things God was doing over the past year. Some highlights:

- One of our students made the picture to the right in response to our talks about Jesus as our Living Water. Which student? I don't know! There were so many that expressed a similar sentiment throughout the week. It's so encouraging to hear again and again how close to Jesus these student are getting.
- Trevor (in the orange shirt on the right). Trevor is a student from Bay College in Escanaba. He came even though they were in week 14 of their semester. He just did his classes online. He was blown away by the fellowship, "What you have is something special."
- Gavin shared about his experience at our very first retreat. He said he had more deep conversations in the first evening than he had had amongst all his friends throughout all of high school. Gavin kept coming and gave his life to Christ that first semester. Two others in the Bible study he attended became Christians as well.
- Student interns and Bible study leaders. I spent the week training our new Bible study leaders. We had 13! That is perhaps the most new leaders we've ever had (and nearly all our previous Bible study leaders are coming back). In addition to this, we have five student interns who will take a special ministry projects next year—again, the most we've ever had!



Students dressed up in their finest clothes during our celebration

How you can pray:

Many students are returning home to difficult or isolating situations. Some are new believers without strong fellowship at home. Pray for God to provide for them over the summer.

So many of our students are excited to reach the new students next year. Pray for the plans they will make over the summer, and that they will keep their enthusiasm to spread the Gospel.

End of Year Giving Update:

My personal funding is doing well as the year ends. But I am trying to raise about \$10,000 to cover some of the costs of the new student interns we are hiring. They are an invaluable resource to our ministry since we continue to be understaffed. If you'd like to help out please consider giving to the MTU chapter here: <https://give.intervarsity.org/?v=A082024&g=432,o>

Our VISION IS TO SEE: STUDENTS & FACULTY **TRANSFORMED** & **WORLD CHANGERS DEVELOPED**
campuses renewed



Give a gift to support Aaron
Give a gift toward student scholarships



Tim, one of our student interns for the next year.



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Monthly Spotlight
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Celebrating 15 Years of Groundwork!

For more than 15 years, this radio program and podcast has explored the richness of God’s Word as the foundation for our lives.

We invite you to celebrate God’s faithfulness with us. Hosts Scott Hoezee and Darrell Delaney, along with producer Courtney Jacob and ReFrame Ministries Director Kurt Selles, will reflect on Groundwork’s roots in the Back to God Hour, its impact today, and where God is leading it next. Scan the QR code below or visit reframeministries.org/events to register or receive the recording after the event.

Join us live on Tuesday, April 28, at 12:00pm ET.



Arabic Ministry Update

Our executive director, Rev. Kurt Selles recently spent time in Cairo with our Arabic ministry partners, where he was reminded of the deep need for clear, faithful biblical teaching among Arabic-speaking communities. In a media environment filled with competing voices, many are seeking truth that is firmly rooted in Scripture.

Through programs like Kalam Begad, listeners are engaging with

foundational truths of the Christian faith in accessible ways.

Today devotions in Arabic are bringing God’s Word into everyday life, and children’s programs like Champions League: Behind the Scenes are helping a new generation understand what it means to follow Christ.



Reaching the World through Media

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Visit our website at reframeministries.org, or contact info@reframeministries.org to learn more about how your support is impacting lives around the world and to explore resources to support your spiritual growth.



Restoring
Hope
Missions

Newsletter

Restoring Hope by sharing Jesus with a broken world.



spring 2026

It is our joy and privilege
to work as co-laborers
with the Creator in
extending His Kingdom
over

One more life
One more family
One more community

*Start where you are
*Use what you have
*Do what you can

And don't be afraid.
Our mission is to share
Jesus with a broken
world.

*Restoring Hope Missions has recently
partnered with these projects:*

Tanzania: School Rebuild Project



RHM partnered with World Renew this winter by providing funds to rebuild a kindergarten building for the Kasisi School in Tanzania that had been destroyed with storms in April 2025. This school serves the same community where the Africa Inland Church Tanzania is located. This church and World Renew have a relationship that extends over the past 20 years we were blessed to help!

Mexico: New Driveway at Mt. of Olives Children's Village

Restoring Hope Missions also partnered with Mt. of Olives Children's Village Orphanage of Ejido Uruapon, Baja, Mexico. This orphanage is operated by Missions Network International and supports children from impoverished families, children who are "at risk" and orphans. RHM had the privilege of being able to provide funding for a much-needed new driveway for this ministry! Read more about this ministry at <https://missions-network.org/>

RHM Golf Outing 2026!
Please reserve **Thursday, August 6th, 2026** at **The Ravines** for our **4th Golf Outing Fundraiser.**



Uganda: New Generation Healing and Empowerment Centre Receives a New Tractor

With great joy, we were able to provide funding for a tractor to Global Extend -Uganda through Keystone Community Church to help with new farming initiatives of the New Generations Healing and Empowerment Center! Read more about this exciting ministry at www.newgenerationuganda.org.

Myanmar: Food Distribution

RHM partnered with Partners Relief and Development to provide food relief for those continuing to be affected by the 2025 earthquake in Myanmar. For more on this ministry see <https://www.partners.ngo/our-work/myanmar-crisis>.

RHIM Board Members:

Craig and Deb Brink

Eric and Jill Louwerse

Steve and Julie Meyaard

Daryl and Brenda Van Dyke

Doug and Lisa Wedeven



Global-Extend Uganda was thrilled to receive this tractor to aid in their farming projects!

Restoring HOPE

MISSIONS



RHM was humbled to participate in two recent emergency food distributions for Myanmar refugees (see above and below)



The PHOTO was taken in the school on Dec 15th, 2025, before the Project:



Mount of Olives Children's Village in Mexico receives RHM funding to complete a much-needed driveway (see above three pictures)



The PHOTO taken on March 10th, 2026, after the project implementation RHM partnered with World Renew to provide funding to rebuild the earthquake-destroyed children's school in Tanzania (see above two pictures)

Niekerk Ministry Teams

Updated 4/23/26

<u>Council Committee</u>	<u>Chair/Contact Person</u>	<u>Team Members</u>
Community Impact Team	Cheryl Bosch, Dave Walters Carl Helder Sara Heeres MJ Staal Kim Walters Dale Walters	Scott Edewaard* , Deb Slenk, Ryan Texer, Margaret Timmer, Marv Venema, Sara Walters Trisha Texer Sara Heeres, Phil Helder, Steve Kragt, Jen Leenstra, Margaret Timmer
Congregational Life Team	Ken Schierbeek*	
Fellowship Team	Jan Hop & Jane Steenwyk	Curt & Marcy Brower, Abby Helder, Sue Hoekstra, Mark Hop, Bob Steenwyk
Wednesday Night at Niekerk	Ken Schierbeek	Carol Keen, Bev Leegwater, Ken & Joyce Schierbeek, Bryan & Kaylin Van Dyke
Community Groups	MJ Staal/Jamie Hop	Jim Hondred, Vern Hoeksema, Greg Leenstra
Greeters/Welcome Assistant	Linda Nyhof	
Pine Rest Counseling	Carl Helder	
Newsletter Editor	Julie Mulder	
Discipleship Team	Trisha Texer	Brian Bosch, Stephanie Edewaard, Kurt Rigteerink, Linda Timmer, Kaylin Van Dyke
Catechism Teachers	Gary Meiste*	Scott Helder (4 th -5 th), Char Janssen (6 th -7 th) Carl Helder (8 th)
Childcare/Nursery	Kaylin Van Dyke	Lindsey Haan, Renee Texer
Education Team		
Library	Marilyn Russcher	Rita Helder, Jane Steenwyk, Linda Timmer, Sandy Van Dyke
Little Lambs	Kim Walters	
Sunday Night Bible Study	Kaylin Van Dyke	Elmer & Leona Nyhof, Gary & Marilyn Russcher
Sunday School Superintendent	Jim Means	Abby Helder & Trisha Texer
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Youth Director	Trisha Texer	
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Young Adults		

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Prayer Team	Carol Hochhalter		
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Worship Coordinator	Tom Staal*	Ric Lucas, Jane Steenwyk, Mike Venema	
Support Team	Julie Mulder		
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Building Supervisors	Karen Koopman	Jon Boeve, Jessica Bosch & Jamie Hop	
Custodian	Cheryl Bosch		
Donations	Judy Stool		
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Historian	Joe Texer		
Kitchen	Jamie Hop Jon Boeve		
Media Team		Julie Mulder	
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Abuse Prevention		Jim Means, Ric Lucas	
Physical Safety (Security)			
Worship Team	Carol Hochhalter*	Jamie Hop, Jen Leep, Dan Petroelje, MJ Staal	
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Flower/Decorations	Linda Nyhof		
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Nursery			
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