

Hart Beat

(An E-update for CNYBA Pastors and Key Leaders)

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Hart to Heart

- I urge you and your church to pray for our fellow Southern Baptists in Southeast Texas as they deal with the tragic shooting at First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs this morning.
- At this writing Lyn and I are down for the night on the way home from the Todd Starnes Fall Getaway at the Billy Graham Training Center at the Cove near Asheville, NC. It was well worth the cost. The accommodations were first class, the food was top shelf, the program was superb, and the beauty of the surroundings was beyond description. We came away relaxed, refreshed, and revived. It is the best conference, retreat, whatever that I have been to in a long long time. No business, no reports, just music, and preaching, and testimonies, and fellowship, and spiritual refreshment.
- Most of you know that Todd Starnes is a radio commentator for Fox News. He spoke at our 2017 CNYBA Mid-year meeting back in May. There were 5 folks from CNYBA at the gathering this year. I'd like to multiply that by 8 for next year. I'll have details shortly and will be enlisting you. I already have a block of 20 rooms reserved. I promise you that you cannot attend and come away not blessed.
- Another thought: I'm already working on a mission trip to Appalachia next fall. Maybe we could combine the two. Some may want to do one or the other, but some may want to do both. Stay tuned. Details coming.
- I have posted the latest report from our Peru Missionary, Rick Martin. You can find the report on the CNYBA web site under the Information Center tab/missions reports.
- **Emory Chapel, Waverly** Sunday School students and their parents took a field trip to the Sayre Train Station Museum on Saturday past for a tour and had a great time learning about all things trains, as well as having some great fellowship. They plan a Harvest Dinner after the morning worship service on November 12th, with the church providing Ham, Turkey and Turkey Gravy. On November 18th they will have a Movie Night for young teens and parents. Gary Culver is Pastor.
- **Clyde BC** reopened services today, November 5, with 35 in attendance. David Barrows is Pastor.

This Week in Preview

- Tues ANV Milt & Patricia Kornegay (P&W @ Central, Syracuse)
- Fri – Gary Culver (Pastor @ Emory Chapel, Waverly) surgery
- Sat BD Stephanie Johnson)PW @ Cornerstone, Endicott)
- Sat BD Bob Teachout (Pastor @ Faith, Oneida)

Missionary Moments

- [Wisconsin] Southern Baptist missionary JOHN DRAPER helps church planters get new congregations started in southwest Wisconsin. One third of the state's population, including Milwaukee, lives within the region. John is trusting God to restore a vision for planting churches that existed in the region years ago. God is proving Himself faithful by providing planters from a variety of backgrounds to plant churches in this diverse mission field. Through your church's generous gifts given through the Cooperative Program, John can train church planters to better engage their neighbors with the good news about Jesus. Ask God to clearly communicate the need for prayer among the churches of the region.
- [Sub-Saharan Africa] IMB missionaries JEFF and BARBARA SINGERMAN trained people in 250 churches in the Democratic Republic of the Congo to share their faith using stories from God's Word. In the days and weeks after the training, people shared testimonies of how God used the trainings to grow His kingdom. One local pastor reported 60 new believers in his fellowship. Ruth, a high school student, led five classmates to Christ. Paulin, a former gangster, returned to the streets to share the gospel, resulting in 19 former gang members getting baptized. The Singermans estimate that 1,000 people came to faith after the trainings. Praise God for Cooperative Program funds that facilitated this rapid spread of the gospel.

Have You Heard This One?

- Four retired ladies are playing bridge. One of them looks across at her partner and says, "I know we've been playing bridge every week for two years, but I can't remember your name. Could you please tell me again?" Her partner looks at her for a long moment and finally replies, "How soon do you need to know?"