

Hart Beat

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

30 April 2017

Hart to Heart

- The Mid-year meeting of CNYBA will be held this coming Saturday at **Open Bible, Catatonk** from 9:55 until Noon, with, lunch provided by the church afterward. The GPS address is **1121 Owego Rd, (Hwy. 96) Candor, NY 13743**. It's right on Hwy 96 between Owego and Candor on the western edge of the hamlet of Catatonk – directly across from the General Dollar Store. The Book of Reports for the meeting will be posted on the CNYBA web site by Wednesday.
- I have posted the latest prayer/newsletter from John Smith, church planter in St. Croix where we did a CNYBA mission trip at the beginning of the year. You can view his You Tube slideshow from the CNYBA website or by going directly to You Tube at <https://youtu.be/9s6vu8LVJnM>.
- **Christian Bible, Oneida** needs a new water heater installed. The new heater is Electric - and will replace the old Gas heater. However, they will need some additional piping and wiring as well as a qualified person to install it. If you can be of assistance, please Text Dave Bowman at 315-762-3465.
- On Friday evening and Saturday past, I led an Internal Church Financial Audit & Training workshop at New Hope, Watertown. If your church would like to learn how to do an internal audit, I'd be happy to share this material with you as well.
- On Saturday past, Lyn took 7 ladies to the annual Women's Conference at **West Hill, Ithaca**, where the conference leader was Cindy Schallmo, Pastor's wife at **Summit, Cazenovia**. Cindy also serves on our CNYBA Leadership Team.
- On Saturday even past, just as Lyn and I were getting home from our far flung Saturday destinations, Mike Flannery, Director of Missions in the Frontier Baptist Association (Buffalo area) called to say they were passing through on the way back from a church planting meeting in New Jersey. Lyn and I met him and his wife, Beverly, in Owego for a time of fellowship and dinner. It's always good to get together with friends from time to time.
- On Sunday past, Lyn and I worshiped with the good folks at **Jefferson BC**, where I was privileged to preach in the absence of Pastor Frank Adams, who has been pastor at Jefferson since April 2009.

- On Sunday evening past, Lyn and I worshiped with the good folks at **Open Bible, Catatonk**, where I am serving as Church Planter/Pastor. This week, after having taken a break for resurrection related messages, we got back to Hebrews, looking at Hebrews 12:1-3.
- Today, I got a call from Todd Starnes, Fox News Radio Commentator who will be our guest speaker at the CNYBA Mid-year Meeting on Saturday. He is excited to be with us and is looking forward to the fellowship. I don't think you'll want to miss this meeting.

News From the Churches

- **Lyons Falls BC** will be using the CNYBA big tent again this year during the first week of June in connection with their AWANA end of semester activities. They report 4 professions of faith on Easter. In June they are opening a CareNet crisis pregnancy center for their community at the church. Jeff Ford is Pastor.
- **Emory Chapel, Waverly** baptized two on Palm Sunday, April 9th, using the baptismal facilities at **Living Water, Owego**. They plan a fellowship meal on Sunday, May 7th, after the regular morning worship service, and a communion service during the morning worship service on May 21st. Gary Culver is Pastor.
- Pastor Bruce Aubrey at **Northside, Liverpool** is in Tanzania teaching local pastors at a seminary there on "The Inner life of the Leader." Let's pray for his mission and for his safe travel.
- **Living Water, Owego** ordained two men as deacons yesterday during the regular Sunday morning worship services. Wayne Sibrava is Pastor.
- On Saturday past **Faith, Oneida** hosted Pastor Pedro Abreau and several ladies from **Transformacion, Syracuse**, along with Pastor Ronnie Wyatt and a couple people from **The Neighborhood Church, Syracuse**, for a prayer walk. They reportedly had a wonderful time of praying for the spiritual condition of the city. Afterwards they a great time of fellowship as they shared with each other the experiences they had with those they met and for whom they prayed. Bob Teachout is Pastor.
- **Inlet CC** voted in their quarterly business meeting to post an opening for a part-time Director of Children's Ministries. The posting will remain open until May 31. Pastor Phil Huber has recuperated from a stomach bug he picked up while on a mission trip to Mexico and participated in an annual relay race around Seneca Lake this past week.

- **Stamford BC** will begin an eight session series of Grief Care sessions on May 21 at 6 PM. The cost is \$10. Waylen Bray is Pastor.

This Week in Preview

- Today – BD Cindy Scott (wife of the late Pastor Jeff Scott)
- Fri – BD Kristen Hallenbeck (PW @ Bellewood, N. Syracuse)
- Fri - BD Milt Kornegay (Pastor @ Central, Syracuse)
- Sat – CNYBA Mid-year Meeting @ Open Bible, Catatunk

May Ministry Anniversaries

- Milt Kornegay – Pastor @ Central, Syracuse since May 1996
- Rickey Fuller – Pastor @ Beacon Light, Vernon since May 2002
- Dan Schallmo – Pastor @ Summit, Cazenovia since May 2005
- Ken Fallon – Pastor @ Crossroads, Sherburne since May 2005
- Andy Smith – AP @ Emmanuel, Cortland since May 2009
- Phil Wright – Pastor @ Canastota BC since May 2014

Missionary Moments

- [New York] Born into a Hindu family in Nepal, R.C. SILVANUS was raised worshipping Hindu idols. God saved R.C. after he found a Christian tract that connected him to a ministry that did correspondence Bible studies. He and his family moved to New York City by faith in March 2015 to plant a church among the Nepali- speaking people of Queens. The ministry focuses on meeting the physical, social, spiritual and emotional needs of new Nepali immigrants. Your gifts through the Cooperative Program help R.C. share the good news with these new immigrants. Pray for the salvation of the 35,000 Nepali-speaking people of New York City.
- [North Africa] Christian worker JEB COLBURN* met with Gadi* at a coffee shop and shared the story of the prodigal son. After reading the story, Gadi replied, “You know, I really want to know God’s way for my life. Muslims tell me that the Quran is the only true book. Christians tell me that the Bible is the only true book. I want to please God and to live how He wants me to live.” Jeb prayed out loud for Gadi, “Our kind Father in heaven, you love Gadi. Please show my friend the right way.” Your giving through the Cooperative Program creates opportunities for these life-changing conversations.

Have You Heard This One?

- The old pastor made it to a practice to visit the parish school one day a week. He walked into the 4th grade class, where the children were studying the states, and

asked them how many states they could name. They came up with about 40 names. He jokingly told them that in his day students knew the names of all the states. One lad raised his hand and said, "Yes, but in those days there were only 13."