

Hart Beat

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

7 October 2018

Hart to Heart

- Last week ,as I was writing a brief report on the BCNY annual meeting, I inadvertently overlooked **Crosspoint, Whitesboro** and **Praxis, Syracuse** in the list of CNYBA churches that were reported in several giving areas. So let me add the fact that Crosspoint (where Sam Macri is Pastor) was #19 in Cooperative Program giving, #8 in Lottie Moon Offering giving, and #12 in Annie Armstrong Offering giving. Praxis (where Dan Studt is church planter/pastor) was 12th in Lottie Moon Offering giving. My apologies to Crosspoint and Praxis.
- Don't forget the upcoming CNYBA Annual Meeting being held at **Emmanuel, Cortland** on October 20th beginning at 9:45. The meeting will conclude shortly after noon. Our missionary speaker will be Dr. David Pope.
- Pastor Waylen Bray (**Stamford BC**) writes, "Tickets are now available for the Annie Moses Band, Nov 30, Milton PA. We will be ordering ours soon. Check this out and consider going with us. Cherlyn Bray and I plan to stay overnight at a motel and make the church van available if you want to join us. It is about a 4 hour drive.
<https://www.cwc.life/event/annie-moses-band-christmas-concert>
- **Lakeshore, Cicero** will host an Appreciation Brunch and Workshop for those involved in a kid's/teen's life on Saturday , October 6th from 10 AM – 1 PM. Mike McMahon is Pastor.
- **Northside, Liverpool** Pastor Bruce Aubrey conclude the sermon series 'From Wired to ReWired' this past week-end with a message from the book of Jeremiah entitled 'Is There a Doctor in the House?' > They plan a Harvest Dinner for Senior Adults with The Merrills on Monday evening, October 15th > They plan a time of fellowship with their pastors Sunday evening, October 21st, as part of Pastor Appreciation month. > And they plan a 'Strength and Dignity' Women's Conference for Friday evening and Saturday morning November 2nd & 3rd. Dr. Bruce Aubrey is Pastor.
- Devon Bartholomew, Director/Pastor at **Campus Church, Syracuse University** writes, "It is a privilege to be part of God's work on campus, bringing the hope of Jesus and his church within reach of every student. This semester, three students have partnered in that mission by becoming interns in areas where they are gifted. Praise God for adding to our team! Please continue to pray for new team members who are able to compassionately minister to young people

who are seeking education and are also helpless and hurting in ways that are not always visible from the outside. This fall, we are continuing to welcome new students to Campus Church, to Tuesday Talks, and to small group or one-on-one discipleship.” > Devon will be ordained October 28, 2018 at 11:00 AM in Hendricks Chapel by BCC’s sponsoring church, **Transformation, Syracuse**. It will be my honor to deliver the charge to the candidate.

- **Stamford Baptist Church** is pleased to offer a preventive health event. Life Line Screening, a leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings on 11/15/2018. Five screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs which is a strong predictor of heart disease; atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat which is closely tied to stroke risk; and a bone density screening, for men and women, used to assess the risk of osteoporosis. Register for a Wellness Package which includes 4 vascular tests and osteoporosis screening from \$149 (\$139 with our member discount). All five screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. There are three ways to register for this event and to receive a \$10 discount off any package priced above \$129, please call 1-888-653-6441 or visit www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle or text the word circle to 797979. Waylen Bray is Pastor.
- **Open Bible Fellowship, Catatonk**, where I serve as church planter/pastor, organized a work day at my house on Saturday past to help get my building project “buttoned up” before winter as a Pastor Appreciation Month gift. This may have been the best pastor appreciation gift I have ever received. Many hand make for short work – or something like that. We got an amazing amount done.
- **Westmoreland CC** plans a Trunk or Treat outreach event for Halloween again this year. Tim Mathis is Pastor.
- **Starpoint, Clifton Park** heard Pastor Roscoe Lilly’s sermon on practical teaching on how to pray and the 4 components of a healthy prayer life on Sunday past. They plan a baptism service this coming Sunday, Oct 14th, and a Trunk or Treat outreach event on Oct 16th.
- It looks like Pastor Sam Macri and I will be leading a disaster relief team to NC Oct 29 – Nov 3. We’ll be helping people clean up their homes after the recent hurricane and flooding. We have 10 so far from our two churches already committed to go. If you’d like to join the team, let me know ASAP.
- Yesterday, Lyn and I worshiped with the good folks at **Westmoreland Community Church**, where Tim Mathis has been pastor since the church

began in July 2015. After church we enjoyed a time of fellowship over lunch with Pastor Tim, Karen his wife, and their year and a half year old grandson, Owen.

This Week in Preview

- Mon (8th) – Columbus Day
- Mon (8th) – CNYBA Leadership Team Meeting
- Tues (9th) – Praxis Project Team Meeting
- Wed (10th) – BD Mike Brown (Pastor @ Three Pines, Doraville)
- Thurs (11th) – OBF Leadership Team Meeting
- Thurs (11th) – Open Bible Fellowship
- Fri (12th) – BD Jan Lefler (PW @ Fellowship, Norwich)
- Sat (13th) – BD Rodney Kochmanski (Pastor @ North Fenton BC)

Missionary of the Week

- Today we want to pray for one of our missionaries who has an interesting ministry. Keep in mind our church supports her work through our Cooperative Program giving. Nikki Kirby lives in Mississippi, but she travels all over the United States to lead Lay Renewal events. Lay Renewal ministry aims to revive a church by ministering directly to the laity it is often a weekend event. The goal is for lay people in the church to become more focused on God's leadership and more involved in ministering for Him. A whole team of lay people will visit a church, sharing their testimonies about how they are serving in the church. Churches who sponsor a Lay Renewal weekend usually become more energized toward service and involvement in kingdom-focused ministries. Nikki often leads teams on renewal weekends in faith-based drug and alcohol rehab centers around the country. They have seen lives restored because of God's grace. Let's pray for Nikki and the many who work in Lay Renewal ministry. North America's need for the gospel is so great that we need all our churches active and figuring out how to serve Jesus more.

Have You Heard This One?

- A man, fond of practical jokes, decided late one night to send his friend a collect telegram which read: "I am perfectly well." A week later, the joker received a heavy parcel...collect...on which he had to pay considerable charges. Upon opening it, he found a big block of concrete which had this message: "This is the weight your telegram lifted from my mind."