

Hart Beat

On Sunday evening past. Jeff Ford is Pastor

17 September 2018

Hart to Heart

- This week has been a week of catching up from being away doing disaster relief in PA and attending the fall retreat in NC. I'm always amazed at how much is on my desk after being away.
- Let me put in a plug for the CNYBA Annual Meeting on October 20th. This year it will be held at **Central, Syracuse** beginning about 9:45 AM and ending at noon or shortly thereafter. Dr. David Pope will be our missionary speaker. Many of you will remember David from his time as Pastor at One Heart, Floyd and as the Director of Missions for the Greater Syracuse Association. I believe you will be blessed to hear how God is using him now-a-days and be challenged by his message. Save the date on your calendar and plan to attend.
- **Casa de Paz, Syracuse** baptized 2 on Sunday past. Alex Rivera is Pastor
- **Lyons Falls BC** held a baptismal service at the home of a member. Jeff Ford is Pastor.
- **Northside, Syracuse** reports 4 professions of faith this past week-end. Dr. Bruce Aubrey is Pastor.
- **Nepali, Syracuse** had a great time at a youth picnic on Saturday past. Bhim Biswa is Pastor.
- **The Neighborhood Church, Syracuse** now averages passing out over 100 "Blessing Bags" a week to their homeless and struggling friends throughout the city. The bags contain snacks and church/Gospel info. The main purpose of these bags is to build a bridge from their struggling friends to Jesus. These bags are just a reminder that they have not been forgotten! > Faithful volunteers just finished 10 straight weeks of "Summer Bible Club For Kids". They met with about 20 kids every Tuesday and Friday for two hours!! > In October, they begin the after school program, "Good News Club" in one of their local public Elementary schools. Every Tuesday afternoon, volunteers will go to the school and have songs, snacks, games and a bible lesson. In the past they have had up to sixty kids at the various clubs! > One of their faithful workers is taking three of the prostitutes who are working the streets around their building to weekly GED classes. Two others are in rehab! While they do praise God for this, there are now over 20 women out on the streets working around the church building. At least eight of them are under 18 years of age. Please pray for this drug epidemic that is

driving these precious ladies to the streets! > Bob Harris, a former pastor who has been working with Pastor Ronnie Wyatt for the past six years, has been called as Associate Pastor.

- On Sunday past Lyn and I worshiped with the good folks at **Lyons Falls Bible Fellowship Church**, where Jeff Ford has been pastor since December 2010. After church we enjoyed a time of fellowship with pastor Jeff and his family over lunch. On the way home we stopped in Rome to visit with friends who were neighbors when we lived up in the Tug Hill for a season. We got back to Owego just in time to meet some of our OBF family at the local pizzeria for a time of fun and fellowship. No one had to rock us to sleep when we finally got home.

Messages I have been asked to rerun

- Northside Baptist Church in Liverpool, NY, invites you to attend a training workshop for short-term missions team leaders. If you would like to learn how to organize effective, successful, meaningful short-term missions teams, this workshop will give you the tools you need. The workshop will be held from 7:00-9:30 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 19 and 8 a.m.- 4:30 p.m. on Saturday, Oct. 20. It will be hosted by Northside Baptist (7965 Oswego Rd, Liverpool, NY 13090) and presented by Don Johnson of SEND International. The cost of the workshop is \$60/person, and includes a Team Leader's Manual as well as breakfast and lunch on Saturday (travel & accommodations are the attendees' responsibility). If you're interested, you can register on-line at <https://www.send.org/events/details/09team-leader-training> or by mail at the address given on the SEND web page.
- Tim Bejian, former pastor at **Grace, Rome**, retired military chaplain, and current member @ **Crosspoint**, Whitesboro is leading a 10 day trip to the Holy Land (Israel) - Departing May 13th from New York. The package price, air and land per person in a double room, is \$3,200. Contact Bro. Tim at chappietim@gmail.com or via cell phone @ (315) 271-8311.

This Week in Preview

Missionary of the Week

Have You Heard This One?