

Hart Beat

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

30 September 2018

Hart to Heart

- On Sunday night and Monday past, Lyn and I attended the 49th annual session of the Baptist Convention of New York. Below I have a brief report of things from the meeting that pertain to churches of CNYBA.
- Last week I forgot to mention that Lyn and I worshiped with the good folks at **Starpoint, Clifton Park** on Sunday morning on our way to attend the 49th Annual session of the Baptist Convention of New York. Starpoint is celebrating their 15th anniversary all this year. Dr. Roscoe Lilly is Pastor.
- October is Pastor Appreciation Month. Let me encourage you, individually or as a group, do something to let your Pastor know you appreciate him.
- I have posted a revised CNYBA Block Party Trailer Use Schedule to our CNYBA web site (www.cnyba.org). You can find it under the Information Center tab.
- I have posted the latest Missionary Report from Rick & Donna Martin, our missionaries in Peru. You can find the report at our CNYBA web site (www.cnyba.org) under the Information Center tab/Missionary Reports.
- **Renovation, North Syracuse** has announced Bob Steves as Men's Ministry Leader and Val Cali as Women's Ministry Leader. Mike Mazzye is Pastor.
- **Stamford BC** will host a Red Cross Blood Drive on October 8, 2018, 1-6 PM. All donors who come to give blood during the month of October, will automatically be entered to win one of five \$500 gift cards redeemable at hundreds of merchants. Waylen Bray is Pastor.
- **Good News, Waverly** ordained Ted Benjamin to the gospel ministry yesterday during their regular morning worship service. John Talada is Pastor.
- **Emory Chapel, Barton** will have a Fall Harvest Festival and Chili Cook-off at the church property on October 20th beginning at 1 PM. There will be dunking for apples and other fun activities for the kids. Gary Culver is Pastor.
- **Summit, Cazenovia** welcomed a very special guest on Sunday past. Pastor George Moore from [Champion Forest Baptist Church](#) in Jersey Village, Texas.

Pastor Moore has been a true prayer warrior on Summit's behalf, and they were excited to hear him bring God's Word this weekend.

- On Sunday past Lyn and I worshiped with the good folks at **Clyde BC**, where David Barrows has been pastor since November 2017. It was my privilege and honor to preach during the ordination of Al Weaver to the gospel ministry during the morning worship service. Others on the ordination council included Pastor David, John Depugh (Pastor @ **Newark BFC**), **Joe Taylor** (Deacon @ **Newark BFC**), and Justin Pepicelli (Associate Pastor @ **West Hill, Ithaca**). Bro. Al is the Assistant Pastor at **Clyde BC**.

Brief Report from the recent BCNY Annual Meeting

- Bruce Aubrey, Pastor @ **Northside, Liverpool** was elected President.
- The 50th Annual Meeting of BCNY will be held next September at **Northside, Liverpool**
- 7 CNYBA church have not contributed to the SBC Co-operative Program during the past 12 months.
- Of the 500 churches that make up the BCNY, 2 CNYBA churches were listed in the top 25 givers to the SBC Co-operative program in the past 12 months. They are **Northside, Liverpool** (#1) and **Living Water, Owego** (#6).
- Of the 500 churches that make up the BCNY, 2 of our churches were listed in the top 25 givers to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering for International Missions. They are **Northside, Liverpool** (#1) and **West Hill, Ithaca** (#4).
- Of the 500 churches that make up the BCNY, 4 CNYBA churches were listed in the top 25 givers to the Annie Armstrong Easter Offering for North American Missions. They were **Northside, Liverpool** (#1), **West Hill, Ithaca** (#13), **Grace, Rome** (#16), and **Jefferson BC** (#23).
- Of the 500 churches that make up the BCNY, 4 CNYBA churches were listed in the top 25 givers to the James State Mission Offering for Disaster Relief. They were **Open Bible Fellowship, Catatonk** (#8), **Living Water, Owego** (#10), **Fellowship, Norwich** (#15), and **Summit, Cazenovia** (#23).

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/o9team-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

- Mon (1st) – BD James Young (Pastor @ Gethsemane, Syracuse)
- Tues (2nd) – ANV Wayne & Connie Sibrava (P&W @ Living Water, Owego)
- Thurs(4th) – BD Jon Speed (Pastor @ Christ Is King, Syracuse)
- Thurs (4th) – Ministry 101 @ Open Bible, Catatonk
- Thurs (4th) – Open Bible Fellowship

October Ministry Anniversaries

- Sam Macri – Pastor @ Crosspoint, Whitesboro since October 1990
- Yong Mun Rhee - Pastor @ River of Joy, Syracuse since October 2002
- James Young - Pastor @ Gethsemane, Syracuse since October 2003
- Matt Hallenbeck - Pastor @ Bellewood, North Syracuse since October 2005

Missionary of the Week

- Today we want to pray for one of our North American church planters who is starting a new church in Pembroke Pines, Florida. Now, quick - who knows where Pembroke Pines is? Well, it's not nearly as well known as Miami or Fort Lauderdale, but Pembroke Pines is right between these two better-known places and farther inland from the Atlantic. It's a city of more than 150,000 people and has big problems with drugs, gangs, crime and alcohol abuse. Omar Vargas, our church planter, knew about these kinds of needs in South Florida because this is where he grew up. He says people have many needs but they need the gospel of Christ most of all. Starting a church is only one of Omar's jobs. He also teaches

the Bible at a Christian high school. Today, let's pray for Omar, his wife, Cindy, and their family as he stretches his hours and his commitment to start a new church. Our church is supporting him and his ministry through our Cooperative Program giving.

Have You Heard This One?

- Mary was having a tough day and had stretched herself out on the couch to do a bit of what she thought to be well-deserved complaining and self-pitying. She moaned to her mom and brother, "Nobody loves me ... the whole world hates me!" Her brother, busily occupied playing a game, hardly looked up at her and passed on this encouraging word: "That's not true, Mary. Some people don't even know you."