

Hart Beat

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

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Hart to Heart

- Sadly, the CNYBA Mission trip to St. Thomas that was scheduled for late December into January has been canceled – or at least postponed. We had only four people commit to the trip and one of them was me, and I will be having knee surgery sometime around the first of the year. We will see if we can get sufficient response for a mission trip later.
- **SAVE THE DATE:** It's not too early to begin planning for the Mid-year meeting of CNYBA. It will be held on May 2, 2020. Place TBA.
- We have received an Application to Affiliate with CNYBA from the Nepali Community Church in Utica. I'll be working with Tim Bissell, our Church Planting Catalyst to determine if we need to vote to receive them or if they are sponsored by one of our existing churches, in which case our by-laws allow them to be automatically received. In any case, welcome to this congregation! Pastor Sancha Man Rai has been involved with us in various ordination services in our other Nepali congregations and has recently attended the Church Planting Conference hosted by NAMB in Alpharetta, GA.
- David Barrows, former pastor @ **Clyde BC**, formerly retired from his secular job on Friday past and moved to SC on Saturday past. David & Vickie were very active at Clyde over the last few years and were very instrumental in bringing some stability to the work there. We wish them well in the next stage of their lives.
- **Renovation, North Syracuse** has completed, and are using, renovation of downstairs area. They also baptized 3 on Sunday past. Mike Mazzye is Pastor.
- **Baptist Campus Church, Syracuse University** has been studying the Book of Amos this past month. Justice can flow from the church through [humble action](#), and it starts when we remember the greatness of our God and seek the benefit of others. Students prepared meals for the hungry at the [Samaritan Center](#). > One [Gospel 101](#) group just concluded and another has started fresh this month. It's exciting to see new study groups and connection groups forming even halfway through the semester. Their student interns are innovating and sharing their gifts with the community. BCM has been a resource on campus because of their experience in disaster relief efforts. Pray for many opportunities for students to share the Good News of peace with God through Christ. > West Point BCM & Syracuse/ESF BCM had an awesome fall retreat. They discussed

community, worship, discipleship, and how to use our passions to serve God. > They extend their hands to their community to serve and bless them. As a result, they see new faces Sunday morning! > Devon is the interim Baptist Collegiate State Director for the Baptist Convention of NY. This month he met up with the other state directors for their annual time of equipping and encouraging. Scott Belmore hosted the meeting this year at the [University of Alaska Anchorage](#). Devon Bartholomew is Student Ministry Director/Pastor.

This Week in Preview

- 3rd TIME CHANGE
- 7th ANV Milt & Patricia Kornegay (P&W @ Central, Syracuse)
- 7th Open Bible Fellowship, Candor

Missionary of the Week

If our church were sending a missionary to a hard place, say, like Central Asia, we would want to make sure that missionary was trained for ministry, wouldn't we? Well, of course our church helps support thousands of missionaries all around the world, serving in many nations and speaking many languages. Because training them is a big task - and more than one church can do alone - we share expenses with other Baptist churches like ours across the country. Seminary training for missionaries and pastors is one of the many ministries our church supports through the Cooperative Program. This is how we're supporting more than 18,000 students in our six seminaries. One of those missionaries we'll call Doug Coleman. He attended Southeastern Baptist Theological Seminary, located in Wake Forest, North Carolina. He studied the Bible, of course, but he also studied church planting. Now Doug is putting that training to use in Central Asia. It takes a long time for people there to come to faith in Christ. Doug worked with one man named Berat for years, sharing his own faith and what the Bible says. One day Berat, texted him: "By the way - bring me a Bible tomorrow." When Doug asked why, Berat said he had decided to follow Jesus! Did our church help that decision to happen? Yes we did! We helped train Doug for serving overseas and we help support him while he does so. So let's thank the Lord for His faithfulness and let's pray for his safety in the years ahead. And let's ask God to use Berat for great things in the Kingdom!

Have You Heard This One?

Eve to Adam, looking out over the yard full of leaves after a fall wind storm: "Would you please pick up your clothes? I'm tired of picking up after you."