

Hart Beat

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

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Hart to Heart

- The quarantine continues. We have had a couple of nice sunny days lately. Maybe a sign that spring is about to spring. Let's hope so.
- As you know, Lyn and I are making plans to retire in October, move into our travel trailer, and head south for winter. We have begun sorting everything we own into three categories – what we can take, what we can sell, and what we need to throw away. That last category is looking like it will be the largest. It is amazing what we hold onto that we never use, some of it unusable. Since you have extra time right now, you can add this to your prayer list. Unless you have undertaken this sorting task, you probably don't realize how difficult it is.
- Speaking of praying, add me to that prayer list. I thought that once my knee surgery was behind me, I'd be good to go. Whether because of "walking funny" while waiting for the knee replacement or just old age wear and tear, I'm not sure, but I have a definite issue with my right hip. All of a sudden it hurts like crazy and I've almost fallen a few times. I have started the process of doctor visits to determine the problem and the solution.
- **Summit, Cazenovia** will celebrate their 15th anniversary tomorrow, Tuesday, May 5TH. They will have a special post on their Facebook page where they'll be asking everyone to share a special memory from their time at Summit. Keep an eye out for the post and leave a reply. Feel free to add a video! > Also, on Thursday, May 7th (the National Day of Prayer), they will be meeting for prayer via a free conference call. Here's how to join: At 12:00 noon Eastern Time, simply dial **(425) 436-6331** and when prompted enter **Access Code 655625**. You can listen-in or pray at the end of the organized prayer time. They will have seven prayer leaders, separately located throughout Cazenovia to pray for: The Church, The Family, Education, Government, Business, Military, and Media & Entertainment. After their prayers, they will have a time for open-prayer. Dan Schallmo is Pastor.
- **Starpoint, Clifton Park** is hearing Pastor Roscoe Lilly speak in a series right now called *7 Words That Will Change Your Life* and the word this week is the most difficult of all of the words at which they will look - Sorry! > Pastor Lilly has begun a new daily Facebook Live devotional (started today) called **Soul Food**. Each week day at noon they will meet via Facebook Live for a 15-minute devotional together. They will spend part of their lunch time feeding their soul as

they go through the Gospel of Mark together. I'm sure they would not mind if you joined in.

- On Sunday past, Lyn and I continued our routine of listening to Dr. David Jeremiah (Shadow Mountain, San Diego), followed by listening to Dr. Robert Jefferies (First Baptist, Dallas), followed by listening to CNYBA pastors. Yesterday we started by listening to **Wayne Sibrava (Living Water, Owego)**. We never got any further down our list because we had company!!! Lary and Linda Hyde came over and we sat on the porch and drank coffee for a couple hours – socially distanced, of course. Later Rick Savage dropped by for a porch visit. We made ample use of a warm sunny Sunday afternoon and our big porch.
- This morning (Monday) I took Lyn into the hospital for an iron infusion to combat her anemia. Of course, I couldn't go in with her, so I ran errands while she was getting the treatment.

This Week in Preview

- Tues 5th BD Kristen Hallenbeck (PW @ Bellewood, N. Syracuse)
- Tues 5th BD Milt Kornegay (Pastor @ Central, Syracuse)
- Tues 5th CNYBA DOM Search Committee Meeting

Missionary of the Week

If you know anything about Utah, you know that's the home of the Mormons, a group that claims to be Christian, yet holds many un-Christian beliefs.

Their headquarters is in Salt Lake City, and that's where the missionaries are we want to pray for today: Luis and Beatriz Soto.

The Sotos are Hispanic and they have planted a church in the West Valley section of Salt Lake City that is reaching Hispanics for Christ. They call it Rock of the Centuries Baptist Church. Their building is about halfway between the Utah State Capitol building downtown and the airport.

It's estimated that 98 percent of the people here are lost and without Christ. Luis knows this. That's why he's always looking for members strong in faith who he can send to other communities to start new churches. Many of the Hispanics work two or more jobs to survive, so those who tackle such ministries are serious about their faith.

Today in our prayer time let's pray for Luis and Beatriz, two of our missionaries our church supports through our Cooperative Program giving.

Let's ask God to strengthen their church as they plant more new ones.

Have You Heard This One?

Recently, Paul, an out of work painter thought he might take advantage of a local church being closed and contracted to paint the interior. It was a huge job, bigger than

any building he had painted before. He started painting and soon realized that he had grossly underestimated the amount of paint that would be needed. Thinking to himself that by adding a little water to the paint, and thinning it out he could stretch the paint out and complete the job. Shortly after doing that, he heard a massive sound louder than a clap of thunder, and then he heard a voice call out, “Paul... repaint, repaint and thin no more.”