

Hart Beat

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

6 April 2014

► **Hart to Heart**

- Locations have been secured for the major CNYBA meetings in 2014. The Mid-year Meeting on May 3rd will be held at **Living Water, Owego**. The CNYBA Executive Board Meeting on September 20th will be held at **Summit, Cazenovia**. The Annual Meeting will be held at **Crosspoint, Whitesboro** on October 18th.
- Lyn and I worshipped today with the good folks at **Clyde Baptist Church**, where Roger Knapton has been pastor since the church began in November 2005. It was my privilege to preach this morning at the invitation of Pastor Knapton turned 91 years of age this past week.
- While at Clyde I hooked onto the CNYBA Block Party trailer and, after a good time of fellowship with Roger and Mary over lunch, brought it back to Syracuse, where I stashed it at the BCNY offices so it can be replenished with supplies in preparation for use by our churches this spring and summer – beginning at **The Neighborhood Church** Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 19th.
- If your church needs to use the block party trailer, one of the tents, or the scaffolding this summer, NOW is the time to get that reserved. Just call, email, or text me to get your date reserved – first come, first served.
- I have posted a new Missionary Report to our CNYBA web site from Rick and Donna Martin (Peru). You can find and read the report under the Information Center tab > Missionary Reports.

► **News From the Churches**

- **Good News, Waverly** will have a fellowship meal after the morning worship on Palm Sunday, 13 April, and a candlelight service on Thursday, 17 April at 6:30 PM. John Talada is Pastor
- **The Neighborhood Church** is sponsoring a giant Easter Egg Hunt in Schiller Park on Saturday, April 19th from 2 – 4 PM. They have been collecting plastic eggs filled with candy. They are also using the CNYBA

Block Party trailer for this outreach event. Ronnie Wyatt is Church Planter/Pastor.

- **West Hill, Ithaca** announces the 3rd Annual Ladies' Day of Encouragement, scheduled for Saturday, May 10th from 9:00 AM – 2:30 PM. Lunch will be provided. Eileen Banks is the featured guest speaker and her seminar topic will be "Are You Talking to Me?" All ladies are invited to attend. To make registration and/or ask questions, call Sarah Carpenter at 607-387-3392 or Amy Sabol at 315-351-1890. Bill Lower is Pastor.
- **Renovation, Syracuse**, which normally meets in the facilities of North Central Assembly of God on Sunday evenings, will hold Easter Sunday morning worship services at 10:30 AM at The Holiday Inn on Electronics Parkway in Liverpool. Mike Mazzye is Church Planter/Pastor.
- **Crosspoint, Whitesboro** is partnering with an international mission operation (Care for Ukraine) to provide necessary clothing and school supplies for Ukrainian children in need.

Last year **Crosspoint** sent almost 300 pounds children's clothes, shoes, crafts, and school supplies. This year's campaign will be conducted between April 6th and April 27th.

Items needed include:

- kids winter clothes (in good condition)
- kids shoes (sneakers, boots) (in good condition)
- kids school supply (crayons, pen, pencils ... and other light weight school supplies)
- Sport Items like balls (soccer, basketballs, volleyballs ... – not inflated)
- SMALL table games (UNO is a big one over there). Big boxes of table games will not be accepted due to limited shipping size

Shipping cost is \$.99 per pound. Boxes should not be any heavier than 70lb. There will also be a \$10 charge for delivery of 1 box. So, total cost is \$80 per 70lb box.

If you, your church, or some group in your church would like to help with this project, contact Viktor Korobaynyk at 315-272-9379 or Darlene Macri at 315-853-4976. Sam Macri is Pastor.

- **Bellewood, North Syracuse** is planning a Good Friday Worship Service on Friday, April 18th at 7 PM. Matt Hallenbeck is Pastor.

- **Missio University, Syracuse** recently hosted 15 college students from Florida Gulf Coast University, who came on their spring break to participate in the annual Serve Syracuse outreach event. Each year University partners with the collegiate ministry of Summit Church in Ft. Meyers, FL to bring the college students to Syracuse for a variety of intentional activities - from free bus passes, prayer walks, refugee ministries and grocery store giveaways. Brandon Owen is Church Planter/Pastor.

➡ **This Week in Preview**

- 7th BCNY Admin Committee Mtg
- 8th BD Devon Bartholomew – Student Ministry, Syracuse area
- 9th Dan Schallmo Bypass Surgery
- 10th Davis College Scholarship Banquet
- 12th BCNY Executive Board

➡ **April Ministry Anniversaries**

- Jim Hundley – Pastor @ Emmanuel, Cortland since April 1992
- Bill Lower – Pastor @ West Hill, Ithaca since April 2007
- Frank Adams – Pastor @ Jefferson BC since April 2009

➡ **1st Sunday – Missionary Story (International)**

- (Madagascar) Warren Baptist Church in Augusta, Ga., chose to embrace the Deaf Malagasy of Madagascar, an unengaged, unreached people group. Located off Africa's eastern coast, the island nation is home to roughly 110,000 Deaf, less than 1 percent of whom are Christian. Missionaries **FRANK AND SHERI MORAN** are intimate with the Deaf Malagasy society and Malagasy Sign language, and lead the IMB's Deaf work in Madagascar. The Morans prepared the way and enlisted Phillip Easterling, a Deaf pastor, to help Warren Baptist Church navigate the Deaf world and its cultural nuances. Your Cooperative Program gifts make it possible for Deaf missionaries to work alongside short-term volunteers.

➡ **Have You Heard This One?**

- A Veterinarian was feeling ill and went to see her doctor. The doctor asked her all the usual questions: what were the symptoms, how long had they been occurring, etc.

Suddenly, she interrupted him: "Hey look, I'm a vet - I don't need to ask my patients these kinds of questions: I can tell what's wrong just by looking."
She smugly added, "Why can't you?"

The doctor nodded, stood back, looked her up and down, quickly wrote out a prescription, handed it to her and said, "There you are. Of course, if that doesn't work, we'll have to have you put to sleep."