

## **Hart Beat**

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

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### ➡ **Hart to Heart**

- Yesterday was a long day and when I got home last night, I crashed. So, you're getting the HART BEAT update on Monday.
- Saturday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> is approaching. That's the date for our annual Pastors' and Wives' Christmas Luncheon. It will be held at **Lakeshore, Cicero** again this year. Encourage your pastor and wife to attend.
- As you know, we have a CNBBA Associational Mission trip scheduled for December 29 through January 5. Eleven team members from five churches will be doing VBS in a gated apartment complex of 300 apartments with a population of over 1400. We would like to have prayer groups in our CNYBA churches praying for us as we travel, minister, and travel. Please let me know if you would be willing to head up a group in your church, It can be a Sunday School class, a ladies group, a men's group, or any other group in your church. You can structure your group any way you like. Next week I will publish the names of the team members and give you some possible ways you could pray while we're in, as well as traveling to and from, St. Croix.
- Yesterday Lyn and I worshipped with the good folks at **Central, Syracuse**, where Milt Kornegay has been pastor since August 1996.
- Yesterday afternoon Lyn and I worshipped with the good folks at **Lakeshore, Cicero**, where I was privileged to participate in the installation service for Pastor Mike McMahon and Assistant Pastor Nehemiah Taylor.
- Last night Lyn and I worshipped with the good folks at **Open Bible, Catatonk**, where I am serving as church planter/pastor.

### ➡ **News From the Churches**

- **Bellewood, Syracuse** had a fellowship lunch after church today followed by the "Hanging of the Green", the annual decorating of the church auditorium. Matt Hallenbeck is Pastor.

### ➡ **This Week in Preview**

- Mon – Norwich Project Team Meeting

- Thurs – Open Bible Fellowship Bible study

## ➡ **Missionary Moments**

- [Wisconsin] CARL GRIFFIN was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. When he was 4 years old, his mother moved them to Mississippi where Carl, at the age of 10, accepted Christ as his Savior. Today he and his wife, LINDA, serve in Milwaukee focusing primarily on bringing millennials to Christ. In 2012, Carl planted New Life Baptist Church in a racially diverse, middle-income neighborhood. Their vision is to “make disciples the way Jesus does.” New members spend the first six months in discipleship training and are then assigned to a small group for continued discipleship and disciple making training. Pray God will continue to grow New Life, and support the efforts in Wisconsin by giving through the Cooperative Program.
- [Deaf] Christian workers with the Deaf, ANDY and ADRIANA HALL,\* report that Deaf Mexicans struggle to break away from Catholicism. Some have accepted Christ as the only way to God; however, they struggle to share their faith with others because they do not have access to the Scripture in their heart language—Mexican Sign Language. Without full access to God’s Word, Deaf Christians face challenges as they answer their friends’ difficult questions. Your giving through the Cooperative Program will help provide Scripture to all people groups, including the Deaf of Central America.

## ➡ **Have You Heard This One?**

- Sam was working as a short order cook at two different restaurants in the same neighborhood. One Saturday night he was finishing up his shift at one restaurant and hurrying to report to work at the second place, but he was delayed because one table kept sending back an order of hash browns, insisting they were cold. He replaced them several times, but still the customers were dissatisfied. When he was able to leave, he raced out the door and arrived at his second job. Immediately a server handed him an his first order. “Make sure the hash browns are hot,” she said, “because these people just left a restaurant down the street that kept serving them cold ones.”