

Hart Beat

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

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➡ Hart to Heart

- I just got word that Gary & Margaret Culver (P&W @ Emory Chapel, Waverly) got home from church last Sunday to find their house engulfed in flames. They were able to get the dog out and call the fire department in time to save the structure of the house, but not the contents. The fire began in the kitchen when the stove timer somehow shorted out. They lost everything in the kitchen, everything electronic, and most of the furniture - although they are trying to salvage as much as possible. Our Leadership Team will respond with some help on behalf of CNYBA from our Emergency Fund. Please add them to your prayer list.
- I also found out this week that Duane Arnold, Sr (Pastor @ Southport, Elmira) had his leg amputated below the knee back in December. I talked with him yesterday and found out that they were working on his other foot and some plaque broke loose and plugged up circulation in the opposite leg. He has heart and diabetic issues. He is being fitted for prosthesis. He seems to be in good spirits. Please add him and his family to your prayer list.
- And one other thing, when major things like this happen, especially involving your pastor, please let me know about them. I feel bad that in both the cases above I was not immediately on the scene with prayer and moral support because I did not know about the situations.
- On Tuesday past Lyn and I met two other couples in Lancaster, PA and saw "Samson" at Sight & Sound Theatre on Wednesday and drove home on Thursday in time for our Thursday evening Open Bible Fellowship Bible study. The show was great!
- Some of you know that Lyn was scheduled for a knee replacement surgery on Monday. That is postponed because her surgeon's wife was killed in an automobile accident and he has taken an indefinite leave. We have a new surgeon and surgery is now scheduled for April 12th, with rehab to follow at Sayre Health & Rehab.
- I was honored to be invited to participate in the third annual ping pong tournament outreach event sponsored by Nepali, Syracuse yesterday. It didn't take long to realize that those ping pong skills I had 50 years ago back in college (when we were playing 10 games a day) were gone – especially when you're

competing against the “young guns” and you haven’t picked up a paddle much since then. I did score 15 points before being eliminated in the first round.

- Lyn and I worshiped today with the good folks at **Clyde BC**, where Roger Knapton has been the senior pastor since the church began in November 2005. I was privileged to preach this morning in the closing service of a week-long revival effort, led primarily by a seminary student from my alma mater, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Ft. Worth, TX. David Barrows is Associate Pastor.
- Please be praying for David Barrows. He is experiencing some major health issues.

➡ **News From the Churches**

- **Inlet CC** pastor, Phil Huber, left early yesterday morning leading a group of 22 on a mission trip to Juarez, Mexico for a week of ministry – helping to build an orphanage with Tapestries of Life Ministries and ministering to the people of the area.
- **Stamford BC** will have an Easter Sunrise service next Sunday at 7 AM followed by breakfast before their regular Sunday services. I will be leading a Leadership Workshop there on April 9th. Waylen Bray is Pastor.
- **Northside, Liverpool** will offer four Easter services - Friday March 25th at 7:00 PM, Saturday March 26th at 5:05 PM, and Sunday March 27 at 9:30 and 11:00 AM. Bruce Aubrey is Pastor.

➡ **This Week in Preview**

- Today – BD Roger Best – former Pastor @ Inlet CC
- 23rd BD Cindy Schallmo – PW @ Summit, Cazenovia
- 24th Open Bible Fellowship, Catatonk
- 26th BD Frank Adams – Pastor @ Jefferson BC
- 26th Easter Egg Event @ The Neighborhood Church, Syracuse

➡ **Missionary Moments**

- [New Mexico] SCOTT WILSON leads the missions mobilization team in New Mexico, where he works with leaders who oversee ethnic and language works among Hispanics, Native Americans, Deaf, Chinese, Muslims, Russians and more. He also partners with Southern Baptist Disaster Relief, WMU and church planting. Scott says New Mexicans face a variety of hindrances in accepting the gospel, including a struggling economy, entrenched beliefs from traditional

Native American religion and a Hispanic culture heavily influenced by Roman Catholicism. Please support the Cooperative Program generously, and pray that missionaries in New Mexico will learn to communicate the truth of the gospel into a world that is changing rapidly.

- [Mexico] One morning IMB missionary, ANTHONY CONNER, grabbed a shovel to help Manolo, a man who belongs to the group that Conner and his family are trying to reach. Conner shared the gospel with Manolo and after about an hour, Conner asked him, "Manolo, isn't it time to give your life to Jesus?" Manolo said yes and in the middle of the alfalfa patch, they kneeled down and Manolo prayed to receive Christ. Today, Manolo is the pastor and church planter in the village where Anthony and his wife, MELISSA, work. Your gifts to the Cooperative Program allow the Conners to share the gospel in Mexico.

➡ **Have You Heard This One?**

- I accompanied my husband when he went to get a haircut. Reading a magazine, I found a hairstyle I liked for myself, and I asked the receptionist if I could take the magazine next door to make a copy of the photo. "Leave some ID, a driver's license or a credit card," she said. "But my husband is here getting a haircut," I explained. "Yes," she replied. "But I need something you'll come back for."