

## **Hart Beat**

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

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### ➡ **Hart to Heart**

- I've been encouraging you to pray for two of our Pastors who are battling cancer. Pastor Gary Culver, whose prostate cancer has spread to his bones and lymph nodes, had his first chemo treatment on Wednesday past. He will have five more treatments at three week intervals and then new scans will dictate further treatment. Pastor Wayne Sibrava, who has recently been diagnosed with prostate cancer, will see a surgeon in Rochester later this month, with surgery to be scheduled shortly thereafter. Let me urge you to lift these brothers up in continual prayer.
- This week has been a flurry of activity. One of our guys at **Open Bible, Catatonk** had double by-pass surgery last week, came home this week and then fainted, hitting his head on the coffee table, and wound up back in the hospital. So I've been going back and forth to visit him every day plus trying to get some things done on the house. Summer seems to be slipping away. We purposely did not plan a big trip this summer so Lyn's knee could have time to heal more and I would have time to work on the house. Oh, well. I guess all you can do is do what you can and get to the rest of it when you can.
- Lyn and I were honored to accept the invitation of Pastor Bill and Christina Lower to have dinner at their place on Wednesday evening past before they left on Friday on a mission trip to Guatemala, where they will work with their daughter and a group of young people who are on an eleven month mission trip visiting eleven counties in eleven months. Pray for traveling mercies.
- Plans were finalized this week and the CNYBA Annual Meeting will be hosted by **Transformation, Syracuse** on October 15<sup>th</sup>. Unless I am mistaken, this will be the first time our annual meeting has been hosted by one of our ethnic congregations.

### ➡ **News From the Churches**

- **Living Water, Owego** will hear Messianic Rabbi Ron Goldberg during the morning worship service on August 28<sup>th</sup>. Wayne Sibrava is Pastor.
- **Open Bible, Catatonk**, where I am serving as Pastor, will conduct a one day Children's Fun Day Outreach event on August 20<sup>th</sup>. We will be using the CNYBA Block Party Trailer and hope to register 20 prospective families. Be praying.

- **Emory Chapel, Waverly** will hold their morning worship service on August 14<sup>th</sup> at Round Top Park. A Fellowship Meal will follow. Gary Culver is Pastor.
- **Summit, Cazenovia** is excited to announce that Ryan Zarbatany has joined their church as our new Worship Leader! They welcome Ryan, his wife Laurie Ann, and children Lillian (15), Joseph (13) and Nico (10) to their church family. Ryan comes to them from **Northside, Syracuse** and his background includes training at Elim Bible College and Berklee College of Music. He has served as worship leader in Bethlehem PA, and in the Rochester NY areas. Not only does Ryan have a passion for his family and music, he is a trained chef having been educated & trained at Johnson & Wales University. Dan Schallmo is Pastor

### ➡ **This Week in Preview**

- Today – BD Lori Kreydatus (PW @ Eternal Life, Auburn)
- Tues - ANV Roger & Mary Knapton (P&W @ Clyde BC)
- Wed - BD Pam Hundley (PW @ Emmanuel, Cortland)
- Thurs – Open Bible Fellowship, Catatonk Bible study
- Fri – BD Phil Wright (Pastor @ Canastota BC)
- Sat – ANV Bruce & Kathy Aubrey (P&W @ Northside, Liverpool)
- Sat – BD Karl Novak (former Pastor @ Lakeshore, Cicero)

### ➡ **August Ministry Anniversaries**

- Jeff O'Brien – AP @ Northside, Liverpool since August 1994
- John DePugh – Pastor @ Newark BC since August 1994
- Milt Kornegay – Pastor @ Central, Syracuse since August 1996
- John Talada – Pastor ! Good News, Waverly since August 2009
- Greg Johnson – Pastor @ Cornerstone, Endicott since August 2011
- Devon Bartholomew – Student Ministry, Syracuse since August 2013

### ➡ **Missionary Moments**

- [Southeast Asia] JOAN MCGUINNESS\* opens doors to the gospel through education. She works with English teachers in Southeast Asia to prepare creative and interesting lessons for high school students. She works with 38 different schools, offering much-appreciated support to teachers and faculty. She also involves volunteer teams from churches in the U.S. in her ministry. Because you give through the Cooperative Program, Joan has been able to move to a different island and offer the same kind of support to other schools. Through the relationships she builds in the schools, doors to salvation are being opened in Southeast Asia.

- [Canada] God called DAVID POTHIER to plant La Chapelle (The Chapel) in the heart of Montreal. In one year, the church grew from zero to more than 850 in weekly attendance. Even more amazing, this occurred in the most secular city in North America, where less than 0.5 percent of residents are evangelical Christians. None of this would be possible without faithful giving through the Cooperative Program. The vision God has given La Chapelle is to serve as a church multiplication center, but two miracles are needed: a building and the resources to purchase it. Please pray for God's favor and blessing on this vision.

### ➡ **Have You Heard This One?**

- There are three engineers in a car; an electrical engineer, a chemical engineer and a Microsoft engineer. Suddenly the car just stops and the three engineers look at each other wondering what could be wrong. The electrical engineer suggests the electronics of the car be removed down to its parts and then try to trace where a fault might have occurred. The chemical engineer, not knowing much about cars, suggests that maybe the fuel is becoming emulsified and getting blocked somewhere. Then, the Microsoft engineer, not knowing much about anything, comes up with a suggestion, "Why don't we close all the windows, get out, get back in, open the windows again? Maybe it'll work!?"