

Hart Beat

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

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Hart to Heart

- I'm feeling much better now after a fight with some sort of sinus issue. Still not back to full strength, but I'm on the mend.
- Recently I have been having trouble with my ISP. When I send out large amounts of data to over 400 people in a short period of time, my email accounts gets locked and I have to change passwords in order to use the account again. As you might imagine, this gets very annoying – besides I'm running out of ideas for passwords since they won't let me use anything similar to a previous password. So this week I'm trying something new. I'm using Mail Chimp, a free bulk email delivery service. I would appreciate any feedback about how it worked.
- Lyn and I worshipped this week with the good folks at Clymer Baptist Church in Sabinsville, PA, where I taught Sunday School and preached. I'm trying to help this church and **Inlet Community** Church in their pastor searches.

News From the Churches

- **Nepali, Syracuse** include weddings as a part of Sunday worship. This past Sunday they included a double wedding as part of the worship service. Most of the 220 people now attending have come to Christ through the witness of this church. Bhim Biswa is pastor.
- **Emory Chapel, Waverly** hosted Tommy Rocco in concert again last night. Other November activity will include Women's Fellowship Group on the 9th, observance of the Lord's Supper on the 10th, trimming of the Christmas tree on the 13th, and a Harvest Fellowship Meal on the 17th. Gary Culver is Pastor.
- **Stamford BC** will view the "My Hope With Billy Graham" presentation on Wednesday night, Nov. 6th. I will be leading worship for them next week while Pastor Waylen bray is away for a wedding. They are participating in "Operation Christmas Child" again this year and have activities related to packing boxes scheduled for the next couple of weeks. They are also gearing up to provide Thanksgiving baskets for 20+ families this year. On Dec 8th

they will host John & Dody Martin, music evangelists, in a Christmas concert during the morning worship service.

- **The Neighborhood Church** is looking for two beds for a family attending their church. Church Planter/Pastor, Ronnie Wyatt says, “They are sleeping on air mattresses on the floor. One of these sleeping on the floor is a young lady that is 6 months pregnant and the other is disabled older woman.” If you, or someone you know, has a bed or two you could donate, contact Pastor Ronnie directly at [315-876-0558](tel:315-876-0558).

November Ministry Anniversaries

- Waylen Bray – Pastor @ Stamford BC since 1997
- Roger Knapton – Pastor @ Clyde BC since 2005
- Calvin Stedge – Pastor @ Maryland BC since 2011

This Week in Preview

- 4th BD Jane Hatcher (PW@Northside, Liverpool)
- 7th ANV Milt & Patricia Kornegay (P&W @ Central, Syracuse)

1st Sunday – Missionary Story

One important part of Southern Baptists’ strategy to plant 15,000 new churches over 10 years is to be sure we are starting churches where people feel at home. Sometimes that might be a little different for others than it is for you and me. Again, there is no changing or compromising of the gospel message, but a recognition that God created all of us uniquely.

This is so critical to our mission as Southern Baptists and it is why NAMB is in the process of bringing on board three new national Church Planting Catalysts (CPCs) who will focus on starting churches for specific groups of people.

Churches for the deaf - Our new national CPC for the deaf will work with leaders throughout North America to identify where the next 100 deaf churches need to be planted. We will have a national map indicating the area of greatest need for deaf churches and ministries. Many churches have deaf ministries that are doing a great job. What we want to do is help start deaf churches where those who are deaf and profoundly hearing impaired will have a place to call home if they prefer it.

Military churches - This National CPC will focus on starting churches for members of the military. Research shows that 80 percent of U.S. military members stationed stateside live off base. Some churches are doing a great job of ministering to them. But churches specifically started for military will take into account the transient nature of military life, the difficulties that come with deployment, the challenges for children whose families move a lot or who must go on with life without seeing a parent for months at a time. NAMB believe churches designed for and led by those in the military will have great potential for attracting military members who currently don't attend church.

Missional communities - Many people who would not initially attend a church would come to a small group that was meeting in their neighborhood or a friend's house. Our new national CPC for Missional Communities will work in the 32 Send North America cities to start missional communities where unchurched people will gather in small groups to study the Bible and learn about Jesus. These groups will be organized with the hope that they will one day be combined with other missional communities and become a church. Missional communities are great starting points for many people-especially in crowded cities where access to churches is often limited and inconvenient.

Have You Heard This One?

I may have used this one before, but just in case.....

There's a man trying to cross the street. As he steps off the curb a car comes screaming around the corner and heads straight for him. The man walks faster, trying to hurry across the street, but the car changes lanes and is still coming at him.

So the guy turns around to go back, but the car changes lanes again and is still coming at him. By now, the car is so close and the man so scared that he just freezes and stops in the middle of the road. The car gets real close, then swerves at the last possible moment and screeches to a halt right next him.

The driver rolls down the window. The driver is a squirrel. The squirrel says to the man, "See, it's not as easy as it looks, is it?"