

## Hart Beat

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

**29 September 2013**

### ■ **Hart to Heart**

- ✚ A big thank you to those who prayed for me during the 44<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Baptist Convention of New York this past week. We got home about 6:30 PM on Tuesday.

The business sessions at the convention went better than I expected, and once I got into the pulpit to preach, I was much more relaxed and confident.

By now you are aware that the BCNY Strategic Implementation Team I appointed last year brought recommendations for significant changes to our structure and procedures. Many of those changes can actually be done under our current Constitution and By-laws. One of the proposed changes is that the officers of the convention serve as the officers of the Executive Board. In an attempt to let the convention see some of these changes in action before we actually vote to make them a part of our Constitution & By-laws permanently, I asked that I not be elected to a second term as president. After asking the 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President to moderate, I personally nominated Dale Suel, current Executive Board Chairman, to serve as president this year. He was elected.

However, they did not let me off the hook completely. They elected me 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President. I am honored to do whatever I can to serve you and the other churches of BCNY as best I can.

- ✚ In addition to the BCNY Annual Meeting, other items on the Hart beat this week included:
  - Installation of a pellet stove at the Hart house
  - Perspectives Class at Davis College
  - Doctor's appointment
  - Sermon Prep
  - Consultations with pastors
  - Pre-marital counseling with a former student
  - Office work

- ✚ Lyn and I worshipped with the good folks at **Berean, New Berlin** today, where I preached in the absence of Pastor Aamir Din, who was on his

honeymoon having been married yesterday. Aamir is one of my former students from Davis College.

- ✚ On Saturday, October 5, there is a Ladies' Conference event at New Hope, Watertown beginning at 9 AM. This will be a time of fellowship, worship, and workshops for women. Guest speaker for the event is Donna Crabt. The cost is \$15 per person. Register at [www.newhope-ny.org](http://www.newhope-ny.org) by clicking on the R&R Conference announcement, then scrolling down to download the registration form.
- ✚ It's not too early to begin planning to attend the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of CNYBA on October 19<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at **Emory Chapel, Waverly**. The program will feature IMB missionaries Wes and Michelle White, SAM missionary Rick Martin, and testimonies from the churches.

### ■ **News From the Churches**

- **Christ Is King, Syracuse** reports 24 ladies attended a recent outreach Ladies' Tea. Jon Speed is Pastor.
- **Vietnamese, Endicott** held a special service today to license Tan Do to the gospel ministry. Bro. Tan is now pastor.

### ■ **This Week in Preview**

- Today – BD Terry Robertson (Executive Director/Treasurer, BCNY)
- Today – BD Jill Covington (PW @ River Edge, Baldwinsville)
- 1<sup>st</sup> – BD James Young (Pastor @ Gethsemane, Syracuse)
- 1<sup>st</sup> – CNYBA Leadership Team Meeting
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – ANV Wayne & Connie Sibrava (P&W @ Living Water, Owego)
- 5<sup>th</sup> – BD Pauline Potter (PW @ North Fenton BC)

### ■ **Ministry Anniversaries - October**

- Sam Macri – Pastor @ Crosspoint, Whitesboro since Oct 1990
- Milt Kornegay - Pastor @ Central, Syracuse since Oct 1996
- Yong Rhee - Pastor @ Korean, Syracuse since Oct 2002
- James Young - Pastor @ Gethsemane, Syracuse since Oct 2003
- Matt Hallenbeck - Pastor @ Bellewood, N. Syracuse since Oct 2005
- James Pannafino – Pastor @ Lighthouse/Market Place Ministries, Syracuse since Oct 2008
- Bob Teachout – Assoc. Pastor @ Canastota BC since Oct 2011

## ■ 5th Sunday – Truth from the Old Hymns

### **Farther Along**

written in 1911 by Rev. W. A. Fletcher, an itinerant preacher, while he was traveling to the Indian Territories by train.

Tempted and tried we're oft made to wonder  
Why it should be thus all the day long;  
While there are others living about us,  
Never molested, though in the wrong.

Farther along we'll know more about it.  
Farther along we'll understand why;  
Cheer up my brother, live in the sunshine  
We'll understand it all by and by.

When death has come and taken our loved ones  
Leaving our homes so lonely and drear;  
Then do we wonder how others prosper  
Living so wicked year after year.

When we see Jesus coming in glory;  
When He comes from His home in the sky;  
Then we shall meet Him in that bright mansion.  
We'll understand it all by and by.

## ■ Have You Heard This One?

The girl came running in tears to her father. "Dad, you gave me some terrible financial advice!" she cried.

"I did? What did I tell you?" said the dad.

"You told me to put my money in that big bank, and now that big bank is in trouble."

"What are you talking about? That's one of the largest banks in the world," he said. "Surely there must be some mistake."

"I don't think so," she sniffed. "They just returned one of my checks with a note saying, 'Insufficient Funds'."