



Northfield Presbyterian Church | *February 2012*

The Good News

From the Pastor's Pen...

Dear Friends and Church Family,

Last year the Mission Committee added Galen Johnson to our list of missionaries and agencies we support. He introduced us to the Seed Company, a subsidiary affiliate of Wycliffe Bible Translators. Looking for a project that we, as a congregation, could embrace, Jan and I contacted Galen and learned about an informational meeting to be held in Columbus about the work the Seed Company is presently planning and doing.

What we learned along the way was that out of nearly 7000 languages in the world, there are only 2000 left that don't have a written language, which means in most cases they haven't heard about our Lord, and they don't have any portion of the Bible. The Seed Co. has set a goal of reaching these groups by the year 2025! In order to accomplish this they must have many churches to partner with them financially and in prayer.

I really can't imagine not having a Bible to pick up and read any time I want to. Nor can I imagine life without having any knowledge of a God who loved me enough to become part of my world in human form. Yet there are people who have never heard the good news and live life filled with fear and frustration and unresolved guilt. What a great privilege it would be for us to be able to participate in providing God's Word to people in their own language.

I hope that you have a good Bible that is very readable and very worn around the edges. If you would like to buy a Bible and would like a recommendation on one, I'd be glad to help you if

you're not sure where to begin. And if you need some help knowing where to begin reading we could talk about that too. In general I'd suggest starting with a Gospel—any one will do—and focus on who Jesus is.

But I would be remiss if I didn't recommend one of the best ways to learn about the Bible. Our Adult Class is doing a study of the Bible itself, going through the Bible in one year.

Remember Paul's great reminder about the practicality of the Bible, *All Scripture is God-breathed and is useful for teaching, rebuking, correcting and training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be thoroughly equipped for every good work.* (2 Tim 3:16,17)

I have one other Mission thought for you to be praying about. We will have nine high school kids and two adult leaders going on a mission trip this summer. We can give you more details in another month. But for now they will be traveling with the Hudson Presbyterian Church's high school group to New Orleans. The groups will be working with an organization called Youth Works. This organization ties in to existing ministries in the area where our teens and leaders will work side by side with folks who are well established in the community. Small group Bible Study, personal reflection time, and large group meetings on either side of their work schedule will fill out their days.

Pray for the teens as the plans and details come together.

In His Grip,

Art Helin

Camp Sunday, February 12th

Our kids, age 8 and up, have been enjoying Ligonier Camp in Ligonier, PA for years. The fun and fellowship in a solid Christian environment keeps them coming.

Camp representatives will be at the church on Sunday, Feb. 12th to meet with kids and parents before and after the service. They will interact with the kids during Sunday School and KOW.

Once again, the Mission Committee has authorized payments of 1/2 tuition to any child attending. Forms for camp and mission payments are available on the table in the narthex. Registration is ongoing. Please turn in money request form before deadline for paying your final payment. If full tuition is needed, that may also be available through church or camp scholarship. See Art to discuss possibilities.



Youth Mission Trip

Nine of our Sr. High youth will be joining Pastor Vince Latz and Hudson Presbyterian Church youth on a mission trip to New Orleans in July. New Orleans is still in need of much help and we're excited to partner with *Youthworks* to provide them aid, both through relationship building and relief work in whatever way they need it!

What will we be doing?

When we arrive at the site, *Youthworks* will split out students into crews mixed with other churches, though all our students will be with one of our own adult leaders! Each day crews will go work at various ministry sites such as Soup Kitchens, Nursing Homes, Food and Clothing Shelters, Kids Clubs, etc. until about 3. After that crews head back for showers, dinner, a different evening activity each day, club/worship time, and church group debrief time. What specific work students will do will depend on local partnerships as well as which crews they are assigned to!

Please be in prayer for their planning and the identification of two adult chaperones to go along.

New Officers Elected

Our annual meeting included the election of new officers for the coming years. Congratulations to all!

Session Class of 2013 John Jackson
Class of 2014 Kirk Louis
Karen Longo

Deacons Class of 2012 Jack Stitt
Cheryl Tartaglione
Class of 2014 Bill and Julie Forsythe
John and Cindy Gallagher

Day Care Board
Class of 2012 Michelle Williamson
Keith and Erin Kremyar
Class of 2013 Trudy Polcen
Class of 2014 Kathy Moore
Cindy Maxhimer

A Congregational Meeting is called for Feb. 5th after the service to fill out the slate and elect at-large nominating committee members.

Day Care News

We will begin our annual **Malley's fundraiser** on February 15th. The brochures will be available in the narthex if you would like to place an order.

Orders need to be turned in by Monday, March 5th. Orders will be available for pickup on Tuesday, March 27th after 1:30 pm. Profits will be used to support our daycare programming. Thank you in advance for your support of our daycare.

Don't forget that the NPC Day Care receives funds from paper and ink cartridge/old cell phone recycling. Use the Dumpster on the west side of the church for paper; the box in the coat area is for ink/phones.

THANK YOU!

Sherry Pomeroy

Women's Association to Meet

The next meeting of the Women's Association will be **Monday, February 13, 2012 at 10:00 a.m.** The lesson will be 2 Corinthians 8-9 "The Need to Give". Billie Mordas will lead the study. A business meeting will follow the study.



All women are welcome to attend. Study materials are still available.

Simple Supper and Prayer
February 16
6:30 pm
at the Helin's
Sign Up in Narthex.

Stewardship Report

January 2012

Income: \$ 18,284.00 Expenses: \$ 18,383

Mission Spending End of year gift & 1st Quarter:

Campus Crusade for Christ: David Williams—Akron	\$ 1,125.00
The Seed Company: Galen Johnson - Africa	\$ 1,125.00
Globe Ministries: Bob & Melissa Hill- Scotland	\$ 1,125.00
Gospel for Asia: - India	\$ 875.00
InterVarsity Christian Fellowship: B. Trube - OSU	\$ 1,125.00
Interlink Ministries: Mary Williams—Cleveland	\$ 1,000.00
World Vision	\$ 1,000.00
Hudson Pres. Church (Youth Mission Trip deposit)	\$ 550.00

Thank you for your continued support.



February

Katie Williamson	1-Feb
Pauline Enczur	2-Feb
Donna Hamed	4-Feb
Kathy Moore	4-Feb
John Rudin	5-Feb
Sarah Hall	7-Feb
John Jackson	8-Feb
Marie Fiala	10-Feb
Joshua Langford	11-Feb
Jean Swanson	13-Feb
David Verhage	13-Feb
Abby Williamson	15-Feb
Ethan Kremyar	16-Feb
Emily Fenn	17-Feb
Zack Miller	18-Feb
Loraine Smith	28-Feb

PANTRY ITEMS CONTINUE TO BE COLLECTED



The Women's Association will continue to collect food items for the Macedonia Emergency Center. They need dry, boxed nonperishable food items such as: Spaghetti noodles and all other types of pasta either in a box or bags as well as rice, instant potatoes, cereal, hamburger or tuna helper, crackers jellies and Jams.

There is a container in the narthex where church families can drop off their donations on Sundays or any other day they are in the building. We will continue to collect them as long as they are being donated.

Thank You!

February 2012

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 6:30 am Men's Bible Study at Chick-fil-A 9:45 Chapel Time 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 7pm Choir	2 10am Small Group Meeting 7:30 pm Christian Career Group 8pm AA	3	4
5 COMMUNION 9am Sunday School 10:15 am Worship 12:00 Small Group Meeting 12:30 VBC Worship	6 7pm Boy Scouts	7 6pm Day Care Class 7pm Evening Bible Study	8 9:45 Chapel Time 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 7pm Choir	9 8pm AA	10	11 8am Men's Bible Study at Chick-fil-a
12 9am Sunday School 10:15 am Worship Ligonier Camp Visit Scout Sunday Baptism 12:30 VBC Worship	13 10 am Women's Association 7pm Boy Scouts	14 7pm Evening Bible Study	15 6:30 am Men's Bible Study at Chick-fil-A 9:45 Chapel Time 6:00 Day Care Class 7pm Choir	16 6:30 pm Simple Supper and Prayer 7pm Building & Grounds 8pm AA	17	18 7am Session Prayer
19 9am Sunday School 10:15 am Worship 12:30 pm VBC Worship	20 7pm Session 7pm Boy Scouts	21 7pm Day Care Board 7pm Evening Bible Study	22 9:45 Chapel Time 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 7pm Choir	23 8pm AA	24 5:30 pm Community Meal	25 8am Men's Bible Study at Chick-fil-a Scouts using kitchen
26 9am Sunday School 10:15 am Worship 12:30 pm VBC Worship	27 7pm Boy Scouts & Scout Parents	28 6pm Day Care Class 7pm Evening Bible Study	29 6:30 am Men's Bible Study at Chick-fil-A 9:45 Chapel Time 6:30 pm Cub Scouts 7pm Choir			



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