BIRTHDAYS:

May 11   Mike Koopman
May 11   Priya Meekel
May 12   Bernice Huink-Buiter
May 13   Erica Bolton
May 13   Brian Hoiting
May 13   Gerald Roode
May 13   David Wubs
May 15   Charles Broad
May 15   Veronica Hoiting
May 15   Joanne Streutker
May 16   Shirley Renkema
May 17   Sheri Beckett

BIKE FOR BIBLES 2014: Did you know that there are about 34 million people in the world suffering from HIV-related diseases? If you think about it, that's almost the entire population of Canada! And two-thirds of that number lives in Africa. There is deep discrimination, stigma and social rejection of people living with HIV/AIDS in Africa. That is why some people infected with the disease remain silent. Unfortunately, their silence prevents them from receiving the support they need; it also increases the risk for their loved ones to be infected with the virus.

This year, the Canadian Bible Society has planned over 10 Bike for Bible rides across Canada for you to participate in. There are rides in B.C., Alberta, and Ontario. Our goal is to raise $150,000 for our Good Samaritan program that addresses the HIV/AIDS pandemic in Africa where there is great need for people to be educated about the disease.

Check out the Bike for Bibles poster in the foyer, or you can get more info at www.bike4bibles.ca

WORLD RENEW: Volunteers Urgently Needed for Hurricane Response - World Renew Disaster Response Services has an immediate need for volunteers in Ocean City, New Jersey, to repair and rebuild homes after Hurricane Sandy. If you are a semi-skilled or skilled volunteer who can give one, two, or three weeks of your time to help hurricane survivors in the coming weeks or this summer, call 800-848-5818 or email drs@worldrenew.net today!

PLANT SALE: Spring is here and many of you gardeners will be dividing your perennials and looking for someone to share with. The women’s ministry team would love to have your divided plants to sell at our plant sale on May 24th in the church parking lot. We have lots of pots if you need, we ask that any donations be labeled sun or shade plants. Thanks in advance, Women’s Ministry Team

UPCOMING EVENTS:

O.A.S.I.S. POTLUCK—Thursday May 15, at 11:00 at Covenant church. We invite you to come to end the season. You can bring main course or a dessert or both. The fellowship is a bonus. All those registered to go on the trip with Robin Hood Tours, payment is due of $89.00 each, and will be accepted at this time.

PARTNERS WORLDWIDE CANADA invites you to attend an event ‘Celebrating Entrepreneurship’ in Hamilton, ON on May 14 from 6:45-9pm at the 541 Eatery & Exchange (541 Barton Street, Hamilton, Ontario). Mr. Harry Voortman of Voortman Cookies will share his story of entrepreneurship here in Canada and Partners Worldwide’s East and West Africa Regional Facilitator Martin Mutuku will be joining us from Kenya to talk about ways that Canadian entrepreneurs, business professionals and farmers can train and mentor African entrepreneurs. This event is free but guests are invited to RSVP at bitly.com/May14PWC or by emailing Derek Hoogland, Director for Partners Worldwide Canada at derekh@partnersworldwide.org.

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BOOK CLUB: Our next pick is *The Immortal Life Of Henrietta Lacks* by Rebecca Skloot. We are planning to meet Thursday, May 15th at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Freda Wesselson to discuss our final choice for the season. Bring along book suggestions for the fall. Everyone welcome - contact Irene Geerlinks for more information.

CALLED OUT: The Mission Activators and the Mission Developers of Classis Quinte invite you to “Called Out”: the local church, mission and discipleship conference taking place on Friday, May 23 (evening) and Saturday, May 24 at Brighton Fellowship CRC. The conference will offer workshops on huddle groups, and Glenn Smith, our keynote speaker will talk about: Following Jesus into our Communities and Making Sense of how my Community is Changing.

TO Register online please visit: http://missionconference2014.eventzilla.net or call Julia Kooy at 613-386-5210.

30 CHURCHES – 300 VOICES – ONE MASSIVE CHOIR: Hamilton Place, Saturday May 24 at 7:30pm (The Saturday following Victoria Day weekend)

A mass choir concert featuring 300 voices, dozens of orchestral instruments as well as the Anchor choir and Ambassadors Christian School (ACS) children’s choir is performing for one night only! This concert will benefit reformed Christian education in the city of Ottawa and the care of all our brothers and sisters who receive special living assistance in Anchor homes in Ontario. Purchase your tickets at www.ticketmaster.ca, or (905) 546-4040 or in person at the First Ontario Box Office, 101 York Boulevard, Hamilton. Tickets are $14, $20, and $30. (Tickets are cheaper when purchased at the box office).

TOUCH A TRUCK -Wee Creations Christian Preschool located within Woodstock Christian School at 800 Juliana Drive (across from Walmart) will be hosting a fun family event called “Touch a Truck”! Children of all ages are welcome to come out and climb on their favorite Fire truck, Ambulance, Police Cruiser, Excavator, Bull Dozer, Tractors and much more! There will be pizza, popcorn and drinks available for purchase. Children are $2 each to enter and adults are $5.

BLESSINGS CONCERT 2014 - You are invited to a benefit concert with violin, cello, piano, and trumpet performances. The event features Ellie Vogel, Reanne Kruisselbrink, Richelle Kruisselbrink, Rebecca Kruisselbrink, Lucy Elzinga, and Robert Anjema. The concert will be on June 13 at 7:30 PM at Grace Anglican Church, 4 Pearl Street, Brantford. (Corner of Pearl, West, and Albion, Parking in Albion St. Lot.) A freewill offering will go to the Brantford Blessing Centre, a soup kitchen in Brantford that is committed to sharing the good news of the gospel in addition to providing meals for those in need.

TOUR FOR TEENS: The 4th annual Tour for Teens is a bike-athon fundraiser for YFC/Youth Unlimited. It is a 100 km loop leaving from Palmerston, Saturday, June 14. (A 30 km option is available.) Teams can be 1-4 people, and each team is required to raise $1,000. For more information, see swoyfc.com/tour-for-teens or contact Dave Steenbg at dave.s@yfcwoodstock.com. Registration deadline is May 30.

LIBERTAS MALE CHOIR IN CONCERT: With Director and Organist MARTIN MANS and guest organists and pianists: Mark Brandwijk (Netherlands) and Andre Knevel.

June 27 2014: Ancaster ON. @ 7:30 PM. Rehoboth United Reformed Church, 77 Glancaster Rd, Ancaster ON L9G 2K9

June 28 2014: St Catharines ON. @ 8.00 PM. Cathedral of Saint Catherine of Alexandria Church, 67 Church St St. Catharines ON. L2R 5M7

To order tickets online: www.libertasvoices.com or call 905 522 0001 Email: info@libertasvoices.com

Ad. $ 18. Youth(14 and under) $ 10. Youth under 10-FREE

10th ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT: This marks the 10th year of our Annual Golf Tournament and with your support we have raised approximately $180,000 in the last nine years for Woodstock Christian School!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR and join us on Saturday, June 28 (note change of date) for our 10th golf tournament. This year we have changed our venue to the Ingersoll Golf Club. shotgun start at 1pm. Cost is $150/adult; $100/student and includes 18 holes of golf (Texas Scramble), golf cart and a delicious meal (6pm). Anyone wishing to participate, sponsor or volunteer or for more info please contact Clarence Markus (423-6349), Steve Booy (421-2313), Mark Sikma (469-9706), Adam Martin (425-7897) or Dan Scheele (485-3644). So mark your calendar and register by June 13. We hope to see you June 28, DV rain or shine.

LDCSS GOLF TOURNAMENT: Mark the date for the LDCSS golf tournament. Saturday, September 20th at 9 a.m. This year the tournament will be in a more central location at Fanshawe Golf Course in east London, where we will play the scenic traditional course.
1. Opening – Kelli opened with reading from Psalm 128 and prayer

2. Approval of Minutes: March 25, 2014
   Tabled till next meeting as minutes were not distributed

3. Matters from the minutes:
   N/A

4. Classis Meeting – May 27, 2014
   a. Credentials: NONE
   b. Delegates:
      i. Deacon: none
      ii. Elder: Bill Poort, John Claus Alternate: Kelli Koopman

5. Pastor Search Committee Church Profile Document
   a. Document was presented to council for approval. Part of the document was prepared by the search team and part of it was prepared by Exec, on behalf of Council.

   MOTION from Exec to approve the Church Profile document with edits as discussed CARRIED.

6. Nominations 2014
   The following names will be presented to the congregation via Church newsletter:
   Deacons: (2 required)
   Kate Clough   Diana Klingenberg
   Andrew Haverkamp

   Elders: (3 required)
   Lucille Koopman  Rob Haverkamp
   Jenny Bouma   Diane Klingenberg

7. Next meeting is scheduled for June 10, 2014 with Janet VanderSpek convening


Covenant Is Community
By now most of you have seen the Covenant is Community ministry plan as presented to the congregation by the Ministry Planning Team and Council.
We began this process with twenty one days of prayer and then a weekend of meetings called Discovery Weekend. During the Discovery Weekend workshops and follow-up meetings that occurred in the fall, questions were asked and discussed, and Covenant members could express their vision for Covenant’s future in a small group setting. After discussion, these ideas and plans were written on large sheets of paper and then prioritized by all the members present. Those present could clearly see the moving of the Holy Spirit. What emerged was a clear picture of how the members believed we must move forward. It was amazing to see how almost the entire congregation chose the same ideas as priority.
This plan as presented is the result of these combined ideas as prioritized by all the members of Covenant that participated in the fall meetings. The Ministry Planning Team spent many hours in prayer and discussion in an effort to narrow many fantastic priorities to just a few. Great care was taken by the Ministry Planning Team to make the plan both challenging but also do-able.
Council has unanimously approved the work of the Ministry Planning Team and the Covenant is Community ministry plan.
It is incredibly important to the future of Covenant Church that the members now also embrace the Covenant is Community ministry plan as a plan inspired by the Holy Spirit through the prayer and hard work of the Ministry Planning Team, Council, and the members of the congregation. Many hundreds of prayers over the last several years have been sent asking for renewal at Covenant Church. Council and the Ministry Planning Team believe that the Covenant is Community ministry plan is part of the answer to those prayers.
Some of the initiatives on the ministry plan will have a financial impact. Be assured that council is aware of this and Council will not act outside its boundaries with regards to the budget as approved by the congregation. The Covenant is Community ministry plan is a long term plan and parts of the plan that have a large financial impact will be implemented when appropriate and only with prior approval of the congregation.
Going forward, the plan is to have a Dedication Service in early June. This will be a special service where we as a congregation celebrate and dedicate the *Covenant is Community* ministry plan.

After the Dedication Service, an Implementation Team will be set up to help Covenant and Council to implement the new ministry plan going forward.

Council and the Ministry Planning Team covet your prayers and support as we enter this exciting new era at Covenant Church.

Jayne & Rob Klingenberg are the parents of the month.

If you have switched turns with another person, please contact them.

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