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Tackle Hunger

Souper Bowl Sunday

February 5, 2012

Help us tackle hunger on Super Bowl Sunday. Bring your Cans of Soup and Boxes of Crackers and fill our grocery cart in an effort to stock our neighborhood food pantry. Together we can tackle hunger in our neighborhood.

Tuesday February 7

7pm Commissions

8:15pm Board

Show Your Team Spirit

On Super Bowl Sunday, February 5, show your team spirit as part of the worship service by wearing your favorites team's color, sweatshirt, jersey, etc. For every person that wears their team colors, Pastor Larry and Tami will donate \$ 1.00 per person to the Greenmount Food Pantry.

Sunday, February 12

Camp Sunday

Tuesday February 14

7pm

Deacons Meeting

Every Tuesday

1:30pm Bible Study

6:15pm Praise Band

Super Bowl Lunch

Please join together in a time of fellowship and lunch on February 5th following the worship service. Our Youth Group will be providing a wonderful and delicious lunch for all to enjoy. Donations will be accepted. Your financial gift will help to provide the resources to send our young people to a work camp experience in Virginia in June.

Every Wednesday

7pm People of the

Covenant

Every Thursday

6:30pm Chimes

7:15 pm Choir

Greetings from the Pastor

Hello Friends,

Last year, I celebrated twenty-five years as a ordained minister in the Church of the Brethren. At District Conference, I received a really nice certificate that proclaimed this accomplishment. Stop by my office if you would like to take a look at it.

That twenty-fifth anniversary of my ordination coincided with my graduation from Eastern Mennonite Seminary. A typical three year Masters Degree took me six years. Don't worry...it wasn't because I was a slow learner. For me, even at a young age I knew that a seminary degree could never teach me the full and whole qualities of becoming a pastor. So...I served as a pastor while attending Seminary part-time. And to this very day...I do not regret that decision.

Don't get me wrong...I believe that a seminary education is helpful for the purposes of theology and the formation of biblical beliefs...but I truly believe that pastors are shaped by the churches they serve. Pastors learn how to pastor as we pastor.

So...with this letter and the passing of my twenty-fifth anniversary from graduating from seminary...I thought I would share with you ten truths that the church taught me as a pastor. Each is crucial to understanding ministry and the people of God.

1. The church exists for others, the poor, the homeless, the dispossessed and the lost.
2. Before people care how much their pastor knows they want to know that their pastor cares about them.
3. People in the church need to know that their pastor is a committed Christian.
4. A pastor must earn the trust and respect of the people he/she serves; it is not a given just because he/she has the title, Reverend or a bunch of educational degrees.
5. More than anything else, pastors are reconcilers, bringing peace from the in between. By the way...this has become really handy serving as District Board Chair.
6. The authority of a pastor's preaching is not in his/her office as a pastor but in the Word of God.
7. Some form of inadequacy...shortcomings is crucial to Christian leadership, forcing the leader to depend more on God.
8. Pastors who would rather do everything themselves cheat others of doing ministry. By the way...this took me a long time to learn.
9. Churches can plan God right out of their future, depending too much on their own wisdom and not enough on the movement of the Holy Spirit.
10. The greatest enemy of leaders in the church is their individual and corporate ego. Humility is so essential.

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As we grow closer to our tenth year of mutual ministry together here at Prince of Peace, I want to thank you for your love, wisdom and guidance. As a brother in Christ, I am the better for all of my experiences here and it is my prayer that my contributions have been of a benefit to you.

Until Next Time,

Pastor Larry

Woodland Altars/Outdoor Ministries Listening Sessions

February 12, 2012

Oakland Church of the Brethren

District Conference delegates approved a committee to conduct a series of listening and discernment sessions in order to get a better picture of the vision people in the district have for the on-going ministries of Woodland Altars and Outdoor Ministries. It's still not too late to participate in the initial set of listening sessions. They will be at the Oakland Church of the Brethren on Sunday, February 12 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm. This meeting is open to anyone whether you have been an attendee at any event at Woodland Altars or not. Your attendance at this meeting will be very helpful in shaping the future direction of Woodland Altars and Outdoor Ministries.

A Walk in MY SHOES

Is Jesus calling you to join him in a journey to make a difference in someone else's life?

Is God calling you into Ministry?

- Through the encouragement of friends and family?
 - During prayer or meditation?
 - On retreats or mission trips?
- In interaction with those who need God's love and care?

Here's a chance to explore possibilities!

Come and network with people who are investigating the call of Jesus upon their lives at
Salem C.o.B.

Saturday March 17

5:00—7:00pm

Dinner Provided

Please RSVP by March 1 at www.sodcob.org

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For These We Pray

Connie Ballard , Barb Boas, Cheryl's co-worker who had a heart attack, Phillip Gindelberger, Happy Corner Church, Tracy Hearty , Pat Killian, Kathy Martino, Jimmy Pomroy, Todd Reish, Jim Sarles, Dorey Sowerbrower, Joline Weis, Jobs for those that are out of work

Continued prayers for:

Lee Rose Anderson; Eric Avery; Melanie Beach; Millie Bolton; Bonnie; Kim Bomenka; Brad Booher; Vera Bowman; Norma Brigeman; Ralph Brower; Elsie Burge; Margaret Carr; Lynn Cox; Wilma Crogan; Jay Day; Susan Delphenich; Karen Dillon; Marsha Enterline; Angela Fisher; Joyce Forsythe; Kevin Fraker; Pat Franzer; Fannie Freeze; Donna Gabbard; Eleanor & Ed Gindelberger; Scott Gocon; Kirk Godsey; Lisa Grace; Steve Gresham; Shannon Hammond; Bootsie Hayes; Tracy Hearty; Mary Jane Henry; Tina Hill; Mark Hunter; Matt Jansen; Shelly Kern; Kim Kerns; Jeanne Lamb; Greg Laudick; Jim Lawrence; Melanie Lee; Lori & her son; John Loveless; Phil Magnus; Kathy Majeski; Paula Mayer; Forrest McElroy; Dinah McQueen; Will Mohr; Yvonne Moorefield; Melissa Mouser; Virginia Nicely; Darryl Nicholas; Nova; Don O'Hair; Bonnie Pagano; Peggy; Beverly Penrod; Ron Pfeiffer; Channing Phillips; Katherine Phillips; Kennedy Robinson; Florence Root; Dick & Caroline Schutz; Oswald James Scott; Heidi Schotz; Bob & Dianna Seeley; Ryan Seibert; Don & Marcia Seifferth; Carol Shafer; JoAnn Shafer; Glenn Shively; Susan Smith; Pat Snyder; Peggy Spencer; Ed Stocksdale; Tom Tarhney; The Terrill family; Angie Tyler; Gerry Tyner, Lura VanTine; James Warren; Kristie Wilson; Andy Winchek; Emma Wildermuth; Sue Wine; Millie Wolfe; Sylvia Yingst; Melony & Tom Zimmer.

Prince of Peace is Recipient of a Gift

Last Summer we were given the opportunity to submit a request for a gift from the Fred M. Luther Trust. The trust is named after the person who set up this fund to help churches maintain their buildings, remodel or renovate. We were required to give a description of our church along with a history of our church, including the size of our congregation. With the competent and generous assistance of Colleen & Dallas Brill, we submitted a cost estimate for the replacement of the church steeple, replacing the boiler in the Fellowship Hall, and the paving of the church parking lot.

The Trustees and the Church Board are overjoyed to announce that in December we received a letter notifying us that our proposal had been accepted and with that a check for over \$97,000.00. These monies are specifically designated for the repairs listed earlier.

We are blessed to have received this gift. We are very thankful to the trustees of the Fred M. Luther Charitable Trust for the opportunity to apply for this gift.

Running With the Horses

District Men's Retreat

February 17-19

A spiritual retreat for men will be held at Woodland Altars on the weekend of February 17-19. This is for all men ages 16 and over. Rev. Fred Bernhard will be leading to the group. If you are interested in attending please take one of the brochures that are on the table in the Gathering Area.

Thanks to everyone

To the many POP friends who sent birthday cards to us. It was especially nice since we were celebrating Jim's 80th birthday—a real milestone. We had a wonderful time with our family and friends here, but still miss our family and friends at home. Joyce and Jim Conner

To the family and friends at PoP,

Thank you for all the prayers, cards and phone calls during this time of recovery from my hip replacement. I am doing well and Erv has learned to be a fantastic nurse.

Ann Anderson

Please remember that we need \$3561 per week to meet our financial obligations

Sunday, January 1

Attendance Sunday School 0

Worship 60

Giving General Fund 12,213.72

Love Offering 70

Outreach gift 50

Lulu 2.06

Sunday, January 9

Attendance Sunday School 37

Worship 103

Giving General Fund 1,654.00

Church Rental 320

Love Offering 90.50

Messenger 14.50

Outreach Gift 50

Lulu 6.16

Sunday, January 15

Attendance Sunday School 42

Worship 88

Giving General Fund 2,418.74

Love Offering 30

Lulu 9.68

Saturday, January 23

Attendance Sunday School 38

Worship 80

Giving General Fund 2,877.24

Church Rental 500

Heifer Project 75

Budget Credit 5

Love Offering 65

Food Pantry 50

Lulu 7.66

Sunday, January 29

Attendance Sunday School

Worship 76

Giving General Fund 1,564

Budget Credit 56

Love Offering 34

Youth Activities 388

Outreach Gift 100

Food Pantry 50

Lulu 6.65

Outdoor Ministries Spring FUNdraiser

5 K Walk/Run

Saturday, March 31, 2012

At Woodland Altars

A 5K in the morning through the beautiful rolling hills of Camp Woodland Altars, followed by a hog roast, a corn hole tournament and musical entertainment. Proceeds from this event will go to help campers! Get your registration in before March 1st and the fee is only \$20. After March 1st...\$25. Pastor Larry and Tami as well as many others from Prince of Peace are planning to attend.

Registration forms can be found in the gathering area.



Relay for Life

The American Cancer Society would like to invite Prince of Peace Church to participate in the Kettering Relay for Life, this year being held on May 19th and 20th. The Relay for Life is the American Cancer Society's signature activity; it offers everyone in the community an opportunity to participate in the fight against cancer. Relay is a 22 hour community based fundraising even. Cancer never stops; therefore for 22 hours participants take turns walking the track at Delco Park, symbolizing the life of a cancer patient, while enjoying the entertainment and activities offered at the event.

Relay is a perfect opportunity for our members to come together for a great cause. It will give everyone a chance to share stories, raise cancer awareness and honor the lives that cancer has touched.

Contact the church office if you are interested in participating in the Relay for Life.

Children's Disaster Services Training Workshop

March 16-17, 2012

New Carlisle Church of the Brethren

What does it take to be an effective Children's Disaster Service Volunteer? CDS Volunteers who are relaxed, confident and effective in disaster situations exhibit some common characteristics. No one person has all the skills and qualities, but collectively a team has the resources it needs to provide loving care for children and operate a CDS center smoothly. If you are interested in attending this workshop and becoming a Children's Disaster Services Volunteer please contact the office before February 20.

Camp Sunday

February 12, 2012

On Sunday, February 12th, Steve Conklin and friends will be sharing with our children and youth the upcoming camp season at Woodland Altars. If you're interested in attending camp this summer or volunteering as a counselor or dean, please speak to Steve and he'll give you more information.