



Graceway Fellowship

Graceway Weekly - An electronic newsletter for members and friends of
Graceway Fellowship, Green Bay, Wisconsin

THIS SUNDAY AT GRACEWAY

Pastor Rick is preparing to lead us into a new series beginning this Sunday. For the next several weeks we'll be in Exodus for *Appointed and Chosen*. We open the series with the message *Receiving Life And Nurturing* based on Exodus 2:1-10. We'll gather on Sunday evening and Pastor Rick offers the message *Prophet-Priest-King*.

Graceway Kids have just seven more books to go before they have studied every book in the Bible. This week Pastor Mike will focus ON *Faith and Works* in the book of James.

BLBA MEETING

The Bay Lakes Baptist Association will hold its quarterly business meeting this Saturday. Living Vine Church in Neenah is hosting at 10AM. The meeting will include reports from both the Growing and Going groups, a financial report, and information about camps and mission opportunities for the summer. If interested in attending contact either Pastor Rick or Glen Slaats.

TIMBER.....NOT!

Due to the unpredictable weather forecast we have decided to cancel our plans for this Saturday to remove the tree in the front lawn area of the church. In hopes the weather will improve we have rescheduled the project to Saturday, April 9. Contact Scott Laha if you need more information or want to volunteer to help.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Sue Jepson is leading a new women's Bible study. Beginning next Tuesday at 9:30AM Sue will us the inductive Bible Study method for *How To Study The Book of Philemon*. A sign-up sheet is available on the information table.

"In the morning let our hearts gaze upon God's love...and in the beauty of that vision, let us go forth to meet the day." Roy Lessin

RENEW WISCONSIN

The Minnesota-Wisconsin Baptist Convention is holding its *Renew Wisconsin* conference April 8-9 at Northwest Baptist Church in Milwaukee. The conference opens Friday evening at 7 PM, and concludes with a pizza lunch at noon on Saturday. Rick Howerton, author and specialist at Lifeway Church Resource, is the featured speaker. Breakout sessions will be offered for training in ministry and outreach. Pastor Rick has some information, or you can visit the MWBC website (MWBC.org) and click on the Renew logo.

GOING AND GROWING

Church Planters:

Bill & Cindy Haas – Warrior Fellowship, Lac du Flambeau, WI

Elie & Luna Hasbani – Ethnos Church, Milwaukee, WI

Fue Chee & Cindy Her – Gospel Hmong, St. Paul, MN

Church Planting Catalyst:

Jon & Sharon Beck – Northwoods and Pioneer/Western Associations, MN

Potential location for a new church start:

Sherburn, MN

Answered Prayer:

In a recent report, Pastor Chuck Gilbert writes: *(1) I continue to have opportunities in my job. We have a new server who I've had many conversations about faith, (2) We are doing a daily prayer text for Lent. It is going well, and the feedback about the prayers has been wonderful. And, (3) I continue to facilitate making good decisions about the church's finances. We have very positive business meetings. The folks give regularly.*

DEVOTIONALS

Daily devotional guides for April are now in the display rack at the front door. We have a limited number of copies available of *Journey* for women and *Standfirm* for men. Pick up your copy before they're all gone.

YOUR MISSIONARIES

SEBASTIAN HALAFAX* was trying to find a man named Nadim.* He had met Nadim a few times but did not have his contact information. One night Sebastian, who is supported through the Cooperative Program, walked through one of the city's hotspots hoping to run into Nadim along the way. Praying as he walked, Sebastian found Nadim waiting to catch a bus. They traded phone numbers and began a deeper friendship. As a result, Sebastian has been able to share the gospel with Nadim. "I marveled at the perfect timing that had to take place for me to meet him that night. I felt certain the Lord orchestrated our meeting."

New Englanders are known for being self-reliant and resistant to new things. For them, the gospel is a new thing. SEAN and MICHELLE SIMONTON believe the most effective way to reach them is through starting new churches and meeting them where they are with Christ's eternal love. Sean is a church planting catalyst in New Hampshire, where 97 percent of the population is unchurched. Because you give through the Cooperative Program, church planters are being discovered, developed and deployed in local congregations across North America. But the need is great. Pray for more church planters to answer the call and for more churches to partner in the harvest in New Hampshire.

CLASSROOM DISCIPLINE.

A school teacher injured his back and had to wear a plaster cast around the upper part of his body. It fit under his shirt and was not noticeable at all.

On the first day of school, still with the cast under his shirt, he found himself assigned the toughest students in school. Walking confidently

into the rowdy classroom, he opened the window as wide as possible and then busied himself with desk work.

When a strong breeze made his tie flap, he took the desk stapler and stapled the tie to his chest. He had NO trouble with discipline that term!

UPCOMING EVENTS

SATURDAY - BLBA Quarterly Meeting, Living Vine Church, Neenah
TUESDAY – Primary Election Day; Women’s Bible Study Begins, 9:30AM
April 8-9 – Renew Conference, Milwaukee
April 9 – Hmong Church Revival (10AM-4PM)
April 10 – VBS Training at Graceway, 3:30PM
May 8 – Mother’s Day
June 14-15 – SBC Annual Meeting, St. Louis
June 26-July 1 – BLBA Youth and Children’s Camp
July 11-15 – VBS *Submerged*
August 7-12 – BLBA Builders Project, Milwaukee
August 20-26 – Hands of Hope, Racine

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