



# MESSIAH MESSENGER

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## OH WHAT A LITTLE LOVE CAN DO!

### GIFTS FROM THE HEART LIFTED TO NEW HEIGHTS

Supporters of Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR) lifted the Gifts from the Heart program to new heights in 2009. Between September 1 and December 31, 2009, just over 4,000 people purchased items from the gift catalogue for a total value of \$370,000. When compared to the same period in 2008, the number and value of donations increased by almost 135%.

The most popular gift — a pair of goats. Other frequently chosen items included a flock of chickens, training for teachers and fishnets. Funds raised through the Gifts from the Heart catalogue are used to support CLWR's community development programming in Bolivia, Peru, Mozambique, Zambia and India. " (Found in the latest CLWR newsletter.)

### HAITIANS ARE BEING HELPED

The latest situation report on Haiti released by the ACT Alliance highlights some of the work being carried out by the Lutheran World Federation (LWF) in communities within and around Port-au-Prince.

In Darbonne, seven tents have been erected to serve as temporary schools for 1,500 children. The tents have been furnished with items recovered from the ruins. The schools were scheduled to open on April 5. Water and sanitation structures are being installed. Six more tents have been distributed and the ground is being prepared for installation in Léogâne. These are the first educational tents to be installed in the commune of Léogâne.

In the Nerette and Ste. Therese settlements in Port Au Prince, "Cash for Work" activities have commenced. In addition, school kits and materials, including hardboard, chalk paper and pencils for psychosocial activities with the children, are being provided and tents are being erected to provide transitional housing for 67 families.

In the coming week, the LWF hopes to begin distribution of 11,700 family kits to the communities of Port au Prince, Léogâne, Grand Goave and Petit Goave. Family kits include a mattress, blankets, mosquito nets and rice.

To date, the CLWR Appeal for Haiti has received over \$1.1 million. About \$370,000 of the contributions to the CLWR Appeal for Haiti are being used to support the relief efforts being carried out by the LWF. The balance is being held in reserve to support longer term recovery programming which will most likely involve the construction of permanent housing.

*Norma Blacklock, CLWR Liaison for Messiah*

### KIDFEST ADOPTS ONE COMMUNITY PROJECT

You can learn about this project in *KidFEST Kidbits* in this issue of *Messiah Messenger* and by checking out the display on the KidFEST bulletin board in the corridor to the Fellowship Centre.

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## Canadian Lutheran World Relief



### **PROVIDING WELLS**

Imagine spending four hours of every day walking to your water source and carrying the day's water back home. You've just imagined the typical activity of many Africans, mostly women and girls. The installation of a well saves immense time and energy that can be better spent on education, income generation or family care.

CLWR constructs wells in Zambia and Mozambique, working with local governments and communities to make sure the wells are built where they will have the greatest impact and where they can be adequately maintained. CLWR uses a style of manual pump that is easy to operate and for which spare parts are accessible to the community.

Constructing proper wells is an essential part of community development projects at Canadian Lutheran World Relief (CLWR). Covered wells (wells that are sealed at the top and use pump action) are vital because they provide safe and reliable water to entire communities. The water is used for drinking, cooking, bathing, washing and irrigating.

Fresh well water greatly reduces the risk of waterborne parasites and diseases in drinking water, and allows for a greater level of personal hygiene. In times of drought, surface water and streams can dry up, and when there are heavy rains these water sources can become contaminated. Wells offer a reliable water source in the dry and rainy seasons because they tap into stable supplies of naturally filtered groundwater.

Families save money by not having to buy medicine for water-borne illnesses, and they are more productive by being in a better state of health. Their children—especially girls—have a better future by being able to go to school instead trekking for water each day. Increased crop production can translate into surplus yields that can be sold.

You can see what a fantastic impact you are having on vulnerable lives by the simple act of providing safe and reliable water.

*Tom Brook, CLWR's Resource Generation Director*

## CLERGY CORNER



*“He will not break a bruised reed or quench a smoldering wick...” Matt 12: 20*

Now that the snow is melted my husband and I decided that it was time to clean up the debris that has made its way into our yard over the winter. It didn't seem to matter how much we tried to stay on top of it, there were always some things that got missed.

So, off we went with our rakes, garbage bags, and work gloves, ready for a day of getting rid of trash. Our front yard is across the street from a schoolyard so we inevitably get school papers, chewing gum wrappers, chip bags, baggies, etc.

One of things we always seem to find every year are broken pieces of glass. They're not hard to spot, even if they are somewhat soiled, they still manage to catch our eye. So with great care, I picked them up and placed them in a trash bag, so that no one would be hurt by them and they could go out with the rest of the trash.

As I did this I stopped and thought about those broken pieces. Have you ever thought about those many broken pieces of glass strewn around? About the stories they could tell?

When I look at them I think of my life with all its moments of failure, sorrow, messiness, and yes, even shame. I remember that it is as a broken vessel that I stand at the foot of the cross.

But Jesus doesn't dispose of broken vessels nor does he want to keep them away from others; instead he restores them and sends them out to share the good news of the Gospel. He doesn't see our brokenness as something bad or as a sign of worthlessness, but as something that can be saved and that has great potential. That isn't to say that Jesus is happy when we suffer, because that would be contrary to his very nature; nor does it mean that he wishes to use us as an example of what not to do or be.

Rather, Jesus wishes to use you and I as examples of his gracious love for all people. Even at our worst, Jesus does not see us as trash. When no one else wants to even acknowledge us, Jesus stoops down, picks us up, cleans us up, gives us a place at his table, makes us heirs in his family, and gives us a purpose.

New life, new beginnings, hope, and a future — these are God's gifts to us through Jesus Christ, the One who came down from heaven for you, me, and all people.

Everywhere we look we can find “broken pieces of glass,” they're not hard to spot, and they, too, are just waiting to be picked up, cleaned up, and to be given new life in Christ. By sharing the Gospel in word and deed we can help with the restoration of our community, the building up of the body of Christ, and the mission to which we are all called, “To share Jesus Christ with all people.”

*Pastor Judy Jarvis*

### PASTORAL ACTS

**New Members**  
Ruth Jensen



## FROM OUR SYNOD BISHOP

The story of Pentecost is about the ordination of the apostles and the birth of the Christian church. What happened at Pentecost is important to whom we are as followers of Christ, but the reality of Pentecost is universal.

When the Breath of God blew upon them that day, the disciples addressed - not just believers - but the peoples of the whole known world, and they spoke in a multitude of languages. What they spoke was no doubt the language of peace as they had learned it from Jesus himself. Theirs are words that can be understood by everyone. Now as then, all nations and peoples yearn to hear words of forgiveness and peace.

The great differences among the people that first Pentecost, and the differences among us, in communication and dialogue, culture and background, wealth and poverty, are scattered in "the rush of a mighty wind." The tongues of fire that rested on the disciples showed that each disciple was now Spirit-powered.



In the church today, it isn't only pastors and diaconal ministers who must be inspired by God. It isn't only Church Council members, or Sunday school teachers, or youth leaders and music directors who need God's "in-breathing". It's all of us. God calls each of us to fill a niche that no one else can fill, to fulfill our vocation as uniquely gifted and "in-spired" disciples of Christ. To each of us is given a manifestation of the Spirit for the common good.

On the first Pentecost, God gave each disciple a tongue of fire; filled each one of them with the Holy Spirit. That handful of people lit a fire for Christ, and through those few people, the Holy Spirit changed the world.

We are the keepers of the flame today. We breathe in the new life of the Spirit, so that in our words and actions, others are being told: Christ is alive, sin is forgiven, and death has met its match. This is our heritage, legacy and identity as members of Christ's Body – the Church. Come, Holy Spirit!

+Ronald B. Mayan, Bishop  
Synod of Alberta and the Territories  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada

## MESSIAH HAWAII MISSION BUILDERS INFORMATION

Thank you so much to all of you who attended our presentation at church on April 11! It was good to share with you. For your prayers and support while we were away, and for your interest in what we were doing, our thanks and appreciation also.

Here is a little more information for those of you who might be interested in going to Kona, Hawaii as volunteers yourselves or may know of someone who might like to volunteer.

Volunteers at YWAM (Youth with a Mission), Kona, Hawaii (on the Big Island) —

- Are called Mission Builders
- Work at the University of the Nations which is operated under YWAM
- May volunteer at any time of the year, setting your own dates
- Must stay at least 5 weeks, and may stay up to 3 months.
- May go on their own, as a couple, with a friend, in a group (but each person applies on their own)
- Can be any age from 18 to 80, in good health
- Must be able to work an 8 hour day, 5 days a week
- Live in "dorms" in separate rooms, but share bathroom facilities
- Are given room and board, no expenses except \$50.00 refundable deposit, and \$10.00 for keys
- Need TB shots
- Need two references, one from a pastor
- Send in an application form, which can be downloaded from the website U of N, Kona, under Mission Builders
- May find more information from this website, under Mission Builders
- Need to apply well in advance, especially for the winter months, when most cold weather people like to go!
- Need to apply immediately if you would like to be in Kona for YWAM's 50th Anniversary celebrations, Nov. 29 -Dec. 6, 2010 (more info about this event on the website)

At this point, the Bergquists and the Heises have tentative plans to return in this next year. I will be returning at some point, but have no definite plans yet. Feel free to talk to any of us with further questions you may have. If you missed the presentation, you are welcome to call me and I can show you the PowerPoint Picture Presentation sometime!

Blessings as you seek out God's will for how you can serve him best, whether it be as a Mission Builder in Hawaii (or another YWAM base around the world), or anywhere else!

*Marlys Sorenson  
(on behalf of Adrian and Joyce Bergquist,  
Vivianne Grue,  
Ordean and Lavona Broen,  
and Ben and Herta Heise)*



## KIDFEST KIDBITS

Lately, in some visioning focus groups at church, strengths of Messiah were discussed. I believe one of our big strengths over the last years has been our KidFEST teachers. They are a dedicated group, passionate in their faith and in their witness and example to our young people!

Big Bouquets to all of you! Thanks for your commitment each week!

### AKALOO

Our latest unit in our "Akaloo" (to follow Christ) curriculum has been Celebrating Church.

The focus questions have been:

Age 2/3 - *What is the church?* (a place to worship, serve.....)

Age 4/5 - *Who do I see at church?* (pastor, musicians, volunteers, members, visitors.....)

Gr. 1/2 - *How do we help people?* (pray, welcome, support missionaries, at weddings, funerals.....)

Gr. 3/4 - *How does God get us ready to serve?* (speaks to us, forgives us, fills us with the Holy Spirit.....)

Gr. 5/6 - *Why is church important?* (where we grow in faith, discover our gifts, hear God's word.....)

Gr. 7-10 - *How can I serve the church?* (discover spiritual gifts, teach, respond to God's call.....)

Sometimes some classes attend AdultFEST too, as the topics are ones they can learn from and relate to also.

Soon we will begin a unit called Embracing the World.

### TALENTFEST

TalentFEST - Our 3rd, Sort-of-Annual!! Sunday, May 16, 1:30 pm. This is open to anyone, kids, youth, adults, and can include music, poetry, drama etc! Please add your name to the list on the bulletin board to sign up. We encourage you to participate whether you are taking any kind of lessons or not. It is just a fun time to share and be together! Pull something together with family or friends and sign up!!

### KID'S KAMPOUT AT THE KHURCH

3. Kid's Kampout at the Khurch was held March 25-26 with 21 kids attending, 4 adults overnight and many more helping out! Couldn't have done it without all of you! Many thanks!

Our theme was *Not Conformed, but Transformed* - (Romans 12:2) *Squaring off with the Giants in Your Life*.

We talked about what the world wants us to "eat" and listen to, the "giants" that cause problems in our lives. How do we get rid of these voices?

We learned that we need to 1) Get God's Presence on Us, and 2) Get God's Promises Under Us. God's word is like the breakfast of champions and needs to be opened and eaten or we will go hungry.

We had a visit from B.B. (a Bible Bookworm puppet), and six CLBI girls who led our kampfire. On Friday we created our own sock puppets, and then learned puppet techniques on Sat.

We also had blacklight worship and fun, and sang songs and saw a DVD of the "God Rocks", a very vibrant, energetic Christian band. And had much fun sleeping in our tents! Thanks for coming, kids! Remember to Take Your Stand against those giants, like David did!

### ONE COMMUNITY

One Community is a project under CLWR (Canadian Lutheran World Relief) where we can support communities around the world, by donating money towards fish nets, ovens for each family, groves of trees, teacher training, goats, team of oxen, water well, etc. It costs approximately \$5,000 to give aid to one community, based on an average of 17 families per community.

Can we dream BIG at KidFEST? Could we support one community!!!!???? So far we have donated \$500 from our KidFEST offerings and are asking families to talk and pray about how they could give.

Len and I decided to give towards ovens for families. We would like to extend this project to others at Messiah too, even if you have no KidFEST connections. Could you help us with our ONE COMMUNITY?

If so, donations can be made to CLWR, through Messiah, and marked for "One Community". Watch our bulletin board for more information!

### LIBRARY NEWS

New in our new Library - 3 DVD's! *The Adventures of Carlos Caterpillar - Ultrabug!* (on true heroism), *Litterbug* (on caring for our environment), and *Bug-A-Boo!* (on safe viewing)

Please feel free to sign these out, and any other books, DVD's, and videos!

### KIDFEST DATES

Classes will continue to the end of May. We will end with a wind-up in June. More info to come.

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY CONFERENCE

Children's Ministry Conference in Edmonton — I was able to attend this in March, again a marvelous, rich weekend!

Next year again I hope to bring some teachers and Gr. 4-8 students. It is well worth it, especially with the "God Rocks" band leading the kid's sessions! I brought home the "Avodah" family of four from the conference! Come meet them sometime at KidFEST!

"Do not be afraid, for I know He is risen, just as he said!"  
(from one of our KidFEST songs)

*With Spring Hallelujahs,  
Marlys Sorenson  
Children's Ministry Coordinator*



## ELW NEWS

**Bible Study Briefing**, Thursday, May 6 at 7:00pm for session #5.

**General Meeting**, Monday, May 24, 7:00 pm.  
NOTE: Time change. THEME: Centra Cam

programs

**Summer Camp at Hastings Lake** will start next month. Anyone willing to make cookies will be appreciated. They can be left in the Fellowship Centre duly marked.

**National ELW website** ([www.elwa.ca](http://www.elwa.ca)) has information for the National Women's Convention "Steppin' Out" for spring 2011.

There will not be a East Central ELW Spring Convention this year.

*Submitted by Mary Broen*

## THANK YOU

A heartfelt thank you to our Messiah family for all your support during the past six months, while I was undergoing surgery and treatment for thyroid cancer. Your cards, e-mails, gifts of food and, most importantly, prayers have all been greatly appreciated and made the journey easier. Thanks also to Joan Jobert and Frank Hoehn for covering the Council Secretary position when I was unavailable.

*God Bless You All,  
Lori Mokry*

Psalm 31:21 *Blessed are you, O Lord! For you have shown me the wonders of your love when I was under siege.*

Our sincere thanks to the members of Messiah Lutheran Church for prayers during Grant's illness and surgery. We were so appreciative of Pastor Judy's visits, plus the many, many prayers for his health as well as the cards and visits. It has been so comforting to have your support.

Grant's new kidney appears to be working well and we look forward to being able to return home in the near future.

*Grant & Doris Skippen*

Thank you so much for hosting the LCBI choir on April 9. We were blessed by the enthusiastic congregation that gathered that evening. The Camrose concert was a highlight of our tour.

We know that to have a group like ours use your church building for our concert, there are many people who go to much work on our behalf. We appreciate the efforts of those who advertised the concert, made the evening meal, cleaned up the church after our departure and provided homes in which to stay. Thank you to all. We have been truly blessed in your midst.

Thank you as well for the offering that was received during the concert for the ministry of LCBI which totaled \$1,214.96. Thank you for your generosity.

*Sheri Lovrod, Lutheran Collegiate Bible Institute, Outlook SK*

## OUR NEXT FOOD BANK SUNDAY — MAY 16



**On the 3rd Sunday  
of each month  
let's overflow  
the grocery cart  
in the Narthex  
with gifts  
for the Food Bank.**

### **COLOMBIA:**

#### **OUR COMPANION SYNOD PARTNER**

For the last six years, our Synod of Alberta and the Territories has had a Companion Synod relationship with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Colombia (IELCO). As companions in Christ, we participate in each others' life and mission through communication, an exchange of ideas, learning, personal contact and prayer. Since 1936, members of the Lutheran Church in Alberta have had missionaries in that country.

IELCO has over 3,000 members in 14 congregations, 10 mission sites, one seminary and seven schools. The national church is involved in projects that relate to those who are ~~displaced due to guerilla wars; isolated from educational~~ facilities; suffer from HIV-AIDS; and those who live in poverty.

#### **COLEGIO CELCO**

Colegio Celco is a school in the city of Sogamoso. The school receives tuition fees for the education that it offers. However, as students attending come from low-income families, the tuition fees barely cover the costs of running the institution. Funds to upgrade the facility (which is set by government standards) do not exist except for the support from the international community. In the last few years donations from members of our Synod have assisted in upgrading computer labs, providing desks, staff training and remodeling two classrooms into laboratories for chemistry, physics, biology and languages. This work is on-going and is one of three projects that are being supported by members of our Synod.



### **COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTS SOUGHT**

More volunteers are always needed to serve coffee on Sunday mornings after the early service. You can even pick your Sunday to serve. If you need more information or would like to volunteer, please call Elaine Schultz at 780-672-1493.

## NEIGHBOR AID AND SHINE CAMROSE / KIDZ NITE OUT

Another program under Neighbor Aid's umbrella is SHINE Camrose. The mission statement reads, "Building community one neighborhood at a time...."

Individuals from the following organizations and churches participate in the Steering Committee that oversees the program: Pleasantview Alliance Church; Resurrection Lutheran Church; Camrose Church of God; Neighbor AID Camrose; Gardner College and Word of Life Centre.

Representatives from the above come together to plan activities and brainstorm where the Light of Christ is needed to SHINE in Camrose and then they go there. There have been community block parties, weekly children's programming, youth floor hockey, and youth at risk games nights.

In 2007, a committee was formed to address outreach possibilities in various parts of our city. In 2008 a successful pilot at Pleasantview Alliance Church took place.

Kidz Nite Out, a project of Neighbor Aid Camrose is coordinated by Lindsey Toma, a second-year university student, whose exuberance and love for youth shines forth every Thursday night at Chester Ronning School, between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. This ministry is a mid-week faith-based event for kids aged 6 – 12. The kids arrive at 6 p.m. and are fed a hearty meal. Some 35 – 40 kids participate every week. After supper an evening of songs, high energy games, drama and crafts is offered.

This program runs for eight weeks at a time. Applications and parental permission are required. As well, many volunteer opportunities with training are available.

Mentioned earlier, the youth floor hockey is run by Josh Handford. The youth at risk games night is run by various youth pastors.

A coordinator will be hired to set up and run summer activities for children throughout the city in high density areas, using parks, etc. and available school gyms – the best part is this will be free.

If you are interested in getting involved, or have ideas, contact Pastor Dean Rostad at [dean@rezchurch.ca](mailto:dean@rezchurch.ca). He would be pleased to answer any questions you may have. Remember programs such as Kidz Nite Out are dependent on monetary donations and volunteer resources. Pastor Dean can also be reached at 780-672-0909 which is Resurrection Lutheran Church.

Alternatively, should you feel you would like to support SHINE Camrose financially, you may send donations to SHINE Camrose c/o Camrose Neighbor Aid, P.O. Box 1936, Camrose, AB T4V 1X8. You can also call Pat at 780-679-3220 for any additional information.

These exciting programs provide excellent opportunity and places for Christian fellowship. As written in Hebrews "and let us consider one another to provoke unto love and to good works" (Hebrews 10:24).

*Until next time, Peace  
Carol Cherry*

## THE NOMINATING GROUP

### INTERIM REPORT

The Nominating Group members wish to thank all those who have carefully considered our letters proposing that they serve on a Standing Committee or on Council.

At this writing, all but two of the 39 opportunities for service have been filled.

- Nine were elected in June of 2009 for two years.
- 13 were elected in June of 2009 for one year, but are willing to extend for a second year.
- Two were elected in June of 2009 for one year, but are willing to commence a two-year term.
- One was elected in June of 2009 for a two-year term, but is letting his name stand in a different position for a new two-year term.
- 10 are letting their names stand for a Committee or Council for two-year terms.
- Two are letting their names stand for a Committee or Council for a one-year term.
- Two people are still needed for one-year terms on the Support Committee.

The names of all the people who are being nominated to commence their service, or starting a new term of service, will be printed in the *Bulletin of Reports* which will be available on May 30 prior to the Annual Meeting on June 13.

For the purpose of getting started in a timely way, all committee members, new and returning, and all council members will gather on Thursday evening, June 17 at what is called the Annual Planning Meeting.\* This will be the time for everybody, first of all to “get on the same page” and then secondly to have each committee and Council start to focus on its particular responsibilities.

Let us thank the Holy Spirit for being at work among us so that Messiah can press on to “Share Jesus Christ with All People.”

*Submitted by Ray Blacklock, Chair,  
on behalf of the Nominating Group Members,  
Wilf Aspenes, Norma Ferguson,  
Ron Foshaug, Ellie Kopperud,  
and Dave Stolee.*

*\* Reminder for all Council and Committee members, those expecting to be elected, and those carrying on: The Annual Planning Meeting will be held at Messiah on Thursday evening, June 17. Please mark your calendars.*

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## PROPOSED SOCIAL STATEMENT

Copies of the **First Draft of a Proposed ELCIC Social Statement on Human Sexuality** are available at the Information Centre. Church Council is developing an opportunity for members to learn more about what is being proposed in this document.

## IN OUR PRAYERS

*Corporate prayer is one of the principal tasks of the Church. Prayer changes people, and people, inspired by the Holy Spirit, change things. There are many people and situations that may not be mentioned in our prayers regularly at our worship service. This list offers a few as one focus for our prayers for May.*

- ✠ for wisdom and guidance from the Holy Spirit as we seek to discern the plans we need to make for **Messiah's future ministry**
- ✠ for all who have agreed to serve on **Church Council and our Standing Committees** with thanksgiving for those who have been serving as leaders among us
- ✠ for our **Synod Convention** in June at Augustana and our Diaconal Minister **Bev Swanson** and Diaconal Minister **Signi Bruner**, Pastor Care Worker at Bethany, as they prepare to serve as the chaplains for the convention
- ✠ for our Synod Bishop, **Ron Mayan**, and for the synod staff, rostered members and people of our synod, particularly for **Rev. Phil Hink** as he retires after serving our synod as the right-hand man under three successive bishops
- ✠ for our National Bishop, **Susan Johnson**, and for our National Church Staff
- ✠ for wisdom and guidance as we evaluate the first draft of the proposed ELCIC **Social Statement on Human Sexuality**
- ✠ for **Annette and Denis Huseby**
- ✠ for **Pastor Richard Reimer** as he continues to serve as our chaplain at the University of Alberta in spite of deteriorating health
- ✠ for **the coalition forces** serving in Afghanistan and their families. Keep them safe from harm and bring them home to their families and friends. Protect their hearts also from all the disaster and pain they must encounter as they serve. Give them and their loved ones, the people of Afghanistan who have endured so much, and all those in the other places of conflict on this planet strength, encouragement, and peace.
- ✠ for our sponsored missionary **Pastor Brian Rude** and those he serves in El Salvador

*You are also encouraged to make use of **Additional Prayers** beginning on page 72 in **Evangelical Lutheran Worship**.*

*We welcome requests for prayer. If a person is to be prayed for at one of our services, we must have that person's permission to use their name.*

## STUDENTS AWAY FROM HOME

**Kayla Bentley** (Science) University of Lethbridge

**Morgan Bentley** (Science) University of Lethbridge

**Lawrence Bergquist** (Theatre Foundations) Rosebud School of the Arts

**Jessica Clement** (General Studies) Grant MacEwan, Edmonton

**Kathryn Clement** (Science) Augustana U of A

**Anna Haugen** (Education) Grant MacEwan, Edmonton

**Hans Haugen** (Education) University of Alberta

**Karen Horte** (Interior Design) Mount Royal College, Calgary

**Sarah Kuntz**, (Elementary Education) University of Alberta

**Jen Lindstrand** (Culture & Values in Education) McGill, Montreal

**Stephen Rebus**, (Engineering) University of Alberta

**Jesse Sorenson** (Physical Education) University of Alberta

**Kara Sorenson** (General Studies) Augustana U of A

**Janelle Steinwandt** (Tourism & Hospitality) SAIT



## ON EAGLE'S WINGS

You are cordially invited  
to the Eleventh Annual General Meeting and Banquet  
of *On Eagle's Wings*  
to be held Saturday, May 29  
at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Roman Catholic Church,  
13 Brower Drive, Sherwood Park.

RSVP by Friday May 21. Please call 780.440.6594  
Toll Free 1.866.441.6594 or email [info@oneagleswings.org](mailto:info@oneagleswings.org)

### WEBSITE MANAGER SOUGHT

We need someone with computer skills, about an hour every week or two, and a bit of imagination to manage Messiah's website.

While a computer is available at the Church Office, this work could be done by someone at home with a computer linked to the Internet. Minimal training is required because Vital Effect has provided us with a system that is very easy to work with.

Please contact Pastor Kenn for the full job description and further information 780-672-3444.

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Members, staff, committees and groups are encouraged to submit articles so that we are aware of who we are, what we are doing and where we may be going in our congregation.

Next Issue— June  
Material due— May 18  
Delivery date— May 28

**EDITOR NEEDED FOR MESSIAH MESSENGER**

Pastor Kenn has been filling in as editor for this newsletter. He wants to train someone to take over the work as soon as possible.

The time involved depends on the experience of the editor. It takes Pastor Kenn about five hours or less for each issue.

It requires basic computer skills. While a computer is available in the Church Office, this work could be done by at home by a person with a computer linked to the Internet. We currently use Microsoft Publisher to format the material and can provide training in its use.

Please contact Pastor Kenn for the full job description and further information 780-672-3444.

# MAY 2010

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						<b>1 Confirmation Retreat</b>  8:45 Men's Bible Study 9:00 CLBI Graduation  4:00 Patterson/Cantin Wedding
<b>2 Easter 5 Confirmation Retreat</b> 8:30 Holy Communion 9:30 Coffee Fellowship 9:30 KidFEST 9:30 Youth Leadership 9:45 Friendship Club 10:15 Messiah Choristers 11:00 Contemporary Comm.  7:00 Sunday Spirit	3  4:00 Drama Troupe  5:30 Music Festival Cmt  7:30 World Missions @ Eriksson's	4  9:30 Staff Meeting  10:00 Journeying Thru Prayer  4:00 Big Drum	5 8:30 Morning Prayer  1:15 Big Drum  6:45 Scouts	6  4:00 Service Cmt  6:45 Confirmation  7:00 ELW Bible Study Briefing	7  7:00 Youth Sleepover	8  8:45 Men's Bible Study  10:30 Worship Band
<b>9 Easter 6 Mother's Day</b>  8:30 Holy Communion 9:30 Coffee Fellowship 9:30 KidFEST 9:30 Youth Leadership 9:45 Friendship Club 10:00 AdultFEST 11:00 Contemporary Comm. 1:30 Grade 1-9 Tea Party	10  4:00 Drama Troupe	11  9:30 Staff Meeting  10:00 Journeying Thru Prayer	12  8:30 Morning Prayer  6:45 Scouts	13  6:45 Confirmation	14  4:00 Thompson / Choboter Wedding Rehearsal 5:00 Schatschneider/Foss Wedding Rehearsal  7:00 Youth	15  10:30 Worship Band  1:00 Schatschneider/Foss Wedding  3:00 Thompson/Choboter Wedding
<b>16 Easter 7 Food Bank Sunday</b>  8:30 Holy Communion 9:30 Coffee Fellowship 9:30 KidFEST 9:30 Youth Leadership 9:45 Friendship Club 10:00 AdultFEST 11:00 Contemporary Comm. 1:30 TalentFEST 7:00 Sunday Spirit	17	<b>18 Messenger Articles Due</b>  <b>Annual Reports Due</b>  9:30 Staff Meeting  10:00 Journeying Thru Prayer	19  8:30 Morning Prayer  6:45 Scouts	20  7:00 Church Council	21  6:00 Confirmation Banquet	22  10:30 Worship Band
<b>23 Day of Pentecost Confirmation Sunday</b>  8:30 Holy Communion  9:30 Coffee Fellowship NO KidFEST NO Youth Leadership 9:45 Friendship Club NO AdultFEST  11:00 Contemporary Comm.	<b>24 Victoria Day Office Closed</b>  7:30 ELW General Meeting	25  9:30 Staff Meeting  10:00 Journeying Thru Prayer	26  8:30 Morning Prayer  6:45 Scouts	27	<b>28 Messenger Delivery</b>	29  10:30 Worship Band
<b>30 The Holy Trinity Annual Reports Available</b>  8:30 Holy Communion 9:30 Coffee Fellowship 9:30 KidFEST 9:30 Youth Leadership 9:45 Friendship Club 10:00 AdultFEST 11:00 Contemporary Comm.  3:00 Bible Book Club	31					