

Fellowship Findings

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Our Mission

WHAT GOD IS CALLING US TO DO

Cultivate space for people to experience the transforming love of Christ.

Our Vision

WHAT GOD IS CALLING US TO BE

A family of believers experiencing personal transformation, Romans 12 using their unique gifts, Ephesians 4 to glorify GOD I Corinthians 10:31 and edify others. I Thessalonians 5:11

November Worship

November 5

AM— Mr. Scott Roose—I Kings 18:1-10, 17-19

"From Fear to Hope"

PM— Mr. Scott Roose—Romans 6:1-14

"Problem, Provision, Practice"

November 12

AM— Mr. Royce Spoelstra

PM— Small Group Discussion

November 19

AM - Mr. Scott Roose - I Kings 18:20-40

"From Unanswered to Eternally Spoken"

PM— Mr. Scott Roose—Psalm 8—"Humanity and Creation"

November 23

Thanksgiving Day—Mr. Scott Roose

I Kings 19:9-13—"From Justice to Peace"

November 26

AM— Mr. Nate Van Wyk

PM— Small Group Discussion

Dates of Interest:

Worship

TIMES

Morning Worship 9:30 a.m.

Evening Worship

5:00 p.m.

..... Nov. 12 and 26

Bethel Mission MinistryTruth Seekers—Nov. 13

Small Group Discussion

ThanksgivingNov. 23

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Search Committee

Following Pastor De Vries' decline of the call we extended, the search committee is reorganizing and refocusing their search. If anyone in the congregation has suggestions of men to be considered, please be sure to contact a member of the committee with the name.

Keep praying that God will soon provide a man of his choosing to pastor our congregation.

Coffee Servers

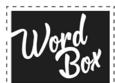
Nov. 5	Jeff and Sue Pastoor
	Jaden and Kelly Vos
Nov. 12	Melvin & Wanda Lanser
NOV. 12	Doug & Elly Van Zee
Nov. 19	Curt & Candice Vos
NOV. 19	Roger & Caroll Jansen
New 26	Wes & Heather Zylstra
Nov. 26	Daryl & Linda Menninga
Dec. 3	Trevor & Jerri Nikkel
	Merl & Candy Van Zante
Doc. 10	Stuart & Sheila Pleima
Dec. 10	Ed & Judy Van Kooten
Dec. 17	Steve & Sharon Fopma
Dec. 17	John & Jacie Kramer
Dag 04	Jamie & Michelle V Kooten
Dec. 24	Tyler, Derek, Erica, Emily VS
Dec.31	Darrell & Angela Veenstra
DGC.01	Ed & Joyce Dieleman

Make juice on Saturday so that it has time to chill. Meet in the church basement before the service to set up. Instructions are in the kitchen. If unable to serve, please trade with someone.

Puzzle!

Although the Bible doesn't mention turkey feasts, the gospels do describe a miracle dinner that made thousands of hungry people thankful (see Matthew 14:13-21). Fill in the words to complete a poem about that meal.

Hint: Each pair of line endings should rhyme.



ate	faces	quest	then
began	late	ran	ton
bunch	lunch	rest	true
done	men	spaces	you

Jesus was tired and went to find
So away from the crowd he started his
It came to an end before it
The crowd followed Jesus; they walked and they
His boat pulled ashore, and he looked at their
Five thousand men, plus families, filled all open
And so Jesus spoke, and he taught until
The disciples told him it was time they all
Jesus said, "Yes, that is certainly
And feeding this crowd is now up to"
Feeding five thousand! It could not be
What would they do? They'd need a whole
But then a young boy came and offered his
Five loaves and two fish to feed this big?
Jesus gave thanks and blessed it and
it fed all the women, the children and

done, ton, lunch, bunch, then, men

Answer: rest, quest, degan, ran, faces, spaces, late, ate, true, you,



Bethel Mission Ministry: On Monday, November 13, Truth Seekers will lead the chapel service at Bethel Mission.



October Report			
Category	Amount	Year to Date Received	Year to Date Budgeted
General Fund (includes Ministry Share)	\$39,797.31	\$148,259.72	\$155,570.10
Missions	\$ 2,683.47	\$ 10,352.56	\$ 9,791.65
Building and Grounds	\$ 3,194.04	\$ 11,932.54	\$ 12,500.00
Total	\$45,674.82	\$170,544.82	\$177,861.75

Offerings Received			
Date	Recipient	Amount	
October 1	Rehoboth Christian School	\$2,107.00	
October 8	Sully Christian School	\$2,054.25	
October 15	The Children's Shelter of Cebu	\$7,197.00	
October 22	Christian Education Encouragement Fund	\$2,198.00	
October 29	Calvin/Mid-America Seminary	\$2,738.00	

November Offering Schedule

November 5 Joshua Christian Academy

November 12 Sully Christian School

November 19 Mobility Worldwide

November 23 Thanksgiving Offering—Loose offering for Christian Opportunity Center

November 26 Christian Education Encouragement Fund

Greeting Schedule		Nursery		
	(N) Nathan and Rachel Nikkel		Norma Beerend	s
Nov. 5	(S) Wes Van Wyk & Arlyn VanZante	Nov. 5	Harlan Beerends	
	(N) Clint Vos & Ron De Nooy		Gwen Zylstra	
Nov. 12	(S) Howard and Marilyn Vander Griend		Jacie Kramer	
	(N) Jason & Jen Lowry	Nov. 12	Trevor De Berg	
Nov. 19	(S) Frank & Karen Van Soelen		Conrad Kramer	
	(N) Roger & Marlene Bruxvoort		Linda Menninga	
Nov. 26	(S) Jaron & Tash Vos	Nov. 19	Adri Vos	
	(N) Dan & Sharla Dunsbergen		Bailey Vos	
Dec. 3	(S) Kevin & Jared Laverman		Megan Vos	
	(N) Gary & JoAnn Fynaardt	Nov. 23 Thanksgiving	Joel Vos	
Dec. 10	(S) Ed & Joyce Dieleman		Isabelle Vos	
	(N) Nolan & Karla Vos		Jentri Van Wyngarden	
Dec. 17	(S) Tim & Rindy Vander Schel	Nov. 26	Ada Van Wyngarden	
	(N) Kelsi Van Haaften		Abbie De Berg	
Dec. 24	(S) Kevin & Melanie Van Maanen		Heather Zylstra	
	(N) Clarence & Judy Van Zee	Dec. 3	Katie Zylstra	
Dec. 31			Alli Pleima	
(S) Jud & Pam Vos			Michelle Van Kooten	
	are unable to greet on your assigned e trade with someone for a different	Dec. 10	Averie Plowman	
week. If you v	vould like to have your name removed		Lily Vander Lee	st
from the greet	er list, please contact Steve Van Sant.	Dec. 17	Kelly Vos	PM
	NURSERY	Candlelight Service PM	Aspen Kramer	Jentri VW
	Brenda Vos	Service I IVI	Erica Vos	Aaron VW
Dec 31	Jessa De Vries		Melanie Van Ma	anen
Renae Van Wyk		Dag 04	Ada Van Wyngarden	
If unable to serve in the nursery on your assigned Sunday, please trade with someone on the list.		Dec 24	Erika Van Maanen	
		Dec 25	Pam Vos	
			Jud Vos	
			Seylah Vos	

Celebrating...



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

November 4 Ed Dieleman

Brayden Van Sant

Bradley Van Sant

November 6 Jodi De Vries

Wesley Zylstra

Jacie Kramer

November 7 Linda Menninga

November 9 Joel Vos

November 12 Alvin Fopma

Rick Fopma

November 13 Barrett Dunsbergen

November 14 Julie Van Wyk (Lauren)

November 16 Zelda Engbers (91)

Joan Vos

November 17 Hudson Plowman

November 19 Peter Van Soelen (96)

November 21 Dwight Vander Leest

Nolan Vos

Bella Nikkel

November 24 Noelle Van Zante

November 26 Kevin Plowman

November 27 Scott Roose

Levi Laverman

November 28 Julie Van Wyk

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

November 1 Harlan & Norma Beerends

November 4 Gary & JoAnn Fynaardt

November 19 Doug & Brenda Vos (35)

November 28 Frank & Karen Van Soelen

Dale & Julie Van Wyk

THANK YOU!

Sully Christian Reformed Church,

Thank you for allowing us to use your parking lots for our Grandparent's Day. With so many grandparents attending, it is great to be able to have adequate, safe parking for everyone.

Thank you! Lisa Foster

Lynnville-Sully Elementary

Did you know....

World Renew provided Community Development assistance in Honduras when 421 children in Honduras received antiparasitic medicine and were dewormed, thanks to gifts like yours that helped provide training to mothers in proper health practices.

Celebrating...

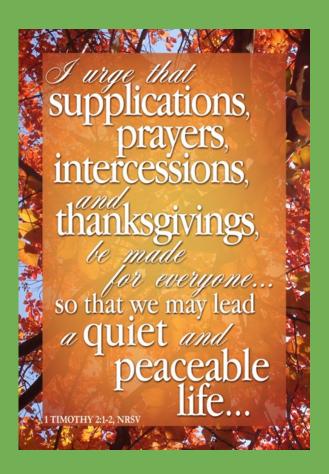


DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS

December 2 **Judson Vos** December 3 Randy De Vries Lauren Van Wyk December 4 Howard Vander Griend (85) Donna Arkema Adrianna Vos December 6 Benjamin Vander Molen December 7 Nathan Nikkel December 8 **Arvin De Noov** Erica Van Soelen December 9 JoAnn Fynaardt Averie Plowman December 11 Betty Vander Molen (80) December 12 Sharon Fopma Bryce Arkema December 13 John De Berg December 14 Arlyn Van Zante December 17 Jan Laverman Neva Lanser (91) December 18 Jenice Van Rees Jessa De Vries December 19 Tyson De Vries December 20 Erika Van Maanen December 21 Lily Fynaardt

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

December 1	Wes & Cindy Laverman
December 10	Bob & Jan Pothoven
December 11	Harris & Darlene Vos
December 14	Gary & Dena Van Wyk
December 27	Phil & Barb Hoogeveen
December 29	Randy & Karen Altena
	Jason & Kallie Van Zee



Carolyn Vande Voort

Candy Van Zante

December 22 Roger Bruxvoort

December 23 Seth Fopma

December 25 Ron Beyer

December 26 Wayne Ritter
December 28 Dennis Schut
December 29 Kelly Vos



Dear friends,

Today marks a month since we left our home in Irving, Texas. As we write this, we are celebrating our first Korean Thanksgiving.

Korean Thanksgiving is called Chuseok. This year it fell on September 29. Like Thanksgiving in the U.S., Korean Thanksgiving has its origin as a harvest festival.

Families travel to visit their grandparents for Chuseok and eat traditional Chuseok foods. Gifts of fruit and traditional sweets are given to parents and others who are respected mentors. This photo shows a traditionally wrapped Chuseok gift we received from a parent. Three HUGE melons are inside!



Our first month has gone so rapidly. We have quickly become immersed in the activities of Grace Christian school. Joel has led two parent meetings and worked with the teachers to develop a student code of conduct. Jeannie has taken over teaching English for the younger students. We

have a two-day planning workshop scheduled next week as Jeannie prepares to help launch kindergarten in March of next year.

Each of our students at Grace has his or her own story. The father of one student came to Joel's "On Mission" class this week to tell his story. He described his life in North Korea between 1994 and 1998 when hundreds of hundreds of thousands, if not millions, of North Koreans died of starvation. As a young person this student's father was indoctrinated to revere the North Korean leader, along with the leader's father and grandfather, as gods.

The student's father explained his own escape from North Korea and how he was transformed by God's grace in Christ. He shared how he is training to be a missionary so he can declare and demonstrate that message of grace to his own people.

We ended the class by praying for the student's father and the people of North Korea. One of our goals is that every student grows to share God's heart for others, particularly those who are least, last and lost.

Please take a moment to watch this short video about our ministry. You may also want to show it at your church or to your small group.

-Joel

Praise and Prayer

Praise for:

- The talented teachers at Grace and Joel's gifted assistant principal, Esther Hwang.
- The parents of Grace students and their sacrificial commitment to Christian school education.

Prayer for:

- Jeannie's work in planning for the kindergarten that will start in March.
- The work Joel is doing to give more structure to the school, including the implementation of a student code of conduct.

How can you help?

Most importantly, you can support us in prayer. This is a major move for us into a culture that is quite different from that of Nicaragua. Pray that we would be gracious learners of culture and language. Pray for our own discipleship as we learn from Korean Christians. Pray for the community of teachers, students, and parents of Grace International School as they live out a gospel of grace in a culture of achievement and performance.

You can stay informed. We will be sending out regular prayer letters to keep you informed and to invite your partnership in prayer. (You are on our prayer letter list from our previous time work on the field. If you no longer wish to receive these emails, you can unsubscribe below.)

You can support us financially. This work is not possible without a mission-minded community. If you wish to partner with us in ministry, you can send your donation to Resonate Global Mission one of two ways:

1. You can send your gift by mail to either of the addresses below. Clearly designate your gift for our Resonate fund code: 804233

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Thank you for partnering with us on mission!

Days of the Harvest

Equipping Labourers in God's Vineyard

RYAN & JODY FABER | ZAMBIA | OCTOBER 2023





Advancing Theological Education in Africa

Scholars predict that by 2050, half of the world's Christians will live in Africa. The continent is posed to become a leader in world Christianity. Equipping the African church for this responsibility requires sound theological education.

Beyond his work at Justo Mwale University, Ryan is involved in several endeavours to advance theological education in Africa. He recently spent time in Kenya, consulting institutions on curriculum on behalf of the Network for African Congregational Theology and participating in the inaugural general assembly of the Association for Christian Theological Education in Africa (pictured above).

There is tremendous need - and opportunity - for theological education in Africa. Meeting the need requires realising the opportunities for collaboration between educational institutions and between providers of formal and non-formal education. It is exciting to be part of these conversations and to witness how God is at work in the African church.

PRAYER POINTS

- Give thanks for a successful trip to Kenya and increasing collaboration in theological education in Africa
- Give thanks for the start of another homeschool year and pray for diligence in studies.
- Please pray for endurance for staff and students at Justo Mwale University and for our family as we enter the hottest season of the year.
- Please pray for JMU and its leadership as it addresses some significant financial and administrative challenges.
- Please pray for wisdom and guidance for Evan and Graeme and their future plans.

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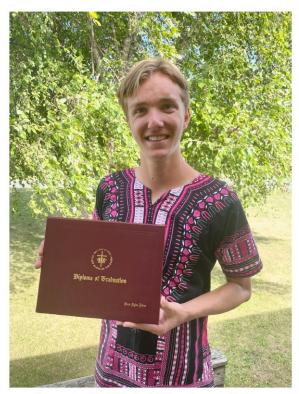


Victoria Falls ~ A wonder of the natural world

We have been in Zambia for almost two years, as the renewal process for our immigration paperwork reminds us. It is a long time to be away from family and friends in North America, but some visits over the past year have helped lessen the feeling of distance.

Last December, Darryl, one of Ryan's best friends since kindergarten, and his daughter Aleena visited us for a week. This past June, a friend of Ryan's family and her family visited us on their year-long trip around the world. And in July, Ryan's parents and brother and his family came for ten days. We were able to take a safari in Botswana and visit Victoria Falls with them.

We are looking forward to a visit from Jody's parents later this year.



Evan received the high school diploma he earned last year. Evan is now working and living in Iowa, preparing for college in September 2024.



Another adult?! Graeme's 18th birthday in October. Graeme is still with us in Zambia for at least one more year as he finishes up his high school education.

Thank you for your faithful prayers and support,

Ryan & Jody, Evan, Graeme, Forin, Bronwyn, Gwennyth, Saeryn, and Norah

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FROM THE ARCHIVES...

A letter from a mother to her son...

My Dear Son,

It is a beautiful evening. The work is finished for the day, and as I write this letter to you I am sitting on the lawn where we as a family have spent so many happy moments together.

This has been a busy week for us. The men are busy combining the oats. The oats are, on the whole, pretty good this year. And as one rides through the country he is reminded of Psalm 65, how the valleys also are covered over with corn.

We wonder sometimes why the Lord is blessing us so abundantly while there are others who are suffering want. No doubt these blessings carry with them also a great responsibility.

We have been enjoying your interesting letters telling about your experiences. We are happy to hear that you are well, and that there are Christian boys and also some of our own boys up there with you with whom you can spend some of your time.

We wish all our boys in service could have this privilege, but we know that the Lord is watching over them.

May God grant each an unwavering trust in Him.

With loving thoughts,

Mother

Special congratulations to Orville and Nellie, who became the parents of a little girl on August 31. They have named her Ruth Lynn. We can well imagine how eager Orville is to come home now, to see his little girl.

You are not responsible for what people think about you, but for what you give them reason to think.

(Good advice for us today as well.)

Cornie Jansen from Germany writes:

Dear Chimes Readers,

Well, here it is time again to get a letter on its way to Iowa for the Sully Chimes. Even tho I don't know what I will write yet.

We've been having all kinds of weather here for the last while but most of the time it is wet and cold. It seems like we have had an awful short summer, only I hope it is not over yet, and I doubt if it is, cause the weather is very changeable here.

I've still got the same job, not doing any more than I have to. We usually have a couple inspections each week, which really gets old. But I guess they have to have something to keep us busy.



We're supposed to go out in the field again next week for our Battalion test, that should be the last time we go out this year. We had an awful lot of fun out the last time, but then the weather was a lot nicer.

We had a guest Chaplain once again yesterday, else we have had the same one all the time, and the few of us that do go seem to like him real well.

Well, it's getting about my bedtime so guess I'll sign off for now. Hope this finds you all in the best of health and may God's richest blessings rest upon you.

As ever, Cornie

Word has been received from Seymour Zylstra that he has been dismissed from the hospital in Japan and is returning to Korea where he will be stationed at Cheju Do again as a medic. We are thankful that he is able to be at work again.

It seems that in the 1950's people were much the same as they are today...

When Columbus started out he didn't know where he was going. When he got there, he didn't know where he was, when he got back, he didn't know where he had been. And he did it all on borrowed money. What a politician he would have been.

The church is full of willing people; some are willing to work and others are willing to let them.

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Psalm 95:1-3

"Oh come, let us sing to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation! Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise! For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods."

