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WOMEN'S CONNECTION

(formerly Christian Women's Club)

Tuesday, November 9, 2010
12:30 - 2 pm

FEATURE: Make, Bake and Take
Fall Fundraiser

SPEAKER: Wendy Larson
"The Seasons of My Life"
(Victory over Son's & Daughter's problems)

The Ladder House
38 S Third Ave, Sturgeon Bay
$14.00 is all-inclusive.

Reservations requested by Wed, Nov 3
Call Doris - 839-2305
email: nh54235@yahoo.com
A cancellation is REQUIRED.

Singles Over 50 will meet for lunch
@ Sister Bay Cafe
Sunday, November 21st @ noon
Sign-up at the Welcome Center

'Harvest Home Dinner & Celebration'

Sunday, November 14th
Following worship

'Men of Harmony' from Sheboygan, WI
will be our guests
Concert @ 1 PM
(Sign-up at the Welcome Center for food or $)

November 2010

highlights

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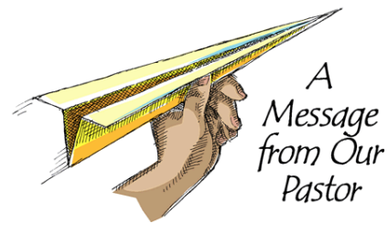

This past weekend I had the privilege of attending the Great Lakes Baptist Conference's annual meeting as one of the representatives from First Baptist Church. In addition to the worship and workshop time, there were two main items of business that were discussed. The first dealt with the change of the mission statement. The current statement reads as follows: *Our mission is to glorify God by helping member churches fulfill Christ's Mission for His Church in all the communities God calls them to serve.* The proposed statement is: *The GLBC exists to glorify God by strengthening churches so that they may reach those who do not know Jesus Christ locally, nearby, and around the world.* I have two reactions to this proposed change. First of all, I'm glad that the GLBC is concerned about evangelism. Evangelism is one of the hallmarks of the church, and we should always be concerned about reaching others for Jesus Christ. In fact, starting in the new year I will be preaching a sermon series that focuses on evangelism! However, I do have some concerns as well. As a church body we have to be concerned about more than just evangelism. Many of you probably read "The Purpose Driven Life" by Rick Warren. Although I do have some questions about his methodology, he does present a useful paradigm. He suggests that there are 5 major purposes in a person's life: worship, fellowship, discipleship, ministry, and evangelism. Furthermore, he also suggests that these 5 purposes are what the church as a whole should be all about in "The Purpose Driven Church." The reason I mention this is because the Great Commission call in Matthew 28:19-20 says that we are to "make disciples." Disciple making consists of evangelism, but it is so much more than that! In fact, when we look at the early church we find that they "continued steadfastly in the apostles' doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and prayers…and the Lord added to the church daily those who were being saved" (Acts 2:42-47). Here we find worship, fellowship, discipleship, and evangelism! My concern is that the new mission statement of the GLBC is too narrowly focused. We'll see what the next year holds as the Conference lets us know more about their future plans.

The second item of business concerned a possible name change for the Great Lakes Baptist Conference. Prior to the meeting the Board of Overseers sent a letter to all member churches asking them their opinion regarding four options: having a new name (Converge Great Lakes), adopting a missional nickname at the annual meeting, adopting a missional nickname by vote of the board of overseers, or leaving the name the same.

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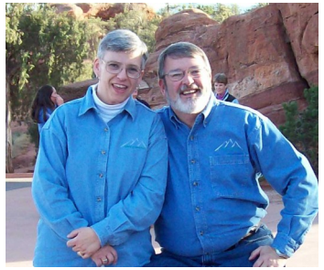

Gary & Marie Harrison

Pinnacle Ministries

Healthy pastors & leaders leading healthy churches

Gary has formed a partnership with Ken Milhous who pastors a Japanese Christian Church in the Boston area and also works with Converge World-Wide as an ICM missionary. Ken functions very well in Japanese and American cultures. Ken and Gary will be going to Japan in February this year to present the Retool Kit mobilization, a plan to train healthy pastors and healthy leaders leading healthy churches, at a national pastor's conference. Pinnacle Ministries will partner with the Rengo Japanese Conference and Ken will be the liaison for this trip.

The sobering statistics for the Japanese Church are as follows: population of almost 128 million, 0.4% are Protestant Church members, 0.2% attend church regularly, 1 baptism per year, many churches go years without a baptism, average church membership is 69 with a weekly attendance of 35. The total number of churches is 7,879, up 51 from 2008. Ken and Gary would appreciate prayer support for the daunting task that is ahead of them.

Daylight Savings Time ends Sat. November 6
Set your clocks back 1 hour!

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Our board of elders at First Baptist suggested the adoption of a missional nickname, which is what the national conference has done. Let me quote from their website: *In 2008 the board of overseers approved a new missional name, Converge Worldwide, while retaining the historic name Baptist General Conference in some settings and for legal purposes. Many church planters and missionaries find the new name helpful in their efforts to expand Christ's kingdom. Our historic beliefs and values stand unchanged, but the new name helps new generations to continue the mission begun many generations before.* We felt that this gave churches the option of using whichever name fit best for their current context. However, after much discussion, the adoption of a missional name was abandoned, and the sole name was retained.

Please continue to pray not only for the direction and blessing for our church, but also for the Great Lakes Baptist Conference.

Remember to support the GLBC (Great Lakes Baptist Conference) by purchasing items from Amazon or Christian Book Distributers and they will receive a percentage of the money. Enter the sites from www.glbc.net and click on the Amazon or Christian Book tab on the bottom of each page.

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~ Koinonia Kupboard *was recently the recipient of the Boys Scout Food Drive. Nearly 2,600 food items were donated. Also, we regularly receive bread from the Piggly Wiggly, be sure to thank Jay when you see him. Other churches in the area have regular food collections that help to feed the people of Northern Door.*

~ A new evening ***Women's Bible Study*** *will begin in December. They will be meeting bi-monthly on the 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month at 7 pm. Beth Moore's study "A Woman's Heart: God's Dwelling Place" will be facilitated by Valerie Billington. There is a meet & greet on November 15th in the Gathering Room. Study guides ($15) will be available at then with the first regular session on December 6th.*

A Few Statistics...

Date	8:00	10:30	S.S.	Offering
October 3		143	34	$ 6,202.00
October 10		204	51	$ 8,232.00
October 17		165	40	$ 3,959.00
October 24		138	47	$ 2,386.00
				$20,779.00

November Wedding Anniversaries

- 1st - Bob & Jewel Ouradnik - 30 years
- 9th - Paul & Beth Hagen - 25 years
- 22nd - Ray & Jan Mason - 54years
- 23rd - Dick & Mary Ann Johnson - 42 years
- 24th - Chuck & Sylvia Hanson - 54 years
- 24th - George & Juanita Stadler - 48 years

Early December

- 4th - Bill & Cheryl Appel - 39 years
- 6th - Glenn & Gloria Sitte - 7 years

8 - Carl Lenz
10 - Cheryl Appel
10 - Tim Linton
11 - Irene Hagen
11 - Hadj Yocum
12 - Erica Seaquist
15 - Becky Sander
16 - Bruce Batley
20 - Paul Johnson
21 - Cecelia Abshire
21 - Jewel Ouradnik
25 - Tom Pritchett
25 - Kathy Springer
28 - Mary Pat Carlson
29 - Jason Appel
29 - George Stadler
29 - Bailey Stark

Early ***December*** *BD's*
3 - Karen Sunstrom
5 - Gary Nelson

people you know

*~ EMT, **Bob Landeck** was recognized for 28 years of service to Door County. Bob recently retired from his post at the north ambulance station. Richard Burress, EMS director, said he has consistently received notes over the years from patients and their families about Bob's bedside manner. "He was very comforting to people in the back of the ambulance," Burress said. Bob & Mary are celebrating with an extended vacation.*

*~ **Larry & Linda Perkins** welcomed another grandchild, Emmett Nathan Perkins on October 5th. Anxious to meet him were parents Aaron, Karolyn & big brother, Owen.*

*~ **Barb Martin's** mother, Jane Lindell, was recently ushered into heaven following a short bout with pancreatic cancer. We missed seeing Ron & Barb and happily offer a respite from the whirlwind of the last couple of months.*

*~ **Faye Erickson** has recently returned from her annual visit to her sister, Margie & Roger Goulet in Foxboro, MA. She has extended family in that area & enjoys visiting with them.*

*~ Catching up with friends took **Dave & Shirley Maltby** to St Paul, MN for Dave's high school class reunion. This is always a special time for them.*

*~ A new face (returning student from 5 years ago) is **Laura Dobre** – arriving from Greece about the middle of October & working as an intern at Village Green Lodge in Ephraim. Laura's home is Romania & she had been working in tourism in Greece for the past several years.*

*~ Departing on an eight week mission trip to England is **Anna Linton**. She is staying with an English family from the church where she is working.*

C/O Mr. & Mrs. Allen Ryder
37 Kingsway Rd
Burnham on Sea
Sommerset, TA8LET
England, United Kingdom

*~ **Dona & Tom Pritchett** made a trip to England to visit their grandson & meet their first great grandson. They will be happy to show you pictures of their new addition.*

*~ **Lloyd Michalsen**, has just release his latest gospel music CD and "Yours to sing gospel CD package". The music is a balance of bluegrass and southern gospel ballads. All of the songs are written out of his personal experiences and have a story to tell of God's love and redemption. Lloyd would love to share them with you & are available directly from him.*

*~ FBC will be welcoming the **Men of Harmony** from Sheboygan, WI to our church, **Sunday, November 14th**. This is our annual Fall Harvest Festival Celebration. The day begins with Sunday School at 9:15 followed by fellowship & Worship @ 10:30 AM. Dinner follows worship—a planned potluck (sign-up at the Welcome Center) and a concert by the Men of Harmony begins at 1 PM. Special events are planned through out the day - plan on joining us.*

*~ Shepherd of the Bay Lutheran Church in Ellison Bay continues their **Health Information Series** on Diabetes. The next event is Sunday, November 14th @ 4 pm on **Nutrition Management for Diabetes Control** with Carmen Schroeder, registered dietician.*

Desiree Finds Faith

Desiree is a very vivacious and talkative girl from China who worked at Main Street Market. Dave often drove her to BRIDGES social events.

One time while in the car, Desiree happened to mention that "she had been to Mass last Sunday." She didn't know the name of the church she had attended with her host family, but she knew that the Bible lady was there. She was referring to Angela, who distributes the scripture portions, Bibles, and Jesus DVD's at BRIDGES. She then went on to say that "they had juice and crackers at the end of the service, and she remembered that the "priest" said something about that being the body of Jesus Christ."

A few weeks later at the Thanksgiving dinner BRIDGES prepared for the internationals, Desiree happened to sit at a table with Judy DuCharme from Door of Life Christian Church. She became quite attached to Judy, and asked her lots of questions about how to become a Christian. Judy explained at the dinner about how to become a Christian and told Desiree that she didn't need to be in church to accept Jesus. Desiree thought that she would wait until she got home and talk to her parents about it, but told Judy that "she will become a Christian."

The following Sunday, September 26, 2010 Desiree went to church with Judy. When Judy picked her up, Desiree again asked her how to become a Christian. She also told Judy about her boyfriend problems, concluding with "I need a soul savior." As part of the service, she prayed to accept Jesus . Afterward, Desiree told Ed House, "I am a Christian." He talked and prayed with her further and she told several people that she is now a Christian and she was so happy.

That night she emailed Judy that she had talked to her boyfriend, and they decided to be just friends. Desiree knew that was what God wanted, and she was happy about that. Judy stopped to see her at Main Street Market a few days later to give her the Jesus DVD, and Desiree was still just so happy. She said she would find a church in Shanghai. Desiree left Door County on Thursday, September 30.

Signe Onsrud was pleased to send Desiree's email address to Monica, a Chinese international living in Shanghai who became a believer two years ago through the loving care given her by Ken and Signe during her bout with the chicken pox. Monica was excited to receive the report of Desiree's conversion, and was eager to get in touch with her. Pray for Desiree, that Monica will help her become established in her faith.

Fellowship 50+ for Seniors

The next 50 Plus will be held in December
Watch for details later.

Office Hours:

9 AM to 4 PM
Monday to Thursday
Closed on Friday

KEY:
TMAP = Thursday Morning at Prayer
SO50 = Singles Over 50
L/2 = Level 2 - Jr/Sr Hi Youth Group
BRIDGES = Friendship with International Students

ALL EVENT TIMES AND DATES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE. PLEASE BE SURE TO CHECK THE BULLETIN WEEKLY FOR ANY CHANGES. THANK YOU

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 **NO** Women's Bible Study	**2** **7 AM** Men's Bible Study	**3** **4:30 - 6 PM** Adventure Club **7 PM** - L/2	**4** **8 AM** TMAP **9:30 AM** Friendship Bible Coffee	**5**	**7** Elder Retreat @ Camp Zion *Set your clock back*
7 ***Lord's Supper*** **9:15 AM** Sunday School **10:30** AM Worship	**8** **NO** Women's Bible Study	**9** **7 AM** Men's Bible Study	**10** **4:30 - 6 PM** Adventure Club **7 PM** - L/2	**11** **8 AM** TMAP **9:30 AM** Friendship Bible Coffee	**12**	**13**
14 **9:15 AM** Sunday School **10:30 AM** Worship **Harvest Festival** Dinner **1 PM** Concert "Men of Harmony"	**15** **NO** Women's Bible Study **7 PM** - Women's Bible Study Meet & Greet	**16** **7 AM** Men's Bible Study	**17** **4:30 - 6 PM** Adventure Club **7 PM** - L/2	**18** **8 AM** TMAP **9:30 AM** Friendship Bible Coffee **1 PM** Mission Committee	**19** **7:30 PM** Travelogue "Tuscan Hills""	**20**
21 **9:15 AM** Sunday School **10:30 AM** Worship	**22** **9:30 AM** Women's Bible Study	**23** **7 AM** Men's Bible Study	**24** **7 PM @** Door of Life Church	**25** 	**26**	**27**
28 **9:15 AM** Sunday School **10:30 AM** Worship	**29** **9:30 AM** Women's Bible Study	**30** **7 AM** Men's Bible Study	**1** **4:30 - 6 PM** Adventure Club **7 PM** - L/2	**2** **8 AM** TMAP **9:30 AM** Friendship Bible Coffee **4:30 PM** All-Church Decorating	**3**	**4**