



Mission Festival

STORIES FROM  
SOUTH AFRICA

"For the sake of the joy that God brings,  
we give up that which is precious to us —  
and receive blessings previously unknown."

Faith Mennonite Church  
November 6, 2011

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**10:30 a.m. Worship Service**

## Gathering

Songs

*\*I will call upon the Lord*

STJ 19

*Lord I lift your name on high*

Children's Choir

*There is none like you*

*Father, I adore you*

Words of Welcome

Gordon Smith

Call to Worship

*May the light of God*

Adult Choir

Opening Prayer

## Praising

\*Song

*Asithi: Amen*

HWB 64

Sharing our Resources

Offertory

Naomi Wiebe

Prayer of Dedication

## Listening

Children's Time

Joe and Anna Liechty Sawatsky

*Let us all give thanks to Jesus*

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Scripture Readings

Genesis 22:1-19; Matthew 13:44-46

Worship Music

*Gentle Shepherd*

Adult Choir

Sermon

*"For the Sake of Joy"*

Joe and Anna Liechty Sawatsky

## Responding

\*Song

*Som'landela/We will follow*

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Sharing Community Life

Gordon Smith

Prayers of the People

## Sending

\*Words of Blessing

\*Choral Response

Adult Choir

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\* Congregation Stands (If standing is difficult, remain seated)

**Worship Leader:** *Gordon Smith*

**Pianist:** *Naomi Wiebe*

**Songleader:** *Jerry Friesen*

**Sound Tech:** *John Horn*

**Sanctuary Prep:** *Sara Regier*

## MISSION FESTIVAL

This morning we welcome Joe and Anna Liechty Sawatsky and their children, Moses, Isaac, Levi and Jesse. The Sawatskys are Mennonite Mission Network workers in South Africa. Anna and Joe work with Bethany Bible School, an itinerant teaching ministry for leaders of African-Initiated Churches in Eastern Cape Province. Their work includes teaching and administration, work with a local committee to set vision and policy, capacity building, leadership development, and church support.

Joe and Anna will be sharing during the Sunday School hour, as well as during the worship service. IN keeping with our theme, the offering today will go towards Mennonite Church USA/Mission Network unless you specifically designate your check differently.

Please join us for the carry-in meal following the worship service. The meal will have an African theme, but will also include a variety of potluck dishes.

## Let us all give thanks to Jesus

Masibulele kuYesu  
ngokuba wasifela  
Wasenzela izibele  
ngokusifela kwakhe

Chorus: Taru, Bawo  
Yiba nofefe kuthi  
Taru, Bawo  
Yiba nofefe kuthi

Abantsundu nabamhlope  
Mababulele kunye  
Mabavakalise bonke  
Baculele iNkosi

(repeat chorus)

Let us all give thanks to Jesus  
for he gave his life for us  
loving kindness shown among us  
when he died upon the cross

Chorus: Thank you, Father  
for your grace and mercy to us  
Thank you, Father  
for your grace and mercy to us

Black and white together  
Let them serve the Lord as one  
sharing the good news of Jesus  
singing to the Lord this song

(repeat chorus)

## Som'landela (We will follow) 40

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Zulu: Som' - lan - de - la, som' - lan - del' u - Je - su.  
English: We will fol - low, we will fol - low Je - sus.

Som' - lan - de - la yo - nke in - da - wo.  
We will fol - low, ev - 'ry - where he goes.

Som' - lan - de - la, som' - lan - del' u - Je - su.  
We will fol - low, we will fol - low Je - sus.

La - pho E - ya - kho - na som' - lan - de - la.  
Ev - 'ry - where he goes — we will fol - low.

\*Pronunciation: Sohm-lahn-deh-lah, sohm-lahn-dehl oo-Jeh-soo. Sohm-lahn-deh-lah, yohn-keh een-dah-woh.  
Sohm-lahn-deh-lah, sohm-lahn-dehl oo-Jeh-soo. Lah-poh Eh-yah-koh-nah sohm-lahn-deh-lah.

## **OFFERING AND ATTENDANCE for Oct 30, 2011**

Faith Mission Plan (FMP)	\$3,225.00
(FMP Budget per week: \$5,149.76)	
Sunday School Offering	\$3.72
Building Fund	\$571.00
MCC Meat Canning	\$1,620.00
Other Giving	\$50.00
<b>TOTAL OFFERINGS</b>	<b>\$5,469.72</b>
Attendance: Sunday School 87; Worship 172	

### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

As followers of Jesus Christ, our mission is to

- worship together as a community of faith,
- invite everyone to share the gift of God's love,
- nurture each other in the faith,
- serve others in the spirit of Christ, and
- proclaim His way of peace, justice and reconciliation.

### **PEACE LAMP**

The prayer lamp at the front of the sanctuary is a reminder for us to pray for peace. May the burning of this lamp, and the prayers of our hearts, be pleasing to God as God calls us to be people of light, of hope, of resurrection. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

### **CHILDCARE**

Yvonne & Wendell Banman will provide care today during worship for children 3 and under. Next Sunday, Arlys & Neal Schwabauer will be responsible.

### **WEDNESDAY EVENING MEALS**

Sign up for the meal on the friendship sheet. The menu is Chicken Noodle Soup, Veggies, Bread & Dessert. Please bring bowls. \$2 per person, \$5 per family. See signup sheet in foyer to help with setup, desserts, and cleanup.

*\*\*Please remember to bring your own table service to help keep costs down, and help preserve the environment.\*\**

### **ATTENTION LADIES**

Faith Mission Circle will be meeting Monday, November 7th @ 7 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All women and guests are invited! The program will be focused on the history of the Bell Choir, presented by the Director of the Choir, Nola Stucky. The offering will be for Camp Mennoscah. The project will be items for MCC Health Kits as listed on page 18 of the program booklet.

### **BROTHERS AND SISTERS AT FAITH**

"Your calls, cards and prayers have given us strength during this time after Sharon's death. We love you all so much!" - Loren & Peggy

# ***FAITH CHURCH FAMILY NEWS***

## **THIS WEEK**

### Monday

6:30 p.m. Bd of Christian Education

7:00 p.m. Mission Circle

### Tuesday

7:00 p.m. Bd of Deacons

7:00 p.m. Bd of Fellowship

### Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Bell Choir

6:00 p.m. Meal

6:30 p.m. Kids Sing

7:00 p.m. Adult Study

7:00 p.m. Faith Kids

7:00 p.m. Jr & Sr High School Youth Group

7:00 p.m. Prayer Group

8:00 p.m. Adult Choir

### Thursday

6:30 p.m. Habitat for Humanity Banquet

### Sunday

9:00 a.m. Sunday School

10:00 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship

10:30 a.m. Worship

4:00 p.m. Senior Faspá

IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS:

**Earnie Penner's** brother, Heinz, passed away Oct 29.

**Vinola Banman** had heart surgery on Friday.

### **Western District Conference:**

Pray for the WDC Texas pastors and lay leaders as they receive training in creating a safe environment for children and youth in their congregations in an upcoming seminar provided by Marlene Bogard, Minister of Christian Formation.

### **Mennonite Mission Network:**

Today, young adults serving with Mennonite Mission Network in Miami are completing a three-day silent retreat. Pray that these participants in Dwell, and yearlong DOOR program, would be strengthened to live out God's purposes revealed in the time they spent reflecting and praying together.

## **TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE FIRST SUNDAY OPPORTUNITIES**

Come to the Health Wellness Room right after the service this morning to get your blood pressure checked.

Dillons gift cards will be available this morning at break. Dillons donates 4% of each card to OVM (Offender Victim Ministries). They can be used not only for groceries, but also for prescriptions, and fuel, and are easy to use.

## **NEXT SUNDAY**

All are invited to SENIOR FASPA in Fellowship Hall at 4:00 p.m. for a carry-in meal, followed by a program by Donna Becker who will tell of her 2 trips to Russia where she learned about the history and culture, as well as the medical education there. She will also display her collection of matryoshka dolls, and tell of her experiences there.

## **SINCERE THANKS**

"We would like to thank everyone who was involved with helping with Shirley's memorial service, including the Pastors, kitchen staff, church members, and volunteers. Your time and support was greatly appreciated. Thank you very much!" - Ernie Penner & Family

## **ORGAN SURVEY**

The results of the organ survey taken at the October 23 meeting are posted on the Church Council Bulletin Board in the foyer. If you were not at the meeting and want to be part of the results, additional copies are available in the church office. We would like to get as much representation from the congregation as possible before additional actions are taken. - For the Church Council, Jim Stucky, Moderator

## **COLUMBARIUM**

New interest has surfaced for exploring again the feasibility of providing this service to our members. If you would like to assist in that study please contact one of the church officers. Your response to this invitation will help determine whether we pursue this item to the point of making a proposal to the congregation. - For the Church Council, Jim Stucky, Moderator

## **WEDNESDAY NIGHTS**

Please join us on Wednesday evening after the meal for the third in the series on "The Heart of Mennonite Worship." Our conversation will focus on the question "How does worship shape us for life?" Next week we will conclude the series by discussing the question "Why do we gather songs for worship" which will focus on the "heart songs" that are cherished by our congregation. There will be an opportunity for each person to share their "heart songs." The information gathered at the meeting will be sent to MennoMedia to assist in the development of worship materials, especially a new hymnal.

## ***BEYOND FAITH CHURCH***

### **BUILDERS' BANQUET**

Last Chance! Purchase your tickets now for the Kidron Bethel Village Builders' Banquet on Tues, Nov. 15, here at Faith Church. Guest speaker Emily Kimball, "The Aging Adventurer," is an 80-year-old author, hiker, and cross-country cyclist whose energy and enthusiasm encourages others to construct their own rewarding lifestyles. Tickets are \$125, available from Pam Schmidt. Proceeds from the banquet will benefit the renovation of health care bathing rooms.

### **BETHEL COLLEGE**

- The Bethel College Men's Chorus and the Bethel College Women's Ensemble will give their fall concert today, Nov. 6, in the Administration Building chapel. The men sing at 2 p.m. and the women at 4 p.m. Both concerts are free and open to the public.
- The Bethel College theater department presents "The Laramie Project: Ten Years Later," Nov. 10, 11 and 12 in Krehbiel Auditorium in the Fine Arts Center. Thursday, Nov. 10, and Friday, Nov. 11, performances are at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 12 is a matinee at 1:30 p.m. Ticket prices are \$10 for adults, \$8 for adults age 65 and older and non-Bethel students, and \$5 for Bethel students. Because of its difficult subject matter, this play is not considered appropriate for children. Tickets may be purchased at Thresher Bookstore in Schultz Student Center, open Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-5 p.m., phone 316-284-5205, or at the door.

### **CHORALE CONCERT**

The Newton Chorale presents their annual fall concert on Friday, Nov. 18 at 7 p.m. at the Bethel College Mennonite Church in North Newton. The chorale is directed by Ron Garber. Musical selections will include "Clap Your Hands" by Rutter; the Bach Cantata 140, the Brahms Opus 29 motet, followed by a final section of songs from operas/operettas.



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### **Appointed Personnel**

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