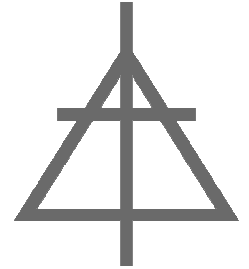


# The Echoes

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## Our Pastor's Perspective

### Easter Symbols

It's Easter and I should really write something about Easter. Easter is such a significant time of the year. Commercially it's quite a hit. Candy sales, card sales, clothing sales and all the soft, stuffed creatures make profits for lots of businesses. I saw in the paper where children are looking for a repeat of Christmas with gifts for the good boys and girls. Dinner and getting together are important parts of Easter celebration too.

And don't forget church. It is one of the best-attended services of the year. People come in their finest and find delight in the spirited singing and worship opportunity.

There seems to be a lot of confusion about Easter. The Kalamazoo Gazette had an article a week ago that less than half of Americans link Easter with the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. I found that amazing and shocking. The Barna Group had recently conducted a survey of Americans and just 42% connected Easter to the Resurrection. They found that even among church members there is just over half of them that connect the holiday with the resurrection.

So in the interest of a little bit of enlightenment I offer the following excerpted from a web site: <http://www.annieshomepage.com/symbols.html>:

#### ***Easter symbols:***

First let me remind you that "**Easter**" in the name alone was through History connected to a Pagan Goddess. Easton's Bible Dictionary defines Easter this way: originally a Saxon word (Eostre), denoting a goddess of the Saxons, in honor of whom sacrifices were offered about the time of the Passover. Hence the name came to be given to the festival of the Resurrection of Christ, which occurred at the time of the Passover.

**The Cross** is the most common symbol of Christianity. It represents the cross on which Jesus Christ was crucified. Christians believe that Jesus' Crucifixion played a central role in redeeming humanity from its sins, and they regard the cross as a sign of redemption.

**Rooster:** When I traveled in Europe for business, I noticed that the Churches didn't have crosses on the top of them, in the city of Amsterdam in the Netherlands. So I asked the tour guide about it. She was very surprised that we didn't have "roosters" on our churches in the United States. When she started to explain it to me I finally un-

derstood. Here is what she told me: "We have the rooster because Peter was told by Jesus in the Gospels in the Bible, that he would deny Christ three times. So the rooster is to remind us not to deny Christ."

[Matthew 26:69-75](#)

**Sunday** is an Easter symbol that is also observed the year-round. Christians traditionally worship on Sunday because that day is associated with the Resurrection.

**Candles** are burned during many Easter celebrations, especially the vigil and midnight services before Easter Sunday. Christians associate Jesus with the light from candles, calling Him "the Light of the World."

Many churches extinguish candles on their altars on Good Friday to show that Jesus' light has gone out. In Roman Catholic churches, the special paschal candle is lit on Easter Sunday next to the main altar. The candle represents Jesus' return to life. The candle is often lit during the next 40 days, until it is put out on Ascension Day.

**Easter Lilies** are used to decorate churches and homes. The large, pure white blossoms remind Christians of the pure new life that comes to them through the Resurrection of Jesus. The white lily stands for purity. The lily is also the sign of the Resurrection.

**Eggs and rabbits** are the only familiar symbols unrelated to the Easter story.

**Eggs**, which represent new life, have been a symbol of spring since ancient times. Christians adopted the egg as an Easter symbol because of the relationship between Easter and the renewal of life. But the Pagan connection here should not be dismissed. Ishtar was the goddess of fertility and reproduction.

**Rabbits** are associated with the fertility of spring because of their ability to produce many young. Some parents tell their children that the Easter Rabbit, or Easter Bunny, brings Easter eggs.

**The lamb** is a particularly important Easter symbol in central and eastern European countries. It represents Jesus and relates His death to that of the lamb sacrificed on the first Passover. Christians traditionally refer to Jesus as "the Lamb of God." Many people serve lamb as part of the Easter feast. In many homes, a lamb-shaped cake

decorates the table. Many Eastern Orthodox Christians hang pictures of the Easter lamb in their homes.

**Other foods.** Besides lamb and eggs, certain other foods are associated with the Easter season. Pretzels, for example, were originally a Lenten food. Their twisted shape suggested arms crossed in prayer.

**Hot Cross Buns:** Hot cross buns, now eaten throughout the Easter season, were first baked in England to be served on Good Friday. The buns have a cross of icing on the top. Some people have suggested the connection to the ancient sacramental cakes.

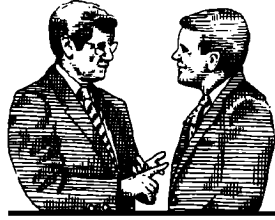
**Easter eggs.** Exchanging and eating Easter eggs is a popular custom in many countries. In most cases, chicken eggs are used. The eggs are hard-boiled and dyed in various colors and patterns. Many countries have their own traditional patterns. Probably the most famous Easter eggs are those designed in Ukraine and Poland, where Christians decorate the eggs with complicated red, black, and white patterns. In many countries, children hunt for Easter eggs hidden about the home. Children in the United Kingdom, Germany, and some other countries play a game in which eggs are rolled against one another or down a hill. The egg that stays uncracked the longest wins. Since 1878, children in Washington, D.C. have been invited to roll eggs on the White House lawn.

**Wearing new clothes for Easter** is a custom common among many Christians. It may have originated from the old practice of having newly baptized Christians wear new white clothes for the Easter celebration. Like many other Easter symbols, the new clothes represent the new life offered through the death and Resurrection of Jesus.



Information on this page from the resources listed below:  
~Excerpted from  
Compton's Interactive Encyclopedia  
& The World Book Encyclopedia~

## In Contact With Council



1. Russ Quick opened the meeting of March 9 with prayer and reading from Psalm 104.
2. Previous minutes were read and approved.
3. Communications: Wayne Leep to put note in bulletin for members that would like to be added to CRWRC mailing list for news letters.
4. Reports:
  - a. Pastor's report presented, several home and hospital visits were made. Taught three Catechism classes; prepared and preached four sermons; attended Evangelism and consistory meetings.
  - b. Deacon's report reviewed and approved. Ministry shares are behind 33%. GEMS offering approved for morning service March 22.
  - c. Building & Grounds getting quotes for kitchen up grades.
  - d. Finance committee will look into getting more members for next year's committee.
5. Three Council visits were made.
6. Old Business: Honeywell alert system for church discussed and approved. Wayne Leep will get system started.
7. New Business: Council reviewed servers and greeters for Communion service on March 14.
8. Held Mutual Censure.
9. Motion to adjourn approved.
10. Rob VandenBerg closed in prayer and has devotions at next Council meeting on April 12.

## Les and Rena Lynema

Les and Rena Lynema have two sons, Mike and Tom. Mike and Holly live in Hidden Ponds in Martin and have 2 ½ sons; Nate 4, Andrew 2 and one more boy is on the way in June. Mike works at JK Machine on D Ave. as a plastic injection mold maker and Holly is the best stay at home Mom in the world.

Tom and Sara live in Lombard, Chicago. Tom works at FTD florist as a software architect. Sara is finishing her Clinical Psychology doctoral degree at Wheaton College. They hope maybe someday they can come back and live in Michigan.

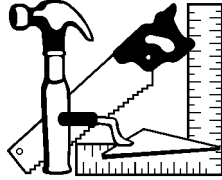
Les works at GLASA (Gun Lake Sewer Authority) as a plant technician (do all). He has been spending his winter time with LMB Speed Shop (Lynema, Myers, Bouman) racing snowmobiles and will probably have a rental house project to do this summer. He also enjoys building things for his grandsons and spending as much time as possible with them. His motorcycle was exhibited at the Gilmore Car Museum last summer so if the bike is old enough to be in a museum, maybe it's time to quit racing it.

Rena works at Western Michigan University as an Administrative Assistant Sr. in the Haenicke Institute for Global Education. She graduated last December from Western Michigan University with a Business Administration degree majoring in Computer Information Systems. She plans to sew, do gardening, and play with the grandkids with the extra time she has now.

We enjoy East Martin Christian Reformed Church. It has been our church for most of our lives and we hope that we can continue to be blessed and be a blessing to our church family.



## Franklinton Here We Come, AGAIN



When we were in Biloxi last year serving with Project Hope we took a trip back to Franklinton, LA where we worked the previous year. Pastor Joe and Sharon Kelly met us at the park in town and shared some of the work they were doing since we left the year before. They asked us to give prayerful consideration to coming back to help them again. Now it seems very clear that this is the place God is calling us to serve.

We have 32 people going through our church. We plan to travel with four mini vans and one car. Those planning to make the 992 mile trip to Franklinton with our group are Randy and Mary Bouman, Hannah and Josh Damsteegt, Stacie Haveman, Mary and Matt Lynema, Chris Paufler, Ann Smit, Ashley, Angie, Bruce, Sue, and Ben Tiemeyer, Andrew, Megan, Jason and Kathy Westendorp, Josh Balkema, Brooke Wolthuis, Alex, April, Leah, Jenna, Don, Dan, Gerda and Dean Wubben, Aneta Peterson and Erin VanDusen. Doug and Mary VanDerMeulen plan to meet us there also.

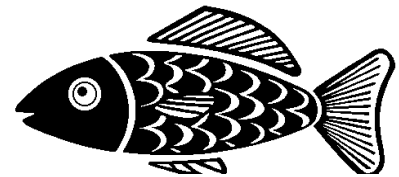
We plan to leave on Friday the 2nd of April around 4 pm and travel straight through to Franklinton. Saturday afternoon we hope to get settled in and then on Easter Sunday worship at Pastor Joe's church in rural Franklinton. His congregation is 25 members strong so they are looking forward to our visit. Our group will be leading most of the singing during the Sunday service. We will call Trinity Baptist Church (same location as last time) our home for the next 6 days as we work on different projects in the Franklinton area.

The organization we will be working through is called WEROC (Washington Parish Emergency Recovery On going Cadre). The parish (like a county) is located about an hour North of New Orleans. The focus is still on the repair and rebuilding of homes of the most vulner-

able members of the parish. Washington Parish is a poor rural parish and in most of the cases WEROC has served, the common variable has been lack of income. Now, more than four years after the hurricane those with the means and knowledge to help themselves have done so and have returned to their normal lives, but to the elderly and/or disabled living on a fixed income and those living at or below the poverty level, the aftermath of the hurricane is not over. The website for the church is [www.trinityfranklinton.com](http://www.trinityfranklinton.com) and click on WEROC if you would like to check it out.

The cost of the trip will be around \$5200 or about \$200 per person. That will cover our transportation, food, lodging and we will also give a monetary gift to WEROC and CRWRC-DRS to promote further work after we leave. We have had several fund raisers to help cover the costs of the trip. Thank you so much for your support and please pray for a safe and productive week.

## Cadet Outing



The Cadet meeting of February 24 was an ice fishing outing. The ice conditions made fishing difficult because there was 1 – 3 inches of slush and water on top of the ice – this caused a number of wet feet! We had chocolate milk and hot dogs along with a big fire to warm up. Our unofficial big fish award goes to Kyle Leep and his grandpa, Wes.

Thanks to everyone who bought subs and thanks to the boys for selling so many – the total was over 1,000 subs which raised a good sum of money for our Cadet program.

Everyone is invited to the Pinewood Derby to be held on April 14.

## Missions Emphasis

We support Rev. Wayne and Sandy DeYoung who have been serving in Mexico with Christian Reformed World Missions since July 2002; prior to that they were in Latin America from 1977 to 1993 and in Marquette between 1993 and 2002.



They work with leaders who are establishing new churches under the National Presbyterian Church of Mexico and with independent lay evangelists. In Guadalajara, the second largest city of Mexico, there are great opportunities to expand the Kingdom of God by helping the churches with evangelism, training and networking.

We also support Rev. Jeff and Vicki Meyer in their work at Crosswinds Community Church. Crosswinds is establishing a presence in the area straddling the northern boundaries of Holland and Zeeland where residential and commercial growth is unprecedented. Weekly gatherings aim to bring unchurched and underchurched people into a setting where the cross of Christ and the wind of the Spirit draw them into a fresh relationship with God. Corporate worship started there in early 2006.

Josh and Mandy Shaarda and their children are in Soroti, Uganda. There they train Ugandan missionaries and pastors, encourage and equip the local church, bring the Gospel to those in darkness and help war and AIDS victims, widows and orphans.

Chip and Audrey Nightingale are employed by Word of Life where Chip is the Coordinator of the National Volunteer Program. They are located at Schroon Lake in New York state. Audrey runs the Day Care program at the Inn during the summer months while the parents attend camp programs.

East Martin Missions is a fund handled by our deacons. They approve monies from this fund to help with particular mission trip expenses for church members. Some of those

trips were to Dominican Republic, Louisiana, Mississippi, Guatemala, etc. Over 20 mission trips in the last 10 years received financial help from EM Missions, totaling over \$18,000.

Pray diligently for our missionaries around the world as they work on our behalf to bring others to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.

Faith Promise pledge cards for 2010 will be included in your bulletin on April 18. Please prayerfully consider how you can support these causes as God has blessed you.

We will focus on Home Missions on April 18; on World Missions on April 25 and our local involvement in missions on May 2. We will conclude our Missions Emphasis weeks with a potluck on May 2.

## Sewing Night



Sewing night will be on Tuesday, March 16 @ 6 p.m. For the project, we are going to have a scrap therapy night making smaller sized bags (pouches) with velcro closures. Bring left over fabric remnants from other projects or material you never got around to using. You will also need any type of thin quilt batting and Velcro around 1/2" wide and at least 6" in length depending on how wide you want to make the pouch. There will also be quilting going on if you prefer that.

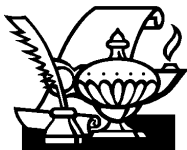


## GEMS Leadership Conference

The Annual GEMS Conference is expected to be a great event! Over 400 women have registered for the 2010 Annual Counselors' Leadership Conference! If you currently are, or are planning to be a GEMS Counselor, we hope you will join us! In addition to great training and encouragement many counselors testify that this event is one of the great spiritual mile-markers in their lives. The Conference will be held July 22-25 at Bethel University in Minneapolis/St Paul. Join us as we *Feed the Fire!* and re-ignite our passion for God and the girls in our clubs! Conference details can be found at [www.gemsgc.org/conference](http://www.gemsgc.org/conference).

## Did You Know?

Hannah Damsteegt (11<sup>th</sup> grade) has earned an academic letter (similar to the athletic letter) for her academic excellence.



An academic letter, distinguished by the “lamp of learning” embossed on it, will be awarded to students who excel in their studies. In order to qualify for the award, the student must:

- Attain a GPA of at least 3.5 for each of five semesters.
- Receive no grade lower than a C for a semester grade.
- Acquire no more than one C as a semester grade.
- Be enrolled in a minimum of six courses each semester.
- Receive no more than two disciplinary points per semester.
- Not be guilty of any offense that would result in either probation or suspension.

This award will be presented to Hannah and other qualified students at South Christian on April 14 at an honors breakfast hosted by the faculty and education committee of the board.

By meeting the criteria specified above for two additional semesters, a student will qualify for a second award – a lamp of learning pin – to be fastened to the letter.

Congratulations, Hannah!



## Spelling Bee

Jesse Damsteegt and Rose VanElderen represented EMCS at the Allegan County Spelling Bee on February 23. After instructions were given the bee began. One by one, each of the fourteen representatives were eliminated leaving a boy named Thomas and Jesse. Jesse missed her word -- S\*T\*I\*P\*P\*L\*E. So Thomas was given one more word which he spelled correctly for the win. Since Jesse missed her word the third representative was brought back up for a second place spell off. The young lady missed

her word but Jesse spelled hers correctly. That did not mean she would win second place quite yet—she had to spell one more word correctly—L\*O\*A\*M. She did it and now is the second place winner! Congratulations to both young lady representatives from EMCS for a fine job representing your school!

## Retarded Grandparents

After Christmas, a teacher asked her young pupils how they spent their holiday away from school.

One child wrote the following: We always used to spend the holidays with Grandma and Grandpa. They used to live in a big brick house but Grandpa got retarded and they moved to Arizona.

Now they live in a tin box and have rocks painted green to look like grass. They ride around on their bicycles and wear name tags because they don't know who they are anymore. They go to a building called a wreck center, but they must have got it fixed because it is all okay now, they do exercises there, but they don't do them very well. There is a swimming pool too, but they all jump up and down in it with hats on.

At their gate, there is a doll house with a little old man sitting in it. He watches all day so nobody can escape. Sometimes they sneak out, and go cruising in their golf carts.

Nobody there cooks, they just eat out. And, they eat the same thing every night – early birds. Some of the people can't get out past the man in the doll house. The ones who do get out, bring food back to the wrecked center for pot luck.

My Grandma says that Grandpa worked all his life to earn his retardment and says I should work hard so I can be retarded someday too. When I earn my retardment, I want to be the man in the doll house. Then I will let people out, so they can visit their grandchildren!!



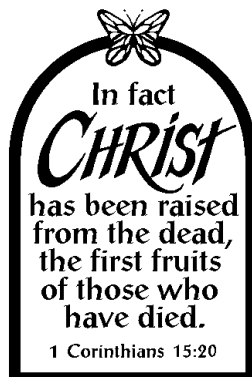
## Foods Resource Bank

Last year we planted 10 acres of crop yielding approximately \$3,000. This amount plus our offering for FRB allowed us to provide \$3,425 to CRWRC.

One billion people in the world live on less than \$1 per day and 75% of them live in rural areas. One third of them are landless. The world food situation is very complex, yet it is possible to embrace, not fear, the complexity and just keep peeling back the layers. We HAVE made progress ... one person at a time. The amount of money raised is far less important than the way it's used.

In closing at the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary annual gathering in Illinois, Bev Abma said, "We can count the kernels on an ear of corn, but we can't count the plants, ears of corn and kernels that each of those kernels produces. The knowledge and experience shared among all stakeholders is a cumulative effect. We must accept that we can't do everything, so we do what we can today to help the greatest number of people. She questioned, "Where is God calling us?" We must continue to work cooperatively to bring communities together and to network experiences.

We will begin looking for acreage soon. If you have property that can be used for this purpose, please contact Adrian VandenAkker.



## Servicemen and Missionary Correspondence



Have you wondered what the purpose is of the envelope that appears in your mailbox occasionally with someone's address on it?

The purpose is to provide a bulletin to each of our missionaries: the DeYoungs, the Meyers, the Shaardas, and the Nightingales as well as our service personnel: Adam Rook and Jeremy Leep so that they can feel a part of our church family even though many of them are thousands of miles away.

So, when the envelope appears in your mailbox, please take the opportunity to drop them a line and encourage them in their work, whether it be on the mission field or in service to our country. Use this opportunity to keep them updated on the events in our church and community.

## Aid and Prayers Needed for Nigeria

Tensions in Jos, Nigeria remain high. Thus far, all CRC personnel are safe, but they ask for your continued prayers for peace in the region as "the people of Plateau State, Nigeria walk a long path of grieving, healing and rebuilding". CRWRC and CRWM are responding to need in Jos by offering food and medical assistance. To support this effort, please mark your gift "Nigeria Unrest 2010."



From Wayne and Sandy:

Sometimes I feel that the Holy Spirit is leading me where I didn't plan to go. Last night the Holy Spirit sent me back to visit a family that has been coming to our house church groups for a few years but has been very difficult to minister to and slow to change. They haven't been coming lately, partly due to walking in cold weather with children, sickness, and diverse sin problems that they don't want to deal with or can't without the Holy Spirit's power.

Four years ago **Lucia** was invited to one of our house church groups. She was a single Mom who had heard the gospel and attended a church in Cancun, (1200 miles east of here). Her drug-using husband it seems had some serious problems there so they had to move. Some of their family lived here in Guadalajara so this was the natural escape route. Lucia is disfigured with burns on her face, chest, hands, and arms. But she is still a beautiful lady. She had first run off with a circus performer at 14 years of age and had seen the whole country of Mexico during her early years. She then moved in with a wealthy half-American and lived the high life. But something tragic happened. I'm not sure how the burns happened; she nor any of the family talks about it, but I can guess. Lucia has an invalid daughter, **Nadia**, who is now 13 who can't walk, talk, feed herself, or do anything but stare and smile. She also has a daughter, **Merion**, who turned 5 yesterday (she was a rascal 4 years ago but has turned into a beautiful young child). When we met her, Lucia was so depressed that she was suicidal. Now she is mostly in the normal range for a lady with so many issues to deal with. Lucia invited her sister **Himelda** who became a Christian, Himelda took her mother **Maria de Jesus (Chuy)** who lived next door. Himelda took her two boys and a daughter also. A number of these accepted Jesus as their savior.

Well last night after our group meeting in another community I was driving through their community and the Holy Spirit seemed to be urging me to visit them again. The surprise was that it was Maria de Jesus' birthday (72) along with her 5 year old grandchild Marion. Maria is depressed. She has a son, **Saul**, of 30 at home who has a severe case of epilepsy and can't work anymore. Saul's wife **Teresa** who lived with them for 5 years walked out on him last month. She had also attended the church. They can't have children and Terrie was praying that God would

give her a child and finally gave up on Saul and walked out. Himelda her daughter who lived next door when I met them four years ago now moved away a year ago and hasn't come back to visit. **Maria's other son** lives next door and hardly talks to his mother due to various feuds. Another daughter, **Maria de Angeles**, has mental problems and possibly demonic problems. She has come to the church group too. She has been involved in witchcraft. Maria de Angeles' daughter **Perla** (15) also came to the church group but a few months ago secretly ran off with an older guy. But she later escaped from this abusive situation and came back home. Besides all this Maria has something like epileptic seizures or heart attacks that have given her fainting spells in the past year. So Maria needed some encouragement and a visit on her birthday. Lucia, Nadia, Merion, Elias and I brought our guitars and serenaded her in front of her house (a major custom here on birthday, anniversaries, and holidays).

Tonight a number of these people will come to our house church again and we will celebrate Maria de Jesus' and her grandchild, Merion's birthday with a cake, fellowship, and worship. Pray that we will have another breakthrough to a new spiritual depth for the entire family.

The Lord works in these messy circumstances. They can all come to wholeness under His power and through much prayer. I had pretty much given up on all of them, but God hasn't and sent me there to the very sad birthday party last night.

These people above rate as one of the most dysfunctional families that I have ever worked with in 30 years of ministry. Many others here were similarly dysfunctional but now are healed. We know God can do it if He and they want.

We also decided last night to all go out and make a visit to her daughter Himelda and the whole family over the Easter holiday. They live 5 hours north and some of them are following through with their faith there where I put them in contact with a Disciples of Christ Church pastor who has been very faithful in discipling them. Only God knows how many lives will be affected by the gospel through this living chain of believers and "seekers".

Thanks for your prayers. May the Lord continue to work miracles here. In part it will happen through your faith and mine as we keep praying for and loving the most unloved.



## Offerings for February

General Fund	\$ 7,227.38
Ministry Shares	2,468.00
Building Expansion	1,061.00
Education Assistance	160.04
Faith Promise:	
DeYoung	115.00
Meyer	165.00
Shaarda	115.00
Nightingale	115.00
Sr. High Youth Group	1,025.00
Jr. High Youth Group	365.00
Sunday School	56.97
East Martin Christian School	450.50
E. M. Christian High School	636.25
Martin Resource Center	46.00
Allegan County Fair Booth	156.00
 Total Offerings	 \$14,162.14

### Year to Date

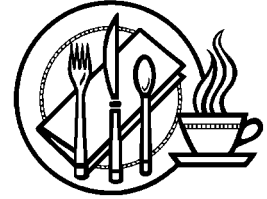
General Fund – Ideal	\$112,500.00
General Fund – Actual	112,624.26
General Fund – Over	124.26
 Ministry Shares – Ideal	 \$55,489.23
Ministry Shares – Actual	37,001.00
Ministry Shares – Under	18,487.63
 Remaining Building Debt	 \$127,338.85

Thank you for your expressions of sympathy for my mom and our grandmother, Ann Hofstee. Your kindness and caring means so much to us.



In Christian Love,  
Mike and Mina Van Elderen and family

## Swiss Cheese Chicken (Smothered Chicken) ~ served at the YG Elegant Dinner ~



8 boneless, skinless chicken breast halves  
8 slices Swiss cheese  
1 10-oz can cream of chicken soup  
1 soup can water  
1 cup Pepperidge Farms herb seasoned stuffing mix  
1 stick melted butter  
Hot cooked rice or noodles

Arrange chicken in a greased 13" x 9" baking dish. Top with cheese slices. Combine soup and water, stir well, and pour over chicken and cheese. Sprinkle stuffing mix on top. Drizzle butter over crumbs. Bake at 350 degrees for 45-55 minutes. Serve with cooked white rice or noodles. Serves 8.



## Prayer Requests from Back to God Ministries International

Praise God for the distribution of more than 5,000 radios to people in remote areas of Indonesia, enabling them to hear the Word of God. Mr. Saji, a former Muslim who received a radio, wrote, "Now I believe that we need Jesus Christ as our Savior. Every day I hear your radio program. I want to learn about Jesus and his teaching."

Praise God that the study of His Word is making a difference in the lives of thousands of people in Africa. One woman wrote, "I thank God who has allowed me to find the CBC (Bible study). My prayer life has been renewed". Another woman wrote that she has committed to introduce the study to others.

## Birthdays

2	Doug DeMann
8	Hannah Damsteegt Eric Shaarda
10	Madalyn Houseman
12	Lessa Jager Kara Katje Don Smith Bonnie Snook Henry Michael Tuinstra
13	Caleb Korringa
14	Terri Jager Joanne Mejeur
17	Luke VanElderen
18	Dorothy Katje
19	Laverne DeMann Madelyn VanDerMeulen
21	Don Pekelder Carolyn VanderMeulen
22	Dawn Anderson
23	Linda Katje
24	Dirk Kayim
25	Tom Rook Mark Suk
27	Jennifer Mejeur Jeanine VanderKam
28	Clara Bronkhorst
30	Karen DeJager Lee Korringa



April 18: a.m., Cadets, Roger Anderson; p.m., Dean and Carolyn VanderMeulen.

April 25: a.m., Mike and Mina VanElderen, Kevin DeKoekkoek; p.m., George and Ruth Fennema.

## Ushers

April 2 (Good Friday): Joe DeKoekkoek, Wes Leep, Doug VanDerMeulen.

April 4: Travis Suk, Michael Leep, Dustin Quick.

April 11: Robert Leep, Doug DeMann, Rich Grevnstuk.

April 18: Cadets.

April 25: Joe, Ann and Keith Smit.

## Nursery

April 2: (Good Friday) Nancy VanDerHeide, Brooke Leep.

April 4: (Easter) a.m., Dawn Anderson, Kristie Tuinstra, Shelby Quick; p.m., Mina Van Elderen.

April 11: a.m., Mechelle Shaarda, Brenda VanDenBerg, Jenna Wubben; p.m., Ashley Tiemeyer, Alex Wubben.

April 18: a.m., Jeanne DeMann, Kim and Stacie Haveman; p.m., Sue Tiemeyer, Amber Leep.

April 25: a.m., Sandy DeMann, Brenda Leep, Ally DeYoung; p.m., Megan Westendorp, Angie Tiemeyer.

## Anniversaries

6	John and Merrie Beth DenBoer
9	Robert and Marlene Leep
10	Mike and Mina VanElderen
15	Nick and Nancy VanDerHeide
17	Jeff and Ann Jameson
19	Adrian and Wilma VandenAkker
25	Ken and Sandy DeMann
27	Kevin and Susan DeKoekkoek
28	Steve and Jeanine VanderKam

## Greeters

April 4: a.m., Vern and Joanne Klaasen, Les Lynema; p.m., Bob and Ruth Katje.

April 11: a.m., Steve and Mary DeMann, Dave Misner; p.m., Jim and Ruth Mejeur.

## Children's Worship

April 4: Lauri DeYoung, Mary Lynema.

April 11: Mary Bouman, Ashley Tiemeyer.

April 18: Dawn Anderson, Alex Wubben.

April 25: Milly VanDerMeulen, Megan Westendorp.

## Library

April 4: a.m., Betty DeJager; p.m., Rebekah Westendorp.

April 11: a.m., Linda DeYoung; p.m., Leah Wubben.

April 18: a.m., Ida Westendorp; p.m., Angie Tiemeyer.

April 25: a.m., Nancy Tuinstra; p.m., April Wubben.