

Youth Pastor Search

- **Pastoral Search Task Team:** Pray for the members of our search team. John Crandle, Corey Couk, Pete Garrison, Kevin Kahila, Kendall King, Ray Lord, Julie Perrine, Larry Scharp, Diane Taylor, Bill VerMeulen, Cheryl VerMeulen, Pastor Steve, and Pastor Bill.
- Pray for unity and wisdom for the **task team** as they begin to look at written responses to questions asked of potential candidates. Pray for God to direct in this whole process and bring us the man He has for us. Pray for God to be preparing the heart of that man and his family.

Pray for the Sick & Hospitalized

- **Earl Christensen** - severe depression, appt. at U of M Hospital on May 13th.
- Darl Brown's brother, **Dale**, serious heart issues, unsaved.
- **Elmer & Janet Reisner's son, Dan** having surgery on May 24 to remove a tumor on his kidney.
- **Please pray for the following people with ongoing health issues: Helen Sabin, Virginia Miller, Ana Campbell, Ken & Nina Mannes, John & Martha Schreur, Dr. Bower, Gary Marcy & Reva Williams, Duane & Joyce Hampton, Greg Cowan, Joel Miller, Francis & Janie Conner, Paul & Leola Johnson, Hal Pape, Ruth Fields, Alice Lauderdale.**

Pray for Other Needs

- **Valentina Velkov** is waiting to hear about her mom's green card application.
- Pray for salvation: Carma Huitt's cousin, **Becky**
Sue VerMeulen's father, **Mitchell VanKruiningen**
- People looking for work: **Lynne Potter, Valentina Velkov, Bobby Hicks** (Gary & Kathy Pross' son-in-law)

Praise

- **The Elevelds** have a praise for a possible house deal – pray for bank approval
- **The Elevelds** have praise for several new individual supporters and some possible church support.

Featured Events

MAY	15	Children's Ministry Conference
	18	Deacon Chair/Staff Meeting
	19	Young @ Heart Luncheon
		Children's Summer Musical Rehearsal
	22	LifeRUN 5K for Alternatives Pregnancy Care Center
	24	HCA Golf Outing and Pig Roast
	31	Office Closed
JUNE	2	NO Wednesday Night Meetings
	9	NO Wednesday Night Meetings
	12	LifeWALK for Alternatives Pregnancy Care Center

Jun & Cecile Yague - Philippine Church Planters

We are conducting our summer tent evangelistic meetings. We transfer our tent every week in different barrios of our town in Baliwag, Bulacan, Philippines until we will be done on the first week of June which will be the start of rainy season in the Philippines. All our members who have talents like cooking, food processing, welding, cell phone repairing, massaging and medicine, etc. were asked to donate and sacrifice their time at least once a week to come in the afternoon to do some lectures to teach people and help them on their livelihood. Moreover, we found out that by this kind of motivation it is a very effective way in gathering a crowd to come to listen to the gospel preached. In the past two weeks, we are averaging 500 to 600 people who come to attend our evangelistic meeting in the evening. We have seen hundreds of souls saved in this venture for the Lord. While we are all giving our lives to the Lord and we are active in bringing souls to His fold, we have seen and experienced the attack of the devil. Please pray for me as I encourage my partners in the ministry with the Word of God.

Alternatives Pregnancy Care Center

The saying goes that a picture can say a thousand words. Well, one of the most important words it can say is LIFE! Ultrasound pictures can save many unborn children each and every year.

- An ultrasound greatly increases the chance of an abortion-minded woman to choose life for her child!
- Through an ultrasound, new mothers are able to see their developing baby for the first time.
- They can see, even in the early stages of pregnancy, that the baby has a beating heart.
- For many parents, this is when the pregnancy becomes real.
- The ultrasound allows them to see that they have a tiny life in them and not just a shapeless mass of tissues.

It costs \$20,000 annually to run our ultrasound program in an effective and professional way. We have a trained sonographer, a nurse and a supervising physician who work with the patients throughout the process. APCC's ultrasound program has saved many lives and is an instrument in spreading the good news of Jesus Christ. Please help us continue this vital outreach. It saved many lives right here in Southwest Michigan.

Kelly & Sherri Fath - Romania

For your information and prayer, here is Sherri's and my itinerary for our survey trip:

- May 6 Depart from GR
- May 7 - 18 Romania
- May 18-21 Kosovo
- May 21-25 Albania
- May 25-28 Hungary
- May 28 Return to GR

Thanks for your prayers!

**Featured Missionary
Barry & Linda Jones - S.E. Asia**

We praise God for allowing us to be part of a team to equip the saints to do the work of the ministry around the world. We are the missionary part of the team, traveling and teaching the Word of God. But, without prayer warriors and givers, we would be unable to accomplish the work that God has called us to do. All three elements are absolutely essential; going, praying and giving. We praise God for the giving and praying that supports our ministry. During our June trip to the Philippines, Barry will be teaching *Hermeneutics and Old Testament Poets* and Linda will be teaching *Foundations in Christian Education*. **Pray** that the Lord will give us an excellent time of ministry at BBS&I in Manila. During our September-November trip, we will be teaching in Nepal, Myanmar and India. During 2010, we will be training over 600 students who will provide Christian leadership in many areas of Asia. During these difficult economic times, we are given a wonderful opportunity to place the ministry of Jesus Christ at the top of our priorities. May our great God and Savior give you wisdom and understanding.



Baptists for Life

Did you know that worldwide, 42 million abortions are performed ...115,000 per day (according to the *Guttmacher Institute*)? Did you know that in the United States alone there are over 745 abortion clinics and 88 Planned Parenthood facilities? Did you know there are over 100 privately funded foundations set up throughout the United States under the National Network of Abortion Funds, offering to pay for women's abortions? We recently learned that one of these foundations is sponsored by a church located right here in Grand Rapids, and boasts of financing over 5,000 abortions to date! So who's having all these abortions? According to Guttmacher, women identifying themselves as Protestants obtain 37.4% of all abortions in the U.S. Catholic women account for 31.3%, Jewish women account for 1.3% and women with no religious affiliation obtain 23.7% of all abortions. 18% of all abortions are performed on women who identify themselves as "born-again or evangelical." Sad. Very sad. Our work is far from over. Please join us in earnest **prayer** as we continue to hold forth God's truth, communicating His sanctity of life message, His design for moral living, and His salvation through Christ Jesus. Please continue to **pray** that we will have sufficient funds for 2010, and wisely steward the funds we are given.