

# JUBILEE ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Jubilee Fellowship Family & Friends,

The Ride for Refuge is a wonderful opportunity and tangible way for you to further partner with Jubilee Fellowship missionaries, Tim & Angie Sliedrecht, and engage with the displaced, vulnerable and exploited in Uganda – to connect to the hurt and pain personally, and to do something about it by riding your bike and raising awareness and money. You don't have to be a "bike rider" to ride in the Ride – with the choice to ride from 10km to 100km, young, old, children, families... practically everyone can ride! And for those who are unable to ride, you can still get involved by recruiting and encouraging other riders, giving, and/or volunteering on Ride Day.

Would you seriously and prayerfully consider joining the JUBILEE Ride Team (Eppo Eerkes is the Team Captain), which rides to specifically raise awareness and funds for TEAM BEYOND –



UGANDA to mobilize the local church to provide Christ's holistic love, spiritual counseling and the biblical worldview to:

- ◆ the TRAUMATIZED Ugandans who were abducted by the Lord's Resistance Army rebels to be hard-laborers, soldiers and sex-slaves, and their families
- ◆ the unreached KARAMOJONG tribe who have been displaced and forced to live in camps by inter-clan fighting and by severe drought, famine and starvation
- ◆ ORPHANS and VULNERABLE CHILDREN who are neglected by their family, relatives and communities

To sign up, simply:

- ◆ go to Jubilee's ride-site
- ◆ click the "Join this Team" button in the left-hand column
- ◆ follow the on-screen directions registering as a "Team Member" of the Jubilee Ride Team

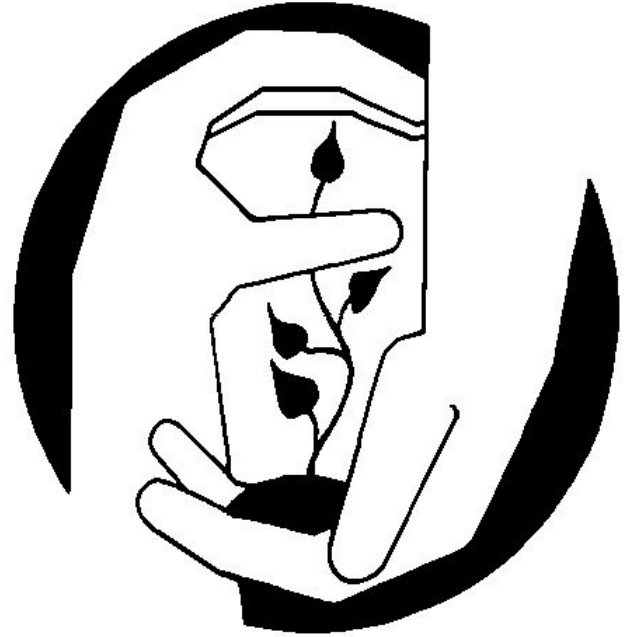
Then start raising as much awareness and funds as you can, and getting as many people as you can to join you. Be sure to tell them that

- ◆ The Ride for Refuge is a tangible way for you to partner with Jubilee Fellowship missionaries, Tim & Angie Sliedrecht, and Team Beyond and engage with the displaced, vulnerable and exploited in Uganda – to connect to the hurt and pain personally, and to do something about it by riding your bike and raising awareness and money.
- ◆ Every Mile Matters! You don't have to be a "bike rider" to ride in the Ride – with the choice to ride from 10km to 100km, young, old, children, families... practically everyone can ride! And for those who are unable to ride, you can still get involved by recruiting and encouraging other riders, giving, and/or volunteering on Ride Day.
- ◆ The ride takes place on Saturday, October 16.

Let us know if you have any questions!  
Gearing up with you,  
Tim & Angie Sliedrecht  
<http://sliedrechts.spaces.live.com>

## Jubilee Fellowship Christian Reformed Church

*Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, that person is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come! (2 Cor. 5:17)*



September 5, 2010

*Morning Service @ 10:00 am*  
Wendy Gritter, M.Div.  
"Jesus.... the good coyote"  
Luke 17: 11-19

**Combined Evening Service**  
5:00 pm, Maranatha CRC

**Interim Pastor Joan de Vries**

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# WELCOME



**Welcome to Jubilee Fellowship Christian Reformed Church:** A special welcome to our members and guests today! We hope you experience God's presence as you worship this morning. If you would like more information about Jubilee, please ask one of our Visitor Welcome Team members. They would be happy to assist you. Please join us after the service for refreshments and allow us to introduce ourselves to you. Nursery is available downstairs for children under 3.

After the service there is an opportunity for prayer with members of the Prayer Team and the Pastoral Elders. If you wish to have someone pray with you, please come to the front after church.

This morning we welcome Wendy Gritter who will preach for us. Wendy Gritter, M.Div., is a member of Meadowvale CRC in Mississauga and has been preaching in the CRC since 1995. She serves as the Executive Director of New Direction Ministries with the mission of nurturing safe and spacious places for those outside the heterosexual mainstream to explore and grow in faith in Jesus Christ. If you would like more information about New Direction check out: [www.newdirection.ca](http://www.newdirection.ca) or contact Wendy.

**Sunday School:** Please note that there is no Sunday School today. Sunday School for children 2 1/2 to grade 3, resumes again on September 12.



# OUR OFFERINGS

**Today:** Jubilee & CRWRC-Pakistan Relief

**Next week:** Jubilee & Benevolence



**Today's second offering** will be for CRWRC's Pakistan response. The Canadian government has announced that it will match (1:1) all private donations to registered Canadian charities, such as CRWRC, in support of relief efforts in Pakistan. Donations must be made between August 2 and September 12.

Gifts received will be used to provide food, water, tents, mosquito nets, hygiene kits, and kitchen utensils to 8,000 families in northwestern Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Province, and possibly more in the Punjab province as the Indus river surges southward. Please give generously and also remember Pakistan in your prayers. For more information visit [www.crwrc.org/pakistan](http://www.crwrc.org/pakistan).

CRWRC has significant history in Pakistan responding with immediate aid in previous disasters in 2005, 2007, and 2009. The agency's partner, the Interfaith League Against Poverty (I-LAP), is based in Islamabad.

**Next Sunday** the second offering will be for the Benevolence Fund. Please give generously so that we, the deacons, can help those in our congregation that have a need.

Please also keep in mind the food bins at the back of the church. When full, the food will be taken to the Niagara Life Center.

# THIS WEEK AT JUBILEE

## Faith Formation Meeting with parents, leaders and youth:

When Faith Formation moved to Sunday mornings last year, a commitment was made to assess this at the conclusion of the first year and to invite all parents, youth, Faith Formation teachers and Jubes leaders to a meeting. Your input is valued on how things went, what could be improved, what worked, what didn't, whether Faith Formation should stay on Sunday mornings or move back to Wednesday evenings, etc. Please come to the Youth Room after the morning service on **September 12**. We hope to see many of you there and welcome your feedback as we make plans for a new season.



**Johnson Family Needs a Van:** Dennis and Emily Johnson and family, former members of Jubilee, suffered a hardship recently when they lost their van in a fire. They had been saving for a down payment on a house and cannot afford to spend too much on a replacement van required to transport their son Wyatt to his medical appointments. If you have (or know of) a van that you are finished with for a reasonable price, please contact Dennis & Emily (289-820-9102) as soon as possible.

**Missing DVDs:** A marriage video series by Mark Gungor that belongs to Henry & Henrietta Swinkels was put into the mailbox of Jim & Sue Van Atte. However they never found it and it is likely that someone else took their mail, or they were put in the wrong mailbox by mistake. If anyone has these DVDs, please return to the church as soon as possible, as Covenant CRC would like to borrow them this fall as well.

**Office Hours:** Pastor Joan will be working at the church this week on Thursday. Wendy will be working at church on Tuesday, Thursday & Friday, and working from home the rest of the week.

**Photos:** We are putting together a slide show for the Congregational Vision Retreat which features Jubilee's programs and other aspects of life at Jubilee. We would really appreciate receiving photos from youth events, worship services, Jubilee Night, Coffee Break, etc. Please either scan them and email them, or give them to Wendy de Jong or Gina Vanden Dool to scan so they can be returned to you. Thanks so much!



**Congregational Vision Retreat:** As reported recently, we are using this time between pastors to review our church's vision and plan for the future. There will be a Congregational Vision Retreat on Friday evening, Sept. 17, and Saturday morning, Sept. 18. Please reserve these dates now so we have maximum participation. **Young people, this means you too!** We also encourage everyone to regularly pray for the Holy Spirit's direction, and for our ability to discern God's leading and plans for our congregation

at this time. Registration forms are in your mailboxes today. Please return them to the box on the Kiosk by Sept. 5, or register online by following the link on Jubilee's website, [www.jubileecrc.org](http://www.jubileecrc.org).

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**Cooking team members needed:** In a month's time Jubilee Night begins again. This much loved Jubilee tradition, beginning with a shared meal, where all our youth programs and adult education classes take place on the same evening, has taken a bit of a backseat in our commitment and attendance the last few years. We would love to see more of the Jubilee family come out on Wednesday nights. The food is great and the clean-up provides a great time to socialize with others around the kitchen sink.

Cooks, and especially one or two people to spear-head the cooking crews, are much needed. If you can spare 2 hours on a Wednesday afternoon, once or twice a month, please contact Wendy de Jong.

**Jubilee Night Programs:** This coming year one or two Adult Study Groups will be re-introduced on Jubilee Night. When Life Groups began, the Wednesday evening groups were discontinued, but there are many adults who now don't come at all, or leave immediately after supper because there is nothing for them to participate in. Sign-up for these courses will be offered at the Ministry Fair following the morning service of September 19.

Jubilee Night is being reduced to 10 weeks in the fall and 10 in the winter/spring, with a full 2-month break in December and January, in an effort to alleviate some of the strain on volunteers. The regular Wednesday evening Jubilee Night runs from Sept. 22 through Nov. 24, resuming again on February 2 and ending April 13, except for March 16.

This is not intended to limit groups to these dates, however, and youth groups are encouraged to plan special events, retreats, etc., beyond this time frame if they so desire.

## **Refresh & Renew Worship Conference at Redeemer University College, Saturday, September 25**

On the last Saturday in September, people will be gathered at Redeemer to grow in their understanding of worship. Please join us for a day of encouragement and learning, worship and fellowship. Whether you are a worship leader or planner, a pastor, musician, artist, a committed member of your congregation, involved in ministry or seeking a deeper insight into the expression of our relationship with God, this day is for you. This day is meant to expand your understanding of worship, develop your gifts, renew your commitment to ministry and refresh you for the year ahead. This worship conference is designed to bless our congregations and to bring us closer to God.

The day will begin with a keynote address given by Dr. Syd Hielema entitled "Doors to the Heavenly Throne Room: Finding Inspiration in the book of Revelation for Worship Today." The day will include more than 15 different workshops relating to all dimensions of worship.

Ron VandenBurg will be leading a workshop entitled "More than just words - Liturgy, Readings, Drama and Video." Freda Van Arragon will be participating in liturgical dance in the opening worship.

Lunch and Refreshments will be provided. Come and enjoy this day with us. For more information and to register as part of the Jubilee group, contact Henry de Jong or go to the Redeemer website.



# THIS WEEK AT JUBILEE

**Council Report:** Council met this past Tuesday and wishes to share the following items with the congregation. As mentioned in an earlier report, Council invites members of the congregation to nominate themselves or someone else to serve on the Pastor Search Committee. Nominations should be made in writing, with an explanation of why you are nominating someone or yourself, signed, and given to Jim Teeuwesen, Clerk of Council. Council will then choose from these nominations to form a Pastor Search Committee which is representative of the demographics of Jubilee. The deadline for nominations has been extended until September 28.

Pastor Ryan Braam of Grace CRC, Welland has agreed to serve as Jubilee's Counselor during our time between permanent pastors. Pastor Joan's credentials will be transferred to Jubilee soon and a tentative date for her installation is September 26.

Plans are well underway for the Vision Retreat of September 17 & 18. Council strongly urges all members of Jubilee to attend this important retreat where we will have an opportunity to review our current Concept of Ministry, identify strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and goals for our future as a congregation. This is a retreat designed to seek out God's direction for our congregation, for us to identify who we are, where we see ourselves going and what particular ministries we might be involved with in future. Pastor Joan will be preaching a three-part series on Jubilee's Concept of Ministry in September which ties in with this retreat.

Council held an extensive discussion on the role of the Ministry Board and how it can operate more effectively within Jubilee's organizational structure, including the possibility of a Council elder serving as the Ministry Board Chairperson. This matter will be discussed further at a congregational meeting later this fall. In the meantime, in this period without a full-time pastor and a director of ministries, the new Chairperson of the Ministry Board, Nellie Zonneveld, will be invited to participate at Council meetings in discussions concerning the Ministry Board and all the various programs of Jubilee.

Council discussed the exit interviews that took place earlier this summer with Pastor Duane and with Jake Snieder. We were thankful for the opportunity these interviews gave to celebrate what went well during Pastor Duane's and Jake's ministries, and to hear suggestions about what could be improved in the future, including staff evaluations and the various roles and dynamics between staff and volunteers. The Centre for Pastoral Excellence has prepared a very helpful guidebook on evaluating and working with congregational leaders which will be very helpful. Council also reviewed the highlights of the 2010 Synodical decisions and an overview of all the denominational agencies. These documents are very worthwhile and can be found on the CRC website. A few printed copies are available on the Kiosk as well.

In your mailboxes today are the Care Group lists for the coming year. There are two Care Groups which currently do not have an elder. Council concurred with the Pastorate in accepting the resignation of Eb Quist. Elders Ruth Jongejan, Patrick Vermolen, Pastor Joan, and former elder Sjoukje Buisman will cover any pastoral needs that arise in these two groups. Pastor Joan is of course, available for other pastoral care needs as well in the congregation. The Pastorate and Council ask the congregation to keep the matter of serving as a pastoral elder and of meeting the needs of our congregation effectively through pastoral care in prayer.

Lastly Council approved a request from Jake, Liesje, Jonathan and Levi Snieder, to transfer their family's membership to Grace CRC in Chatham where Jake is now serving as their youth director.

Is any one of you in trouble? Let them pray.  
Is any happy? Let them sing songs of  
praise. James 5:13



## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

- God's blessing on our students and teachers who return to school on Tuesday. We pray that they will grow in wisdom and knowledge, that they will learn new and fresh ways to see God's hand in every endeavor and that all of life and learning belong to God.
- Zach de Bruyne, who will undergo knee surgery next week Monday.
- Campus ministry at Brock University, for the many ways in which God's witness is made by Christian faculty there. Pray also for Andre Basson, the Christian Reformed Chaplain at Brock, as he prepares for another school year of ministry and connecting with many of the students, that new connections will be made and existing ones continue to grow.
- A generous response to today's offering for CRWRC-Pakistan relief, and for the ongoing humanitarian crisis there. Pray for all those involved in the relief efforts as well and that the outbreak of serious disease can be avoided.
- The Pastoral Elders and the Deacons as they minister to those in our congregation facing difficult challenges, whether they are physical, emotional, or spiritual. Pray that God would bless them with the strength and the words that would bless those they minister to, particularly in this time of transition in our congregation.
- The Holy Spirit's direction, and for our ability to discern God's will at our Congregational Vision Retreat in September.

## WE GIVE THANKS FOR...

- Bep Koole, who will celebrate her 74th birthday on Wednesday.
- The many donations of clothes and school supplies for last Saturday's Back to School sale for our neighbours in the co-op.
- The Niagara Peninsula Children's Centre, which provides specialized schooling, where Rachel Pot and Ella Warkentin will begin pre-school this week.
- The Christian Labour Association of Canada, and organization dedicated to bringing Christ's message of reconciliation and justice to the work place. We give thanks too for our members, Hank Beekhuis and Andrew Regnerus, who work for CLAC.
- Keith Vrieswyk, who has offered to serve as Coordinator of Jubilee Night for the fall semester.
- The beautiful freshly waxed floors, done on Friday by Peter and Dan de Bruyne.
- This Labour Day Weekend, for a last vacation day for many, for meaningful work. May those looking for work also be encouraged and find something fulfilling soon.
- New Directions Ministries which helps churches accept and enfold our members who struggle with sexual orientation.

## SERVING THIS WEEK



**Birthdays:** Today - Julie Anne Vander Linde, Sona Ghewondian; Monday - Cora Hunse; Tuesday - Ted Harris, Emanuel Bailey; Wednesday - Bas Hordijk, Bep Koole; Thursday - Diana Wiens

### COFFEE MAKERS

Today - Ceus & Nelly Westerhoff  
Sept. 12 - Grace Bowman & Ivan Bowman  
Sept. 19 - Jason & Brenda Boks



### COFFEE SERVING & CLEAN-UP

**Today:** Alan & Judy Bennink  
Jordan & Kristen Beekhuis, Allison Beekhuis  
**Sept. 12:** Jason & Brenda Boks  
Peter & Fern Boldt, Andrew Botbyl  
**Sept. 19:** Dean Bonsma & Marlene Bergsma  
Jeff & Alison Bootsma, Craig Baker  
*Kitchen hosts please check with the people making coffee before the service to let them know you are here.*



### NURSERY:

**Today:** Jim & Christy Leva  
Marlene Dykstra, Jennifer Hordijk, Julian Ristow,  
Olivia Botbyl, Adam Vanden Dool

### Sept. 12: James & Kim Brown

Lorraine deVries, Brenda Kiers, Leo Versluis, Kristina Brooks, Jacob VanderHeide

### Sept. 19: Aron Hoff & Rachel Rensink-Hoff

Kim Brown, Bep Koole, Ed deVries, Drew Prinsen, Jocelyn Klompmaker



### LIBRARY

**Today & Sept. 12:** Marge Van Geest, Margaret Bouwers, Yolanda Hoogendam

### SET-UP: Today: Paul DeVries & Brian Prinsen

**Sept. 12:** Dennis Schoenmaker & Angus Steele

**Sept. 19:** James Brown & Henry Dykstra



### VISITOR WELCOME

**Today:** Marg Kersten, Sjoukje Buisman (K),  
Corrie de Jong (D)

**Sept. 12:** Stiny de Jong, Jo-Anne Abma (K),  
Judy Eerkes (D)

### USHERS

**Today:** Andrew Regnerus, Terry Veldboom, Peter de Bruyne, Jocelyne Veldboom

**Sept. 12:** Doug Carey, Francois Wallace, Wayne Prinsen,  
Andrew Botbyl