

# The Monthly Herald

October 2015

## FROM THE PASTOR...

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

For the past month, before our service begins, we have been speaking a Bible verse. It declares that our God is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to **His power that is at work in us**. More than just a verse to recite or memorize, this is a bold word of promise from our God. It is a word that calls us to believe! The word translated “power” in that verse is the Greek word, *dunamis*. It is the same root of the word “dynamite.” God’s power, His holy “dynamite” is at work **in us!**

We have work to do in the name of Jesus. Sometimes we grow weary. Sometimes we doubt. Sometimes we become apathetic and say, “let someone else do the work.” Yet, God’s Spirit desires to pump us up for work in Christ Jesus, pumped up even more than when we root for our favorite team. Our Lord equips us, inspires us, and moves us to action for Christ and for all people.

The prophet Isaiah penned: **“Those who hope in the LORD will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint.”** (Isaiah 40:31, NIV) Based on this truth of the living God, we have begun a campaign called: **“Renewed in Christ: Hope • Strength • Soar”**

To be sure, we have a hope in Christ that wells up to life eternal. Yet, what are your hopes for the mission of Christ here at St. Paul’s? Do we want more to be saved, more students to be blessed by a St. Paul’s education, more people involved in serving our Lord? Will the Lord give us the strength and resources to accomplish His will? Will St. Paul’s soar on wings like an eagle through being carried along by the Spirit of the Living God? I hope you answer all of the questions with a resounding “Yes.”

I hope you, too, want to be involved in praying, serving, and sacrificially giving to the work of our Lord. And I hope you want to learn more. Plan to be in worship on the weekend of October 17-18 and also to participate in our “Inform” presentation on October 18 at 9:15am in the gymnasium. Seeking always to be renewed in Christ with you . . .

In Christ’s Love,

**Pastor Bender**

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# Bible Classes



## Monday Morning Bible Class

Ladies Bible Study group Monday mornings at 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall  
Leader: Laurel Privatt

## Sunday Morning Bible Class

### **The Odyssey of St. Paul**

Come and follow St. Paul on his missionary journeys and his imprisonments as he served Christ in the early Church. We meet each Sunday at 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall.

Leader: Pastor Bender

## Men's Bible Breakfast

Men's Bible Breakfast meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays of each month, from 7:00-8:30am. We eat a breakfast cooked by one of the guys (sometimes with help from their wife!). We enjoy fellowship, pray, and then study God's Word. Our first topic this Fall **"The Journey from Unbelief to Faith."** We will hear true stories of people coming out of different life situations to become believers in the Lord Jesus Christ. Come and hear their stories and be inspired!

**October 10 - "Buried with Buddha"** Hear about a woman named Marcia, whose family moved a lot when she was young. Her desire to learn about religions beyond Christianity led her to astrology and New Age teachings. Hear how the Lord brought her back!

**October 24 - "Xbox Atheist"** Hear about a young man named Tyler, who embraced science at a young age. In his mind evolution unseated creation and any need for any god to exist. As Christians tried to witness, he took delight in questioning, prodding, and attacking their faith. But how did the Lord restore him to faith?

## Thursday Morning Bible Study

Topic: The Prophet Jonah

We are currently going through a Bible study on the Prophet Jonah. We take on one chapter each week. We plan to conclude by watching a DVD of the Sight and Sound theatre production of "Jonah" which 21 youth and 8 adults enjoyed on the Houseboat Retreat this past summer!

October 1: Chapter 2: Salvation and a Prayer from the Belly of a Fish

October 8: Chapter 3: The God of Second Chances!

October 15: Chapter 4: Preaching the Produces Repentance, But . . .

October 22 & 29: DVD: "Jonah" (recording of a live production at Sight and Sound Theatre)

All adults are welcome! If you are coming, why not bring a friend. All will be blessed by the truth of God's Word.



## *Renewed in Christ*

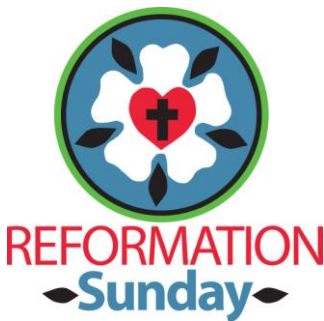
*Hope • Strength • Soar*

*Thanks to Beki Gonzalez-Clark and Chad Foti for sharing their talents by creating the Renewed in Christ church banner.*

Our directors and co-directors have been working diligently on their tasks and gathering teams to help them accomplish their important work. If you want to help, but have not been asked, please let Gary Knight or Bob Stryck know that you are able and willing. They are our overall co-directors of the campaign and they will get you involved. Also, please continue to pray for this effort . . . and be watching for a special campaign newsletter to be delivered by email or placed in your mailbox.

The weekend of **October 17-18 will be very important**, as we will be seeking to share with all our members the plan for this campaign and what we hope to accomplish. Please make every effort to be in worship that weekend. May God bless us all to be renewed in Christ, filled with hope for the future, strengthened in faith and service, and to experience the wings of our God lifting us up to accomplish His will.

Hope • Strength • Soar



The LCMS churches in the Milwaukee area invite you to a city-wide **Reformation Festival Service** on Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM at historic Trinity Ev. Lutheran Church UAC (1046 North 9<sup>th</sup> Street) in downtown Milwaukee. Plenty of free parking is available behind the church and on the streets. Join us as we welcome guest preacher, Rev. Eric Skovgaard of Elm Grove Lutheran Church, as we celebrate *The Reformation as TE DEUM*.

## **Ladies Aid**

October 7<sup>th</sup> is the date for the next Ladies Aid meeting – mark your calendar! Chaplain Russell Hurst will be our speaker. We will be discussing plans for the Zone LWML Rally to be at St. Paul's on October 17<sup>th</sup>. All ladies of the congregation are welcome.



## **Widows Lunch**

The next Widows Lunch will be Wednesday **October 14<sup>th</sup>** at That's Amore 5080 S. 108<sup>th</sup> Street at 11:00am

## **Quilters**

We will meet in the Fellowship Hall on October 5<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am. Our Quilting Group will then resume in 2016.

## **Ladies Book Club**

Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at ECC. The book we are reading & discussing is "The Memory Weaver" by Jane Kirkpatrick. The book is available at Family Christian Bookstore. Don't forget your coupons!

## **Elizabeth Ministry**

Please remember Elizabeth Ministries in your prayers and if you wish to join our group please contact Julie Avila at javila7@wi.rr.com.

## **Mom to Mom**

October 5<sup>th</sup> & 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm in the Lobby Area of the Early Childhood Center (ECC) 7835 W. Grant St. Please contact Angela Ferrell at 262-366-3614 with any questions.



The next **Fall Rally for LWML** will be **October 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am at St. Paul's.**

ALL ladies are invited. There will be an ingathering for health and hygiene products. The Guatemala Team will be attending to discuss their experiences in Guatemala. A container can be found in the Narthex for the products. A light breakfast will be served.

**Plan to attend!**

### **CAN YOU HELP?**

From time to time we have requests from individuals who are no longer driving & would love to attend worship if they only had a way.

One lady lives on Grange Ave and likes to attend our 5:00pm service. Another lady lives on 74<sup>th</sup> Street not far from Pius High School and enjoys our 8:00am service. If you can provide an occasional ride (even if it's just once a month) please call Pastor Stanton. We're also certain that there are more folks out there who would come to worship if they only had a way. Please let Pastor Stanton know. and he will attempt to coordinate.



## **Sr. Fun Seekers**

Our trip to Sprecher Brewery has been rescheduled for Friday October 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. We will still be eating at Kegel's. If you did not RSVP before and would like to go along please let Janine know by Monday October 5<sup>th</sup> by calling 427-8434 a.s.a.p.

**Careers for Christ Weekend – November 6-8,  
2015 at Concordia University Chicago**

Questions? Check online at  
CUChicago.edu/C4C or call 708-209-3100



**AT**

**Martin Luther High School**

10/28 9:30am – 7:30pm

10/29 9:30am-3:30pm

10/30 9:30am – 1:00pm

10/31 9:30am-1:00pm

Saturday is bag day

Paper Bag \$5.00

Large items Half Price



**Hymn Festival / Organ Concert  
October 11, 2015**

**St. John's Lutheran Church**

7877 N. Port Washington Road in Glendale



As part of its **150<sup>th</sup> church anniversary celebration**, St. John's Lutheran Church, Glendale, is presenting a hymn festival/organ concert. Dr. John Behnke, the guest organist/director, will be accompanied by the Milwaukee Handbell Ensemble. Free admission. A light supper will follow the program.

**Reformation 500 Series Event** – John Warwick Montgomery, noted lawyer, prolific author and Lutheran theologian, will give a Reformation 500 presentation Tuesday, October 13<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm in Concordia University Wisconsin's Terrace Room entitled,

***"Luther on Scripture: Why He Would Have a Fit 500 Years Later."*** He will give an encore presentation the following day at noon. Montgomery, 83, is a distinguished, research professor of philosophy at Concordia University Wisconsin and continues to specialize in religious freedom cases in international Human Rights law. A scholarly maverick, he has 11 earned degrees in multiple disciplines and is the author of more than 235 works. The October 13<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> presentations, part of a series of spring and fall lectures leading up to a celebration of the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation in October, 2017, are free and open to the public.

COMING THIS FALL-  
LCMS-U @ MSOE PRESENTS:

**NO MORE PEEK-A-BOO JESUS:  
THE OLD TESTAMENT IS  
CHRIST**

Understanding the Old Testament and its Christological foundation means first understanding the Hebrew people and their covenantal relationship with God. As a result, the task is not to "find Jesus in the OT" but rather to believe that Jesus IS the Old Testament.

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Tuesday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, 2015 @ 6:30

MSOE- Todd Wehr Auditorium

Free Parking- Milwaukee B Lot &  
Broadway Lot

Luther Memorial Chapel &

University Student Center

Phone: (414) 332 – 5732

Email: Vicar@lmcusc.org



**Prof. Jeffrey Pulse**





# Sharing God's Bounty

October



## Living for Jesus

German Theologian Martin Luther said, "If someone would knock on my heart and ask, 'Who lives here?' I would say, 'Martin Luther once lived here, but he has moved out and Jesus has moved in.'" In Galatians 2:20 the apostle Paul wrote that he, too, lived for Jesus. *"I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God."*

Who or what do you live for? If we live for ourselves and the things of the world, we will focus our attention and energy on amassing more and more things. It is easy for money and possessions to become overly important because our society tells us that more is better and that happiness and success can only be achieved by having the newest and best things. To find happiness and success, we work long and hard.

King Solomon, who was wealthy and wise, tried almost everything and found no satisfaction with things of the world. In Ecclesiastes, he tells us that he tried wine and women; he built houses, gardens, and parks; he bought slaves, herds and flocks, and amassed silver and gold. *"I denied myself nothing my eyes desired; I refused my heart no pleasure . . . Yet when I surveyed all that my hands had done and what I had toiled to achieve, everything was meaningless, a chasing after the wind; nothing was gained under the sun."* (Ecclesiastes 2:10-11). Regarding money, Solomon wrote, *"Whoever loves money never has money enough; whoever loves wealth is never satisfied with his income. This too is meaningless"* (vs. 5:10).

In closing the book of Ecclesiastes, Solomon wrote, *"Now all has been heard; here is the conclusion of the matter: Fear God and keep his commandments, for this the whole duty of man. For God will bring every deed into judgment . . ."* (Ecclesiastes 12:13-14). The only thing that finally gave Solomon's life purpose was living for God. Likewise, we as Christians understand that Jesus is the only person who can give us lasting peace, comfort, and security. He alone meets our needs. Jesus' tremendous sacrifice showed us his love for us and his love compels us to love him and live for him. Filled with Jesus' presence in our lives, we are empowered to overcome the pull of the world.

*Christian Stewards do not dedicate their time, their talent, or their treasure so that they may become God's, but because they are God's.*



During the month of November, we will be honoring those who have served or are currently serving in the military.

Please fill out this form and return it to the church office, so we can thank you for your service.

If you have a family member who is currently serving in the Armed Forces and you would like them included, please fill out the form also.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of Service: \_\_\_\_\_

Where were/are you stationed: \_\_\_\_\_

St. Paul's member?    Yes    No



## *HARVEST*

*Who – What – Where – When*

*Who are we?*

*Redeemed Children of God*

*What are we to do?*

*Share the Good News*

*Where do we go?*

*Wherever life leads us*

*When?*

*Now – for harvest time of the Lord is drawing near.*

*Submitted by Elaine Lemke*



## Divine Connections Outreach

After the success with helping the Divine Connections Outreach Mission with your contributions of clothing for the Free Clothing Giveaway, we have agreed that our next event will be to help the homeless community in West Allis. We will be working with the West Allis Police Department in distributing needed items to those in our surrounding area. For the month of October we will be collecting items such as socks, winter gloves, hats, scarves, cookies, crackers, granola bars, playing cards, water, etc. to distribute in November/December. Watch for more information in the upcoming bulletins and for collection boxes in the narthex and ECC. If you are interested in joining our committee please contact Janet Johnson 414-328-0106 for more information. Thank you for all your support of this much needed ministry.



St. Paul's was blessed with a donation from Jack Burkee's late brother, Rick, to go towards decorating the Church at Christmas. With this donation we will be crafting Chrismon ornaments. Chrismon ornament kits have been prepared and are available now with everything you need for you and/or your family to create a Chrismon for this year's Church Christmas trees.



Please contact Darla Leitemann at 414-327-4252, or Terri Stryck at 414-545-1308 for a Chrismon kit and help us beautify the Church!

Your **SOS Committee** would like your support for St. Paul's Church & School by dining at the West Allis Applebee's at 2865 S. 108<sup>th</sup> St, anytime of the day on Thursday, October 22, 2015. Applebee's will donate 15% of food sales when a flyer is redeemed with your check. Flyers will be available in your Church mailbox, the Narthex and in the office.



**To our office helpers who give so much of their time to help us!!** Bev Baumgart, Judy Bergstrom, Sandy Geboy, Dorothy Steinke, Janine Cherney, Carole & Dave Baars, Fred & Merle Hess, John & Arlene Kurer, Pat Lamp, Shirley Helinski, Nancy Cesar, Barbara Wood, Marilyn Kenngott & Dolores Frahm.

Thanks to Jerry & LuEva Daniel for dedicating their time & talents in creating the lovely cross necklaces for our new members.

If anyone would like to learn how to make the cross necklaces, please call the church office.



# School News

## From the Principal

Greetings to you in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Are you on Facebook? If you haven't done so already, please **"Like" the St. Paul's Lutheran Church and School Facebook Page**. You will be able to find copies of school communications including the weekly newsletter, and hear about exciting things happening throughout the entire church and school. If you would like the weekly school newsletter emailed directly to you, you can email Tammy Evers, the school administrative assistant. Her email address is [tammy@splcwa.org](mailto:tammy@splcwa.org).



Each year our school teachers take an educational journey to a conference. This year we are all heading to the Kalahari Resort in the Dells. No, we are not going there just to enjoy the water park, but we are going for educational and religious growth. It is a wonderful time to bond as a staff, as well as connect with other servants at other schools across the state of Wisconsin. Although this is a very exciting and enriching event, it does cost a fair amount of money. As you have so graciously helped in the past, we again are asking you to participate in our annual Spaghetti Dinner to raise funds to help offset the cost of attending this two day conference. **The Spaghetti Dinner will be after Saturday night church on October 10th in the Fellowship Hall.** You can pre-order tickets in the Narthex after services on October 3rd/4th, or you can stop by the church/school office to buy a ticket. We hope you can come and enjoy the food and fellowship while supporting our staff.



I have some very good news to report. At the church service on September 20th, St. Paul's Lutheran School received their re-accreditation certificate from the National Lutheran School Accreditation commission. We thank Mr. Graf and all of those who worked so hard and long on preparing for last spring's visit. We are grateful for their work and happy that we are re-accredited again for another five years.

The school year is in full swing. We are already more than half-way through the first quarter of the school year. We are enjoying our students, classes and educational experiences where we are remembering our theme of the year, ***God is So Good!***. Please continue to pray for us as we seek to do the Lord's work.

Yours in Christ,

Rick Schneider, Principal

# St. Paul's Youth



## In Christ Alone

*We Stand*

LCMS YOUTH GATHERING  
NEW ORLEANS • JULY 16-20 2016

### **National Youth Gathering – July 14-21, 2016**

On Sunday, September 20, youth and parents gathered in the Fellowship Hall and had a wonderful meeting about the upcoming gathering. Sixteen youth were represented and a few others intending to go could not attend (that AP homework keeps them busy!). We are hoping to have 24 youth and 6 adults attend the gathering. If you missed the meeting and want information and a registration form, please contact Pastor Bender (541-6250; 217-779-7985). The registration cost is \$325, but we are asking parents to pay \$100 at this time (checks payable to St. Paul's Youth).

We are hoping to fundraise the rest of the expenses (travel, food, lodging, and miscellaneous). This will mean that we need to raise about \$20,000 to cover the costs! While that seems like a lot, our "God is able" to provide all that we need . . . even immeasurably more! Please pray for our youth and support as you are able and as the Spirit of our God moves you.

### **Are You Willing to Sponsor our Youth?**

Would you like to:

- Be blessed by building a relationship with one of our youth
- Be encouraged to pray for a specific youth and the whole group attending
- Receive a postcard from one of our youth during the gathering
- Receive a gift purchased from the Gathering store as a keepsake
- Be recognized at the "sending service" before our youth leave and be invited to attend a post-gathering dinner to hear from our youth in what they personally experienced

Because we have such a large amount of funds to raise, we are seeking individual sponsors for our youth to assist in covering the costs of meals, transportation, and lodging; that amount is \$850 per youth. You could give one of the following amounts:

- Basic Grant – \$100
- Supporting Grant – \$200
- Half Grant – \$425
- Full Grant – \$850

The amount of your sponsorship is simply dependent upon your resources. Regardless of the amount you provide, the benefits listed above will be the same. Of course, the greatest benefit is knowing the you will have a part in helping our young people continue to grow in Christ and live as His servants. If you want further information, please contact Pastor Bender (541-6250; 217-779-7985).

## Jr. Youth

### **Jr. High Youth! (Grades 6-8)**

It's time to get our group together again for a new year of fun, fellowship and service! Join us October 4 in the Fellowship Hall. Our agenda includes an interactive planning event to hammer out ideas and make a calendar of events for the rest of the year. Your input is very important!! We will plan activities, discussion topics, and service opportunities. In addition to planning, we will have a Junior High Youth Olympics to be held in the gym. As always we will have treats as well! Planning begins at 12:30pm so make every effort to join us!! We will conclude by 2:30pm. See you there! Shelly Mueller

## Sr. Youth

### **Youth Lock-in, October 23-24**

A Concordia Youth Ministry Team from Concordia University, Chicago, will be leading our lock-in scheduled for October 23-24. The Lock-in will run from 8:00pm to 7:00am, with games, devotions, studies, food and fellowship. This is a great opportunity to grow in Christ, bond with your fellow brothers and sisters in Christ, and have a lot of fun at the same time! Remember that you can always bring a friend. Hope to see you there!

### **Fridays at Pastor's House**

During this school year there are going to be gatherings at Pastor Bender's house (2367 S. 118<sup>th</sup> Street) the last Friday of each month. There will always be something delicious to eat for dinner and some activity with a Christian focus. They begin at 6:00pm and will run to about 8:15 or 8:30pm. October 31 is the date for the gathering this month. Pastor Bender hopes to see a lot of the smiling faces of our youth on that evening!

### **Milwaukee Lutheran High School FALL PREVIEW 2015 Student Open House October 8, 2015 6:30 – 8:30pm**

Campus Tours  
Admissions, Financial Aid & MPCP  
Information will be available  
Meet & Talk with MLHS Teachers,  
Coaches & Administrators  
Please join us and find out why you  
should continue your Christian  
education at Milwaukee Lutheran High  
School.

### **MLHS Craft & Bake Sale**

**November 14**

**9:00am – 3:00pm**



Come and browse, enjoy some early Christmas shopping for one-of-a-kind gifts, or purchase some homemade baked goods. Proceeds go toward Milwaukee Lutheran Music Boosters support of the choir & band programs. Admission is \$3.

Additional artists & crafters are welcome to bring their creations to sell at the fair. If you'd like to reserve a spot email [mlhscraftfair@gmail.com](mailto:mlhscraftfair@gmail.com) by October 15<sup>th</sup> or call Kathy at 414-241-9917.

## **Martin Luther High School Open House**

**November 5, 2015 at 6:00pm**

Come experience our community, take a tour, receive information on everything from admissions, financial aid, academics, extra-curriculars and all the incredible ways God is working in our midst through the gift of Christian education.



Your **Groundwork Guatemala** team continues to meet regularly. We are making progress in developing our faith lesson, the Parable of the Lost Son. Learning our memory verse, Nehemiah 9:17b, in Spanish, is posing more of a challenge. Lots of big words in there, but we will prevail!

In addition to our trip preparations, some of our members will be giving a presentation on Guatemala to the LWML Zone Rally to be held at St. Paul's on October 17<sup>th</sup>. Other members have begun helping the Evangelism Committee distribute welcome packets to new homeowners in our church neighborhood. All of us are thankful that our trips to Guatemala have both educated and energized us in witness, even in these small steps.

We thank all of you who have donated school supplies for the Guatemalan children; currently the Groundwork mission is sponsoring **over 200 children** to attend school, so keep the supplies coming! Lists of needed items are attached to the baskets in the narthex and near the 1<sup>st</sup> floor elevator.

***Lastly, we continue our necessary fundraising efforts.*** October 3-4, following worship services, will be the last days to order the beautiful hand-crafted boxes from Only A Child mission, and Goodoy's organic Guatemalan coffee. And don't forget to eat at Perkins through October 22; vouchers are located in the narthex and mailroom.

Keep us in your prayers!

*Your Guatemala Team*



### ***Witness Workshop Mission U-101***

*October 3, 2015*

*9:00am – 2:00 pm  
(Doors open at 8:30 am)*

*in the Fellowship Hall*

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*This is our opportunity to share the Good News with others, to overcome our doubts and fears; to guide us to become Christ's witnesses. Luncheon provided. A small fee of \$10 will be collected for materials. Presented by The Lutheran Hour Ministries.*





# Selamat

## The Ferry Family Update

August 2015  
Issue #24

The Ferry Family: serving in Indonesia & Southeast Asia

[www.cferry.com](http://www.cferry.com)

### Mengajar dan membantu teman-teman kita! (Indonesian for "Teaching and helping our friends")



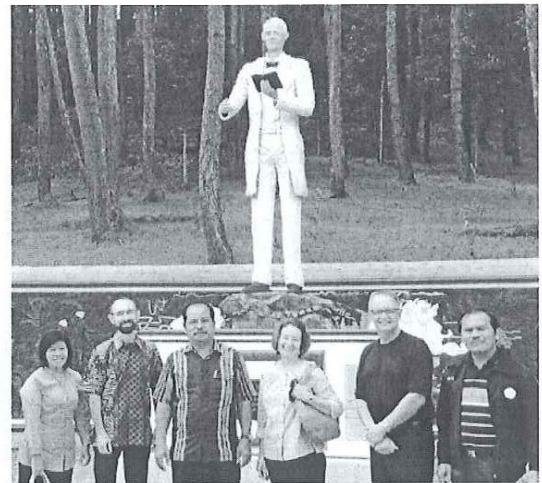
This month wasn't always easy, especially since we spent at least half of it separated. But it was wildly fruitful, for which we give thanks to God who sustains us and grants His gracious blessing.

I left right away on the 1<sup>st</sup>, headed for Singapore to deliver Word and Sacrament ministry. Then it was on to North Sumatra to meet up with Rev. Brent Kuhlman and Dcs. Dr. Cynthia Lumley who were coming to teach at a set of theological conferences we had been planning for months. Our friends in the

Indonesian Christian Lutheran Church (GKLI) had asked for these conferences to train their church leaders in Scriptural Lutheran beliefs regarding the Office of the Ministry and the service of women in the church.

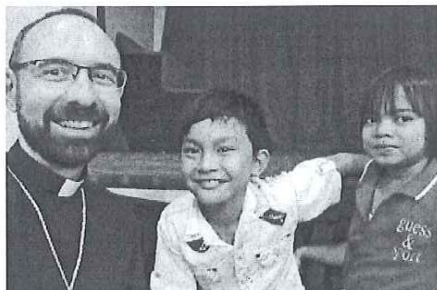
Pastor Kuhlman, Dr. Lumley, and I spent two weeks presenting at workshops in Medan and Tarutung, meeting with church leaders, and building relationships between our churches. The workshops were well-received, and generated some incredibly helpful discussion as people struggled with what it means to be faithful to the way our Lord has ordered His creation and His church. There was great emphasis on the Lutheran understanding of *vocation*, and many people seemed to greatly appreciate what they were taught.

Bishop Aladin of the GKLI was very happy to have the assistance of the LCMS in presenting on these topics, and was an incredible host during our time together. He even took us to the Nommensen memorial in Tarutung, commemorating the German Lutheran pastor in the 1800's who brought the Gospel to the Batak people (picture at right).



In both places, the people of the GKLI kept asking for one thing: **more** of these opportunities to learn and grow. They are truly hungry to study the Scriptures and the Confessions, and were the most attentive group I've seen anywhere.

They were fully engaged, and asked lots of clarifying questions.



Our partners in Indonesia need this kind of education, and we in the LCMS are uniquely positioned to provide it. But we're only able to do so because of the support you are giving to the Ferry Family and to the LCMS. Thank you for allowing us this chance to help our brothers and sisters grow in their knowledge and faith.

After being gone for more than two full weeks, it was wonderful to be home with the family again. Read more about their adventures on the next page. ✕

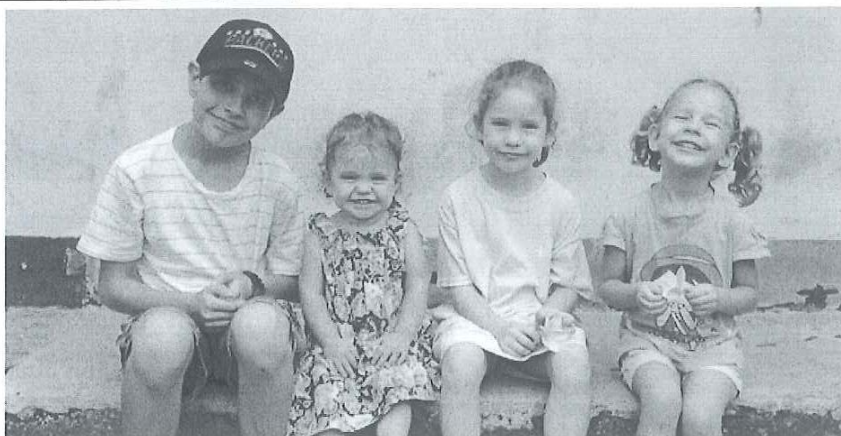




## Prayers, Praises, and Thanksgiving

- \* Thanksgiving for six years of life and blessings for Caitlin
- \* Thanksgiving for fruitful teaching opportunities in North Sumatra this August
- \* For Grandma Ferry back in the US, that she would have healing and continued strength
- \* For Cheryl and the Ferry kids that they might grow, learn, and have great joy in their life here in Asia
- \* That our gracious Lord Jesus would grant His wisdom and grace, so many would be blessed by the work we're doing in Indonesia, Singapore, and all of Southeast Asia

## Ferry Family Update



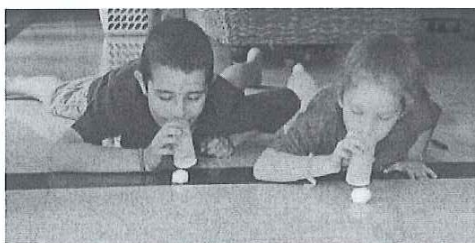
**Caleb** (9 years old) has embraced his studies this new school year, and has been enjoying the science experiments like the one pictured below. He's also been making some new friends in the neighborhood, with whom he plays soccer.

**Caitlin** (6 years old now!) celebrated her sixth birthday this month with a viewing of the Tinkerbell Movie, and by eating the treat Cheryl made for her: a storybook cake decorated with Cinderella's dress and coach.



**Carissa** (3 years old) has become quite the little helper around the house, wanting to take on more responsibilities like pouring her own drinks, helping wash dishes, and even comforting Cassie when she cries.

**Cassie** (1 year old) has been increasing her vocabulary by leaps and bounds: she's now able to call her family members by name: Mama, Dada, "Bubba" for her big brother, and "Kak" for her older sisters, which is the Indonesian term. She can even say goodbye in the Javanese language spoken in Jakarta!



←Caleb and Caitlin performing an experiment in science class. Cheryl puts together such a good lessons they wanted to do it several times!

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<http://news.cferry.com>

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P.O. Box 66861	or	40718 Highway E 16
St. Louis, MO 63166-6861		Mapleton, IA 51034

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# October 2015

## Monthly Planner

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