

# Heritage Happenings

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## Worship

Upcoming events on the worship calendar:

### Sunday, May 8 ~ **Celebration Sunday**

In celebration of a great season of children's discipleship, the children will lead the congregation in worship.

### Sunday, May 15 ~ **Volunteer Appreciation & Installation of new Office-bearers**

### Sunday, May 22 ~ **Report on Medical Missions**

**In Togo, West Africa:** Todd & Jennifer DeKryger and family will be worshipping with us and telling us about their work in Togo, West Africa. Todd is the son of Marilyn Stremler and is known to many of you. After the service they will show pictures and talk about their work and the new mission hospital being built in northern Togo where Todd will be working soon after they return in September.



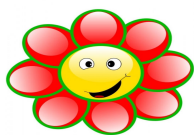
## Fellowship

### Birthdays...

Tom Molenaar ~ May 9

Sharon VanKalker ~ May 10

Peggy VanderKamp ~ May 10  
~ 89 years young!



### Anniversaries...

Ken & Dorothy VanDenBerg ~ May 8 – 52 years!

**Tuesday, May 17 is just around the corner!** We are heading to Shipshewana. All ladies of the church are welcome. We will depart from church at 9 am & return between 3-4 pm. Along the way, we will have a time of fellowship, eating, shopping, & more eating! Be sure to sign up on the table in the Narthex if you plan on coming. If you have any questions, please call Joyce Truscott at 342-1686.



**Baby Shower:** A special Ladies Night Out is being planned for Teagan Miller on Monday, May 16 at 7 pm. Please RSVP on sheet on the table in the Narthex. Teagan is registered at Target & Babies R Us.

**Men's Day Out?** If you are interested in a day starting with breakfast & ending at the Gilmore Car Museum on Tuesday, May 17, please see Ken Fletcher. Thank you.

## Thank You's

How did you find the energy, Mom  
To do all the things you did,  
To be teacher, nurse and counselor  
To me, when I was a kid.  
How did you do it all, Mom,  
Be a chauffeur, cook and friend,  
Yet find time to be a playmate,  
I just can't comprehend.  
I see now it was love, Mom  
That made you come whenever I'd call,  
Your inexhaustible love, Mom  
And I thank you for it all.



**Happy Mother's Day!!**

**Thanks Sunday School Teachers!** Thank you for all your prep work during the week as well as your time teaching & leading in the classroom each week. Your faithfulness to our children here at Heritage is such a blessing!

## From the Council...

THIS MORNING is the final opportunity to vote by way of ballot for new office-bearers. Those who are willing to serve are:

- Shepherding Elder ~ Need (1):  
Dave Bonselaar, Phil Nieboer, Bill Vroegop.
- Administrative Deacon ~ Need (1):  
Dave Berkenpas, Pat Schewe.

Ballots are available at the Information Center. Please **follow the written instructions** & return your ballot this morning in the offering or the ballot box.

## Ministry

**VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** In 2012 Heritage Church will celebrate 25 years of God's faithfulness and ministry together. As part of our preparations for this celebration the Administrative Board is seeking volunteers to help update the bathrooms by removing the wallpaper and prepping them for painting. If interested, please contact Grover Brussee or Mike Baljeu.

### **Are you wondering what the cradle in the Fellowship Hall is all about?**

It is for the Alternative Women's Care Center to support their ministry for mother's to be. You can be a part of this support by providing new or gently used clothing (up to 4T), blankets, diapers, & even baby furniture. This ministry is sponsored by our Coffee Break Ladies.



### **May is "update directory month" here at Heritage!**

You will find in your mailbox this morning your current directory information. Please make any necessary changes & place in box on table in the Narthex. If no changes are necessary, please state that on the sheet & place in the box on the table

#### Church Photo **Directory**



in the Narthex. The deadline is May 29<sup>th</sup>. Also, Pam Gould has graciously volunteered to take family photos immediately following morning worship on May 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup> in the choir room to help update the photo portion of our directories! Please take a moment to see Pam and say "cheese"! Thank you!

**Bibles...Bibles!** We are still collecting extra Bibles for the Bible League. Please drop off any unused Bibles you have around the house ~ no matter what condition ~ in the box in the Narthex. Thank you!

**Loaves & Fishes:** *Wish list:*

**May:** *Peanut Butter*

*Please place your donations in the grocery cart in the fellowship hall*



## Evangelism & Missions

**Faith-Promise ~ Mission Emphasis Week:** There are still brochures explaining the purpose of Faith Promise at the Information Center in the Narthex.

This brochure also includes a commitment slip for the 2011-2012 year of Faith-Promise. We encourage you to pick this up and prayerfully consider the way in which God is asking you to do your part in accomplishing His Mission.

**Bibles for India:** Each year Bible League International Volunteers send a love letter to the members of their respective congregations. This letter can be found in your mailboxes this morning. The people in India are seeking and waiting. Bible League Volunteers have chosen this needy part of the world on which to focus our efforts for Scriptures. Together, we are enabling Christians in India to be equipped with God's Word through evangelism & discipleship. As a result, God's Kingdom is growing. As for the letter, please read it, pray about it, and contribute as God leads & enables. Won't you please help transform lives?

### **Letters to Missionaries**

Harold & Phyllis Triezenberg ~ Larry Spalink

Bill & Joyce Truscott ~ David Heath

Simon & Heather Tuin ~ Frank Sawyer

John & Jean Vader ~ Rachel Brink

*Envelopes are on the Missionary table outside the south door of the sanctuary for your use.*

## Offerings and Tithes

PM *Offering is always for the General Fund*

May 8:	General Fund	Ministry Shares
	Loose Change	CRWRC- Tornadoes
May 15:	General Fund	Faith Promise
	Loose Change	Back to God Hour
May 22:	General Fund	Debt Reduction
	Loose Change	CRWRC Wld Missions
May 29:	General Fund	Benevolence Fund

### **Offerings deposited for Sunday, April 17...**

Christian Education Assistance ~ \$150.00  
Faith Promise ~ \$285.00  
General Fund ~ \$3,213.13  
Kalamazoo Christian School ~ \$252.00  
Ministry Shares ~ \$120.00

### **Offerings deposited for Sunday, April 24...**

Benevolence Fund ~ \$10.00  
Building Fund ~ \$230.00  
Christian Education Assistance ~ \$100.00  
Easter Lilies ~ \$54.00  
Faith Promise ~ \$695.00  
General Fund ~ \$2,727.00  
Heritage GEMS ~ \$221.00  
Ministry Shares ~ \$130.00

**It's not too late** to start using the Home Missions and World Missions interactive Missions Activity Guide with weekly devotionals located at [www.crcna.org/FromCrossThroughChurchToWorld](http://www.crcna.org/FromCrossThroughChurchToWorld). As you meditate during the Easter to Pentecost season, pray for many people to come to Jesus.

### Requested Announcements

**The Kalamazoo Christian School Association Classic has moved!** This fun event played in a simple scramble will now be held at the *Moors Golf Club* on Monday June 13 at 12:30 pm. We will offer play from both Regulation tees and Par 3 tees. Mixed teams of Regulation & Par 3 golfers are welcome to play together. Cost is \$125 (\$80 spouse) for golf & dinner. If you do not wish to golf but like to putt, we will have a 9-hole putting tournament available. Cost for this & dinner is \$45. Registration and business sponsorship forms are available in all the school offices, or you may call Marge at 381-2044 ext 112 or email [mbooden@kcsa.org](mailto:mbooden@kcsa.org).

**Mother's Day Behind Bars:** Stacy Ladenburger & Meghan Derby share letters from prison that reveal what life is like in prison for moms who miss their kids. Go to [www.cbi.fm](http://www.cbi.fm) to listen to *Crossroad Connection* ~ a restorative justice ministry of Crossroad Bible Institute.

**Jesus: God and Man:** For centuries the Christian church has taught that Jesus is fully human and fully God. But do you find these doctrines of the humanity and divinity of Jesus hard to comprehend? Join the May 15 *Groundwork* discussion as Scripture helps us understand one of the foundations of our Christian faith. Go to [www.GroundworkOnline.com](http://www.GroundworkOnline.com) to find a local station or listen online.

**Order of the Gator:** Can he do it? Will Liz achieve the highest reptile honor? Tune into this week's Kids Corner to find out. Then check out the Kids Corner website at [www.kids-corner.org](http://www.kids-corner.org) for stories, devotions, puzzles and more.

**The Howard Hill Hustle:** is a 5K Run/walk race and Kid's 1K Fun Run that will be held on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. This community event is an opportunity to encourage healthy family habits, share a fun day with your friends, neighbors, and family members, and support the Kalamazoo Christian Schools. There will be fabulous race giveaways, silent auction items, race photos, live music, and many fun kids activities. Register online at [howardhillhustle.kcsa.org](http://howardhillhustle.kcsa.org).

**The Kalamazoo Christian School Association** is seeking a full-time employee to join its *fundraising team* to find needed financial resources to insure our future. Qualified applicants must have a commitment to Jesus Christ, an understanding of and be supportive of the mission of KCSA, an outgoing personality, and excellent computer skills. If you love the Lord, and are committed to Christian education, we want to talk to you! For a Position Description, call the school at 381-2044 or email Connie Van Der Slik, [evanderslik@kcsa.org](mailto:evanderslik@kcsa.org).

**Looking for a great service opportunity?** The *Christian Reformed Conference Grounds* is looking for two MALE volunteers (high school age or older) to help with Special Needs Week, June 18-24. You would be matched up with a special needs camper for the week. Discover how God can use you during this fantastic week! Lodging and food provided. Contact Tammy Kaptein (616-238-8081) or Tara Bouma (219-688-9009) for more information. The Christian Reformed Conference Grounds has many *camping sites available for Memorial Day Weekend & June 11-18*. Start your summer off with some great camping!! Reduced rates for both weeks! June 11-18 is Family Sports Camp Week. Sports camps with Brian Morehouse (basketball), AJ Westendorp (football), Heidi Langworthy (volleyball) and Dan McAllister (soccer) for elementary and middle school are available. See our website [www.crcg.org](http://www.crcg.org) for more details or call 616-842-4478.

### *Just for Moms...*

For all the diapers that you changed  
For all the play dates you arranged.  
For all the trips back and forth to school  
For cleaning all the spit up and the drool.  
Why is there only one Mother's Day?  
You could have at least gotten  
the ENTIRE month of May.

I'm glad I've got you for a mother...  
...some stranger wouldn't have  
put up with me this long.

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mother's day!

