

# CORNERSTONE UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

## Bulletin Announcements for January 6, 2019

**The AM Offering today** is for **URC Church Plants** – Monthly offering to support various URC church plants. The collections will be divided equally among the Churches at the end of the quarter. Churches supported in the 1<sup>st</sup> quarter are: **Covenant URC** (Colorado Springs, CO), **El Pacto de Gracia** (Chicago Heights, IL), **Messiah's Reformed Fellowship** (New York, NY) and **Christ URC** (Sioux Falls, SD). Information on the church plants can be found at: <http://www.urcnamissions.org/domestic-missions.html>.

**The PM Offering today** is for **I.T.E.M.** (International Theological Education Ministries – was founded in 2009. The mission statement is to take God's Truth to teach, train, and transform God's leaders in Eastern Europe and wherever the Holy Spirit may direct. The purpose for ITEM is to provide biblically-based Reformed teaching and training of national church leaders for service presently in the churches of Russia, Ukraine, Eastern Europe, and wherever God opens doors. An instructor can train 100 Indian national leaders in 3 locations for a cost of \$1.38 per student classroom hour.

**Next week's AM Offering** is for **Christian Education**– to assist families with the cost of Christian School tuition

**Next week's PM Offering** is for **The Institute for Reformed Biblical Counseling (IRBC)**, a ministry of Cornerstone URC whose mission is to train Christians to counsel in the light of God's truth from a Reformed perspective. Our vision is to assist churches across the USA in establishing counseling education programs and cooperative Regional counseling centers. There is an urgent need for both solid biblical counselors and centers wherein God's suffering people can go for help in their times of despair. Dr. Jeff Doll is the Director of both IRBC and tSw West.

## GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Sunday School and Catechism classes** will meet following the morning worship service.

**The Adult Bible Class** meets in the old Youth Room after the morning worship service.

**The IRBC Adult Bible Study** meets in the Fellowship Room downstairs after the morning worship service. **Newcomers are welcome and encouraged to attend** as we study the *Peace* chapter in Jerry Bridges' book *The Practice of Godliness*.

**Copies of the URCNA Missions Prayer Requests for January 2019** from URCNA Missions Coordinator, Pastor Rich Bout, are available on the table in the narthex for those who do not receive the e-mail Prayer Postings. Please continue to pray fervently for ALL of our missionaries and that God's name would be glorified through their work.

**The Women's Bible Study** will meet this week **Tuesday, January 8**, at 9:45 AM for coffee and fellowship with the Bible Study beginning at 10:00 AM. Please come prepared to discuss the material for **Days Three through Five of Lesson 6**. **Coffee: Lori DeVries and Jennie Haveman.**

**Wednesday is FAMILY NIGHT!** Please join us as we kick off a new year! On the menu is a good old fashioned pot-luck and everyone is invited! If you have never attended Family Night before, this is the time to start and it is a great way to get to know others in our church family. There is no need to sign up, just come! When you come, **please bring along a LARGE salad, or a LARGE main dish, or a LARGE dessert!** Dinner will begin promptly at 6:00 PM. GEMS meet at 6:40 PM and Cadets meets at 6:45 PM. At 7:00 PM, the presentation will be held in the church sanctuary for anyone high school age and up. Rev. Vos will give the final message in a series of messages called "Making the Gospel Attractive." A nursery is provided for the children of those attending the adult class. **Robyn Wassink and Sara Gil** will be in the nursery this week.

**Save the Date:** Now that you have your 2019 calendar, please mark the date of **February 22** from 6-8 PM for the annual **Cornerstone Bowling Night** at Hudsonville Lanes! All are welcome. (If you want to be super organized, mark **July 29, 2019**, for the annual trip to the **Whitecaps Game**.)

**Advance Notice** – Choir practice for **GIRLS** ages 10-18 will be on **January 13 and 20** at 4:15pm. Any questions? See Mrs. Moorman or Mrs. Dykstra.

**Hilltoppers** – Our **January meeting** will be on **January 16**, the **3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday**, **NOTE THE CHANGE!** Fellowship and snacks begin at 9:45 AM, with our study beginning at 10:00 AM. We will be viewing Lesson 10; ***Cause Us to Flee***, from the video *The Lord's Prayer* by R. Albert Mohler. Rev. Vos will then lead us in a discussion of the lesson. **All Cornerstone seniors are urged to attend our meetings, and take a friend!**

**SAVE THE DATE:** Family Night on Wednesday, **January 23** ~ Rev. Mihai Corcea from Romania will give an update on the Evangelical Reformed Church of Bucharest and a report of his work in Romania during the Family Night Adult class. He is coming many miles, so let's show our support with our attendance!

### **CADETS**

- **We meet this week Wednesday, January 9.** The opening ceremonies begin at 6:45 PM in Room 8 so please be on time. Don't forget to wear your complete uniform and bring a Bible. **3<sup>rd</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> Grades**—please prepare **Lesson 11**; **5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grades**—please read these passages in preparation for your Bible lesson—**Psalm 23, 37, Philippians 2:14-16, Isaiah 26:3, Proverbs 30:7-9.**
- **Advance Notice: January 25-26** is our **Indoor Winter Campout**. The sign-up sheet will be available on January 9 and 16; be sure to sign up your dad if he plans to attend. **January 20 is the last chance** to sign up for the campout; this can be done by emailing us at [cornerstonecadets@gmail.com](mailto:cornerstonecadets@gmail.com). (More details in your cadet news email.)

### **GEMS**

- **We meet this week Wednesday, January 9.** Please do the following lessons in preparation for your class:
  - **3<sup>rd</sup> Grade: Lesson #17** – “In the Beginning”
  - **4<sup>th</sup> Grade: Lesson #23** – “Bible Study Skills”
  - **5<sup>th</sup> Grade: Lesson #29** – “Angels”
  - **6<sup>th</sup> Grade: “Before you Meet Prince Charming” ~ Chapter 6 and Study Guide**
  - **7<sup>th</sup> Grade: PRC Session 3**
  - **8<sup>th</sup> Grade: PRC Session 3**

### **JHYG**

- Our next meeting will be on **January 13**. Families that are responsible for the meal are: **Van Beek, Moelker, and DeZwaan.**

### **HSYG**

- **Our next meeting is scheduled for TONIGHT!** We plan to break out into small groups. **Food responsibility: Decker, VanBeek, TenBrock.**
- **PLEASE NOTE** that **Broomball** has been **CHANGED** to **Saturday, February 2**, from 8-10pm. Cost has yet to be determined.

### **THIS WEEK AT CORNERSTONE**



**Ushers: January AM:** Larry Huttinga, Trevor Kamps, Matt Kamps, Jon Knott  
**PM:** John Koning, Colton Leighliter, Kevin Leighliter, Jacob Lengkeek

**Valet Parking Attendants: January 6 AM and PM:** Gary Steenwyk & Ethan Dykstra  
**January 13 AM and PM:** Jason VanderWey & Austin Schuiteman

### **SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- **You're Invited -- Jenison Christian School Open House** – If you are in the process of looking for a school community that will make your family feel right at home, we invite you to check out **Jenison Christian School** on **Thursday, January 17, from 6:00-8:00 PM**. This is an opportunity for your family to meet our teachers and staff, check out the classrooms, and even enroll for preschool or childcare that evening! If you would like to learn more please contact our Preschool Director, Hannah Stob, at [hstob@jenisonchristian.org](mailto:hstob@jenisonchristian.org).
- **Unity Christian High School** will be hosting **New Student Nights** on **January 14, 21, and 23** beginning at 7:00 p.m. These nights are for both the student and parents and are designed to have you explore the classes and programs at Unity, experience what a day is like, and engage with other future students and families. Call or email Unity (669-1820 or [unity@unitychristian.org](mailto:unity@unitychristian.org)) to reserve an evening.
- **Zion Christian School** is looking for a Girls' Varsity Soccer Coach and Girls' Middle School Soccer Coach. Please contact Joel Bont at (616) 878-9472 or a [jbont@zionchristian.net](mailto:jbont@zionchristian.net).
- **SAVE THE DATE: Zion Christian School** invites interested families to an Info Night on **Tuesday, February 12**, at 6:30pm. Whether you are interested in preschool, high school, or something in between, please consider joining us at 6:30pm for a brief overview of Zion, after which you can tour the school, meet teachers, and ask questions.

### **MISCELLANEOUS REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Elder and Deacon Districts – 2018-2019**

##### **ELDERS**

20 Lee DeWitt, Clerk  
21 Randy Moorman  
20 Jim Horjus, Vice-Clerk  
19 Jeff Berens  
19 Bruce Nelson  
19 Tom VanDyken  
20 Jim Dykstra, Vice-Chairman  
21 Duwayne Newenhouse  
21 Rol Mast  
19 Walt Decker  
20 Dave VanBeek, Chairman

##### **DEACONS**

21 Joe DeWitt, Chairman  
19 Jason Sterk, Benevolent Treasurer

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B. Nelson – H. Rozeveld  
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H. VanderWey – G. Veldhof  
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T. VanDyken – B. Zwart