

ANNOUNCEMENTS — FEBRUARY 9, 2020

OFFERING TODAY: Mission Fund

Your donation will help support 5 missionaries around the world and here in the U.S. that our church has chosen to sponsor: John Hoekwater-Church Planting, Rogers Park, IL; Jerry An-BTGMI, Chinese Broadcasting; Sergei Sosedkin-BTGMI, Russian Broadcasting; Steve Michmerhuizen, CR World Missions, Romania; and Evy Smith-CR World Missions, Mali, Africa.

OFFERING NEXT SUNDAY: Benevolence Fund

This fund gives the deacons of our church the opportunity to show our loving care and support of those in our church family and surrounding community who may be in need of assistance while facing a hardship.



Jerry An, Chinese Language Ministry, Back to God Ministries, Int'l. *Be Thou My Rhythm* is a new media ministry that uses mobile devices and social media to distribute life-changing content every day. The ministry works in partnership with more than 80 Christian ministries to provide engaging Biblical content, life-application tools, and a Christian perspective to cultural issues. Pray that God will bless this ministry and that, in this time of anxiety about disease, God will work to renew hearts and give hope in Christ Jesus.

Upcoming Mission Trip: *Larry & LeAnn Kooyenga* will be going back to Guatemala from Feb. 21-28 for a mission trip to the people in the jungles. We'll be with a group of 50 people to bring medical care, eye care, dentistry and most importantly the good news of our Savior. Please keep us in prayer and if you desire to support the mission financially, the money would be used to purchase much needed medicine for these people. We bring vitamins, antibiotics, and a wide variety of medications. Checks can be made to Maranatha Chapel. *Thank you!*



Sign Up TODAY! The GEMS Annual Fundraiser Dinner at the 'LOVE CAFÉ' will be held Saturday, February 15 @ 5pm! Join us for an evening of fellowship as the girls perform skits related to our theme this year, LOVED. PERIOD. (1 John 3:1), and we enjoy a delicious meal together! Menu: Salad, rolls, Chicken Kiev, mashed potatoes & gravy, green beans, Jell-O, and dessert.

Book Club: Join us for a discussion of "The River" by Peter Heller on **Monday, February 17 @7:00pm.** "...a headlong, heart-pounding tale of desperate wilderness survival."



—WE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR those serving in the military & their families, and those in continuing care or homebound, including: Dorothy Brink-Schutt, Helena Creaney, Henry DeVries, Marv DeVries, Jay Dorn, Ben Dykstra, Rich Knudsen, Char Kros, John Langeland, Mason Patterson, Ray Peterson Jr., John Roos, and Jeannette Veen.

Check out the Love Someone More bulletin board in the main hallway. You will find newsletters and service opportunities from various Christian organizations that are received for information by the Deacons.

Our **GEMS Girls Club** is hosting a **Scrapbooking Event, Friday, March 20 (6-10pm) and Saturday, March 21 (8am-6pm).** Save the date and register today!



Ken & Carol Schutt thank God for the birth of a new precious grandchild, Jack Christopher, born on Jan 31. Jack weighed 6lbs. 2oz. Proud parents are daughter Sandy and Mark.

Community News

Roseland Youth Partnership Benefit: You are invited to join us for the 4th Annual Youth Partnership Benefit on Sat., Feb. 22 from 3-6pm at Row 24 in Chicago, IL. All proceeds raised from this event help fund the youth programs at Roseland Christian Ministries (RCM) that enable kids to encounter God through the RCM community, pursue their God-given gifts, and call them to be change makers in their neighborhood. It is one way we can push back against the violence and make a difference in the lives of children and support a community seeking Shalom in Roseland.

Oak Lawn Library News (9427 S. Raymond Ave.):

Wendy & DB: This award-winning children's music duo will have you and your children singing, dancing and jumping along with their original songs, from **2-3pm on Sunday, Feb. 9**. Each song encourages imagination and exploration.

Sunday with Friends Concert—A Jazzy Valentine: Jazz vocalist Petra van Nuis returns with a beautiful collection of romantic standards to warm your heart and soul at **2pm on Sunday, Feb. 16**. For more information on these and other library programs, call 708-422-4990 or visit www.olpl.org

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From the CRC's Faith Formation Ministries: Rain for Roots is a collective of songwriters that includes Sandra McCracken, Katy Bowser, Ellie Holcomb, and Flo Paris. They came together around a single vision: to make new Scripture songs for children, centered around the poetry of Sally Lloyd-Jones (author of The Jesus Storybook Bible). Inspired by traditional folk melodies, Rain for Roots makes new, timeless songs about the old gospel story. Check them out at RainforRoots.com.

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