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# Bethany Bugle

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### Council Bugle Report

#### Meeting: Wednesday 1 April 2015

1. Council has received a letter of resignation from Elder Alfred Kiers stating personal reasons for his need to relinquish his elder duties. Motion: "To accept brother Alfred Kiers' resignation for the reasons stated". 2nd. Discussion. Carried. Council will be seeking to fill this vacancy with one additional elder in the upcoming office bearer elections.

2. Council presents the following brothers to the congregation as nominees: For the office of Elder: Frank Dam, Hans Dam, George DeRoo, Peter Glasbergen, Brian Kremer, Harry Hielema, Ed Slappendel, Peter Veldhuizen. 5 to be elected. For the office of Deacon: Leo DeVries, Mike Forestell, Karl Vahrmeyer Sr, Frank Vraets. 2 to be elected. If there are no lawful objections to any of these nominees, elections will take place immediately following our worship service on Sunday, 26 April 2015. The installation service is scheduled for Sunday, 7 June 2015. The transitional council meeting is planned for Wednesday, 17 June 2015.

3. Council entered into a comprehensive discussion regarding the proposed Youth Ministry Coordinator staff position. Council was appreciative of the feedback and input received from the membership at the recent congregational meeting. Additionally, the work-to-date done by the Youth Ministry Team was considered as they explored what staffing in this area of ministry could look like. Motion: "To present to the congregation a proposed 20-25 hour part time Youth Ministry Coordinator staff position". 2nd. Discussion. Council has deemed that the part time position vs full time is what is needed and is a stewardly use of resources. Council is committed to an ongoing review of this area of ministry and staffing levels and has determined that this initial course of action is a correct step in the right direction. Council is confident that an individual with the needed gifts and skill set, as well as the ability to commit part time, will be found. Council will stress that endorsement from the congregation for this additional staff person requires all members to clearly understand the financial impact this will have and how it affects member's corresponding giving patterns. Depending, on the timeline, the current 2015 operating budget may need to be altered to accommodate this change. A detailed information package will be prepared for the membership and placed in their mail slots in advance of a congregational vote. Voting by ballot for this matter is planned for Sunday, 10 May 2015 following our worship service. Motion called. Carried.



#### Come and Celebrate!

What has God been doing through the Ministries at Bethany? We want to reflect on what has happened in the past year at Bethany, for all the groups and ministries that have been going on and give thanks to God in Worship and in Fellowship together. We plan on having a service that celebrates all our ministry groups so if each group has someone who would share with the congregation (1-2 minutes) please email me and I can put this together into the service. This will be held on Sunday, May 31 during the morning service.

## Fundraising

### Champs Classic Golf Tournament!

Join us on Saturday June 13 at Sparrow Lakes Golf Course for 18 holes of golf on the Heron course with cart, and dinner for only \$100! Registration is from 11:30-12:30 with shotgun start at 1:00 pm. All proceeds from this tournament will go to creating a wheelchair accessible living space for Dylan. To register please contact Scott Van Driel at (905) 328-5661 or [toby\\_1980@yahoo.com](mailto:toby_1980@yahoo.com) By June 2.



**Fundraising**  
**Craft, Plant and Bake Sale**

**May 2, 2015**  
**9am-2pm**  
**1040 Balfour Rd, Fenwick ON**

**Includes: BBQ lunch, Free Kids Fun Zone, 20+ Craft Vendors, Indoor Plant Area, 20-item Raffle, and More!!!**

**Free Will Donations Welcome!!**

#### Bakers Needed!

If you like to help with the bake sale portion of our fundraising sale for Dylan VanDriel could you please contact Rosie Enzlin at [rosieenzlin@gmail.com](mailto:rosieenzlin@gmail.com) or

#### POLICE CHECKS

There are some Members of Bethany who's Police Checks are expired or will be expiring soon. Please check your Mailboxes and fill out the Police Checks ASAP. The cost to Bethany is \$15.00 for each Police Check so if we lose them or misplace it is an extra expense for us. We will try and contact you when yours are due. Thanks Safe Church Team



Anyone interested in having a night out? Come on out and help give our Church Kitchen a good spring cleaning! When: Monday April 13th from 7:00-9:00pm. Let Lorraine Wierenga know if you'd like to help. [lorrainewierenga@gmail.com](mailto:lorrainewierenga@gmail.com)

## Conferences

Friday and Saturday, April 17 and 18. You are invited to attend a Biblically insightful and highly practical conference at our church: "Relational Wisdom 360". Our focus will be: Building better Relationships by taking every thought, emotion, word and action captive to Christ". This conference is planned for April 17 (7:30 pm) and April 18 (Breakfast from 7:45 to 8:45 with sessions following immediately) and going until 4:00 pm. Lunch will be provided on Saturday. Sharen DeWaard and Arlene Veensta will be leading the conference. Both have extensive experience in biblical counselling and have been certified by Ken Sande as Relational Wisdom Instructors. Registration fee: (\$35 single and \$60 couple). Please register no later than April 13. [Relationalwisdomconference@gmail.com](mailto:Relationalwisdomconference@gmail.com) or call Krissy Vyn at 289-684-7987. You will have the opportunity to purchase books from Reformed Book Services throughout the conference. Location: Vineland Free Reformed Church, 3685 King St., Vineland, ON LOR 2C0

## Other News

**Coffee Break:** : This coming Tuesday we will meet at Grace CRC for our regular Coffee Break meeting. Gail and Irene's group will continue. their study of lesson 8 question #8, Jane's group will start lesson #8. For Jean's group check with Henny S. as I am not sure where they are at this moment. Snacks: April 17, Jane S., Hilda V.L. It was a good morning this past Tuesday for the Open Arms breakfast. With all the help from our great CB ladies the clients of Open Arms were happy with their pancake breakfast Thank you ladies for your willingness to make that a reality and a big success.

## School News

**Smithville Christian High School Membership Meeting**  
The Spring Membership Meeting will be taking place on Monday, April 20 at Smithville Christian High School. We have a lot to talk about—solar project, renovation, strategic planning, among other things. There will be a time for coffee and interaction with fellow members from 7:45 – 8:00. Make sure you come out to hear how God is blessing our school and society.

**SMITHVILLE CHRISTIAN HIGHSCHOOL:** Want to see today's teenagers in action? Want to know what's happening in high school these days? Come to Smithville Christian High School's Grandparents' and Friends' Day, Friday, April 17, from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Everyone is welcome, bring a friend. Valet parking available. For more info, see [www.smithvillechristian.ca](http://www.smithvillechristian.ca) GP&F Day – it's not just for seniors anymore!

**Smithville Christian High School proudly presents "Love is Murder!"**— a comedy/murder mystery. This play will keep you on the edge of your seat as you try to figure out 'Whodunnit?,' laughing all the while. It promises to be a terrific night out—don't miss it! May 1, 2 (Friday, Saturday), May 7, 8, and 9 (Thursday, Friday, Saturday) Tickets: \$12.50 in advance, \$15.00 at the door. All performances: 8 p.m. For tickets: In Person: Office of Smithville Christian High School, Phone: 905-957-3255, Email: [office@smithvillechristian.ca](mailto:office@smithvillechristian.ca)

## CRC Announcements

'Let's Talk, Let's Listen' is the theme of the April 25, 2015 Disability Concerns conference at Maranatha CRC in Woodstock. Jennifer Bowen from Shalem Mental Health Network will look at anxiety and depression, their causes, symptoms and treatments and the impact on faith communities. We also welcome Dan VanderPlaats, from Elim Christian Services. He will talk about disability attitudes and ways to develop healthy, biblical attitudes toward people who have disabilities. If you are a deacon, elder, pastor, church disability advocate or if you or a loved one has a disability, this conference is for you! Jennifer Bower of Shalem Mental Health Network will be the keynote speaker for the morning. She is an expert in understanding anxiety and depression. In the afternoon, Dan VanderPlaats of Elim Christian Services will help us all in changing our attitudes of inclusion. Join us on April 25th at Maranatha CRC in Woodstock. See [www.crcna.org/disabilities](http://www.crcna.org/disabilities) for more information and registration.

**JONAH AND THE WHALE:** - If we only remember Jonah as an incredible fish story, we can miss the heart of God. But if we dig into Jonah 1 & 2, we find that in it God offers a key to following his heart and understanding the whole Bible. Tune in and join us each week: subscribe for free weekly email notifications at [ListenToGroundwork.com](mailto:ListenToGroundwork.com) or visit [GroundworkOnline.com](http://GroundworkOnline.com) to find a local radio station or listen now.

**A HERO IN THE MAKING - HEROES 1:** - Liz decides he wants to be a hero. When he hears about the flood in the nearby town of Caiman City, he decides this is just the opportunity for him! Follow the adventures of Liz and his pals every week: subscribe for free at [getkidscorner.com](http://getkidscorner.com). Be sure to download this special song, "Leap of Faith," at [kidscorner.net/offer](http://kidscorner.net/offer).

**FAMILY FIRE** - is an online community exploring Spirit-led family, marriage, parenting, in-laws, blended families, and intimacy. Find encouraging articles and devotions at [familyfire.com](http://familyfire.com). Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook. Think Christian Creation Care E-book - What does "fill the Earth and subdue it" look like in our everyday lives? A special collection on creation care from Think Christian explores this intriguing question. In time for Earth Day, we look at perspectives on an array of environment-related topics from some of TC's contributors. Get it at [www.thinkchristian.net/earthday](http://www.thinkchristian.net/earthday). Today is Refugee Sunday! - The Christian Reformed Church in Canada has a long history of mirroring the love of God by serving as "a refuge for the oppressed" (Psalm 9:9) through World Renew's refugee sponsorship ministry. By praying for and supporting refugee families today, you are continuing this powerful ministry of mercy. Thank you! With the growing refugee crisis, the needs are great—but so are the opportunities. Please prayerfully consider how you and your church can offer hospitality and hope to families forced from their country because of threats to their personal safety. For more information about sponsoring a refugee and World Renew's refugee justice resources, go to [www.worldrenew.net/refugeesponsorship](http://www.worldrenew.net/refugeesponsorship) or contact Rebecca Walker at 905-336-2920.

**"When Helping Hurts" Workshop:** - Do you have an interest in global or local outreach? Do you have plans to go on a mission trip this summer? Have you wondered about the impact of short term mission trips? Are you on the Outreach Team or Mission Committee at your church? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, join World Renew and Diaconal Ministries Canada for a "When Helping Hurts" workshop to learn how to help alleviate poverty through effective engagement in your global and local communities. The workshop will take place at Mountainview Christian Reformed Church in Grimsby on Saturday, April 18 from

9am-12pm. There is no cost to attend. Refreshments will be provided. Register today at [www.worldrenew.net/whhworkshop](http://www.worldrenew.net/whhworkshop)

**FREE WEBINAR** - Join us on April 22 for "Youth, Depression and Suicide" presented by June Zwier and Winnie Visser. This webinar will explore the issues of depression and suicide particular to youth and how we as a church can be equipped to effectively help and support. To register for this free, one-hour event, visit [crcna.org/webinars](http://crcna.org/webinars).

**PARLEZ VOUS FRANCAIS?** - Are you also interested in gender issues, sexual abuse prevention, trauma healing and food security? Come alongside WORLD RENEW staff for 18 months in Mali and see your BA degree come alive with hands-on experience as you bless others. Details on this partially funded volunteer position can be found at [www.worldrenew.net](http://www.worldrenew.net) or contact [volunteer@crcna.org](mailto:volunteer@crcna.org).

**SUMMER CAMP LEADERS** - Is your senior-high youth group still looking for a place to serve this summer? Your team of 4 – 8 youth are invited to impact kids for Jesus at the 'Basic Skills Summer Day Camp' program for kids aged 5 – 12 from low-income homes. Woodworking, sewing, cooking, science experiments and out-trips are all part of a fun-filled week from Aug. 15 – 22 hosted by Ladner CRC (just south of Vancouver, BC). Check out [crcna.org/servicelink](http://crcna.org/servicelink) (Ref.# CAN175) or email [volunteer@crcna.org](mailto:volunteer@crcna.org) for more information.

**Serve in Costa Rica** - Casa Adobe is a ministry center in the community of Santa Rosa. Casa Adobe's mission is to be a community within the community, to be good neighbors, and to live out God's Kingdom in a concrete way. CRWM has a number of service opportunities at Casa Adobe. Visit [crwm.org/serve](http://crwm.org/serve) or contact [volunteer@crcna.org](mailto:volunteer@crcna.org).

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