



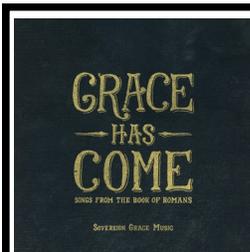
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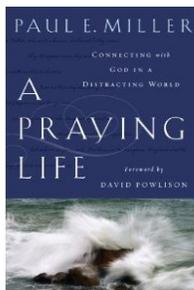
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## From Council & Search Committee

These past couple of weeks the Search Committee has been busy, and has made progress. The Search Committee has recommended Pastor Jim Poelman of Redeemer CRC in Sarnia to Council for call. Council unanimously endorses the decision to present him to the congregation for their approval. We are having an evening on Thursday, September 12th at 7:00pm to give the congregation the opportunity to get to know him and ask questions in a town hall type setting. Pastor Poelman's sermons are also available on-line for a listen at [www.redeemercrc.com](http://www.redeemercrc.com). We ask the congregation to continue to hold this process up in prayer, also including Pastor Poelman in prayer as he also seeks God's leading in his life.



New CD from Sovereign Grace based on the book of Romans. The cost is \$10.00. If you are interested in purchasing one, please see Lorraine Wierenga. (some of these songs will be sung in our worship services.)

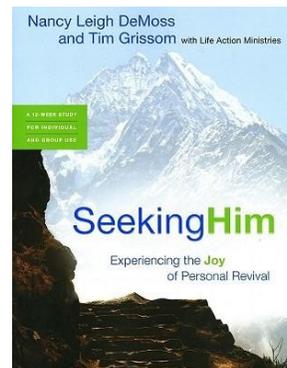
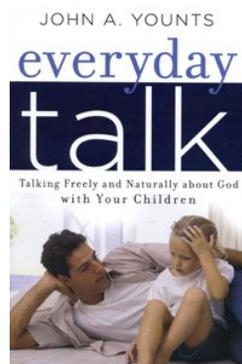


If you would like to grow more in your prayer life, this book is available in our bookstore for \$11.00 and comes highly recommended. Our Heart to Heart group studied this book 2

years ago and many were blessed by it.

## Heart to Heart Ladies

The following two books will be the study material for Heart to Heart this year. Please take some time to prayerfully consider which book you would like to study for this year. The cost for Seeking Him is \$20.00 and Everyday Talk is \$12.00.



RESOURCES FOR CHANGING LIVES

INSTRUMENTS  
IN THE  
REDEEMER'S  
HANDS

PEOPLE IN NEED OF CHANGE  
HELPING PEOPLE IN NEED OF CHANGE



PAUL DAVID TRIPP

Do you desire to love others well, share the gospel and live out your faith?

Sign up for this discipleship class that will be starting on Thursday nights starting October 17 from 7-9. As well, this will be a great opportunity for leaders of our LiFE groups for training and growing in facilitating.

See Nicole about details.



## New Cadet season

Our new Cadet season is set to begin on Sept 19th at 7-9 pm with registration and kick-off at the church.

Our regular meetings will begin the following week on Thursday night.

We welcome all young men ages 9-13 to come on out and join us for this great boys ministry.

## Concerts



**Mountainview CRC** is extending an invitation to all the churches in Classis Niagara to worship together on **Sunday, September 29 at 5:00pm** at Mountainview for praise & worship service led by **"The Psalm Project"**. They are a team of professional Dutch musicians on tour in Canada. They are accomplished musicians singing the Genevan Psalms with English texts reworked in fresh, contemporary arrangements.

### Christian Festival Concert Roy Thomson Hall

Mezzanine tickets and coach transportation from Niagara

Join Ingrid Raakman from Brinkman Travel on Friday October 25, 2013

Departure at 5 pm from Maranatha Chr. Ref. Church, 301 Scott Street, St. Catharines

Extra stop at 5:15 pm at Tim Horton's in Beamsville (QEW & Ontario Street)

Cost per person \$85 (same as last year). First come, first served!

Contact Ingrid at 905-988-9100 ext 2 or email at [ingrid@brinkmantravel.com](mailto:ingrid@brinkmantravel.com)

### Upcoming concerts Music @ Mountainview

is pleased to present a concert by the Jubilant Choir from Melbourne Australia together with the Cantata Singers from St. Catharines. The Concert will take place at Mountainview Christian Reformed Church 290 Main St. E. Grimsby, Ontario on Thursday September 26 at 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$15/person \$30/family (children under 13) and will be available at the door the night of the concert and The Dutch Shop Grimsby prior to .

**FREEDOM SINGERS** If you missed hearing this performance last year, no doubt you have heard how wonderful it was. Music @ Moun-

tainview will again be hosting the Freedom Singers at Mountainview Christian Reformed Church 290 Main St. E. on Saturday October 12 7:30 pm. Tickets are \$15/person \$30/family (children under 13) and will be available the night of the concerts as well as The Dutch Shop Grimsby prior to. Check out there web at [www.freedomsinger.com](http://www.freedomsinger.com).

### September 28, 2013

#### refresh and renew Redeemer's 6th Annual Worship Conference :

*The place to be for planners, pastors, leaders, musicians, students and worshipers.*

**Time: 8:00 am – 3:45 pm**

**Cost:** Regular Conference Rate: \$85+tax/person\*

Early Bird Rate: \$75+tax/person before August 31, 2013\*

Group Rate: \$65+tax/person for groups of 4 or more before August 31, 2013\*

Redeemer Student and High School Student Rate: \$25+tax/person\*

\*lunch and refreshments included in the price. Space is limited. Early registration is recommended to ensure placement in the workshops of your choice. [www.redeemer.ca/worship/](http://www.redeemer.ca/worship/)



Gerry and Tena Evers invite you to join us as we celebrate our 50th anniversary. We thank God for His leading and daily presence in our lives. There will be Open House at our home from 1:30 to 4:30 P.M. on Sat. Sept

14th.

Address: 52015 Regional Road 24, Wainfleet.

## School News

### REDEEMER UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

Preludio, an Orchestral Ensemble Training Class for woodwinds and strings, gives musicians a chance to develop skills in reading music and chamber experience. Classes run on Mondays from 5:30-6:30 pm, starting September 9 at Redeemer University College. Details and registration information at [www.redeemer.ca/clear](http://www.redeemer.ca/clear)

The Inauguration Ceremony for Dr. Paul Thorlakson, Professor of Music at Redeemer University College, will be held on Friday, September 20, at 7:30 pm. in the Auditorium. His address is titled,

"Music: Expressing the Inexpressible". Admission is free. You are invited to join us as we celebrate this impressive accomplishment.

Rosemary Sloom -- Immigrant: The 21 paintings of Dutch immigrant Rosemary Sloom reveal a unique perspective of being a first-born in Canada. Her work will be exhibited at Redeemer University College this fall, with an Opening Reception on Saturday, September 21 at 7:30 pm.

Chinese workers' rights advocate Han Dongfang will be at Redeemer University College as part of a cross-country speaking tour sponsored by CLAC. Mr. Dongfang will give a public address followed by a Q & A session, on Tuesday, September 24 at 7:00 pm. The next day at 11:00 am, he will share his personal faith

story at Redeemer's weekly chapel service. Both events, which are free and open to the public, will take place in Redeemer's Auditorium.

Writing Your Life Story: Create your memoir or develop a lasting legacy through this 10 week guided writing class at Redeemer University College. Classes are on Thursdays, from 6:00 -9:00 pm, starting September 26. Details and registration information at [www.redeemer.ca/clear](http://www.redeemer.ca/clear)

Redeemer University College's 6th Annual Refresh and Renew Worship Conference will take place on September 28. Keynote speaker is singer and songwriter Andy Park. For details and registration information, go to [www.redeemer.ca/worship](http://www.redeemer.ca/worship).

## Other News

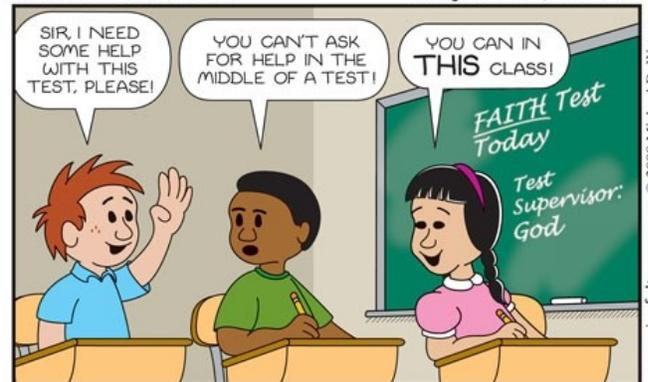
Please join us on Wednesday, September 11, 2013 at 7:30 PM at the

Zion Free Reformed Church in Fenwick for a talk about the challenges and purposes of Church-based education. In a time where North American society is becoming more and more biblically illiterate and when a common attitude is "What's the point in believing the Bible anyway?" Pastor Ken Herfst, Missionary Pastor for the Free Reformed Churches with speak for us under the theme of "And so, what's the

point?: Challenges and Purposes of Church-based Education" We strongly encourage young and old to join us for this evening.

### OPEN BOOK TEST

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



If any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to him.  
- JAMES 1:5 NIV

### TERM TO LEARN

### Exegesis vs. Eisegesis

Exegesis is an explanation. In the NT, therefore, exegesis is the explanation of a given text. Theologically, exegesis establishes the meaning of particular statements or passages. "...exegesis may be understood ... to be the practice of and the set of procedures for discovering the author's intended meaning." Thus, by yielding an understanding of the language, grammar, and syntax of a passage, exegesis provides a solid basis for exposition and application.

This means that exegesis must never deviate from confronting the text of Scripture to determine what it says and means. The historic Protestant principle of exegesis is that the text of Scripture has one sense, so that it is the job of the exegete to uncover what the writer meant when he wrote the passage under examination. Nowadays, it is popular to speak of meanings, plural.... Those who contend for multi-layered meanings effectively abandon exegesis, "a reading into" the text of what the reader wishes it to mean. "This new system would have us understand a text not in terms of its syntactical or semantic structures, but in the variety of ways in which that text is "actualized" in our minds. To state it briefly, we are instructed that we should be reading ourselves as much as the text. Thus, all efforts to find the "real or single meaning" are considered fruitless for most moderns, since in their view, texts generate a variety of meaning structures.

To deal honestly and reverently with Scripture we must adopt the historic Protestant emphasis on the intention of the writer of a Scripture passage. "What saith the Scriptures?" must be our watchword as we prepare to expound God's word.

(Adapted from *A Dictionary of Theological Terms*, s.v. "exegesis")



# CRC Denomination

## POSITION OPENING - INTERNATIONAL -

The Christian Reformed Church in North America (CRCNA) has a position opening for a full-time Transformation Network Coordinator in West Africa with Christian Reformed World Missions (CRWM). This position will seek to foster relationships and develop trust between leaders, grow networks of indigenous organizations and intercultural missional clusters. This work will also include intentionally identifying, connecting, equipping and encouraging key Nigerian leaders. For a detailed position description or to apply visit [www.crcna.org/jobs](http://www.crcna.org/jobs) by Sept. 13.

**WORLD MISSIONS** - Called to be a Missionary? Christian Reformed World Missions has five open career missionary positions: Transformational Network Developer (Mexico City), Media Developer (West Africa), Educational Consultant (West Africa), Educational Care Specialist (Nigeria), and Transformational Network Coordinator (Nigeria). Visit [www.crcna.org/serve](http://www.crcna.org/serve) for more information.

**LEARN, SHARE, CONNECT** - The Network is where to find the answers, resources, and ideas you need for serving in your church. It's where you can connect with other worship leaders, Sunday school teachers, deacons, administrators, small group leaders, tech people, youth leaders, and more. As you start your ministry year learn, share, and connect with others in ministry on The Network -- [www.crcna.org/network](http://www.crcna.org/network)

**GROUNDWORK** - Christians in Society: Sharp words and harsh verbal exchanges make for great television today. "Reality Shows" often

bring out the worst in people, and the ratings are high. Religious leaders often argue about social or political issues on news networks, cutting each other off or shouting over each other. Is this how Christians should react when meeting opposition to our beliefs? Join the Groundwork conversation based on 1 Peter 3:8-22 to see what scripture says. Find a local station or listen online at [www.GroundworkOnline.com](http://www.GroundworkOnline.com).

**KIDS CORNER** - Wonder World Restored: It all comes to an end! The mystery, the drama, and possibly Cole! Don't miss the epic conclusion of this Kids Corner series. Listen at [www.kidscorner.net](http://www.kidscorner.net). Then contact Kids Corner at P.O. Box 5070, Burlington ON L7R3Y8 or email [kids@kidscorner.net](mailto:kids@kidscorner.net) for great resources for kids and parents.

**CAMPUS MINISTRY** - Coming to Waterloo in the Fall? If you are a new or returning university or college student coming to the Waterloo area, please join us at Waterloo CRC on Sept. 8 for Student Welcome Sunday. You, your parents and your friends are welcome to join us for lunch after the service. Get to know the people in our church, our pastor, and our campus minister, Brian Bork. The service will be held at Waterloo CRC, 209 Bearinger Avenue in Waterloo at 10:30 am. We hope to see you there!

**POSITION OPENING** - The Christian Reformed Church in North America (CRCNA) is seeking a full-time (40 hrs/wk) or part-time (20 hrs/wk) Ministry Coordinator for Home Missions Korean Ministry. A detailed job description is available at [www.crcna.org/jobs](http://www.crcna.org/jobs). For consideration, complete an on-line application with resume and a cover letter by September 30, 2013.

**MCMaster CAMPUS MINISTRY** - Heading to McMaster University or Mohawk College this year? Check out our location & calendar at [www.re-creation.ca](http://www.re-creation.ca). We are having our 'Mo-Mac CRC Welcome BBQ at Michael's 1- 3 p.m. rain or shine. Come out and meet some other Mac & Mohawk students. 734 Garner Rd, E. in Ancaster. Please park across the road & walk over. If you need a ride or for more details, e-mail Dr. Michael D. Fallon at [fallonm@mcmaster.ca](mailto:fallonm@mcmaster.ca).

**FREE WEBINAR** - Join us at 12:00 p.m. EDT on September 18 as we examine the young adult exodus from the church in a free, one-hour webinar "The Intergenerational Church." Syd Hielema, chaplain and professor of youth ministry at Redeemer University College, will provide a wide variety of ideas and resources for strengthening the interaction between the generations in our congregations. Space is limited so register today. For more details visit: [www.crcna.org/webinars](http://www.crcna.org/webinars)

**TEAM VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES** - for your church, small group or group of friends and family are highlighted this week as you think about ways to serve with the CRC this coming fall and winter. Christian Reformed World Missions is offering a Prayer Safari in Kenya and construction projects in the Dominican Republic whereas World Renew has opportunities to work in partnership with people in Haiti, Honduras and Malawi. For additional details contact ServiceLink volunteer@[www.crcna.org](http://www.crcna.org).

**ONLINE RESEARCH VOLUNTEER** - Do you enjoy doing some research and talking with people? SERVICELINK is looking for a volunteer to assist them with a research project that will involve some online work as well as calling volunteer organizations. This can be done at the Burlington CRCNA offices where the coffee is always on or even from your own home. For additional details contact ServiceLink volunteer@[www.crcna.org](http://www.crcna.org) or 800-730-3490

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SEARCH** - The Christian Reformed Church is seeking potential nominees and applicants for Executive Director of the CRCNA. This person will be responsible for nurturing a shared and vibrant vision for God's mission lived out through the Christian Reformed Church, in close cooperation with local congregations, classes, and the agencies and institutions of the CRCNA. All nominees and applicants should possess a faithful, vibrant, and personal Reformed Christian faith marked by humility and moral integrity; provide visionary, servant leadership for the ministries, embracing risk and welcoming challenge. He or she will inspire trust and bridge diverse perspectives, and empower and encourage others to do the same. For more information visit [www.crcna.org/EDsearch](http://www.crcna.org/EDsearch). Direct all inquiries to Mr. Loren Veldhuizen, Executive Director Search Committee Chair at [veldhuizen45@gmail.com](mailto:veldhuizen45@gmail.com).

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