



INSIDE NORTH VALLEY

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Love INC
Love In the Name of Christ

LOVE INC'S RELATIONAL MINISTRY

A couple of months have passed since I asked folks to join me in serving as mentors for Love Inc.'s Relational Ministry program on Thursday nights. This program is reaching many, many of Newberg's needy families. Now that we've had a chance to get our feet wet, I want to give you a feel for what this has been like for us. Since I ended up organizing the kids' program during the mentoring time, I've asked others to share some of their thoughts about their experience with their mentee, their role as a mentor, and how they've experienced worship through this ministry.

-Jody Jones

Kimberly Felton: My person is motivated and working hard; I'm just along for the ride. She is the picture of a person who made poor enough choices earlier in life to make life difficult for herself now, but is willing to do the work to head the direction she wants to go.

Jared Jones: I am impressed by the resilience and resourcefulness of my mentees, despite some real hardships and obstacles. I'm reminded of how blessed I am to have a legacy of faith, of education, of cultural competence, and of middle-class privilege.

Priscilla Lowery: My mentee left the program and I ended up becoming the "floating" mentor. While this was a challenge, it was also strangely a blessing, for it reminded me that I truly have to rely on God in unknown territory. I felt terrible for each of these individuals who were mentorless. Each person would open up and pour out their hearts with hunger for a listening ear, but I was never able to follow up with the individual about the goals each had set. The blessing that I experienced in each of these encounters was the incredible level of trust that each person placed in me for that short time. I did feel that God gave me insight and words for encouraging and goal-setting and I find myself continuing to carry the stories of the seven different mentees that I briefly journeyed with.

Debbie Headley: I was a listener and an encourager. I didn't have to have the answers, but just support her as she set goals that were necessary to move forward in a more successful way with her finances. It was exciting to see how she had grown in that area in such a short time.

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RELATIONAL MINISTRY (CONT'D.)

Jared: I wonder if I'm helping my mentee; my frustrations are mostly two kinds: first, my inability to help them access support during the day while I'm working, and second, cultural and language barriers.

Priscilla: I have been impressed by how supported the mentors are in their roles. I never felt like I was alone as a mentor, which freed me to feel more relaxed and trust God in the process of building relationships with people. I especially enjoy seeing friends from North Valley.

Jared: I've enjoyed working at relationship with a Latino couple; that has stretched me. I enjoy seeing others from NVFC every Thursday night at the gathering. I enjoy bringing my whole family along to be part of this. And I enjoy participating in the large group of Newberg-area beneficiaries and Christ-followers. I especially enjoy the moments when the lines between those two categories are blurred or erased. This experience is feeding me—and making me hungry for more. I'm eager to see more of us gather into this kind of work. And I still feel a longing to be more corporate or 'together' in the work we're doing. This has been a great start for me. In other words, I know this experience is beginning to meet a need I've been feeling for years.

Priscilla: I remember a past Sermon of Stan's in which he shared that Poverty of Spirit is the realization that if you line all humans up side by side on the earth, that we are all the same and we are all loved by God. Economic and social distress from poverty has given so many challenges to these people, but from their mouths I heard the same dreams and desire for "wholeness" that we all seek. One woman desires relief from severe grief from the death of her mother. One daughter needs healing from abuse. One woman asked only for prayer and healing for her alcoholic brother, whom she loves. Another shared her dream of just having peace in the home.

All smiled. All laugh at themselves. One cried. All were open to prayer.

They are all just like me in so many ways. Mentoring is humbling for sure.

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP UPDATE

Kim Boyd



This spring the kids will be exploring some of Jesus' interactions with his followers. We will be focusing on Christ's miracles, wondering together about what these stories mean to us today. Both Bible study and worship experience will facilitate our learning. Kids are welcome to bring their Bibles if they'd like, and parents are welcome to connect with any of the teachers about what their kids are doing during worship.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



ROOTS OF CONTEMPLATION, ROOTS OF ACTION: A QUAKER STUDY RETREAT MARCH 4-6, MT. ANGEL, OR

<http://rootsretreat.braidedwaters.com>

Inviting Quakers from Evangelical and unprogrammed traditions to integrate inner spiritual life and outward calling through readings, presentations and contemplative practice in community. Facilitators: Jon Kershner & Christine Betz Hall.



FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION REGIONAL GATHERING MARCH 5 REEDWOOD FRIENDS

www.fwcc.org/Americas

FWCC events this year focus on the theme "Salt & Light," leading up to the triennial conference this summer in Kenya. Regional speakers are Maudiel and Aminda Arévalo from El Salvador, who have worked together for 28 years towards peace for the individual, in the home and within the family. Maudiel is a psychologist, Aminda an educator. Their concern for youth to feel a culture of peace has led them to work with former gang members. Aminda and Maudiel will provide opportunities to relate their experiences to current issues of 'brokenness' that Friends are facing in their communities.

NEWBERG AREA HABITAT FOR HUMANITY would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your generous support of our programs.



Our success comes directly from wonderful members of our community who care about the Habitat housing mission. Thank you and we look forward to a great 2011!

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS MARCH 12!

Remember to turn your clocks ahead one hour before you go to bed.

SUMMER CAMP DATES

Girls Camp: July 3-8

Tween Camp: July 10-16

Boys Camp: July 17-22

Tillikum Day Camp:

July 25-29

Yearly Meeting Sessions & Youth Yearly Meeting: July 24-28

Surfside: August 7-13



SUPPORT THE THOMASES

We recently had the privilege of having David Thomas share with us in morning worship about his family's work through EFM in the country of Rwanda. God is doing exciting things among Rwandan Friends churches and important changes have come about as a part of the Thomases' participation there. David and Debby need our support in order to continue their work in Rwanda and return there in the fall. They currently only have 50% of the financial support they need. Please consider contacting David and Debby and inviting them out for coffee or for a meal, or just having them over for tea sometime and asking God to keep your hearts open about ways that He would have you participate with them in the work God is doing in Rwanda. They can be reached at:

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ALL-CHURCH RETREAT 2011 PHOTOS



We had a great retreat in February, thanks to the hard work of retreat planners Debbie Headley, Angela Kantz & Laurie Conant, musicians Bill Jolliff, Joel Bock and friends, dance callers Paul & Miriam Bock and Bruce Bishop, MC Jennie Harkema, kitchen helpers Sarah & Savannah Hadley, and childcare providers Mike, Adina & Amanda McConaughey and Erinn & Brenna Baker.



See more pictures and upload your own [here](#).
For a video that includes some of the dancing, click [here](#).
(Go to 2:12 for dancing)



Links for those reading this on paper: https://picasaweb.google.com/lynnanholt/20110222NorthValleyChurchRetreat_2_2011?authkey=Gv1sRgCKbYurTV04aJ-AE&feat=email#

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wqRuEDWL_Vs



Wondrous Encounters

Lenten Series

SUNDAY MORNINGS:

- **Sermon series**
“Wondrous Encounters” with Christ, with messages from Lynn Holt, Paul Bock, Nate Macy, Cherice Bock & Paul Anderson
- **Education hour** (9:30-10:30am): viewing and discussion of **the film *The Gospel of John***, led by Paul Anderson & Brian Bews. These six sessions will engage a half hour of Jesus on the silver screen each week, building also upon the daily devotional reading (“Forty Days with the Gospel of John”) for any who are reading the Gospel of John devotionally. Come join us for an engaging preparation for Easter—open to all members of the community!



- **SIGN UP** in the foyer if you’ll be attending **dinner** on Wednesday nights.
- **CHILDREN’S PROGRAM** will be provided **for those attending** the Wednesday night adult education offerings.

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS:


- **Dinner** together at 5:45 pm Mar. 9 & 16, Apr. 6, 13 & 20.
- **Ash Wednesday service** Mar. 9; **Holy Week services** Apr. 20 & 22.
- “**Dialogues with Christ**” series on the Gospel of John, led by Paul Anderson & Brian Bews Mar. 16, Apr. 6, 13.

PEACE PATH WORKDAY PHOTOS



MARCH

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 7 pm Missions Committee Mtg. 7 pm Admin. / Stewards Mtg.	2 MS Youth Group HS Movie Group	3	4	5
6 7 pm HS Youth Group 7 pm Iglesia de los Amigos	7	8 7 pm Fellowship Committee Mtg.	9 Wed. w/ Friends Dinner: 5:45 pm Activities: 6:30 pm Kids Alive MS Youth Group HS Movie Group Ash Wednesday Service	10 HS youth to Night- strike	11 MS Snow Day	12  <i>Turn your clocks forward 1 hour before you go to bed.</i>
13 5-7 pm Meeting for Business 7 pm HS Youth Group 7 pm Iglesia de los Amigos	14	15	16 Wed. w/ Friends Dinner: 5:45 pm Activities: 6:30 pm Kids Alive MS Youth Group HS Movie Group Dialogues with Christ	17	18 ———— GAGA to Mexico ————	19 8 am Men's Breakfast
20 7 pm Iglesia de los Amigos	21	22	23	24 7 pm Social Concerns Committee Mtg.	25	26
————— Get Away, Give Away to Mexico —————						
————— Newberg Public Schools Spring Break —————						
27 6 pm HS Youth Group 7 pm Iglesia de los Amigos	28	29	30 Wed. w/ Friends Dinner: 5:45 pm Activities: 6:30 pm Kids Alive MS Youth Group HS Movie Group Dialogues with Christ	31		

MARCH WORSHIP CALENDAR

<u>March</u>	6	13	20	27
Greeters	Earl Tycksen	Janine Saxton	Rob Felton	Vonnie Burton
	Annie Tycksen			
Ushers	Bill Rourke	Daryl Burton	Don Parrish	Daryl Burton
	Michael Pender	Ron Fieldhouse	Jared Jones	Stuart Griffith
	Anna Baker	Alan Kanne	John Frost	Alan Parry
	Jessica Trout	Jeremy Baker	Eric Funk	Jim Allison
Music	Bryan Boyd	Nate Macy	Darleen Ortega	Janine Saxton
	Jared Jones	Joel Bock	Wes Cropper	Michael LeClair
	Colby Spell	Paul Bock	Jon Holt	Linda LeClair
			Michael LeClair	Mike McBride
			Linda LeClair	Steve McKennon
			Dave Kinnunen	Aletha McKennon
Sound	Steve McKennon	Mike McConaughey	Austin Huelsbeck	Rawlen Smith
Power Point	Jessica Trout	Jennie Harkema	Nathan Murray	Peter McKennon
Media	Bryan Boyd	Joel Bock	Darleen Ortega	Aletha McKennon
Preach/Facilitate	Lynn Holt	Nate Macy	Paul Bock	Lynn Holt
Monthly Focus	Peace Prayer			Missions Moment
10:45 Nursery	Leah Rupp	Adina McConaughey	Heidi Pender	Jeanne Boyd
under 3	Laura Dunn	Leanne Baker	Becky Headley	Liz Majdecki
		Brenna Baker		
Preschool	Tabatha Weaver	Angela Kantz	Lydia Cathers	Beth Woolsey
3s & 4s	Brent Weaver	Jered McConaughey	Jonah Harkema	Greg Woolsey
	Betsy LeClair	Erinn Baker	Olivia Pugsley	Abby Woolsey
	Adria McKennon	Amanda McConaughey		Elsie McConaughey
Children's	Kim Boyd	Kim Boyd	Kim Boyd	Austin Huelsbeck
Worship	Mindy Allison	Katrina McConaughey	Amy Lutz	Emily-Grace Cropper
Kindergarten-5th	Priscilla Lowery			
	Kristi Longstroth			
	Jody Jones			
	Noël Carey			
			Spring Break	Spring Break

ABOUT OUR PEOPLE



BE IN PRAYER FOR THOSE GOING ON GET AWAY, GIVE AWAY (GAGA) TO MEXICO OVER SPRING BREAK:

- Mindy & Kasey Allison
- Keith Baker
- Andy, Erinn & Brenna Baker
- Jim & Jaqui Fisher
- Michael & Kaden Fisher
- Shawn, Katrina, Jered & Elsie McConaughy
- Mike, Adina & Amanda McConaughy
- Nathan & Leslie Murray, Maggee Hodgdon
- Greg, Abby & Ian Woolsey

They will be gone from March 17-26 and will build three houses and lead a Bible school for children.

At the Feb. 13 Pizza-Pop-Pie fundraiser we raised \$280 for rafters and \$968 through the lunch & dessert auction. Thank you for your generosity!



BIRTHDAYS

1	Ryan Libby Adria McKennon
2	Diane Corbin
7	Kiah Harkema
8	Justice Sanders
11	Lydia Cathers
12	Brent Weaver
14	Anna Baker Elena Hotaling
16	Susan Parrish
17	Bryan Boyd
19	Sydney Lowe
20	Jim Fisher
21	Jenna Allison Mike McConaughy Joseph Olivarez
26	Janine Saxton
28	Mykel Boyd
29	Kylie Libby Aidan Lowery

ANNIVERSARY

14	Keith & Anna Baker
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PASTORAL STAFFING UPDATE

For those of you who were not there, in the business meeting on February 16th we approved giving Lynn Holt a three-year call as lead pastor of North Valley Friends Church. We are still working to discern the rest of our staffing in relation to the needs of our community, giving special attention to our children, youth and families. We hope to finish our work in the next few weeks so we can present a proposal to the congregation.

We also rejoice that Stan is back home, and that he and Cathy are once again able to be with us. As you know by now, Stan is on medical leave and will be released from his employment with us on April 30th so that he can apply for disability payments and have the time and space to heal. A care committee is meeting regularly with the Thornburgs to help in practical ways and be a source of encouragement. We anticipate that they will be part of North Valley in the years to come and look forward to seeing what God has in mind.

We are thankful for you, for your patience and your commitment to join us in seeking God's will for North Valley Friends Church at this time.

-The Elders



Podcasts of services will be available soon on our website!

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Staff:

- Lynn Clouser Holt Pastor
- Leslie Murray Youth Pastor
- Kim Boyd Children's Ministry Facilitator
- Cherice Bock Administrative Assistant
- Paul Bock Interim Worship Coordinator

North Valley Friends is a Quaker community of ministers who seek to follow Jesus Christ faithfully, love each other deeply and continue His ministry in the world.

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NVFC: www.northvalleyfriends.org

NWYM: www.nwfriends.org

This newsletter is available online at www.northvalleyfriends.org

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday:
9:30 am Sunday School for all ages
9:30 am Unprogrammed Meeting
10:45 am Programmed Meeting

CHURCH OFFICE

Hours:

Monday 9:00 am-1:00 pm
Tuesday 9:00 am-1:00 pm
Wednesday 9:00 am-1:00 pm
Thursday 9:00 - 11:00 am
Friday 9:00 - 11:00 am
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