NORTH VALLEY FRIENDS ANNOUNCEMENTS | NOVEMBER 6, 2019

CUBA TRIP ITEMS NEEDED BY THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

Hello friends! As you may know, Colin and I will be spending much of November in Cuba. We will be going with a group of "Living Letters" sponsored by Friends United Meeting. We will be carrying many items with us that are unavailable, in short supply or very expensive in Cuba. As our worship community, we want to offer you the opportunity to join us in blessing our Cuban Friends! We will be collecting the things on the following list until November 7th. Things can be delivered to our home (511E 3rd) or to the church. Please call if you have any questions! And remember we have to fit everything into suitcases:-) 971.832.0804 In love and deep appreciation ~ Janine and Colin

Over-the-counter medical needs are a priority need: antihistamines: Claritin, Benadryl, Mucinex, other cold medicines (remember liquids can be messy). *Pain relievers:* acetaminophen (Tylenol), aspirin, naproxen sodium (Aleve), ibuprofen. *First aid*: triple antibiotic ointments, cortisone cream, Benadryl, anti-itch creams, BandAids/curitas. *Other:* Multivitamins, calcium tablets, Kaopectate or Immodium, antacid tablets, blood sugar test kits for diabetics.

Other: Sunscreen (roll on is easier to transport than liquid), feminine hygiene products, wooden matches, AA and AAA batteries (leave sealed in packages), glue, scotch tape, duct tape, painters (blue) tape, masking tape, Ziploc (any brand) bags — sandwich and gallon size, post-it notes, page protectors (8.5 by 11 inches), small flashlights, "Dollar Tree" children 'party favor' type gifts, colored pencils, coloring sheets of Bible stories (with very, very few English words!), sewing/craft supplies (needles, safety pins, snaps and hooks/eyes, velcro, crochet hooks), hair items (scrunchies, barrettes, etc), extra clothing (tropic climate) that could be re-gifted.

Special requests:

*iron-enriched soy formula

*a plastic pipe-threading toolkit that will work for six different sizes of plastic pipe

FRIDAY NIGHT FUN | NOVEMBER 8

Friday, November 8, we'll meet at the Waybright home from 7:00-9:30pm. Friday Night Fun nights are for middle and high school students. Join us for games, movies, and "just hanging out" in a rotation of different homes. Check the <u>current youth calendar</u> at northvalleyfriends.org for ongoing information. Copies can also be found in the foyer.

POTLUCK | SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

Join us for a potluck following our morning gathering this Sunday, November 10th in the fellowship hall! Please bring a main dish, salad/side dish, or a dessert to share. The fellowship committee will have the warmer on in the kitchen if you'd like us to keep something warm during worship.

NEWBERG EMERGENCY SHELTER NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

The Emergency Shelter opens during temperature extremes to allow folks without access to resources to be safe. This is during both freezing and heat events. If you or someone you know would be able to spend some hours between 8pm and 8am at the Newberg Emergency Shelter hosted at Zion Lutheran Church (301 S River St, Newberg, OR 97132), please fill out our volunteer interest form HERE or send an email to newbergemergencyshelter@gmail.com with the days/hours you are available. Thank you so much for your help.

ALL CHURCH RETREAT FEEDBACK

Whether or not you attended the All Church Retreat this year, we'd like to hear your feedback so we can better plan for retreats in the future. Please record your thoughts on this <u>Retreat Feedback</u> <u>Google form</u>. Hard copies of the form can be found in the meeting house foyer. Thank you!

PICTURES FROM THE ALL CHURCH RETREAT?

If you attended the Retreat and have pictures, please send them to Sammy Sanders (Sammy@northvalleyfriends.org) so he can update the NV Facebook page.

STUDENT ICE SKATING | FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 15

Middle School and High School Students- Channel your inner Earth, Wind and Fire and join NFVC/NEFC as we get our disco on at Sherwood Ice Arena, Friday, November 15. Meet at the North Valley Parking Lot at 7pm with your best 70's outfit (optional), bring a friend, skate and dance your socks off, and return back to North Valley at 9:30pm. Prizes for best Skate/Dancing as well as best outfits. Please let Sammy/Rachelle if you plan to come!

AUTOMATIC GIVING OPTIONS

Did you know that PayPal charges North Valley a roughly 3% fee on each transaction? Automatic monthly gifts can also be set up through a bank, generally at no cost to you or the receiving organization. This would allow for a similar convenience to PayPal, without the subtraction of the hidden fee that PayPal charges North Valley.

BOOK DISCUSSION ON RACE | NOVEMBER 24

A group of North Valley folks has been meeting to discuss a different book each month about race in the United States. We plan to continue this through the end of the year. Everyone is welcome to join. We'll meet next on Sunday, Nov. 24, at 9am in the downstairs classroom below the library. We'll discuss Lenny Duncan's book Dear Church. It's a bit shorter than other options (138 pages), so our 3week time frame might work out better with this than with other titles. In December we'll read *Raising White Kids* by Jennifer Harvey. We talked about meeting in early

January, so likely the 5th or 12th. Questions? Contact Jared Jones at <u>qeitzuk@gmail.com</u>.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS | ORDERS DUE NOVEMBER 25

Looking for a way to honor a loved one this holiday season? North Valley is offering poinsettias for purchase at \$12 a plant. The poinsettias will adorn the sanctuary during the advent season and will be available to bring home after the morning service on December 29. To order, please complete an order form and leave your payment in an envelope in the foyer. Orders due by Wednesday, Nov. 25.

FRANKSGIVING STUDENT EVENT | NOVEMBER 27TH

Take advantage of the day off of school, relax, take a few minutes to artfully display what you're grateful for, eat hot-dogs and play board games with your friends. 1-3:30pm in the NVFC youth room.

"THE BIBLE AND THE LGBTQ+ CHRISTIAN" | A PFLAG OPPORTUNITY

Josh Reid, former youth pastor at Newberg Emerging Friends Church, is the PFLAG coordinator for Newberg High. PFLAG is national group that stands for Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays. This group meets once/month. North Valley is sharing this announcement in case anyone from our church would like to take part. Josh is leading a three-part series examining the Bible as it informs and develops the Christian faith:

"The Bible and the LGBTQ+ Christian"

Whether you're a Christian, a spiritual seeker, or a skeptic...whether you're an LGBTQ+ identifying person, an ally, or someone who would like to be an ally...we'd like to invite you to join us for this three-part series examining what the Bible does and doesn't say. We'll challenge assumptions, invite you to dig deeper, and cast a biblical vision that is inclusive and affirming of all of God's children.

+Remaining dates: November 19, December 17

+7:00-8:30PM

- +At Newberg Catalyst High School (1421 Deborah Rd, Newberg)
- +1 hour of teaching
- +30 minutes of a sharing circle

ARTISAN BAZAAR AT CHAPTERS BOOKSTORE | DECEMBER 7

The annual Marafiki artisan bazaar will be Saturday, December 7, 2019, 9-3 at Chapters Bookstore. It is that time again to begin working on those special projects to donate to the sale! We rely on the donations of many varied kinds of quality handcrafted items to make this sale possible. All proceeds benefit Marafiki's work in rural Kenya. Please contact Karen Lang [langk3@gmail.com] or Eloise Hockett [eloise@marafiki.us] or for more information. Happy building/making/creating!

CHURCH DIRECTORY APP

The North Valley Friends Church directory is primarily online. If your email address is included in the directory, you can search and download *Instant Church Directory* on any mobile device to have the most current version available. You can also access the directory on our website, northvalleyfriends.org, in the Members section. There is a password to open the directory from the church website—contact the office if you need the password. If you'd like to be added to the church directory, let us know at office@northvalleyfriends.org.

SCRIPTURE

For our scripture focus this week, take a look at the two creation accounts found in Genesis; 1:1-2:25. If you have multiple versions (NIV, NRSV, King James) notice the differences.

UPCOMING EVENTS

NOVEMBER

- Wednesday with Friends dinner and small groups
 Youth Groups (middle school 6:30pm; high school 7:30pm)
- 8 Friday Night Fun Waybright family home (youth event)
- 10 **Potluck after Worship**
- Building & Grounds meeting
 Basketball night
- Wednesday with Friends dinner and small groups
 Youth Groups (middle school 6:30pm; high school 7:30pm)
- 15 Disco Ice Skating (youth event)
- 16 Men's Breakfast @ Providence Hospital Café Prayer group
- Finance Committee meeting Basketball night
- Wednesday with Friends dinner and small groups
 Youth Groups (middle school 6:30pm; high school 7:30pm)
- 22 Friday Night Fun Briner family home (youth event)
- 23 Prayer group
- 24 Book Discussion on Race Parents of Teens group
- 25 Basketball night
- 26 Elders meeting
- Franksgiving (youth event)No Wednesday with Friends due to Thanksgiving Break
- 29 No Friday Night Fun