

April 2, 2008

WFMCC Weekly

We Are the Church Alive!

"Therefore encourage one another and build up each other, as indeed you are doing." ---1 Thessalonians 5:11

Dear Friends,

You can't know how much in anguish I am over the fact that I thought too late about doing this email on April 1, so that I could have made it an April Fool's edition. A couple of headlines I just now thought of: **John Forsythe Named Miss Gay Rodeo! Karen Booth Goes Butch! Ron Preston has Bad Hair Day!** Sigh, now my chance is lost.

So, I will continue this letter somberly and seriously.

This Sunday is the Annual Congregational Meeting of WFMCC. At this meeting, important decisions will be made regarding the future of our church. Why is this so important? Why should you attend the meeting? Won't it just be a bunch of boring reports and motions? **Well don't forget about the Interpretive Dance of the**

Vice-Moderator! And even if that is just a false memory of mine, it is important and, in fact, theologically profound, for each of us who are members, as well as friends, to attend this meeting. This Sunday I will be preaching on The Theology of the Congregational Meeting and what God calls us to as people who make up this queer Body of Christ in the heart of Ta Fa. I hope you will attend, not only worship, but also the potluck and congregational meeting as we together we remember we are the Church Alive!



Until then-
Blessings and Peace,

Nori

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birthdays below*

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7. Birthdays

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*If your birthday is in March
and isn't listed here, please
give me info at*

nrost@wichitafallsmcc.org

4/2 CiCi LeFleur
4/12 Kathy McCabe
4/12 Keith Myers
4/16 David Rogers
4/16 Cindy Haney
4/19 Tyler Morrow
4/20 Rebecca Hall

1. Potluck and Congregational Meeting this Sunday.

Immediately following worship this Sunday we'll have a potluck luncheon so bring your favorite dish to share as we carbo load for the next event: the annual Congregational Meeting. Drring this meeting members of WFMCC will vote on the budget for the next year, elect new Board of Trustees members and just generally have a comedic year in review via annual reports and an interpretive dance by vice-Moderator Barbara Mann. (Okay, that last part *might* be a false memory..you'll just have to attend meeting to see). There will be a Potluck immediately following worship on that day and the Congregational Meeting will begin promptly at 2 p.m. (Give or take a few minutes).

2. Registration Forms Available for MCC PAD Conference.

Stepping Out on Faith is the theme for this year's People of African Descent conference sponsored by UFMCC. The conference will be held April 17-19 in St. Louis, MO. All people are welcome to attend. Check out www.mcchurch.org for more details or pick up a pamphlet at church.

3. Update from Pastoral Search Team.

The Pastoral Search Team has tallied all congregational surveys and is currently in the process of putting together the brochure/packet for possible candidates. The brochure/packet will entail information regarding the type of pastor that WFMCC is looking for which was arrived at from the surveys, programs offered by our church, history, vision, community opportunities and much more! The Pastoral Search Team is an active committee meeting weekly to seek the pastor God is calling to Wichita Falls MCC.

4. No Day But Today! meets April 13th.

4/21 Jerry Myers
4/29 Curtis Bilyeu

No Day But Today! will be meeting again on April 13th at 1 pm here at the church. Refreshment will be provided and everyone is welcome! Come join us as we work together to bring HIV/AIDS awareness to Wichita Falls!

5. Break the Barrier Update

Many thanks to everyone who has been contributing to our Break the Barrier Fund. Our current total is now \$5270! These funds are set aside each month to fund our dream of hiring a full-time director of music and worship. With the continued faithfulness and generosity of the WFMCC community, we can be assured that we will be able to make this dream come true.

We will taking up the next Break the Barrier offering this Sunday, April 20, 2008. Please give as you feel God directing.

6. Thanksgivings and Prayer Requests

Add your Thanksgivings and Prayers Requests to the Prayer Book in the foyer at church or email them to nrost@wichitafallsmcc.org

Thanksgivings for...our loved ones and commitments, for all the wonderful people who make WFMCC the beacon on the hill it is.

Prayers for... Laretta; For Ron, RPZO+Co., and it's Future; For Cheryl's mother who is ill; For Julie at Daycare; For Trish and healing for her throat. For John for strength and improved health. For comfort and healing from pain for Steve.

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