

Denominational News for October 21, 2018

October 20, 2018 The Laugh for Life Gala is in it's 15th year here in Edmonton and we are proud to present our event on October 20, 2018 at the Winspear Centre with comedians Anita Renfroe & Bob Smiley! All funds raised in the evening will go to The Mustard Seed! If you have any questions, please contact me! Elaine Duchesne, Laugh for Life Gala Producer 780.913.6706

On October 25th The Social Justice Network presents "The Opioids Crisis: An Evening With Ben Bridgestock" Every day, 13 Canadians die as a direct result of opioids and opioid related causes. It's now one of the top 10 killers of Canadians. It's time to talk. It's time to get educated and engage. On October 25th, at 7 PM, at Southpointe Community Centre/The River Community Church, the Social Justice Network and NADC invites you into this important conversation. Tickets are only \$20, the proceeds of which go to charitable causes. To buy tickets, visit www.southpointecommunity.ca or simply buy them at the door.

October 27, 2018 Faith in Action: Practicing Biblical Advocacy in Canada Cindy Stover, our denomination's Justice Mobilizer, will facilitate a workshop will that help you learn how to navigate the political system to have your voice heard by local, provincial, and national leaders. Activities walk you through research methods, key messaging, letter writing, planning and role-playing your talking points, and setting up in-person meetings.

When: Saturday, October 27 from 9:30 – 3:30

Where: West End Christian Reformed Church, 10015 149 St. Edmonton

Registration: \$10.00 includes lunch. Please let us know if you have any dietary needs.

Contact: Margo DeMoor at demoors@shaw.ca or 780-634-5193 for more information and to register.

October 27th, 2018 Free Summit Focused On Stewardship

Attend the CSS Stewardship Summit which endeavors to provide encouragement along with the training and resources on the topic of Stewardship. Join us on October 27th, 8:30AM to 12:30PM to discover proven and practical ways to re-ignite the flame of excitement for the future of your church. Everyone Welcome, includes lunch. RSVP to Annetta at info@csservices.ca

Responding To Indonesia Earthquakes - Three weeks ago, thousands of families living in Indonesia experienced a devastating earthquake and tsunami. Over 2,000 people were killed and thousands more left in urgent need of assistance. In the days since then, World Renew, through local churches, has helped families in need and will continue to do so as long as funding is available. Please pray for the families affected by the earthquake and tsunami and consider generously supporting World Renew's response in Indonesia. Donations can be made online at worldrenew.net/IndonesiaEQ, by phone at 800-730-3490 or by mailing cheques to 3475 Mainway, STN LCD 1, Burlington, ON L7R 3Y8.

Journey Through Egypt - Join Resonate Global Mission on an Egypt Vision Tour. History comes alive as you learn how scripture is connected to ancient Egyptian monuments. Dates: April 2-10, 2019. For more information visit www.resonateglobalmission.org/Egypt.

World Hunger Campaign - World Renew invites you to join us as we work alongside communities around the world to establish Uzima. Uzima, Swahili for life, captures the essence of life as God intended it to be. Through daily devotions and activities, you can gather with your family to learn how God is moving families beyond poverty and hunger and equipping them with skills to create a sense of wholeness for themselves, their family, and community. Join us on November 4 for this year's World Hunger Sunday!

World Renew, an agency of the CRCNA, is seeking a Country Consultant who will be responsible for the overall operation of World Renew in Cambodia. The purpose of the position is to provide leadership in the development of World Renew's strategy and programs in Cambodia; promote the work, values, and vision of World Renew. Candidates with a bachelor's degree, a minimum of 5 years of community development consultation work experience, and a minimum of 5 years of cross-cultural experience are invited to apply. Preference will be given to candidates who demonstrate a fluency in oral and written Khmer language skills; or willingness to learn to speak Khmer. For more information on this position, please visit our website: worldrenew.net/careers.

Career Opening - World Renew, Donor Relations and Advancement Manager - Are you passionate about Donor Relations? Do you have experience leading a team? World Renew has a full time opening for a Donor Relations and Advancement Manager within our Constituency Relations (CORE) team, based in Grand Rapids, Mich. This position will cultivate and maintain relationships with donors to secure necessary funds, provide analysis and financial reporting of major and mid-level donor development, provide leadership and supervision to the team in the USA, and manage donor administrative systems in the USA. To apply and for details, please visit: candidates.perrettlaver.com/vacancies/1032/appointment_of_us_donor_relations_and_advancement manager/ quoting reference number 3567. The deadline to apply is November 2, 2018.

Job Opportunity with World Renew Marketing Communications - Would you love to use your gifts of writing to build the kingdom of God around the world? Do you have a heart for missions and international development? World Renew, an agency of the Christian Reformed Church in North America, is recruiting for a Parental Leave cover for a Marketing Communications Writer. This position supports the vision and mission of World Renew and the Constituency Relations (CORE) team by researching, writing, editing, and coordinating the production of communications projects that inspire, educate, and motivate new audiences and World Renew's existing constituents to ever increasing levels of engagement. For more information on this opportunity, or to apply, please see our website: https://worldrenew.net/careers.

RESOURCES FOR ENCOURAGEMENT

The Flood - Often called Noah's Ark, this biblical story reveals much about God and his response to our sin. Join Groundwork as we study this familiar story from Genesis 6-8 to remind ourselves about the grave reality of sin, see the true heart of God, and witness the dawning of his grace. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

What's In A Name? - When Liz uses the expression, "Oh, geez!" Grandpa uses the occasion to teach the kids what it means to honor God's name. Subscribe for free at getkidscorner.com. Check out KC's new Mezuzah craft at www.kidscorner.net.

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. Subscribe for regular email updates and connect with our Family Fire community on Facebook.

Family Faith Formation Tip - Do your kids look forward to Sundays? Make the sabbath a special day in ways that are meaningful to them. Serve a favorite meal before or after worship. Light a special candle. Take a picnic to a park. Try setting the alarm a bit earlier to minimize the getting-ready stress before worship. Gather at night for a game and a time of family prayer to start the week. (Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

Help Is Only A Call, Click, Or Chat Away - We're making it easier for you and your church to access CRC resources. If you're involved in a church ministry and wonder if your denomination can help with something, just CALL (800-272-5125), CLICK (www.crcna.org/Resources), or CHAT (from any page on www.crcna.org). We're here to serve and would love to connect you with people and resources to support your ministry.