

Denominational News for October 14, 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 25<sup>th</sup> 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 25<sup>th</sup>, 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 <a href="https://www.southpointecommunity.ca">www.southpointecommunity.ca</a> 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 <a href="info@csservices.ca">info@csservices.ca</a>

**Hurricane Michael Response** - World Renew Disaster Response Services is organizing to help U.S. Gulf Coast residents affected by Hurricane Michael. DRS regional managers are working with local officials and other organizations to begin planning for early assessments and clean up after the storm. You can support Michael survivors who don't have the resources to recover from the storm on their own. Please give to the Hurricane Michael response in your church offering, at worldrenew.net/michael, call 800-730-3490, or mail your cheque made out to World Renew, with Hurricane Michael in the memo line, to: World Renew, 3475 Mainway, STN LCD 1, Burlington, ON L7R 3Y8.

**Agricultural Development in the Middle East** - Come be part of Resonate Global Mission's work in the Middle East! The Cohort is a year-long opportunity for an integrated group of young adults from North America and the Middle East to volunteer in various ministries alongside Resonate Global Mission workers. This position is a <u>one-year volunteer commitment working in agriculture</u> development and sustainable farming. For more information, visit www.resonateglobalmission.org/agriculture or contact Lisa Sochacki at Isochacki@crcna.org.

JOB OPPORTUNITY - Do you have a passion for working with people from other cultures? Have a passion for seeing international ministry done well? If so, come join the **EduDeo Ministries** team! We are passionate about impacting children, teachers and communities around the world through Christ-centered education. We are looking for a new International Partnerships Director: someone to lead, guide and grow our relationships with our international partners. Visit edudeo.com/jobs for the official posting - applications due October 29.

Career Opening - World Renew, Donor Relations and Advancement Manager - Are you passionate about Donor Relations? Do you have experience leading a team? If so, we have an opportunity for you! World Renew has a full time opening for a Donor Relations and Advancement Manager within our Constituency Relations (CORE) team, base in Grand Rapids, Michigan. 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. Please visit: https://worldrenew.net/careers. Apply by 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: <a href="https://worldrenew.net/careers">https://worldrenew.net/careers</a>.

## Resources for encouragement

**CAIN AND ABEL** - This story of two brothers is the Bible's first story of jealousy and murder. Why does the author of Genesis include such a gruesome story? Join Groundwork as we study Genesis 4 to find out what the story of Cain and Abel communicates about our human emotions, worship, righteousness, and faith. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.

**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.

**FOR THE LOVE OF LIZ** - Liz really wants to be elected to student council, and he's got a secret weapon to win. Will his plan work? Subscribe for free at getkidscorner.com. Check out KC's new Mezuzah craft at www.kidscorner.net.

**Family Faith Formation Tip** - If you want to have a regular family worship time or regular devotions and need a great resource, check out "Teach Us to Pray: Scripture-Centered Family Worship through the Year" by Lora Copley and Elizabeth Vander Haagen. These simple devotions follow the church seasons and include activities, songs, Bible readings, wondering questions, and prayers that engage kids of varying ages. (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.