

# September 1, 2019 Denominational News

# Synod 2019

<u>THE BANNER'S GUIDE TO THE ACTS OF SYNOD 2019</u> - Every year, following the CRC's annual general assembly, the denomination publishes a hefty volume detailing all the 'acts' of that year's synod. If you get bogged down in the 50,000-word document or are intimidated to even pick it up, The Banner's 3,000-word guide is for you. Find it at thebanner.org/synod.

### From Back to God Ministries International

<u>MORRIE'S LOVE STORY</u> - Morrie gets up the courage to talk to the little red-headed girl he's had a crush on. But does she like him, or is there someone else? Listen now at kidscorner.net and subscribe to KC's weekly emails for future episodes. Download this month's Kids Corner puzzle and game giveaway, The Bible Challenge Activity Book 7.

<u>GROUNDWORK: BAPTISM</u> - Water is ordinary, so why do Christians think touching a person's body with water in baptism can do extraordinary things? Join Groundwork in studying Matthew 28:18-20 and Colossians 2:9-15 with our guest Jim Brownson to discover what happens in baptism, whom it's for, and the hope it gives to faithful believers. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com and subscribe to Groundwork's weekly emails for future episodes.<u>POWER TOOLS: STAND UP TO BULLYING</u> - At school, on the playground, or online; your child can face a bully anywhere. Equip your child to stand up to bullying in a godly way with Power Tools, an ebook from Kids Corner. Get the ebook when you subscribe at KidsCorner.net/PowerTools.

<u>FAMILY FIRE</u> - 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.

### From Faith Formation Ministries

<u>FAMILY FAITH FORMATION TIP</u> At-Home Faith Formation Tip - Fall can be an overwhelming and anxious time for students of all ages. How could you encourage the students in your family or your church this week? You might bake cookies, share a favorite book, send a card. And pray for them as they discover the gifts God has given them and explore how God might be calling them to use those gifts. (Tip from Faith Formation Ministries; crcna.org/FaithFormation)

### From World Renew

<u>CAREERS WITH WORLD RENEW</u> - If you are passionate about World Renew's work and advancing His kingdom, check out the following career opportunities currently available with World Renew. These include: Director of Donor Relations, USA (based in Grand Rapids, MI); and Program Coordinator with the International Disaster Response Team (based in Burlington, ON). See our website for more details about these opportunities and the links to apply: worldrenew.net/careers.

Help Naschitti CRC Recover from Arson Fire - Last week, the CRC in Naschitti, NM, was damaged by arson. The property was uninsured and church leaders have asked World Renew DRS for help. DRS volunteers are making plans to support the congregation with clean up, repair and volunteer labour. Your financial support makes this project possible. Please give generously today at worldrenew.net/drs, by calling 888-WRLD RNW, or sending your cheque, made out to World Renew DRS with "Naschitti CRC Response" in the memo line, to World Renew, 3475 Mainway, STN LCD 1, Burlington, ON L7R 3Y8.

# From Diaconal Ministries Canada

<u>YOUTH JUSTICE PROJECT</u> - MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY! The Youth Justice Project is an annual video contest funded by NewGround (a program of Diaconal Ministries Canada). Teens from CRCs across Canada are invited to identify an injustice in their community and share ways they hope to address it. Winners will receive money, as well as coaching and support, from NewGround staff. Get more information on our website: diaconalministries.com/newground/new-ground-youth-justice-project/

# The 2019 Day of Encouragement Registration Website

**WEBSITE** it up and ready for you to secure your spot at the cheapest price! The date for the DOE is Saturday November 2, 2019; Remember November.

#### www.regonline.ca/doeedmonton2019

This year we are so happy to be partnering with World Renew to commemorate 40 Years of Welcome! Our churches will be joining with World Renew to celebrate the work that they have been doing with the Canadian government as well as with churches in our area over the past 40 years and more!

The day will include addresses from Lewis Cardinal, Ida Kaastra-Mutoigo & Rebecca Walker, Jennifer Henry and more. It will also feature stories and testimonies from refugees, refugee families, churches and committee members. This is open for everyone to take part in, whether you have been involved in refugee sponsorship work or not. Celebrate what has been accomplished with us and be encouraged with us for the work that remains to be done ahead! Workshops will explore a variety of topics around inclusion and hospitality, so there is something for everyone to come, be inspired, encouraged and grow in God's mission.

More details, posters, brochures to follow but why wait, register now and ask a friend to join you... <u>www.regonline.ca/doeedmonton2019</u>

**TOUR THE BIBLICAL LANDS OF ISRAEL** March 9 – March 20, 2020. Experience a refreshing renewal of your faith, and gain a deeper understanding of the Bible, as you tour the biblical lands with teaching host, Pastor Peter Tuininga, and Sindbad Tours of Israel. See many of the biblical places (Jerusalem, Galilee, Caesarea, Jericho and much more), and gain spiritual and historical insights which will make the Bible come alive for you. For complete information, cost, and registration, go to website: : **toursofisrael.wordpress.com** or call Peter Tuininga: 1 289 877-8433 or e-mail: <u>peter.tuininga@gmail.com</u>.

#### From The King's University - September 2019 Announcements

#### <u>KING'S FORTIETH FAIR</u>

This free outdoor event kicks off a year of celebrations in honour of King's 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Enjoy carnival rides, concession stands, soccer home openers, and more! September 7, 10 a.m.-10 p.m. at King's.

<u>IDOLS AT IKEA: THE GOSPEL OF CONSUMERISM</u> - As part of the fall Interdisciplinary Studies Conference, join us at The King's University on September 18 at 7 p.m. for a talk with philosophy professor Dr. Neal DeRoo. A dinner for pastors and alumni will precede the talk at 5:30 p.m. Visit <u>kingsu.ca/isconf</u> for more information and contact <u>alumni@kingsu.ca</u> to reserve your spot.

<u>DUTCH IMMIGRANT ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEWS</u> - The Gerry Segger Heritage Collection (GSHC) at The King's University is seeking those who immigrated from the Netherlands to Western Canada (BC, AB, SK, and MB) from 1945-1960 for oral history interviews. If you would like to participate please contact the GSHC at 780-465-8320 or <u>elyseabma@uvic.ca</u>.

# From Redeemer University College

<u>CAREER + CALLING NETWORKING EXPO -</u> Employers can now register for a table at the Career + Calling Networking Expo! The October 30 event is an opportunity for exhibitors to connect students to co-ops, internships, work-integrated learning and future careers. <u>redeemer.ca/networking-expo</u>

<u>LITURGY OF THE ORDINARY</u> - How do we embrace the sacred in the ordinary and the ordinary in the sacred? In the overlooked moments and routines of our day, we can become aware of God's presence in surprising ways. On September 25th, join Redeemer and CRC Faith Formation Ministries for a day of conversation with award-winning authors Tish Harrison Warren and Jen Pollock Michel. <u>redeemer.ca/liturgy-of-the-ordinary</u>

<u>NEW HORIZONS</u> - New Horizons is a day at Redeemer for the young-at-heart! On October 22nd, hear an engaging presentation by Dr. Ben Faber, enjoy a hot lunch and be entertained by student musicians. A closing reception allows time to connect with grandchildren or other Redeemer students you may know. Register by October 4th for the early bird rate! redeemer.ca/new-horizons

<u>COME FOR A VISIT! -</u> Experience Redeemer for yourself by taking a tour and meeting with Admissions staff. Join us for a personalized visit or Campus Visit Day on October 21st. Learn more and register at: <u>redeemer.ca/visit</u>

<u>REDEEMER IS HIRING!</u> - Redeemer is hiring for a number of positions this fall. Visit our website for a list of employment opportunities and position details. <u>redeemer.ca/staff-openings</u>

Additional News Posts and Information on The Christian Reformed Church Network | August 27, 2019 can be found on the CRC Network - <u>network@crcna.org</u>