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A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE NEWBERG FRIENDS CHURCH COMMUNITY

“...INTO ALL THE WORLD”

Impacting Eternity Through Teaching

by Karen Swenson

High school graduation—a time of joy as we celebrate the culmination of the students’ four years of study; a time of expectation as we look forward to what God has in store for these talented young people; and, for those in the international school community, a time of sadness as we say “vizontlátásra” (farewell) to students who are scattering around the globe.



Saturday was graduation day at International Christian School of Budapest. Although I am no longer affiliated with the school, God has given me special opportunities to impact the lives of

many of these students, including nine of the graduating seniors. During the past year, I taught AP Physics (8 students) and AP Statistics (3 students), neither class offered at the school. I also taught Algebra 1, Geometry, and Spanish 2 for students who needed an alternative educational setting. In addition to teaching classes, I tutored several other students or



offered preparation sessions for SAT, ACT, or TOEFL. My students ranged from a sixth grader to the seniors and included students from Korea, China, India, Hungary, Great Britain, and the United States. Many were the children of American missionaries; others were international students whose parents are involved in business.

One of the students who graduated on Saturday was a Chinese young man named JiLi. I began working with JiLi in grade 8. He had come to Hungary three years earlier, but studying in an English-speaking school had been an overwhelming task. He was caught in a cycle of defeat and failure. After working with him in an attempt to break the cycle in grade 9



The Art Wall is resting while we enjoy Community Time on the lawn. Send your Art Wall suggestions to Sherry or Elizabeth.

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and having limited success, I recommended the family find a computer technical school where JiLi could pursue his interest and gifts. Following 14 months of studying computers in Beijing, he returned to Budapest with a new understanding of the importance of English and a new spirit within him. The transformation since then has been truly amazing. Now, two years later, he has received his high school diploma and heads off to university in the United States next year.



Some of the students come to me because learning is difficult for them, either because of language or learning issues. Others come to me because they are capable students who want and/or need a challenge. One such student was Abbie, who came to me for AP Physics and AP Statistics. Abbie and her family moved to Budapest two years ago when her father accepted the pastorate at an international church in Budapest. Moving midway through your high school years can be a daunting task, but Abbie jumped right in and became an important part of her class. Not

only did she participate in soccer, volleyball, basketball, and track, but she also maintained a 4.0 GPA and was valedictorian of her class. Abbie is a capable and godly young lady who heads off to study environmental biology at university next year.

As I reflect back on the students who have crossed my path during my time in Budapest, I am amazed and humbled at how God has taken the gifts he has given me and how he has used them to impact his kingdom. One mother recently shared the following with me: “Our ministry is pastoral care and counseling for missionaries, and we see many families who have to go back to the States because of special learning difficulties their children are having. The mission community loses far too many effective people because of educational issues. You have helped keep many, many families, including ours, healthy, effective, and on the field because of your unique calling and giftedness to serve children/teens who are gifted or who have learning problems.” Because of the work I am doing, missionary families are able to continue their ministry and touch lives in Hungary and many surrounding countries. Eternity is also being impacted as I teach and mentor the future leaders who pass through my classroom. I praise the Lord for how he is impacting lives through the teaching opportunities he has given me.

Karen Swenson has been teaching in Hungary for 15 years, serving with NWYM Teaching Abroad since 2002. Before going to Hungary, she was active in Newberg Friends for nine years. The work of teaching fills most of the hours in the week, but she looks forward to having time to play her cello and finish a quilt.



Register Now!
June 24-28 • 9-11:30 a.m.

Find registration forms at the welcome center, the info centers, and in the church office.

WELCOME...



... to new members **Brian** and **Susan Doak**, **Nova** and **Junia** (associate members). Junia arrived after this photo was taken.

50-Day Prayer Journal

The Northwest Yearly Meeting Administrative Council has provided us with a 50 Day Prayer Journal—a tool to help us prepare as we draw closer to our annual sessions in July (21-25). The focus of this journal is not solely on our Yearly Meeting Sessions, but to draw us into a space of prayer across all the Northwest, therefore preparing us for our time together.

Click here to catch up on the journal entries, which began on June 2.

Your **NFC** THIS WEEK

READING ASSIGNMENT FOR JUNE 16

Ephesians 4:30-5:2

SUNDAY

Sunday school for children and adults — for times and classroom information, find "Educational Opportunities" at each entrance, each "Info Center," at the welcome center, or ask a greeter to help you.

9am | worship gathering

10-10:45am | Community Time | on the lawn (or in the social hall and library if it's cold or rainy)

10:15-10:45am | library open

10:45am | worship gathering

7:30pm | Enjoy pie a la mode while you hear Elizabeth Todd share about her upcoming work in Ramallah | social hall

Monday, June 17

Intercessory prayer | 9am | Barclay C

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

VBS orientation | 7p | social hall | required for all VBS volunteers | choose between this date or June 23

Tuesday, June 18

High school volleyball open gym | 7-8pm | pick-up game

Wednesday, June 19

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Friday, June 21

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Saturday, June 22

Men's prayer meeting | 8am | Friendsview Creekside, 2nd floor, TV room

Sunday, June 23

Reading assignment: Galatians 2:19-3:7

VBS orientation | 7p | social hall | required for all VBS volunteers

Plan Ahead

June 24-28 | VBS | 9-11:30am | 4yrs to 5th grade | Michelle/503-539-5041

July 1 | JOY breakfast | 8am | J's Restaurant | for seniors 55 and older

July 4 | NFC office closed for the holiday

July 14 | Outdoor worship | breakfast on the lawn

July 21-25 | Northwest Yearly Meeting Annual Sessions | GFU campus

July 22-26 | Tilikum Day Camp | registration deadline July 12

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NFC's Calendar on the Web (will be available again soon)!



What's with Elizabeth Todd and Ramallah?

Catch up on the latest details and ask questions while enjoying a piece of pie a la mode.



7:30 p.m., Sunday, June 16
NFC social hall

You come; we'll bring the pie!

Ministry Seasons End for the Worship Ensemble and NFC Bells.

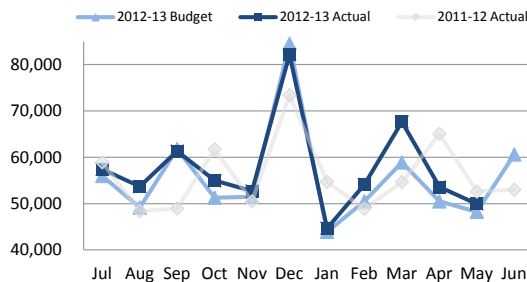
Last Sunday marked the end of another season of ministry for the NFC Bells. The worship ensemble finished their season a couple of weeks ago. Both of these ensembles work faithfully/rehearse weekly and bring strong and unique music and ministry to our gatherings. Thanks to all the singers and ringers for their contribution to our worshipping community.

Ministry seasons for both are from September to June, and while the requirements vary, each of these joyful groups is open for additional ringers/singers. For more information contact **Mauri Macy**.

NEWBERG FRIENDS CHURCH FINANCIAL RECAP • MAY 2013



YTD General Fund Giving



Difference (in thousands)	1	5	(0)	4	1	(2)	1	4	9	3	2
	(2)	5	12	(7)	2	9	(10)	5	13	(11)	(3)

Actual vs. Budget
Current vs Prior Yr

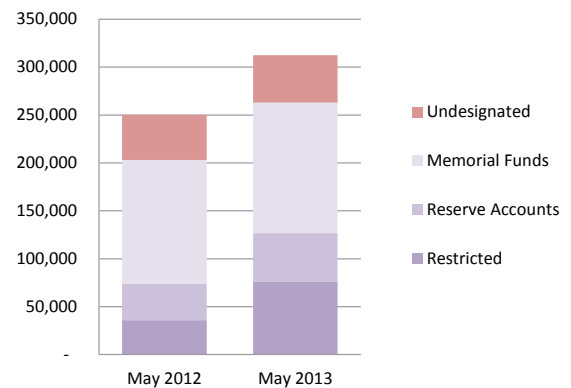
YTD Donor Restricted Funds

	Beginning	Income	Expense	Balance
Global Outreach	255	38,745	37,425	1,575
Outside Ministries	4,968	12,520	12,520	4,968
Compassionate Care	5,212	17,770	16,854	6,128
NFC Ministries	5,265	2,039	1,867	5,437
Scholarships	6,156	2,720	3,178	5,698
Facilities	6,068	200	73	6,195
Other Funds	13,150	57,870	25,288	45,732
Totals	41,075	131,863	97,205	75,733

General Fund Year-to-Date

	Actual	Budget	Ahead/ (Behind)
Income	702,703	671,437	31,266
Expense	(675,381)	(678,094)	2,714
Net	27,322	(6,657)	33,979

Cash & Investments



A complete financial report can be found on the bulletin board in the library.

NEED • SHEET

NEEDED:

- A friend and I are looking for people who need their house painted this summer and would like to hire us as a potentially cheaper option. If someone is interested in having us give an estimate, they could write an e-mail to DavidGCrisman@hotmail.com or call 971-409-7577.
- I'm looking for a free or inexpensive food dehydrator. If you have one you are not using and would like to free up some cupboard space, you can contact me at svpruitt@gmail.com or 503-314-9915.
- Donate your excess/unused craft items to camp—beads, leather, wood, fabric, needles, thread, yarns, ribbons, paints, markers, glue guns, glues, trims, fishing line, paper bags, popsicle sticks, stickers, broken jewelry, pins, gimp, wood burning tools, tiles, unused t-shirts and/or ball caps, small glass jars, boxes, or anything else you may not need. Call and I will pick them up—Mary at 971-832-2619 or maryddaniel@hotmail.com.
- Kids Missions Camp is looking to borrow 5-6 free-standing, open-sided canopy shelters July 7-11 (actual dates of need are July 7-8). If you have one to loan, please e-mail froggylcb@yahoo.com.

AVAILABLE:

- Bring your horse! Looking for single female to rent a room in our spacious home in the country. Large bedroom. Private entry. Share the large kitchen, family room (with home theatre), laundry room, and other conveniences with family. Stall available in small barn with 9 acres of pasture. Other pets will be considered. \$400 a month. Contact Ron or Lori Tuning at 503-537-4261 or 503-538-7438.
- We have two twin-sized captain's beds we need to pass on. They have seen some use but still have life in them and still look okay. White with fake light wood head and foot boards. Each bed has two doors, two drawers, and a shelf. Mattresses not included. Contact Aaron or Linda O'Neill at 503-625-3015 or lindao@sterling.net or aoneill@sterling.net.

FOR SALE:

- Gorgeous remodeled condo in Spaulding Oaks 55+ community. 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, 1517 square feet, new kitchen, updated bathrooms, woodstove, 2 decks. 1100 N Meridian Street #33, Newberg. \$115,000. Contact Linsey Macy, Prudential NW Properties, at 503-703-9064 or visit linseymacy.com/RTR13263329
- Whirlpool dryer. Older model, but working fine. Needs to go because of move. \$25; 3'x4' mirror, \$25. Call Fawvers at 503-537-8951.

To place a one-time free ad—

- e-mail: sherry@newbergfriends.org • mail: NFC, P.O. Box 487, attn. Sherry
- bring a written ad to the NFC office at 600 E. 3rd Street
- deadline: June 26 • no phone-in ads; please resubmit repeated ads