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# Your NFC

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

## LIVING OUT LOVE —> LOCALLY...GLOBALLY

by Elizabeth Todd

*"Jesus loves the little children. All the children of the world."* I grew up singing this song and still love it.

*"They are precious in his sight."* Yes, they are.

I've spent the last year living in the Middle East with some of these precious children.

They are precious when they are sweet and beautiful, when they suffer and are in pain, when they display evidence of second-hand trauma and depression.

They are precious even when they carry the seeds of war in their hearts, in their words, and in the way they behave with other children.

Jesus loves the little children ... and their parents and grandparents too.

This year I have been a NW Friend Serving Abroad at the Ramallah Friends School just north of Jerusalem. Founded in 1889, it is now K-12, co-ed, with 1200 students, 70 percent Muslim and 30 percent Christian, all of whom live under military occupation. I will return in August for a second year because I am part of a long-term commitment by NW Friends to express love and friendship on the other side of the planet. It is global ministry that can only be done by becoming local. We (Friends) said yes. And so did I.



Living out love requires us to show up where we are invited. And to stick around long enough to know and be known. Love, here or there, must be more than passing "interests."

An essential ingredient in love is compassion permanence. That is an abiding commitment to the good of another even after the initial prompt has faded from its initial urgency. Compassion permanence means long-term commitment: "in God's name, I will stand with these people through their storm that lasts beyond my natural attention span."

In this way we can be healed from global compassion attention deficit disorder and corresponding compassion fatigue.

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For nearly two thousand years, Christians have released other Christians for ministry in far off places, even though there was always plenty to do “at home” as well. We choose to become local. For this we must go past generalized well wishing or short-lived serial concerns to expand our own experience. NW Friends have chosen sustained involvement in Russia, China, and the Middle East.

So I was able to minister in Ramallah, a small city in the Middle East, because Friends from NFC and around our yearly meeting sustained me with dedicated prayer, personal connections, and financial support. And through compassion permanence, Friends will return me there this coming year. I know from experience that Friends are faithful supporters. Thank you, Friends.

And this year we Friends also join together to support Kara Maurer and Anna Thomas, who are going to live out love in Russia. Appointed by NWYM to continue Friend-ly presence there (Johan and Judy Maurer will be in the U.S. for sabbatical),



Kara and Anna are

committed; they will stay long enough to learn some language and culture and to serve and love in Jesus’ name. They go as part of a long-term commitment. As Friends of Jesus, we fund, equip, and send them. This year, they choose to be local in Russia. And we, by sending them, become local too.

Thank you, NFC. You become local in places that are far away. And love, here and there, prospers.

To hear more e-mail [Elizabeth Todd](#) to schedule a meeting or attend one of these meetings in and around Newberg:

- Sunday, June 22 NFC Agape Class; NFC evening social in the social hall
- Saturday, July 12 Clackamas Park Women of Grace held @Friendsview
- Sunday, July 13 Camas Friends morning service
- Sunday, July 20 NFC Sandals Class 9am /1045 North Valley service
- Sunday, July 20 YM Friends Women Banquet @ George Fox University
- Mon/Tue/Wed YM workshops @ George Fox University
- Sunday, July 27 Vancouver Friends morning service

*Elizabeth Todd is a Friend Serving Abroad through Northwest Yearly Meeting. She has returned to Oregon this summer to visit Friends, orient new short-term team members (Cheryl Engle, Lana Thurston, and Ashley Weinacht), report about Friends work in Ramallah, and eat pork.*



## YOU ARE INVITED

to a wedding reception  
to celebrate the marriage of  
Frank and Janelle Engle

June 14, 2014, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Friendsview Retirement Community  
1301 Fulton Street, Newberg

Frank and Janelle were married on Saturday,  
May 31, 2014, in Spokane, Washington.



## HEAVEN’S GAIN

**Beryl Woodward** died on June 8, 2014, at age 108. She had been a member since 1965. Family members at NFC include **Ron** and **Nancy Woodward**. A memorial service to honor Beryl’s life will be held at Newberg Friends on Monday, July 7, at 11 a.m.

## Outdoor Worship July 13, 2014 @10:45 a.m.

**Potluck Brunch On the Lawn @ 9:30 a.m.**

Bring your own table service along with a brunch item and/or a box of cereal to share. Milk and coffee will be provided.



# Your **NFC** THIS WEEK

## READ AHEAD FOR JUNE 15

**Ephesians 2:11-3:21** linked to biblestudytools.com

### 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 inside

**10:15-10:45am** | library staffed

**10:45am** | worship gathering

### Monday, June 16

Intercessory prayer | 9am | Barclay C

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

John Coleman memorial service | 2pm | NFC sanctuary

VBS orientation | 7pm | | social hall | all volunteers must attend this orientation or the one on Wednesday

### Wednesday, June 18

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Middle school youth group | 6:30pm

VBS orientation | 7pm | social hall | all volunteers must attend this orientation if you missed the one on Monday

### Thursday, June 19

VBS registration team meeting | 7pm | Barclay C | separate orientation for VBS registration team members

### Friday, June 20

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

### Saturday, June 21

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

### Sunday, June 22

Read ahead: Ephesians 4

Ice cream social with Elizabeth Todd | 6pm | Hear an update on her time in the Middle East. Relax, eat some ice cream, enjoy community, and celebrate our friend.

### Plan Ahead

June 23-27 | vacation Bible school | register at <http://bit.ly/1dBaf5V>

July 4 | NFC office closed for Independence Day holiday

July 7 | JOY breakfast | 8am | J's Restaurant | for seniors 55 and older

July 7 | Beryl Woodward memorial service | 11 a.m. | NFC sanctuary

July 13 | Potluck Brunch (9:30am) and Outdoor Worship (10:45am) | Bring your own plate and tableware, along with a brunch item and/or a box of cereal to share. Milk and coffee will be provided.

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LISTENING to Christ  
CHANGING in the Spirit  
LIVING OUT love

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## NFC's Calendar on the Web!

# NEED • SHEET

## NEEDED:

- Looking for Adventures in Odyssey CDs to borrow for our kids to listen to during our flights to Rwanda, Africa, this summer. If you have any you are willing to loan please let me know—[irene.dunlop@gmail.com](mailto:irene.dunlop@gmail.com) or 503-554-1739.
- We are a local family looking for a 4-bedroom rental in the Newberg area that will allow pets. Our children go to Veritas School. We have been renting the same house for more than 4 years, and it has been a wonderful fit, but the owners wish to move back in. We would also be interested in an owner/finance situation if possible. Call Dawn Cornell at 503-710-7270.
- Jim Fisher from North Valley Friends is organizing a work party of men to help Alaska Yearly Meeting re-roof a church in Kotzebue, founded in 1898. This trip is in late August, and Jim reports there will be a caribou hunt after the roof is done. He says it will cost \$1,200 per person, but that people can raise support and send it to NWYM for the tax benefit. Contact Jim at [jim@primetimedev.com](mailto:jim@primetimedev.com) with questions.

## AVAILABLE:

- Apartment for rent. \$800/month, fully furnished, just outside of Newberg, 1.5 miles from GFU, beautiful country views, peaceful serene setting. 1,200 square feet, 1 bedroom, two bathrooms, with second floor patio overlooking fields, stream, and country setting. Ideal for one or two people. One large master bedroom with walk-in closet, two sinks, full master bathroom. Can be configured with one king or two twin beds. Call Michael at 503-550-0142 for more information.
- Free! Toshiba 46in HD projection TV. Model 46HX83. Eleven years old. Working fine when I unplugged it a week ago. Optional stand is included (I have added wheels to the base to help move it around). You can do split screen viewing of two programs, or you can watch one with seven other channels being scanned in small pictures across the top and down the right side. Great for the sports or news junkies. About 24in deep x 51in high x 43in wide. A big box, but you can't find a smaller price. Manual included. Call 503-330-0257.

## FOR SALE:

- Matching Flex-Steel love seats. Seventy-five dollars each, or both for one hundred dollars. Call 503-330-6643 for details, or an appointment to see. Contact Ron Staples at [rnstpl@gmail.com](mailto:rnstpl@gmail.com) or 503-330-0257.

To place a one-time free ad— • e-mail: [sherry@newbergfriends.org](mailto: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 25 • no phone-in ads; please resubmit repeated ads

**The Need Sheet can now be found online at [newbergfriends.org/resources/need-sheet/](http://newbergfriends.org/resources/need-sheet/)**

## FINAL CALL!

**College Scholarships** for undergraduates will be available for those who consider NFC their church home and who attend Friends colleges or universities such as George Fox. Find an application at the welcome center, pick one up from the church office during the week, or download it from **this link**. Return your completed application by June 15. We ask that students reapply each year for this scholarship.

