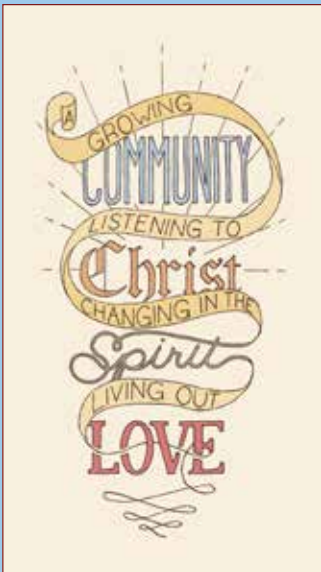


Your NFC

a weekly newsletter for the
people of the
Newberg Friends Church
community

November 11, 2016



Living Out Love Locally ▶ Globally

by Todd
Brand

I have been teaching at Newberg High School for 19 years. I primarily teach health classes to 14-16-year-olds. I am amazed at the ways



God has taught me in my 19 years of teaching high school. I generally have around 35 students in my classes. One of the biggest challenges is grappling with the diversity of life experience and perspective in the room. Some students have been exposed to substance abuse from an early age, some have been sexually active for years before they start high school. I have always seen my teaching as a ministry. When I began teaching, I thought my mission was to convert students into people who saw the world like me. I quickly found that this is not a sustainable way to live out love in the world. I learned over the first few years of my career that loving people in our community meant accepting them as they are, where they are—learning about their lives and their perspectives. My vision for ministry in the community quickly changed. I love being able to laugh with students, to learn and discuss challenging social topics and to give students the room they need to evaluate their lives on their terms. I assess learning in the classroom, and students receive a grade in my class, but the heart of what I do is much deeper than that. It is a struggle to balance caring about a student's life and avoiding the impulse to control it along with their choices. I continue to walk that struggle daily.

One of my passions is seeing students become indignant about injustice in the world and to begin working to make our community a better place, locally or globally. When students realize that racism and sexism and other forms of discrimination are some of the biggest barriers to health, they begin to explore ways they can work to improve the lives of their families and people in their communities. I love to see the spark of love ignite in the lives of young minds. I love to see God working in the world. I struggle to let God be in control of the outcomes. I struggle to live out love in ways that are supportive and sustainable. God continues to transform me in this process, and it is good.



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READ AHEAD FOR SUNDAY

Amos 5:10-15; Micah 2:1-4

What's Ahead

SUNDAY

9am | 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 | in the social hall and library

10:15-10:45am | library staffed

10:30am | Agape Sunday school class

10:45am | worship gathering

1pm | Bible Quiz Practice | FC Room 100

3p | Equipo meeting | North Valley Friends

Monday, November 14

Intercessory prayer | 9am | Barclay C

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Call to Prayer | 6:30pm | Room 236

Wednesday, November 16

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Julia Pearson WMF | 1:30pm | Friendsview Hess Creek Classroom | featuring Linda Byrd

Middle School youth group | 6pm | Friends Center

Exploring the Fruit of the Spirit | 6:45-8:30pm | Barclay A/B

WBFpm | 7pm | Barclay C

High school youth group | 7:30pm | Friends Center

Thursday, November 17

Women's Bible Fellowship | 8:45am | social hall

Friday, November 18

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Saturday, November 19

Men's prayer meeting | 8:15am | Friendsview Creekside, 2nd floor, TV room

Sunday, November 20

Combined Thanksgiving Service at Bauman Auditorium, George Fox campus | 10am Community Time, 10:45am worship

Plan Ahead

November 24-25 | NFC office closed for Thanksgiving holiday

November 28 | Call to Prayer | 6:30pm | Room 236

November 28 | Margaret Fell WMF | 7pm | Spaulding Oaks Community Center | featuring Loren Van Tassel, international students

December 4 | Newcomer Gathering | 10am | Room 236

December 4 | Taizé gathering | 6pm | NFC sanctuary

December 5 | JOY breakfast | 8am | Friendsview Hess Creek dining room | \$4 | for seniors 55 and older

December 10 | wood ministry work session | 9-11:30am | Friends Cemetery on Everest Rd | contact Larry Hampton, 503-538-6508

December 12 | Call to Prayer | 6:30pm | Room 236

December 14 | Julia Pearson WMF | 1:30 | Friendsview Hess Creek

NFC's Calendar on the Web!



FAMILY HOLIDAY WEEKEND 2016

at Twin Rocks Friends Camp

Dec. 9-11, 2016
(7pm Friday through 1pm Sunday)





Start a new family tradition and join us at Twin Rocks as we celebrate the birth of Christ! You'll have plenty of opportunities to invest time making memories with your family. Holiday themed activities and foods will be available including cookie decorating, gingerbread houses, apple cider, board games, ornament making, hot chocolate, Christmas stories, and worship celebrating the birth of our Savior.

Venture away from camp and enjoy some Christmas shopping at local antique stores, or take a ride on the "Candy Cane Express," a holiday-themed train ride on the Oregon Coast Scenic Railroad. It's a weekend that is all about choosing to do the things you enjoy as a family.

Find more information and register online at www.twinrocks.org or call (503) 355-2284.

Twin Rocks Friends Camp & Conference Center • P.O. Box 6 • Rockaway Beach, OR 97136

Prices: Children (9+) & Adults: \$90
 Children (3-8): \$65
 Infants (0-2): Free
 Family Maximum: \$340
 Deluxe housing is also available (please see prices online).

— from **Cindy Johnson**

To the NFC Community—

I would like to thank the pastoral staff and elders at NFC for giving me the opportunity to minister among you for the last several years. I'd especially like to thank my Just Older Youth for your graciousness with me, for allowing me to minister to your needs, and for your ministry to me.

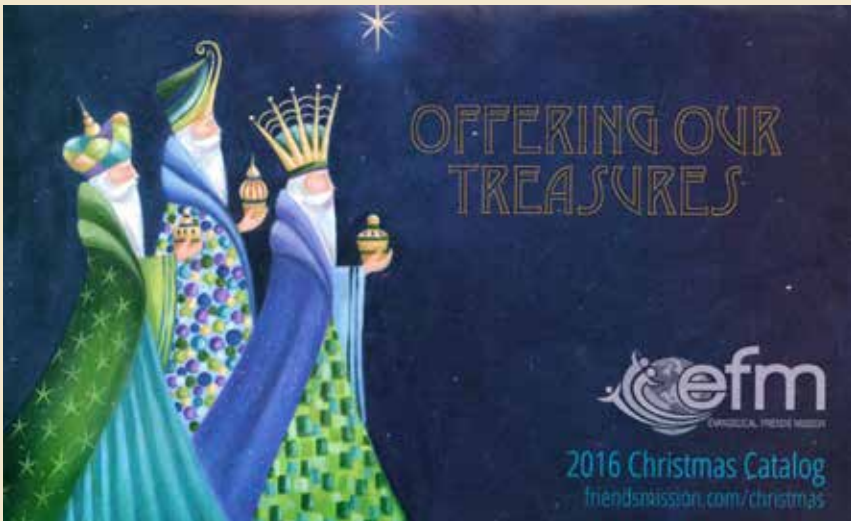
It comes with some sadness to tell you I feel released from my position of ministry here at NFC effective November 18. While my ministry with you has been spiritually fulfilling, it has become increasingly clear to me over the past year that the difficult issues our church and yearly meeting are dealing with, and the death of my mother this past summer, have weighed me down and taken a lot of the joy out of my ministry. I've spent much time in God's word and prayer seeking direction. Recently I have received a clear message that has led me to this announcement.

Just this morning my devotions led me to Zephaniah 3:17: "The Lord your God is in your midst, a victorious warrior. He will exult over you with joy, he will be quiet in his love, he will rejoice over you with shouts of joy."

I hope these words are as life-giving to you as they are to me.

Thank you for allowing me to be used by God in your lives. Know that your faith in God has been a tremendous blessing to me.

In Christ's love, Cindy



OFFERING OUR TREASURES

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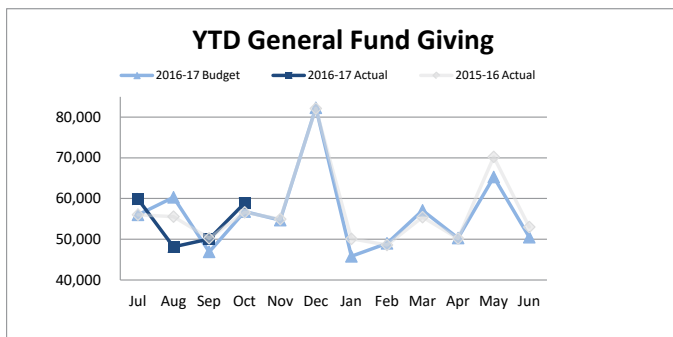
Click the image above to see the online catalog.

----- IMPORTANT -----

You may have seen an article in last Wednesday's *Newberg Graphic* about the settlement of a lawsuit regarding sex abuse by Bruce Bishop, former youth superintendent of our yearly meeting. We would like to clarify that to the best of our knowledge, there were no allegations that sexual abuse occurred at our church; rather, the conduct was alleged to have taken place at other locations.

We place a high value on safety for our children and youth, and have had policies to prevent abuse in place since 1994. We've updated them continuously, including this past summer. We are setting practices that show zero tolerance for abuse, because we want to be safe and transparent. We always welcome your comments about how we can improve our procedures and are committed to the safety of children and youth taking priority over any other concerns.

Financial Recap for October 2016

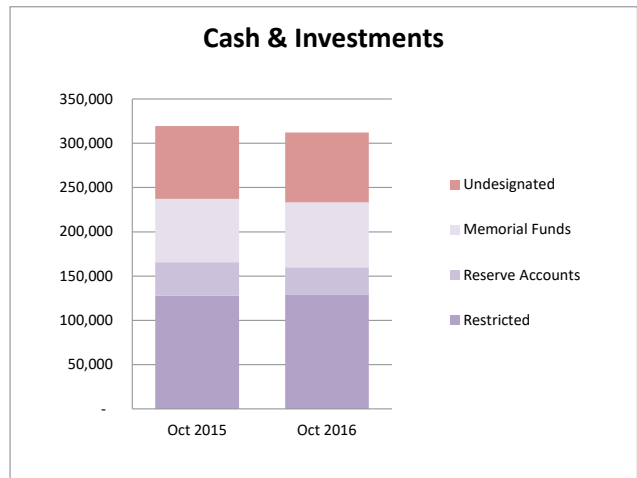


Difference (in thousands)	4	(12)	3	2
	4	(7)	(0)	2

Actual vs. Budget
Current vs Prior Yr

General Fund Year-to-Date			
	Actual	Budget	Ahead/ (Behind)
Income	235,199	240,414	(5,215)
Expense	(250,903)	(275,107)	24,204
Net	(15,704)	(34,693)	18,989

YTD Donor Restricted and Memorial Funds				
	Beginning	Income	Expense	Balance
Global Outreach	(360)	6,830	6,130	340
Outside Ministries	4,728	4,854	4,854	4,728
Compassionate Care	12,108	6,770	4,623	14,255
NFC Ministries	10,331	1,268	3,726	7,873
Scholarships	6,722	960	4,331	3,351
Facilities	138	-	108	30
Other Funds	105,441	1,506	8,312	98,635
Memorial Funds	73,000	230	-	73,230
Totals	212,108	22,418	32,084	202,442



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



Ongoing Prayer Opportunities:

- **Mondays 9 a.m.** Prayer Team (every week in NFC office building, Barclay C)
- **Mondays 6:30 p.m.** Call to Prayer (2nd and 4th weeks in NFC Prayer Room)
- **Saturdays 8:15 a.m.** Men's prayer meeting (Friendsview Creekside 2nd Floor)
- **Sunday mornings** (NFC Prayer Room is open)

Prayer requests: [E-mail](#) or write on a Community Card on Sundays. (Teams will pray for the requests.) Contact [Steve Fawver](#).



ANNUAL THANKSGIVING SERVICE
AT BAUMAN AUDITORIUM
NOVEMBER 20
10 AM—COMMUNITY TIME
10:45AM—WORSHIP

This year we were approached by North Valley Friends; they wanted to join us for a combined worship experience. We invited other Newberg area Friends churches to come, and 2nd Street will attend!

Need Sheet

Needed:

- NWYM Representatives will be meeting in Newberg for a called business meeting December 9-10. If you're willing to host someone in your home, please contact Angela Kantz at the yearly meeting office at 503-538-9419 or akantz@nwfriends.org.
- Youth Outreach (YCAP) is recruiting SafeShelter host homes to provide temporary emergency shelter for up to 21 days to 11- to 17-year-old runaway and homeless youth in Yamhill County. Applicants are required to pass background checks and provide complete biographical information and participate in regular training and support meetings. Once certified, hosts will receive a small monthly stipend and nightly allowance when sheltering youth. For more information contact Mark at 503-538-8023 or mark@yoservices.org.

Available:

- Our Little Red Cottage in Newberg is available to rent for the winter season. Do you have guests coming to town for the holidays but not enough beds? This could be the perfect solution! It costs less than a hotel, and you'll get a fully stocked home with a washer/dryer. Sleeps 4, queen bed plus hide-a-bed in the living room. Internet, DVD, and cable TV provided. \$75 per night, \$450 per week, \$1,350 monthly. Available starting December 5. Contact Diane Wright at 503-236-3565 home (no texts).
- Free stuff: juicer/steamer; food dryer (countertop); electric ice cream freezer; canner; small wooden tool chest; cordless Makita power drill; Black & Decker cordless power drill; variable-speed jig saw; Stanley electric stapler; fertilizer spreader. Call Longstroths at 503-538-8653 (2033 NE Chehalem Dr, Newberg).
- The Great Turkey Fumble (5k run / 1k walk) to benefit Newberg FISH will be held on Thanksgiving morning beginning at 8:30am. Mixes in fun football challenges the whole family can enjoy. Register [HERE](#).

To place a one-time free ad— • e-mail: sherry@newbergfriends.org
• bring a written ad to the NFC office at 600 E. 3rd Street
deadline: December 7 • no phone-in ads; please resubmit repeated ads

Thanksgiving Offering

November 2016

Click [HERE](#) to see the beauty that surrounds Quaker Cove, get to know Karl and Liz Seume, and witness their heart for this ministry.

The first new cabin in 50 years!

Every year we work together to take an offering at our local churches and meetings for a special project. This is our way to allow our thankfulness to overflow to those in need. Please consider giving generously to Quaker Cove Camp in Anacortes, Washington. With your help, we will build a new cabin at the camp, which will provide eight additional beds for guests to sleep in.



Quaker Cove in Anacortes, Washington

■ Quaker Cove was bought in 1930 and has been managed by the Puget Sound Area Friends Churches. The camp was a thriving ministry, but in the last 20 years, involvement and camp use has dwindled. The camp lost volunteers and because of that the camp started to lose money each year and buildings became unusable.

In 2013 Karl & Liz (Sugden) Seume felt God calling them to Quaker Cove from their home in Germany. With their three kids in tow the Seumes moved



from Germany to Quaker Cove in 2015. Liz writes the following: “When we arrived at Quaker Cove finances were rough and there was a lot of work that needed to be done in order to get the camp in a condition where it could be rented out to groups.”

Over the past year God has met every need that has come

continued

to Quaker Cove. Group rentals, people, and supplies to help improve the camp were among the top needs. The first Sunday the Seumes visited a church in town, the pastor informed them their church had felt called to put on a middle school camp, and they would be deciding on a location that week. The church partnered with Quaker Cove to do the camp, and over half of the students that came committed their lives to following Jesus for the first time. God is working and God is moving! The camp income went from \$4,500 the previous year to over \$37,000 this year so far. Giving has also gone from \$6,000 to \$30,000. This has made it possible for the Seumes to tackle some of the most necessary projects, but they still have a long way to go. In order for the camp to survive and grow, it has to be able to host more people year round. In the summer, the camps rustic cabins can host 75-85 people in a group. In the winter, however, there are only four cabins (30 beds) that are useable.



So we offer these needs to you, Friends, as the 2016 Thanksgiving Offering. With your help Quaker Cove will use what is raised to replace the Everett cabin, which has been out of use for many years and cannot be repaired. This will provide Quaker Cove with eight more warm beds

year round and include a toilet and shower. The cabin costs around \$20,000. Quaker Cove is confident that with the extra capacity the cabin would provide, the cabin would pay for itself within two years. This would be the first new building at Quaker Cove in 50 years!

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TO DONATE:

You can be part of this offering when it is collected at your church.