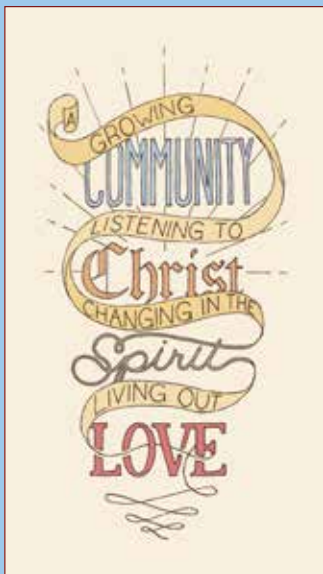




Your NFC

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

November 4, 2016



From Me to You

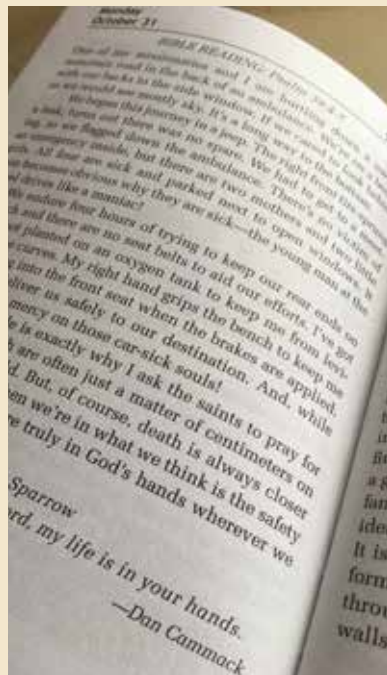
by Eric Muhr
youth ministries



I'm in Canton, Ohio, this weekend for conversations with the superintendents of yearly meetings in Evangelical Friends Church – North America (EFC-NA). We'll be discussing the future of this organization and its member churches as well as ways to help Barclay Press become a self-sustaining work among Friends. I would appreciate your prayer. The truth is that Barclay Press relies heavily on financial support from each of the six yearly meetings that make up EFC-NA. We will be hard-pressed to make changes. But we must. I am convinced that facing into tough spots and making difficult decisions can open creative potential for growth, efficiency, and efficacy. I am praying that will be what happens (or at least will begin to happen) during our time together this coming weekend.

In Monday's *Fruit of the Vine*, Dan Cammack shares a story that speaks to my concern. It's a travel story, one in which Dan and a missionary "are hurtling down a narrow mountain road in the back of an ambulance." The jeep they started with developed a leak in the right front tire, and "there was no spare ... so we flagged down the ambulance." There are no seatbelts, and "the young man at the wheel drives like a maniac!"

"This wild ride is exactly why I ask the saints to pray for safety," Dan writes, and it's a reminder for us that no matter how comfortable we may feel, the reality is that "life and death are often just a matter of centimeters ... [and] death is always closer than we realize, even when we're in what we think is the safety of our homes."



Dan's message isn't intended to scare us. This is reality. We're on a journey, and there is danger along the way. A flat tire. A narrow road. An ambulance with room for a few extra passengers.

We know where we're headed, but we don't know if we're going to make it, and "the young man at the wheel drives like a maniac!" That's why it's a comfort to be reminded that "our lives are truly in God's hands wherever we are."

I'll be praying for you, and I hope you'll be praying for us at Barclay Press as well. This is a wild ride. It's also kind of scary. And I need help remembering that my life is in God's hands.



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READ AHEAD FOR SUNDAY

[Exodus 22:21-24](#)

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

10-10:45am | Newcomer Gathering | Room 236

10:15-10:45am | library staffed

10:30am | Agape Sunday school class

10:45am | worship gathering

1pm | Bible Quiz Practice | FC Room 100

4:30p | Refugee Response Committee | Barclay A

6pm | Taizé gathering | NFC sanctuary

7:05pm | Peace and Justice gathering | social hall

Monday, November 7

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

Intercessory prayer | 9am | Barclay C

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Wednesday, November 9

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Middle School youth group | 6pm | Friends Center

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

WBFpm | 7pm | Barclay C

Exploring NFC | 7-9pm | Room 232 | for new attenders and long-time too | contact [Gregg Koskela](#)

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

Thursday, November 10

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

Friday, November 11

Strong For Life | 10:30am | Barclay B

Saturday, November 12

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

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

Sunday, November 13

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

Equipo meeting | 3pm | North Valley Friends

Plan Ahead

November 14 | Call to Prayer | 6:30pm | Room 236

November 16 | Julia Pearson WMF | 1:30pm | Friendsview Hess Creek Classroom | featuring Linda Byrd

November 20 | Combined Thanksgiving Service at Bauman Auditorium, George Fox campus | 10am Community Time, 10:45am worship

November 24-25 | NFC office closed for Thanksgiving holiday

NFC's Calendar on the Web!



Join us this Sunday at 7:05 pm in the social hall for a time of exploring how we can serve our local and global communities through peace and justice efforts.



Sandals Sunday School Class Invitation

Join us as Mark Hall, Herbert Hoover distinguished professor of politics at George Fox University, leads the remaining two of a three-part series in the Sandals Sunday school class.

Nov. 6: Why Tolerate Religion? The Rise and Fall of Religious Liberty in America

Nov. 13: Religion and Politics in 2016

The Sandals Sunday school class meets at 9 a.m. in the social hall; all are welcome to come join our conversation.

Exploring NFC

Wednesday,
November 9

7-9 p.m.
Room 232



Exploring NFC is for anyone interested in finding out more about the NFC community or considering membership. Whether you are new or have been here for years, come and join us!

Led by *Gregg Koskela.*

Clip and save this handy shoebox drop-off schedule!



Operation Christmas Child

A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

Grace Baptist Church
1619 E 2nd Street, Newberg

Mon, Nov 14: 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Tue, Nov 15: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Wed, Nov 16: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Thu, Nov 17: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m., 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Fri, Nov 18: 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Sat, Nov 19: 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Sun, Nov 20: 4 p.m. - 6 p.m.

Mon, Nov 21: 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Bereavement Seminar Offered

Providence Hospice invites you to a free presentation: "Get Me Through the Holidays: 10 Strategies for Coping with Loss." This one-hour seminar helps people who are grieving the death of a loved one discover practical and meaningful ways to cope during the holidays. These coping strategies can be used for other personal holidays, such as birthdays and anniversaries. In addition, those who want to offer their support will discover tips for how to help someone who is grieving. The seminar at Providence Newberg Medical Center (Dundee/Sherwood Rooms) will be held on Saturday, November 19, at 10am. [CLICK HERE](#) to see the flyer, which also gives other dates/locations for this seminar as well as registration information.



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!

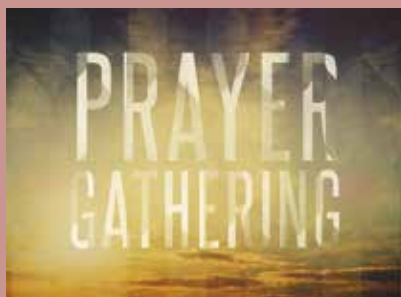


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Newcomer Gathering

If you are a relatively new attender at NFC, please come to a casual get together in the Prayer Room (236) on Sunday, November 6, between services (10-10:45am). Let us help you find the next step for connection in the life of our church!



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](#).



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Ministry & Services**

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a faith-based support group for women who have
or are experiencing
domestic violence or abuse of any kind.
Please call 503-846-9284.