

# Broadcaster

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## Our Pastor Writes

The last week of March brought together the great hope that is ours in Christ as we mourned the death of our sister Ruth Ekholm and at the same time celebrated the promise of the resurrection in Christ. How powerful the words of John's Gospel seemed to me as I read to Ruth, Tuesday morning, Jesus' words, "In my Father's house are many rooms;...and if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you with me that you also may be where I am." By noon Ruth had received the invitation that Christ extends to each of us.

But there was another sign last week of the great hope that is ours.

On the north side of the church where the snow melts last and where sun rays rarely reach, shoots of grass and the first sign of tulips were poking through the still cold and salt-saturated ground. Ruth Ekholm planted God's word as she allowed Christ to live through her. As we enter into this Easter season let us too be elements of life, and hope and allow Christ in us to be the

***"As we enter into this Easter season let us too be elements of life, and hope and allow Christ in us to be the hope of glory for others."***

## From Galen and Jill

Fofofo family, friends, and fellow sojourners on THE WAY,

The way! What does that mean? The Fulani would say that it refers to "Puulaaku" (the Fulani way). This is what determines if one is a good Fulani or not. Things like not showing emotions, desires or needs. For example: a person coming in from a long dry trip would never "ask" for water. This would show a need and be considered a character weakness. Or a man, when greeting a group of women, would never greet his own wife or even acknowledge her in any way. In some Fulani groups young men seeking to marry the same girl will clasp left hands and hit each other with their cow sticks until one shows fear or pain. This one then stands disgraced before the girl's family and is not a fitting suitor.

The Muslim would say "the way" refers to the SUNNA, lifestyle of Mohammed, the prophet of Islam. Because the Qur'an gives only general directions for living, Muslims rely on the Hadith, a collection of stories about Mohammed and his life, to cast light on how people should live. This becomes the measuring stick for acting like a good Muslim. Things like how to pray, how to wash, what pleasures are permitted and which are not, what not to eat, how a man is to treat his wives, how government should work, how to wage war, what language is the best, and literally all other areas of one's life. A person who submits to living by Mohammed's example is assumed to earn Allah's favor and this would add to the likelihood that Allah would allow them into paradise.

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But what am I referring to as "THE WAY"? Jesus, God's anointed said, "I am THE WAY, the TRUTH and the LIFE; no one comes to the Father but by me." (John 14:6) It's not to dress like Jesus! Not to speak his language! But as we labor to live in our own culture and time Jesus calls us to follow the path of righteousness that leads to God. For centuries this path has been hidden from the Fulani. And yet some Fulani have chosen this path, and often have taken it at great cost. Jesus told us it would cost us. Heaven proved its worth by going to the cross and enduring much suffering and humiliation. In speaking of the coming trials, Jesus says, "...be of good cheer; I have overcome the world." (John 16:33). So as we approach Easter remember THE WAY is showing us, and the Fulani, the way to Himself. Alleluia!



**On the Road Again!** It is hard to believe we have been in Burkina Faso more than 3 1/2 years now. In August we will be returning to Minneapolis to begin Home Assignment. The anticipation of winding down here is beginning to sink in. Added to this is the thought of resettling into US culture, purchasing a car (a first for Jill and I in 21 years), getting Elli ready for school and preparing for itineration and church visits. We are planning to take a few days in Paris so Elikia can see the place she studied about for 3 years in French primary school. Jill and I will also be taking some weeks of Muslim studies before settling back into our home in Minneapolis.

**Some like it HOT!** The cooler season of the year (daily average highs of 85 degrees) is over. So the walls are again hot to touch and our brains are on a slow boil (104 degrees average highs last week). Today is cooler as the harmattan winds are blowing. These hot winds whip up fine Sahara Desert sand that blocks the hot sun, but also carries dust that infiltrate every corner of our house (bed, closets, computers, etc...). I joked with a Fulani believer yesterday, who arrived here via motorcycle, because

the dust in his hair made him look years older.

**Noteworthy events- past and future:**  
Two children's "Naming" ceremonies and a Wedding: December and January gave us opportunities to participate in these important events in the lives of Fulani Christian friends and the families. What a blessing to hold little Bande Nuuhu and bless him in the name of our Lord Jesus.  
Dynamic Equivalence Workshop: January 7-8 Galen used Brad Hill's visit (Covenant Congo colleague and speaker for the SIM Spiritual Life Conference) as a stimulus to gather Fulani Christians to grapple with the form of Christian ceremonies and life events (i.e. marriage, dedication, death, baptism, etc...). The resulting discussions were lively and resulted in new commitment to share Christ in all aspects of one's life.  
Mahadaga Region Fulani Conference: Jan 31-Feb 4 Galen took a truckload of Fulani to assist the Christian Fulani and a missionary. Farewell Service: Our cell group gathered to send off two Fulani families to attend Bible school for the next four years in Benin. Eli + Fatimata Bande (and Daouda- 2 years) and Joodooma + his new wife- Odile. Please join us in praying for their Biblical studies and character formation while in Benin.  
Burkina Faso Fulani Network Consultation: After months of planning, this gathering took place March 11-13. The 28 participants came from various Burkina denominations and mission groups. We shared the vision of reaching the Fulani for Christ and I presented the audio and printed resources now available. Many participants purchased materials to initiate contacts with neighboring Fulani.  
Break from the heat: After Easter we will be taking a week's vacation in Cameroon before the bi-annual Covenant African Staff meeting there. We will be with many friends from our years in the Congo (Zaire).  
Passing the baton: Late April and beginning May we will have some Fulani men here with us. Jallo Hassal, from Piela, will be learning to use recording equipment (Minidisk) to continue to record messages, testimonies and music during our year in the states. We will attempt to record some more village music for

## Corrine Johnson answers some questions about her trip into West Africa

After months of anticipation and planning Corrine left February 6th for a three week trip to visit Galen, Jill and Elikia Johnson in Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso. Upon her return February 26th questions were asked about her trip and here are some answers.:

1. Why did you go there, to that country of all places? I went to visit my son and his family, Galen and Jill and Elikia Johnson, who have been missionaries in Ouagadougou for almost four years.

2. Weren't you afraid to go there? Not really. I relied on strength I receive from prayer and believing my God would protect me. If not, I was ready for whatever came along. "When one wants something enough, it is possible" And I really was lonesome to see them again.

3. Did you travel alone? Yes, I was alone. I had tried but had not found anyone to take the trip with me. Since I had traveled to Zaire eight years ago, I was from experience to request assistance and that the gate in the next terminal in Amsterdam and customs and security in Ouagadougou.



I had been confident in finding my way again. I have learned helped me a lot. I was escorted from one terminal to in Paris. Galen stood ready to help me through

4. What were your first impressions when you arrived? I was glad to find someone who spoke English! Everyone on the trip, except the flight attendants, spoke other languages. Also I sensed at once the change of temperature. Although this is the dry season, the temperature at the 10PM arrival was very comfortable in the 70's.

5. Was this true during your entire stay? No, the "hot" summer temperatures came in the last week I was there. Then the daytime readings were in the low 100's and the nights were in the upper 80's. The ceiling fans in every room helped a lot! One didn't stay out in the sun more than was necessary.

6. What was their home like? They live in a very comfortable house in a Fulani area of Ouagadougou. There were three bedrooms, two baths with cold showers and flush toilets, a nice living/dining room and kitchen. There was a front verandah that was shaded and comfortable to sit in most of the time. The entire area is fenced with tall mud brick fence topped with cut pieces of glass to discourage thieves. The metal gate was kept locked and a guard was hired to watch their home three or four alternative nights a week. Elikia's German shepherd dog was also a good guard. Inside the yard is another building which was divided into Galen's office and a guest room. There were also several other outdoor storage areas used for storing their motorcycle, bikes, and a place for their Toyota Hilux vehicle.



7. Does Elli have pets other than the dog? Yes, she still has a chicken she calls Speckles, some doves, a turtle and several rabbits, the number keeps changing!

8. What is Elikia's school like? She is attending an international school with students and teachers from many different countries. They speak many languages but the instruction is done in English. Because of the temperatures, school starts at 7:00 in the morning so Elli and Jill would leave at 6:45 on the motorcycle every morning. School lasts until 1:30 in the afternoon. Then at about 4:30, at the cooler time, students return for gym-type activities which they select. Elli took running and basketball when I was there. She likes basketball and made most of the baskets the day I watched. She was a head taller than any of the others on that team! Her favorite subject is French, which may be because she is good at it and she attended French school for the first three years. I spoke to her class one day telling about my experiences teaching and attending rural schools in Minnesota. They asked a lot of questions!

9. What is Jill's responsibility other than parenting and keeping the home? She teaches at the same international school as Elli attends. She teaches small groups of students needing to brush up on learning English (ESL- English as a second language). There is a lady that comes to do laundry and to clean in the home three-four days a week. Because of the heat and the dust a lot of both need to be done regularly. Jill and Galen share some of the meal planning, cooking and shopping. There are a number of medical needs for which Jill is sort of a consultant such as being an advocate for the young boy who was hospitalized and later lived for several months with his father and/or uncle in the guest room while receiving treatment for cancer. There seems to be a good deal of entertaining also. Fulani Christians come from other parts of the country and camp and sleep outside while attending conferences.

10. What do you see as Galen's primary ministry? He attends to many different aspects of Fulani training. He reaches out to neighbors and street people to build relationships. Some boys trained to be beggars come regularly to their gate and instead of offering money or food, he sets them down to listen to tapes about Christ or to hear music that is done by Fulani Christians. They continue to return day after day. Galen tapes conference speakers, Fulani folk music and scriptures to be used by interested Fulani, mostly Muslims, that do not want to attend churches in body but are hungry to hear Christ's message. He takes his turn preaching Sunday worship services (in French) in the church that several of them

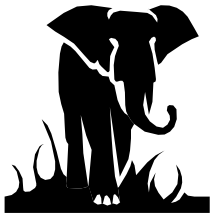
have started in an area where there was no Christian church. Galen is the manager in charge of housing for SIM missionaries. He organizes and plans conferences held for Fulani pastors in the Ouagadougou area and nationally. Galen has in the past year begun to record and cut CD's of verbal testimonies by converted Fulani Muslims to Christianity. Included also are conference speakers and the Gospel of Luke by Fulani Christian readers. These cassettes and CD's are made available to other pastors, and to radio stations in the future, for spreading the Good News of salvation. Galen has shown the Jesus film at many villages and at their home. With that gesture goes the responsibility of setting up follow-up for those who convert to Christianity.

11. What is SIM? This is the acronym for the group that has been ministering among the Fulani people group in Ouagadougou and many parts of Africa for several years. Instead of starting up a new ministry back in 1998, the Covenant World Missions decided to work with existing ministries. So this is sort of the parent group under which Galen and Jill work. They are jointly with the Covenant World Missions and with SIM.

12. What was the city of Ouagadougou like? This is the capital city for the country of Burkina Faso. It is located in the center of the country and is inhabited by about one million people. A high percentage of them are illiterate. Many of them make their homes in small mud brick homes in groups in the city. They work at many crafts, brick making, leather craft, metals, weaving, sewing and constructing clothing. Many are cattle owners and drive cattle out of the city daily. This leaves clouds of dust each way to add to the dust from the winds. Others sell goods at the stalls along the side streets of the city or in the market place. Some drive donkey carts or man-driven carts of goods to sell to passers by. Some who have an education work in embassy homes and offices or in business places of the city.



13. Where is this country that you have visited? Burkina Faso is a country about the size of the state of Colorado in area. It was formerly called Lower Volta. It is a land locked country that lies in the center of West Africa bordered by Mali, Niger, Benin, Ghana, Togo, and Cote d'Ivoire. (I mostly say it is south of the Sahara Desert and north of the Ivory Coast) Its population is approximately ten and a half million. The climate is hot and dry with two main seasons: the dry season March and April, the rainier season May-April. However the rainfall which is equal to that of Minnesota, comes in a few big downpour floods, washing out the roads and leaving muddy fields and lakes. Dams and reservoirs harness some of the water which is used to irrigate some of the land. Millet is the chief crop and is used for feeding the goats, sheep and cattle as well as being the staple meal for the people.



14. Did you see any animals other than the domestic animals? Yes, I was fortunate to be part of a min-safari. I went with Galen, Jill, Elli and Elli's friend Olivia for a short weekend to the national wild animal park in southern Burkina Faso. It is called Nazinga and the only controlling of wild animals is the way some of the grassy brush is burned annually to promote more new growth and to help in seeing the animals more easily. We rode in a rented Toyota Land Cruiser with a top rack where the guide and Jill, Elli and her friend sat to be outlooks for animals. They used binoculars and walkie-talkies as Galen drove slowly through the park on the bumpy stone packed paths. We saw lots of elephants close up to the truck, like maybe sixty in different groups of ten or so. There were several kinds of antelope, warthogs, hyenas, waterbuck, baboons, monkeys and crocodiles. Some were too far away to get good photos but we got some good ones of the elephants.

15. What kinds of accommodations did you have while traveling out of the city? We stayed in grassroofed huts with electric ceiling fans, cold showers and flush toilets! Our meals except for breakfasts, were prepared for us in a restaurant with out door seating and a TV! Foods on the menu were mutton, chicken, fish, brochettes, (kabobs with skewered beef, tomatoes, green peppers and pineapples) with a sauce, French fries (fritts), and large salads. The dessert was mostly ice cream or cake. We always brought our own filtered water and lots of it! Other beverages were tea, coffee or cokes. Breakfast was brought from home and eaten on the hut step. Mostly it was cold cereal, fruit, muffins and powdered coffee or tea using water heated on a canned gas portable burner.

16. Didn't you have any food served in a common pot and scooped out with the fingers? No, I didn't partake of that sort of meal though it was served to the other guests who chose it. I chose a plate to hold my food and a fork to eat it, which was a chicken, cabbage and tomato casserole-type dish.

17. Did you see any Fulani close up? Yes of course. I visited the couple and family next door who were very nice people. I visited the village where Galen and Jill spent time learning the language of the Fulani called fulfolde. Of course I couldn't speak to them because they are not English speaking. This was a rather difficult visit to be guests where we couldn't communicate. Then I shopped with Galen doing the negotiating. This was done from the windows of the truck. Vendors came up to the windows as soon as we stopped in any of the villages or the city. They brought their wares to us and I was instructed to keep the window closed and he would talk prices and make an offer. I bought all my postcards, stationery, and souvenirs that way!

18. Are you going back again? No, maybe not. Now that I have been there to see the layout and their ministry I am satisfied to visualize them there in the future. With them home for a year of itineration, I will be happy to entertain and spend time with them here in Minnesota. However, being there is an experience and opportunity I will never regret. It was great to see my son and daughter-in-law at work for the Lord in places very few will go to serve Him.

# "Memories"

## by Margaret & Gundy

TWENTY FIVE YEARS AGO – 1977 **April**– Palm Sunday, April 3 – Reception of new members; France Anderson, Oliver and Donna Fabian./ Easter Sunday, 8 a.m. breakfast and 11a.m. Worship Service/ Sat., April 16<sup>th</sup> – Bethany's Annual Smorgasbord from 4:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. / Sat. April 20<sup>th</sup> – Lawn Party, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wanted! People to help do the lawn work any 2 hours during the day. See the poster in the lounge area for more details or call, Bob Seidel. – Also, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wanted! People to join in cleaning and rearranging the kitchen. See Lorraine Warnberg for details. **May** – 11 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship, Reception of new members. Today we welcome Ruth Nyquist & Aleck Gunderson. – At 5:30 p.m. a dinner party in fellowship hall to honor all who have served this year in the various expressions of our Christian Education Ministry. / Mon. through Friday, May 16–20, 9:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Pre-School Bible School. / Confirmation Sunday, May 22. The Confirmation Class members are: Chris Dolmer, Jean Haar, Mark Kolsrud, Susan Louisiana, Beth Sallen, John Takvam, Todd Vitols, Betty White, & Michael Wilder. From the May 22<sup>nd</sup> bulletin; A busy week of May Bible School is over at Bethany, 59 pre-schoolers were in attendance. / Sun., May 29 – Guest preacher is Rev. Arron Markuson. Aaron and his wife, Margaret, served Bethany from 1970 to 1975.

FIFTY YEARS AGO – 1952 **April** – From the April 6<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday bulletin; Rev. Arthur Anderson will be with us this week from Tuesday to Friday to present a series of Holy Week Meditations. They will start at 8 p.m. each even and will include special music. / April 13, Easter Sunday. 7:30 a.m. Breakfast sponsored by the Young People Society. 9 a.m. Sunday School Missionary Program. Missionary film on the Congo. 11 a.m., Easter Morning Worship Service. 7:30 p.m., Easter Sunday Evening Hour. / 5:30 p.m., April 20, Sunday Vesper Service. Sunday School All-Family Night. The Sunday School pupils will present a program and supper will be served free to all during the fellowship hour. **May** – Church Clean-up Day, May 6<sup>th</sup>, by the Dorcas Society. Come early with cleaning utensils, lunch will be served. / Sunday School teachers meeting, May 13<sup>th</sup>. Motion made and 2<sup>nd</sup>, that we pay the following Covenant pledges now. Mountain Mission \$40.00, Equador \$50.00, Covenant Youth \$30.00, Alaska \$65.00, and Japan \$50.00. / Confirmation Sunday, May 25<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to our Confirmands: Mary Jane Gordon, David Neu, Jacqueline Smith and Gordan Williams. Miss Jacqueline Smith will confess her Christian faith through baptism today. Also at 7:30 p.m. today, Bethany's Choir Concert. The program will include Miss Ruth Askov, violinist, Mr. Curtis Anderson, pianist and Mr. Curtis Vining, Vocalist. A free-will offering will be taken.

SEVENTY FIVE YEARS AGO – 1927 **April** – A letter from the

Secretary of Missions read that all the American Missionaries in China reached Shanghai safely on their way home. (28 persons, including adults and children.) Arrival in Seattle will be April 25<sup>th</sup>. (These notes are from the Betania Vannen church paper) Marriage: Paul Fredlund & Genevieve Norton at the church parsonage. Witnesses: Arthur Pearson & Ruth I. Johnson. – Norwest Sunday School Conference begins at Bethany on April 22-24<sup>th</sup>. Delegates will be coming from several states. Could you house a delegate in your home? - There was a 100% attendance at the Junior League meeting last month. Miss Esther Gustafson, Missionary from Africa, spoke. Vern Pearson spoke at another meeting about his experiences in Florida. David and Oscar Westland supplied music for this evening. Dorcas News: Motion made to help pay for a new davenport for Ebenezer Home in Buffalo.- Mrs. Peterson and Mrs. John Pearson will organize a day for cleaning the church. Men and women are asked to participate. Today's program featured a piano solo by Oscar Westland and a duet by Mrs. Arthur Swanson and Mrs. Fred Johnson. **May** – From the Betania Vannen – Easter Sunday, Yvonne Marie Sunden (Gardeen) was baptized. – Painting & paper hanging is finished at the parsonage. / Congregational meeting May 2<sup>nd</sup>. – Motion is to have a program of Midsummer's Day to burn the mortgage on the parsonage. A committee will make the arrangements for the festival. – Letter of resignation read from the organist/choir director, T. Fredrickson. A committee will find a replacement./ May 23<sup>rd</sup> Board Meeting, motion to have a joint Sunday evening service with Bethlehem and Elim Covenant churches during July and August. ---Amen---

## The Feast 2002

A vacation in the Colorado Rockies is waiting for families or single or couples to come and participate in a festival of prayer for the whole Covenant family. June 22-25, 2002. Details are in the brochure on the narthex table or ask the Berger's or the Stayko's about their adventures when they participated in The Feast 2000.

## Youth Team News

I will be stepping down as your youth director at the end of the summer Blazer program. An unexpected job change this year, for my wife Kris, has made it especially difficult for us to balance family, church, and school. Sometimes the things that God calls us to do are not easy, but we must do the best we can. It has been a pleasure and an honor to be your youth director and I have enjoyed our relationships. I know that God will bring a new person to Bethany who will be able to expand our youth ministry program.

It is often very powerful to hear the testimonies of people who have committed their lives to God. John 3:3 tells us that "no one can see the kingdom of God unless he has been born again." My prayer for you is that each and every one of you earnestly seek out God and some day enter into a personal relationship with your creator. This is the same prayer I have for my own children. Jeremiah 29:13 says that "you will seek me and find me when you see me with all your heart." God's invitation is for everyone and he is not very far from each of us. Some of you have already entered into a personal relationship with God. For some of you, your born again experience will happen in an instant and for others it can be a process that takes place over many years. The end result will be the same. You will become the whole person that God created you to be and you will live life differently, as one of His children. I look forward to seeing how your young lives unfold. I look forward to hearing your testimonies. I look forward to seeing the beautiful trees you become. I look forward to seeing the ripe fruit you will bear. I look forward to see how you serve God and his church.

### Upcoming Events:

- **PPIM – April 18<sup>th</sup> – Focus will be CHIC fundraising (Grades 9-12)**
- **MOVE – Urban Ministry Experience – April 12-14. (Grades 9-12)**
- **Trip to Chicago and North Park College on April 19-21. (Grades 9-12)**
- **Twins Game – April Day TBA. (Grades 7&8)**
- **The senior high will meet with Chad and Heather on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of each month.**

## Richland Court Ministry

Eleven children and two adults consistently attended our regularly scheduled activities in January and February. Gametime on Mondays, Mothers Club and Preschool Play on Tuesdays, and Kids Club on Wednesday continue with the excellent help of volunteers Corrine Johnson, Rosemarie Foster, Nancy Peterson, Faith Gavin and Tim Whalen. On February 25, six children and two adults enjoyed an evening of making crafts, note cards and gifts, directed by Chris Keswick of Bloomington Covenant Church.

As Easter approaches, we are sharing the good news of Christ's sacrifice and resurrection with those who come. Pray that God will touch hearts and that those who need Christ will accept Him as Savior.

The English class is meeting on Tuesdays with team teachers Teresa and Jake Depuydt and RoxAnn Kelly. Rosemarie Foster helps with child care. South Hennepin Adult Programs in Education (SHAPE) has agreed to test and register students in the program. In addition to that service, SHAPE will train our tutors and loan us teaching materials. Please pray and consider how you might assist in this program.

The Spring Courtyard Party is scheduled for June 8, 12 noon to 2 PM. Opportunities are available for your involvement.



# Nice to Meet You, Jane

Recently I had the chance to talk to Bethany's pianist and organist Jane Onken. I discovered that

she began playing the piano before the age of five and has played for more than sixty-five years! Jane grew up in Illinois where her mother was a piano teacher and passed the gift on to Jane. When Jane attended the Conservatory of Music studying piano and violin, her teachers encouraged her to become a concert pianist. However, Jane was encouraged to go into music ministry and serve the Lord. She was encouraged to go into music ministry and happily continues to do so at Bethany. In addition to the piano, Jane plays the violin, cello and the organ. She has also accompanied opera singers.



Jane attended Western State University in Illinois. She and her husband have since lived in Milwaukee before moving to the Twin Cities. Together, they have four children and eight grandchildren. In addition to playing music, Jane is a piano teacher, gardener, seamstress, painter and antiquer. I hope that everyone takes sometime to chat with Jane and find out even more about her.

## From the Editor

A big thanks goes out to **Wally Abramson**, who has printed out many, many *Broadcasters*. He will no longer be doing the color printing, so we will have a black and white *Broadcaster*. Thank you, **Aleck and Margaret**, for the many *Broadcasters* that you have collated, folded and sealed. I really appreciate your faithfulness and your willingness to get it done in as little time as possible!

Thank you, **Ruth Johnson, Linda Peterson and Sue Johnson**, for stepping forward to help with this publication.

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Thursday, April 4, 6:30 - 8:00 p.

m. Small Group Ministry Seminar. Bob Leinberger, who is pastor of teaching and discipleship of the Plymouth Church will lead us in a study of the impact small groups have had on his church. He will also share his vision and passion for small groups as God's tool to both build community within the church as well as to bring the Gospel to the community.

Friday, April 19 is the last day to place your flower orders. Delivery will be Friday, May 17. Help is needed on delivery day! Tell Marion Sowl or Donna Abramson if you are available.

May 5, Apple Sunday - People who work with our youth will be recognized and thanked.

May 15 - Last day of Wednesday Night Activities (except for choir rehearsal)

May 19 - Last day of Sunday School

May 19-21, School of Prayer Seminar hosted by Bethany Covenant Church. This seminar is sponsored by the Covenant Department of Church Growth and Evangelism. Pastor Ted Nordlund of the Anoka Covenant Church will lead the meetings.

June 2 - Confirmation Sunday



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**NORTHWEST CONFERENCE COVENANT  
WOMEN MINISTRIES  
ANNUAL MEETING, APRIL 26<sup>TH</sup> - ROSEAU, MN**

The women of this church are looking forward to host this meeting. Roseau is ten miles from the Canadian border. Pauline Carlson, career missionary to Japan, will be reporting on how God is moving in Japan. Toni Schawebe, NWCCWM Director, will speak in the afternoon on the Triennial theme, "Keeping In Step With The Spirit". Following the meeting a Coordinator's Summit is scheduled.

Registration is necessary. The cost is \$15.00, which includes lunch, coffee, materials. If you register you are responsible for travel and hotel expense. See the church office for all information about registration and directions to Roseau and the church.

Marlys Wahlberg



I would like to have a cleaning day at church for both men and women. Sometime after May 19<sup>th</sup> or into the first week of June. I will make a list of jobs. If you are interested, please let me know. Thank you.