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of NAMPA**

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PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP: "Therefore let us draw near with confidence to the throne of grace, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need." Hebrews 4:16

CHORUSES

HYMN 13....."We Gather Together"

SCRIPTURE READING Gary Kollmann

PRAYER

SPECIAL MUSIC Youth Group

HYMN 35....."Come, Thou Fount"

ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

HYMN 319....."Blessed Assurance"

SERMON "LOOKING IN THE MIRROR" Greg Kollmann

HYMN 20....."Revive Us Again"

BENEDICTION

HYMN 39....."Doxology"

OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

TODAY	3:30 p.m.	LBYF
TUESDAY	6:00 p.m.	Women's Ministries Visitation Evening
WEDNESDAY	7:00 p.m.	Singing, Bible Study & Prayer Everyone is invited.
	7:00 p.m.	Kids' Bible Club
SUNDAY	9:30 a.m.	Sunday School for all ages
	9:30 a.m.	2 nd Year Confirmation Class
	10:45 a.m.	Morning Worship Service
	3:30 p.m.	LBYF

The Women's Ministries will meet on Tuesday, October for a VISITATION EVENING. We will meet at the church at 6:00 p.m. to go out for an evening of visitation. We have quite a few people we would like to visit so it would be good to have a good turn out of visitors. If you can join us for the evening, please let Pat Schutte know. Also, if you would be willing to drive please let Pat know that as well.

On Sunday, October 6 a POTLUCK DINNER will be held following the Morning Worship Service to say "farewell" to Barb and Paul Grant as they move to Georgia. Please bring main dishes, vegetables and salads. Beverages and dessert will be provided.

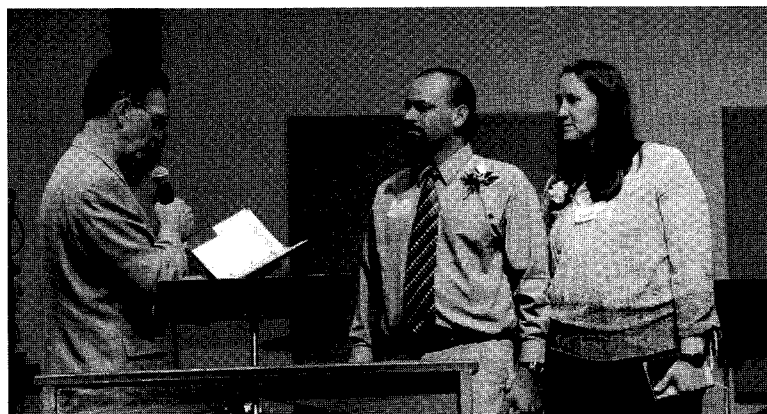
There will be a quick BUSINESS MEETING following the Morning Worship Service on October 13 to elect a replacement to the Trustee Board. The nominee to the Trustee Board is Eric Kollmann.

A REFORMATION/HARVEST PARTY will be put on by the youth group on October 27 from 3:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

LOOKING AHEAD: *HARVEST FESTIVAL SUNDAY* is scheduled for November 3, 2013.

We are in need of three more ladies to cook a turkey for the Harvest Festival Dinner on November 3. The 20 lb. turkeys will be provided. Please let Pat Schutte know if you are willing to cook one. Thank you.

As the Church of the Lutheran Brethren We Praise God
that Danny and Mandy Bronson Were Commissioned
as Missionaries to the Bilala People of Chad!



The Council of Directors (COD) authorized the "Call" of Danny and Mandy to a relationship building ministry of planting a church among the Bilala people.

The Bronsons were commissioned at Triumph Lutheran Brethren Church – West Campus, Fargo, ND, on August 18th.



Let's pray together for Danny, Mandy, Zeke, Theo and Jonah!

- September 2013 – French study in Albertville, France
- July 2014 – Arrive in Chad for further language study
- 2015 – Move to a Bilala village for ministry

Pray also for their families here in the States.

Daily Prayer Notes

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1st FRANCE *1 Kings 9:1-10:13*

Pray for **Danny and Mandy Bronson**, now engaged in French language study in preparation for ministry among the Bilala people of Chad. Pray for the family's adjustments to their new life in France. Pray also for good health for each one of them, which is so important during this busy time.

2nd SYRIA *1 Kings 10:14-11:43*

At this writing (Sept.), there are reports of chemical weapons in Syria and much debate about what the global response should be. Pray for our world leaders and for a just and lasting peace in Syria.

3rd N. AMERICA *1 Kings 12:1-32*

Pray for **Dean and Linda Bengtson** as they travel and share with our churches this month. October 1-9 Christian musician **MIGIWA** will join them from Japan. Pray for her ministry as they visit Faith LB Church, Cranston, RI, October 5-6 and several Japanese churches on the east coast.

4th CHAD *1 Kings 12:33-13:34*

Nathanael Szobody writes, "We praise the Lord for providing a language partner here in the capital city of Ndjamena to teach me Bagirmi. We continue to pray for **Carrie** to find a language partner too!"

5th N. AMERICA *1 Kings 14*

Roger and Sue Olson report that a group of Japanese college students are attending the Rock Talks: 18 to the BBQ & Bilingual Bible studies and around 5 to Sunday worship. May the Spirit continue working in their hearts and bring them to faith in Christ.

6th TAIWAN *1 Kings 15:1-16:7*

Ethan Christofferson asks prayer for **Mr. Rong**, a seeker in a weekly Bible study led by Ethan and **Andrew Larsen**. Pray that as Mr. Rong encounters conflicts between his views and the Bible that he would accept God's Word.

7th CHAD *1 Kings 16:8-34*

The harvest of crops starts this month for Chadian farmers. Pray for a good crop to sustain them in this coming year. Pray too for a spiritual harvest.

8th JAPAN *1 Kings 17,18*

Pray for the community of Ishinomaki, where **Dean and Linda Bengtson** are working toward the planting of a new congregation. Pray that their neighbors will find comfort and strength in God's Word.

9th EAST ASIA *1 Kings 19*

Stephen and Sandra Bickler leave the States tomorrow and ask prayer for five weeks of training

and conferences in East Asia. Pray that they will learn much about their new position and be granted safe travel and good health.

10th FRANCE *1 Kings 20*

Pray for **Zeke** (5) and **Theo** (3) as they attend school, and **Jonah** (1) who is in the nursery program, while their parents, **Danny** and **Mandy Bronson**, are in language classes.

11th CHAD *1 Kings 21*

Nathanael and **Carrie Szobody** ask prayer for **Ramadan**, a Bagirmi secret believer who has recently gone public. Praise God that his family has not threatened to kill him! Pray that he would remain a firm witness in the face of rejection and insults.

12th N. AMERICA *1 Kings 22*

May God call many to Himself as He works through the Japanese Ministries at Rock of Ages LBC in Seattle. **Roger** and **Sue Olson** ask God to grant them flexibility as they follow His leading during a time of transition at Rock of Ages.

13th TAIWAN *John 1:1-18*

Mike and **Delores Kittelson** ask for prayer as they assist Victory LB Church with outreach to low income families through a center that helps students with homework. Pray for opportunities to encourage parents as well as students. Happy birthday **Delores!**

14th ECUADOR *John 1:19-34*

For **Jim** and **Suzu Olson**, fall is a busy time of doing team-building and leadership retreats at El Refugio. School groups and businesses participate in their programs through October. Pray

that participants' hearts would be stirred and that they would be open to hearing about Christ.

15th CHAD *John 1:35-51*

Dan Venberg asks prayer for **Muhammed**, a young Fulbe man who is the only believer in his community. Pray for his spiritual growth and that his relatives will also come to faith.

16th EGYPT *John 2:1-22*

Pray for the persecuted Coptic churches and their leaders. May they grow in faith and boldness in these troubled times. Pray for the moderate Muslims who have stood with them against radical groups.

17th N. AMERICA *John 2:23-3:21*

Pray for **Marcos Holzner** as he awaits progress on his U.S. citizenship process. Pray also for Marcos' literature translation projects for the Bilala.

18th TAIWAN *John 3:22-36*

Tomorrow The Gospel LB Church in Miaoli celebrates 60 years of God's faithfulness. Pray for **Pastor Yu** and the believers, that God will use them to bring the Gospel to their neighbors.

19th CHAD *John 4:1-26*

Pray for new missionary couples to respond to God's call to go and proclaim the Gospel to the unreached people groups of Chad. Pray for churches in North America to come forward to support them.

20th CHAD *John 4:27-54*

Dan Venberg asks prayer for God's healing and strength for **Pastor Malloum** and his family. There has been a lot of health

issues in the family. Pray for their hearts to be encouraged.

21st N. AMERICA *John 5:1-29*

Dean and **Linda Bengtson** will soon be returning to their ministry in Ishinomaki. Pray for enjoyable and encouraging time with family and friends during these last days in the States.

22nd CHAD *John 5:30-47*

Nathanael Szobody is part of a newly-formed Bagirmi prayer meeting with another missionary and three Bagirmi Christians. They pray for the salvation of the Bagirmi and seek a truly Bagirmi expression of Christian faith, as there is no existing Bagirmi church.

23rd JAPAN *John 6:1-21*

Japan LB seminary is hosting a visit seminary day on November 4th in anticipation of the re-opening of the seminary in 2014. Pray for the preparations for this event and that God will gather those that He is calling into ministry.

24th CHAD *John 6:22-40*

Teresa Szobody asks prayer for the peace of Chad and the free sharing of the Gospel. "Tensions and prejudices are quite evident - may God pour out His Spirit and give light to this land."

25th TAIWAN *John 6:41-71*

Hakka Christians, from the two churches (Victory and En Lin) that LBIM-Taiwan missionaries are partnering with, are gathering together tomorrow for a joint service and fellowship. Pray that all those involved will hear God speaking to them in His Word.

26th N. AMERICA *John 7:1-24*

Pray for **Heidi Jensen** in the upcoming ministry season at Christian Embassy. Pray that the staff would have wisdom and hear the Lord's voice as they share the Gospel with leaders at the UN.

27th N. AMERICA *John 7:25-52*

Pray for **Dan Venberg** as he shares with churches the need to reach the Fulbe, Bagirmi and Bilala people of Chad with the Gospel.

28th TAIWAN *John 7:53-8:29*

Praise God for several Christians at En Lin Church who are involved with **Ethan** and **Sandy Christofferson** and **Andrew** and **Kris Larsen** in evangelistic outreach. Pray for the empowerment of the Holy Spirit.

29th CHAD *John 8:30-59*

Carrie Szobody asks prayer "for patience as we adjust to the culture changes. Pray for our early interactions with the Chadian people; that God would guide us in our relationships with them and give us a love for the people that we meet."

30th EAST ASIA *John 9*

Joel Christenson reports that there is a smaller-than-usual orientation program this summer which reflects a trend that is resulting in less new workers. Pray that God will call forward people from many countries to this vital ministry that Joel and Liz lead.

31st TAIWAN *John 10:1-21*

Join **Andrew** and **Kris Larsen** in praying the Lord of the Harvest for new missionaries to be called and supported for ministry among the Hakka in Taiwan

1 Council of Directors

Pray for the Council of Directors as they meet this week to prayerfully consider the needs of our denomination.

2 Women's Ministries

Ruth Vallevik will be visiting MN churches (Egan, Fergus Falls, Barnesville, Fargo) from October 1-10. Pray for the women of these churches as they minister to their congregations and communities.

3 Living Hope, Beaumont, AB

Thanks to God. We look forward to finalizing the purchase of our new permanent ministry space. Pray that the process of changing this business condominium into a place for outreach and worship will move quickly.

4 Church Planting Summit

Please join the Regional Pastors and seminar speakers tomorrow for the next Church Planting Summit. It is being held in the LBS building and live-streamed for all to participate. Live-streaming begins Saturday morning at 10 am CST and continues until 12:30 for participants.

5 Messiah, Browns Mills, NJ

Today we are celebrating 25 years of God's faithfulness and our thankfulness for His leading us to become a part of the Church of the Lutheran Brethren.

6 Praise, Barkhamsted, CT

We praise the Lord for the start of a second Sunday worship service this fall. Pray for the new ministry leaders and the volunteers who are serving.

7 Ebenezer, Minneapolis, MN

Six adults from Ebenezer are engaged with "form MPLS" - a year of training and experience in leadership for mission and disciple-making for young adults. Pray that the Lord will use these young adults to bear fruit - fruit that will last (John 15:16).

8 Tuscarora, Mount Bethel, PA

Pastor Bob Dibbs will be the speaker for the "Fall Mid-Week Retreat". Pray for those attending to be refreshed in their faith through the teaching.

9 Our Redeemer's, Minot, ND

We are praising the Lord for the large turnout for our new AWANA ministry on our opening night. Pray for much spiritual fruit from this ministry.

10 Central Region

Pray for the CR college students attending a retreat this weekend. Dr. David Veum will be speaking on the topic "Hunger That's Not a Game".

11 Inspiration Point Christian Camp

This weekend is our 'Middle School Mania' retreat for kids in grades 6-8. Pray for these young students that the gospel will invade their hearts.

12 Women's Ministries

Pray for our leadership team as they meet this weekend. Pray for the Lord's guidance and blessing as we plan.

13 Western Region

Pray for those who are affected by the recent flooding in the Ft. Collins and Denver area.

14 Word of Life, LeSueur, MN

We ask continued prayer for Bill Floyd and Josie Gilbert who are part of our church family and are both battling cancer.

15 Eastern Region

Today our regional executive committee meets. Pray for God's direction in the conversations, planning and decisions being made regarding regional events.

16 Faith, Briarcliff, NY

Our building project is finally underway and we ask that people will pray for the safety of the workers, patience for our congregation and God's grace to abound throughout this three year project.

17 Bethel, Fergus Falls, MN

Please pray for wisdom in discerning the Lord's leading as we consider moving toward a multi-site model of ministry.

18 Immanuel, Pasadena, CA

Immanuel is celebrating 75 years of ministry this weekend. Pray that Christ will truly be honored in all that is done and said this weekend.

19 Eastern Region

The young adults group of the Eastern Region will be gathering today for food, fun and fellowship around God's Word. Pray for those attending, that new friendships will be made and old friendships will be rekindled around their common love of Jesus.

20 Victory, Jamestown, ND

Teen Challenge is with us today, presenting a message of God's life-changing power through testimony and song. Praise God for these changed lives and for the impact they have for Christ.

21 Ebenezer, Minneapolis, MN

We enter our final 3DMLearning Community 4-day immersion experience this week. Pray for us to follow Jesus' commission to make disciples of all nations (Matthew 28:18-20).

22 Messiah, Browns Mills, NJ

We recently lost a key military family and since then we have seen three new families begin attending Messiah, jumping in with both feet. Praise the Lord. One of these three families is also a military family and the father is soon to be deployed for an extended stay overseas. Keep all of us in your prayers.

23 Pacific Region

Continue to pray for the these PR churches that are in various stages of their pastoral calling process: Cornerstone CC, Ferndale, WA; Rock of Ages LBC, Seattle, WA; Immanuel LBC, Eugene, OR; LBC of Nampa, Nampa, ID; Victoria CC, Fontana, CA; Victory CC, Yuma, AZ.

24 Our Redeemer's, Minot, ND

Pray for a new ministry of our church called specifically encouraging *Baby Boomers* to reach out into the community. Pray for much fruit, spiritually, as boomers 'catch the wave' of new ministry opportunities in our city and live out the Gospel among those who need Jesus.

25 Bread of Life Ministries, Watertown, SD

Tonight we are sponsoring a presentation by Prison Congregations of America. PCA works to establish congregations in state prisons around the country. Director Mary Mortenson will speak on "A Glimpse of the Kingdom."

26 Living Faith, Cape Coral, FL

This weekend we are having our 2013 Living Faith Mission Conference. The theme is "As you GO!..." and reflects the idea that every heart without Christ is a mission field. Pray that hearts will be moved towards missions.

27 Calvary, Fullerton, CA

We praise God for the *Celebrate Recovery* ministry God assigned to us here at Calvary. Men and women of all ages and walks in life are entrusting their lives to Jesus Christ and witnessing his power enabling them to recover from their hurts, habits and hang-ups.

28 Regional Pastors

This week the Regional Pastors and their spouses will be gathering for a time of teaching, planning and prayer for their ministries in their respective regions. Pray that they will find focus on those things that the Lord deems important and for protection while they travel.

29 Word of Life, LeSueur, MN

We praise the Lord that our day care program is now full. We have a waiting list and will be needing to add additional staff. Thank you for your past prayer and we ask that you continue to support this ministry of our church with your prayers.

30 Good News, Mc Alisterville, PA

In September we re-started our teen youth group after a few years of inactivity. Pray for our new leaders and the youth of our church and community, that they will be blessed by their fellowship around the promises of God's Word.

31 Ebenezer, Minneapolis, MN Victory, Jamestown, ND Bethel, Fergus Falls, MN

Today these churches will be having their annual 'Trunk or Treating' event. This is combined with their fall festival outreaches to the church family and to their respective communities. Pray that the families that are represented at these fall activities will find warm and meaningful connections to their churches.

J-TERM

JANUARY 20-22, 2014

As details for J-Term are coming together, Lutheran Brethren Seminary would like to share one of the speakers for J-Term 2014.

Dr. Robert Bennett is scheduled as one of the speakers for this coming J-Term. Dr. Bennett is the author of "I Am Not Afraid: Demon Possession and Spiritual Warfare." Recently Dr. Bennett has focused his research on animism, interviewing numerous voodoo practitioners in Haiti and the USA. He is the adjunct professor of Missions at Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, IN and the Administrative Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church and School in Reese, MI.

The poster features a dark top section with the Church of the Lutheran Brethren logo in white. Below this is a large, light-colored cross graphic. The words "Prayer Link" are written in a bold, black, sans-serif font across the right side of the cross. At the bottom of the poster, the date "October 2013" is displayed in a large, black, serif font. The bottom-most section contains the logo for "North American Mission" with the text "Church of the Lutheran Brethren" underneath it.