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"For Christ's love compels us..." 2 Corinthians 5:14



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Dear Called by God to Serve Him:

"Come, follow me," Jesus said, "and I will make you fishers of men." Those words of Jesus recorded down for our benefit in Mark 1, remind us of who is in charge of the Church. While you and I serving on the Ministry for Christian Giving may not be directly involved in the mission for souls, we as individual members of God's church have been called to share the Gospel. Officially, our role on the MCG is to keep a heartbeat on the support for such endeavors in the WELS done on our behalf. Yet, let us all continue to not only take the support for such work to heart, let us also continue to speak up about the Savior. Let us encourage young men to serve the Lord in the full time preaching ministry. Let us encourage young men and women to think about serving the Lord in the full time teaching and/or staff ministry. We may have different roles in the church, yet we all have the role of sharing the Good News keeping in mind every soul is a treasure.

This cover letter and News from the WELS will no longer be sent by hard copy. It is being sent directly to the email address we have for a specific congregation. So please pass along a copy to the person appointed in your congregation to be the WELS Representative that information may be highlighted as necessary at meetings. Thank you for your cooperation!

Welcome New Congregation Representatives:

Please pass on the enclosed newsletter to the powers that be in order to be copied for congregational reading. This newsletter, together with some other helpful information, can be downloaded from Bethlehem-wels.org. Go to the "CCFS News..." link on the home page (far right corner). Your role of highlighting segments of it and encouraging financial support of our ministries remains the same. Thank you for work!

Spring Seminar Coming Up

Please find a registration form for the half-day seminar on March 4 of this year attached to the email. Prof. Brug from our Seminary in Mequon will be leading a discussion on Islam. There will be discussion on the "State of the WELS, in particular our Southeastern Wisconsin District" led by Pastor/President David Rutschow. Other topics will be discussed as well. There will be food for the stomach available. Please RSVP to me ASAP.

Your soul is a treasure too -
God's peace is yours through Jesus.

Pastor Jonathan Kolander