

ORANGE CITY CHRISTIAN REFORMED CHURCHES

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

August 1, 2021

Denominational, Classis or Community Prayer Requests:

Pray that the fires and dry crops in the western part of the United States and Canada would be met with a much needed rain from our Lord. Pray also that He would prepare a massive snow pack for the mountains this winter to recharge the springs and fill the reservoirs of a needy land.

Pray that the rains of God's kind providence would also come to us again in our region to nourish crops and provide for the agriculture industry. Give thanks for the ways in which our Lord does provide every day for physical, mental, and spiritual needs.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Keep denominational ministries in prayer. Call the toll free number: 1-888-CRC-PRAY (272-7729).

Groundwork God Always Cares and Never Leaves – What's one thing we can be sure of in life? That it will change. Whether change is expected or not, it can still be unsettling. Join Groundwork as we study James 1:16-17, Malachi 3:6, Lamentations 3:22-23, Mark 4:35-41 and Jeremiah 29:11 to remind us of God's constant nature for encouragement in the midst of life's inevitable changes. Listen now at GroundworkOnline.com.

Love INC is looking for individuals willing to provide mentoring for participants in the *Faith and Finances* class this fall. Mentors will assist participants with financial goal setting, budgeting, credit (re)building, planning for debt repayment and savings. This opportunity begins on August 31 and requires mentors to meet once a week for 12 weeks, on Tuesday evenings from 7:30 to 8:15 in Rock Valley. Love INC will provide training and guidance throughout the mentoring process. We are also looking for individuals with experience in walking a grief journey after losing a loved one for our *Grief Share* support group. Volunteers would provide support, guide discussion and encourage others through their own journey of grief. Grief Share curriculum and training is provided by Love INC. Please call the Love INC office for more information at 712-476-5990 or email Noemi DeWeerd loveinc3@premieronline.net

Northwestern College is seeking individuals and families to provide hospitality and friendship for international students, students of color and students who come from a distance. Host families typically attend their student's events, occasionally invite them to join the family for meals or outings, and offer supportive friendship. If you are interested or have more questions, please contact *Tanya Vaas* at 707-7190 / tanya.vaas@nwcioowa.edu, or *Mavis Anema* at 712-348-1541

Atlas in Orange City has a part-time job opening. Call 712-737-4090 for information.

Tuesday, August 3

7:00 p.m. The NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Support Group will meet in the Fireside Room of Central Reformed Church in Sioux Center from 7-9 p.m. Individuals and family members affected by mental illness are welcome. For information call Shirley Matheis 722-4462.

Wednesday, August 4

7:00 p.m. The Orange City Christian School board would like to invite all parents to a Pre-Registration Information discussion. Topics include information and updates to NICSTO, Partner Society, specific 501c3 for Fairshare, and 529 Plans. This will be important information as you plan for registration of your children and next year's tuition commitment.

Advance Notices:

The Unity Christian High School Booster Club is sponsoring their annual Golf Outing on Saturday, August 28, 2021, at the Landsmeer Golf Club in Orange City. Registration for the 4-person, 18-hole event is scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m. 9 a.m. shotgun start and pulled pork meal to follow for lunch. Fee for 18 holes of golf and the meal is \$100 per adult player & \$50 for K-12 student. Link for registration is provided on Unity's website & here @ <https://forms.gle/HmBdBXNVhiH5Ee1U9> . If you have just a double, or a single, let us know and we'll find a team for you. Registration will remain open till outing is full or on August 23rd. Contacts for the event are Deb Oolman at 449-0814 or oolman@c-i-service.com or Cheri Horstman at 441-4562.

--Announcements (2-week limit) for the Community Bulletin are due by Thursday at 1:00 p.m., email: office@firstcrcoc.org