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## From Reaching Hearts Ministries

### "Embracing Our World For Jesus"

September 5, 2009

**Greetings:** Welcome! If you are seeking Christ, you will find Him here; if sorrowing, receive comfort; if troubled in spirit, gain the blessings of peace; if discouraged, rejoice in hope; if friendless, find companionship and Christian love.

**Visitors:** We are delighted that you chose to worship with us today. Please write your name and address in our "Visitors' Book," at the front entrance Greeters' table so we can keep you informed of our latest happenings at RHI. If you would like to share your spiritual gifts, we cordially invite you to join one of our ministry teams! Children, remember to pick up your special bulletins in the foyer!

### THE PRAYER MINISTRIES TEAM IS MEETING IN THE LOBBY

**TODAY!** Come join us from 11:00-11:10 a.m. to pray for the Holy Spirit to be with Pastor Mike, who will be speaking to us during the Divine Worship Service. We will also be praying for you and the ministries of Reaching Hearts International.

**SANCTUARY FLOWERS:** *The flowers today are to celebrate the upcoming birthday of Lynda Toth, with much love from her husband and children.—Emil.* If you or your family would like to provide flowers for the Divine Worship Service, please contact Carol Straight at (301) 830-0190. A sign-up book is available in the foyer.

**FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON:** Please join us immediately following the Divine Worship Service for our Fellowship Luncheon. The Team Members serving will be Irene Pandit, Kola John, Sherwine John, Mary Aquino and Norma Hendrixson. Our next Fellowship Luncheon is planned for September 19. The Team Members serving will be Alice Miller, Juanita Gopala-Rao, Shirley Butler, Lilac Thomas, Patricia Burrs and Kishon Hackett. If you would like to be actively involved with the Hospitality Ministry Team, please contact Alice Miller at (301) 434-1586.

**CD's** of today's sermon "*Why Evolution Won't Work*" will be available in the lobby after the morning service.—The Toths.

**LADIES PRAYER AND SHARE:** **COME** and join us for **PRAYER** and **SHARE**, **Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, 7:30-9:00 p.m.** at Kathy Spinolo's home: 11925 Queen Street, Fulton, MD 20758. Telephone: 301-776-8747.—Verna Parchment.

**"Taking Charge of Your Health: Education Not Medication,"** one in a series of free Living Well Community Seminars offered by Brooke Grove Retirement Village (BGRV), will be presented by Holistic Pharmacist Brian Sanderoff on **Thursday, September 24**, at Brooke Grove Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, 18131 Slade School Road, on BGRV's Sandy Spring campus. Participants are invited to discover how prescription medications often "**turn down the volume**" on what the body is saying, instead of fixing the problem; explore how the use of vitamins and herbal products may be a better answer for many chronic diseases; learn how stress affects health; and examine strategies for handling stress differently. The one-hour seminar begins at 7 p.m. and will be preceded by a complimentary lite supper at 6:30 p.m. Please RSVP to Toni Davis at 301-924-2811, option 3, or [tdavis@bqf.org](mailto:tdavis@bqf.org) by September 21.

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:** If you wish to place an announcement in the bulletin, please contact Dr. John D. Butler, Sr. at (202) 726-2084 or Sylvia Dennis at (301) 441-9396. All announcements **must be received by the Tuesday evening preceding the Sabbath in which they should appear. APPROVED INSERTS should be copied and/or cut by the submitting individual and placed in the bulletin.**

**PRAYER CIRCLE:** Do you have a prayer request? Please contact Kathy Oddono at (703) 821-1539. For emergencies or information concerning those hospitalized or deaths, please call Sylvia Dennis at (301) 441-9396 or Pastor Micah Davis at (301) 717-9556 or Pastor Pratap Gopala Rao at (301) 490-6904 or Head Elder Terry Martin at (202) 332-8929.

**REACHING HEARTS FOR KIDS:** Reaching Hearts for Kids (RH4Kids) is the humanitarian outreach of Reaching Hearts International. Reaching Hearts for Kids sponsors orphanages and schools in several countries. The main focus is on street children orphaned by HIV/AIDS. The website and new e-mail addresses are as follows: [www.reachinghearts4kids.org](http://www.reachinghearts4kids.org) and [norma@reachinghearts4kids.org](mailto:norma@reachinghearts4kids.org).

**THE TREASURER AND HIS TEAM WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE IT** if you would clearly print your name and address on the white RHI/Tithe envelope so as to avoid any confusion or errors in the posting of your tithes and offerings.

**TITHES AND OFFERINGS:** Reaching Hearts International **does not use tithe money for its ministry.** Unless otherwise indicated tithes will be sent to the Allegheny East Conference. Tithes for other conferences will be forwarded as you designate on your envelope. Your other donations to RHI will be used for our ministry needs.

#### Offerings Received August 29, 2009

General Offering	\$	7,459.48
Reaching Hearts for Kids	\$	860.50
Radio Ministry	\$	982.00
Capital Stewardship	\$	361.00

#### Capital Stewardship/Building Program

Victory Goal	\$	4,500,000.00
Pledges To Date	\$	1,057,000.00
Funds Received as of August 29, 2009	\$	1,346,464.91

**Faith + Good Stewardship + Giving = Abundance**

**CLiC** (Changing Lives in Christ) is a college-based ministry focused not only on the study of the Word, but also in truly carrying out its teachings as part of our Christian walk. We are in the process of finding different ways to use our unique Spiritual gifts to help serve as instruments for Christ. Want to share your gifts for God? We'd love to have you! Check out [www.JustCLiCHere.com](http://www.JustCLiCHere.com) for more information.

**MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER FORMS** are available in the foyer. If you desire to become a member of Reaching Hearts International through transfer or by profession of faith please fill in the form and give it to one of the Deacons or to Sylvia Dennis. Questions? Contact Sylvia Dennis at (301) 441-9396.

**WHAT DOEST THOU HERE?** Men of today may not be where God would have them to be, and God could rightly ask us, as He did Elijah, "What Doest Thou Here?" This is the theme for the **2009 Men of Faith Conference** to be held October 3, 2009 at Mt. Aetna Camp in Hagerstown. Join us and hear Elder Dave Weigley, Columbia Union president, present the divine hour message as well as other speakers present a series of seminars designed to challenge us to be "**Men of Faith.**" Registration is required (by September 27<sup>th</sup>). Visit [www.mmof.org](http://www.mmof.org), or contact Tony Williams at [mdmenoffaith@verizon.net](mailto:mdmenoffaith@verizon.net) for more information.

**REGISTER NOW!** Washington Metro Area Women's Ministries announces our first Young Women's Conference for ages 13-18 on Saturday, October 10, 2009 in Adelphi, MD. This retreat will feature fun, interactive workshops and a talent showcase. Please visit [www.chosen-vessels.org](http://www.chosen-vessels.org) to register and for details. **THE CHANGE STARTS WITH YOU!**

**JOIN THE E-GROUP:** *If you haven't joined the e-group you are missing out on all the important announcements about RHI's ministries and other timely and important news.* Every week we send messages about the upcoming worship service. Make sure you stay informed on RHI happenings and are on the e-mail list. You can join by submitting your e-mail address in the sign-up box on [www.reachinghearts.org](http://www.reachinghearts.org).

## Calendar of Events

### Daily—Listen to the Reaching Your Heart Radio Broadcast

10:00 p.m. Monday through Friday on WAVA 105.1 FM  
10:00 p.m. XM Satellite Radio on Family Talk Channel 170

### Sabbath, September 5, 2009

Greeters: MaryLynne and Jan Shaw  
Offering Counting Assignment: Team No. 1  
Sabbath Set-Up Team #4: Steve Lord, Leader

### Wednesday, September 9, 2009—Prayer Meeting

7:30 p.m. *Get your mid-week spiritual boost this Wednesday evening with singing, prayer and Bible study! Meet with us at Cedar Ridge Conference Center from 7:30–9:00 p.m. A blessing is in store for you!*

### Sabbath, September 12, 2009

Greeters: Esther Rea and Abigail Spinolo  
**Children's Super Sabbath: "Two Heroes and Their Picture Sermons"**  
Offering Counting Assignment: Team No. 2  
Sabbath Set-Up Team #3: Nikki Perkins, Leader  
9:45 a.m. Sabbath School Coordinator: Jack Perera  
Sabbath School Song Leader: MaryLynne Shaw  
Sabbath School Pianist: Lydia Pietz  
11:00 a.m. Worship Service Coordinator: Jessie Gopala Rao



### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"So do not throw away your confidence; it will be richly rewarded. . . . For in just a very little while, 'He who is coming will come and will not delay.'" Hebrews 10:35-37, NIV