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# Genesis Superintendent's Log

### Life around the Conference

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## Step Out of the Boat!



# But before you take that step...

A few weeks ago I was in a boat on the Sea of Galilee. It had been storming a short time before we got on the boat, but while we were on the boat the sun

came out and it was beautiful. I'd asked the Lord for a handful of moments on this trip when I could hear His whisper, and this was one of those moments. I could hear Jesus saying to the storm: "Peace! Be still!" (Matthew 8) Yes!

It wasn't until the busload of us was driving away from Galilee that it occurred on me: The passage which I've been talking about since Annual Conference - about stepping out of the boat - hadn't even crossed my mind while we were on the boat! WHY?

It dawned on me... the disciples saw Jesus calm the storm (weeks? months?) before Peter ventures out,

walking on water. There is something important in knowing that the power of Christ can calm the storm before we hear Him say: "It is I. Come."

Just wondering... anyone needing to know the power of Jesus to calm the storm, so that when the time is right, you can walk on water?

Praying with you. -Pam

### **REMINDERS**

Pastors! Did you get a salary increase in the new year?
Remember to fill out the Change of Status form so that pension has the right information!

http://fmcusa.org/hr/pensionchange-of-status-form/

# Good stuff I'm seeing as I travel the Conference...

Things to celebrate!

### **Gerry FMC**

is welcoming a new pastor! Pastor
Roberta MosierPeterson is transferring in from
New South. Welcome Roberta and her husband Will to Genesis!

#### **Albion Free Methodist**

is launching new outreach ministries and welcoming people

in.



# Franklinville FMC

had a Sunday of prayer & healing the week I was there.



### **Harvest Chapel of Fredonia**



was bringing in new members the Sunday we

dropped by on a snowy morning.



SUPT'S LOG FEBRUARY 2019

### Global updates & opportunities

# AN OPPORTUNITY TO SUPPORT CHURCH PLANTING IN URUGUAY

Mike and Andrea Green are in the early stages of pioneering a work in the capital city and cultural centerpoint of the small and proudly non-



religious country of Uruguay. They are using the principles of the church planting model adopted by the Global Free Methodist Church, Community Church Planting (CCP). Latin America Area Director, Dr. Delia Nuesch-Olver, speaks highly of the work they are doing, where they are already seeing fruit.

Mike and Andrea are young career missionaries, looking for support. **Their home conference is Genesis**, and their home church is Heart & Soul in Rochester. They will be in our area from March 6 to July 14, available to visit and share their ministry with Genesis churches and groups during this time. To contact them about visiting your church or a small group, email Andrea:

<u>andrearenae.green@gmail.com</u>.

To learn more or give, go to: <a href="http://fmcusa.org/fmmissions/mike-and-andrea-green/">http://fmcusa.org/fmmissions/mike-and-andrea-green/</a> or check out their facebook page: Partners of the Harvest-Uruguay

For more missions info, contact Pastor Daria Roesch, Genesis Mission Mobilizer, at <a href="mailto:daria.roesch@gmail.com">daria.roesch@gmail.com</a>

### **ANNUAL REPORTS & WEEKLY TRENDS**

I hope by now you're finished with all your annual reports. THANK YOU for the time you put into them.

Some of you have commented (and rightfully complained) that Weekly Trends didn't help you as much as we said it would. You're right. It didn't.

### I apologize!

Our reporting & evaluation system is still under review. Until we figure out the best system for all of us, keep track of your stats. Let us know if you are seeing significant growth or decline. We hope to have a new reporting solution soon.

**PRAY!** Join us for First Friday Fast. Skip a meal the 1st Friday of each month & pray!

Pray boldly for our churches, conference & denomination: \*Pray that each of our churches would be listening to the Lord's invitation, *Stepping Out of the Boat* into their communities, seeing people come to faith.

\*Pray for Genesis, for the new Conference Resource Team to serve our conference well.

\*Pray for the FMC and General Conference in July. Pray for the Holy Spirit to be powerfully at work among us.

### Raising a New Generation:

## **NORTHEASTERN SEMINARY PARTNERS WITH GENESIS**



Exciting news! Starting in the 2019-2020 academic year (in the fall), any Genesis LMC or CMC\* will receive a scholarship of 25% off required CMC courses or a full Master's program. Additional scholarships are available. \*Scholarship for Elders if funds are available.

Additional news: Northeastern Seminary is launching a new webinar series designed specifically for ministry leaders and their teams to aid in ministry skills development and professional application. Spring 2019 webinars:

- \* Untangling Tax Prep for Ministry Leaders–February 11, at 6 p.m.
- \* Leveraging Social Media for Your Ministry | April 2019
- \* Fundraising Tactics for Ministry Growth | May 2019 To register, visit: www.nes.edu/Events.