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June 2025 Newsletter

… "where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom." II Corinthians 3:17

Members of the Association of Free Lutheran Congregations

JUNE 2025 @ ULEN

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:00am - Worship Service w/Communion	2 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	3	4	5 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	6	7
8 9:00am - Worship Service Council meets following	9 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	10	11 9:00-11:00am - MOPS 1:00pm - WMF at Viking Manor	12 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	13	14
15 Father's Day 9:00am - Worship Service 	16 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	17 10:00am - VBS Workday	18	19 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	20	21
22 9:00am - Worship Service	23 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	24	25	26 9:30-10:30am - Bone Builders	27	28
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2025 AFLC ANNUAL CONFERENCE AT THE ARC - JUNE 11-14

FLY 2025 - Estes Park, CO June 30-July 5

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:00am YMT mtg 9:30am - Worship Service w/communion	2	3 10:30am - Morning WMF at the church	4 6:00-8:38pm - SaltTeens "Summer Kick-Off"	5 7:00pm - Bible Study @ Pat Johnson's home	6	7 7:00am - Men's Fellowship Breakfast
8 9:30am - Worship Service	9	10	11 6:00-8:38pm - SaltTeens 7:00pm - Council Mtg	12 3:00pm - VBS Workday 7:00pm - Bible Study @ Pat Johnson's home	13	14 7:00am - Men's Fellowship Breakfast
15 **Father's Day** 9:30am - Worship Service 	16	17 10:00am-3:00pm - Quilting at the church	18 11:00am - Evening WMF at Wilderness Bible Camp 6:00-8:38pm - SaltTeens	19 3:00pm - VBS Workday 7:00pm - Bible Study @ Pat Johnson's home	20	21 7:00am - Men's Fellowship Breakfast
22 9:30am - Worship Service **11:00am** **- Congregational Meeting**	23	24	25 9:30am - Women's Bible Study 6:00-8:38pm - SaltTeens	26	27	28 7:00am - Men's Fellowship Breakfast
29 8:00am - Load Busses 8:20am - Prayer 8:30am - Leave for FLY 9:30am - Worship Service	30	1	2 9:30am - Women's Bible Study (No SaltTeens)	3	4	5 7:00am - Men's Fellowship Breakfast

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Financial Snapshot - Maranatha Glyndon
30-Apr-25

General Fund			Current Month	Year to Date
Contributions			$25,795.00	**$104,373**
Expenditures			-$24,705.00	**-$99,930**
Surplus / (Shortfall)				**$ 4,443**

	4/30/2025
GENERAL FUND INCOME	**$25,795**
Deacons	-$14,968
Education	-$193
Finance	-$4,337
Trustees	-$4,813
Worship & Music	-$394
GENERAL FUND EXPENSES	**-$24,705**
Other Income (Rent, Interest)	$26
Transfers between Funds	-$516
General Fund Balance Change	**$600**
GENERAL FUND BALANCE	**$59,630** Target is $60,000

Special Funds	*Income*	*Expenses*	Ending Balance
Building / Emergency Fund	*515.9*	$	1,234
Cookbook Sales for Missions		$	-
Furnace Fund		$	40,040
Good Samaritan Fund		$	1,946
Lent Offering	*1,034*	*-2612* $	-
Memorial Fund		$	10,347
Men's Fellowship/Breakfast	*100*	$	1,602
Outreach Ministries		*-166* $	0
Sunday Fellowship Fund		$	469
Sunday School Missions	*11*	$	460
Trail Life		$	-
VBS Blanket Project		$	-
Wedding Fund		$	500
Wednesday Suppers	*667*	*-46* $	4,338
World Missions Fund		$	8,226
Youth Activities Fund	*24*	$	747
Youth Community Outreach	*51*	$	1,493
Youth FLY Fund	*547*	$	24,486
Special Funds Balance		**$**	**95,889**
General Fund Balance		**$**	**59,630**
CHECKBOOK BALANCE		**$**	**155,499**
PETTY CASH BALANCE		**$**	**20**

Detailed expense reports are available in the Glyndon office.
Questions can be directed to Kristine Quanbeck - Treasurer
treasurer@maranathafreelutheran.com
218-498-2808

BIRTHDAYS and ANNIVERSARIES

June ~ Happy Birthday!

Sarah Eckert	June 01
Ashley Trulson	June 01
Dalton Johnson	June 02
Taylor Okeson	June 03
Caleb Klemetson	June 04
Mark Scheuring	June 05
Gunner Illies	June 06
Rhonda Rasmussen	June 06
Caedmon Tonneson	June 06
Tim Cin	June 07
Jocie Herzog	June 07
Tristen Olson	June 08
Dan Ebner	June 09
Annika Lambert	June 10
Kennedy Ebner	June 12
Larry Swenson	June 13
Eric Skolness	June 15
Pr Peter Ward	June 15
Cathy Bachmeier	June 16
Bodi Dahl	June 16
Ruth Larson	June 17
Larry Davis	June 18
Jarred Johnson	June 19
Chanyce Dahl	June 20
McKenna Horn	June 20
William Trick	June 20
Charlie Toms	June 22
Sophia Fevig	June 23
Dianne Dahl	June 24
Alayna Klemetson	June 24
Keagan Gilbert	June 27
Shane Johnson	June 28
Trevor Dufault	June 30
Samuel Olson	June 30

June ~ Happy Anniversary!

Larry & Shirley Swenson	June 07
Adam & Anne Adrian	June 09
Nathan & Bambi Lambert	June 10
Chris & Tammy Erickson	June 16
Larry & Victoria Mosloff	June 16
Aaron & Kristine Quanbeck	June 17
Jeff & Kirsten Bates	June 22
Derek & Kirsti Heffta	June 22
Mark & Lynn Skansgaard	June 23
Pr Ryan & Liz Tonneson	June 23
Kurt & Danette Trautmann	June 23
Jeff & Nikki Ehrichs	June 24
Chad & Alyssa Johnson	June 24
Daniel & Sally Rugroden	June 24
Dylan & Amber Eckert	June 25
Larry & Lana Davis	June 27
Doug & Tiffany Macziewski	June 27
Corey & Rachel Trick	June 27
Mark & Lenae Harless	June 28

Military Personnel

Thankful for those who serve our country!

Kally Anderson, granddaughter of Vonnie Anderson
James Cortelyou, nephew of Art & Delores Welle
Levi Dahl, grandson of Harvey & Dianne Dahl
Cody Dravland, son of Todd & Sara Dravland
Trevor Dufault, son of Todd & Sara Dravland
Makaila England, niece of Joyce Johnson & Lila Ebner
Jonathan Eastvold, nephew of Joyce Johnson & Lila Ebner
Brody Erickson, grand nephew of Glennys Sivertson
Kyle Johnson, son-in-law of Debi Langerud
Layne Johnson, grandson of Ardis Johnson
Hunter Macziewski, son of Doug &Tiffany Macziewski
Sierra Northridge, member of Ulen congregation
Andrew Quanbeck, son of Pastor Lloyd & Jean Quanbeck
Josiah Quanbeck, son of Pastor Lloyd & Jean Quanbeck
Jakob Rolf, grandson of Jim & Mary Rolf

Register Now For VBS!!

Answers VBS
WONDER JUNCTION
Marvel at Jesus, Live for His Glory

July 13-18, 2025

Glyndon: Monday-Friday

9:00AM-Noon

WE ARE STILL LOOKING FOR A DIRECTOR OR CO-DIRECTORS - PLEASE TALK TO THE EDUCATION BOARD IF YOU ARE WILLING TO HELP!

** Watch for registration information in the bulletin, website and announcements.

WORKDAYS: in JUNE - Thursday, June 12 & 19 @ 3:00pm
in JULY - Thursday, July 10 @ 10:00am (tentative)

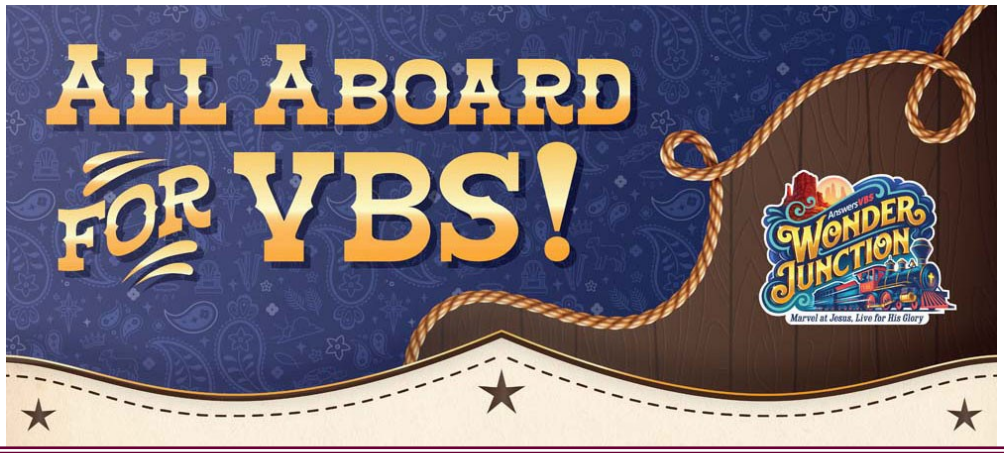
Ulen: Sunday-Thursday

Supper at 5:30pm

VBS 6:00-8:00pm

Tuesday, June 17 @ 10am VBS Workday In Ulen

To Register, call or text:
Ciara Dillon 701-205-2200
Ellen Zillmer 701-866-0131



SALTEENS

SaltTeens Summer Kick-Off

Wednesday, June 4th
6:00-8:38pm

Come for Food, Fun & Fellowship!

All students completing grades 6-12 are invited to attend our Summer Kick-off for SaltTeens.

Hope to see all of you there!

SaltTeens will continue to meet Wednesdays during the summer from 6:00-8:38pm

We are excited to be sending *27 youth and 6 adult dorm room leaders* to this year's FLY. Please be in prayer for them as they prepare to leave on Sunday, June 29 and arrive home Sunday, July 6. Pray for safe travels, open hearts for all attending to hear God's word through the speakers, music and fellowship, and good health and safety for all attending camp.

Sunday, June 29: **8:00am Load busses**
8:20am Prayer
8:30am Leave for FLY

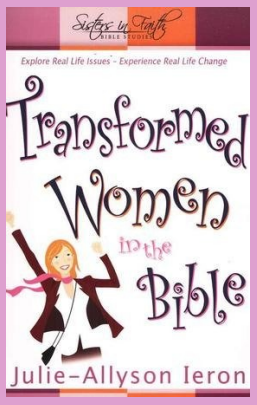
Sunday, July 6: Arrive home that evening - parents will receive a text from their child/children approx. 1 hour before arriving back to the church.

Glyndon Library–
Book suggestions for June

ADULT FICTION: "*The Hidden Side*" by Heidi Chiavaroli, is a beautiful tale that captures the timeless struggles of the human heart.

ADULT FICTION: England in the early 1800's is the setting of Sarah E. Ladd's 3-book series, *Houses of Yorkshire*:

#1- The Letter from Briarton Park
#2- In the Shelter of Hollythorne House
#3- The Cloverton Charade



Women's Bible Study

An 8-Week Study

Wednesdays
at 9:30am
starting June 25th
at Maranatha in Glyndon

Sign-up sheet in Fellowship Hall
Any questions, please contact
Lila 701-318-0134 or Joyce 701-388-0541

Short Thoughts

Nothing else ruins the truth like stretching it.

Been taken for granted? Imagine how God feels.

Eternity is a long time to be wrong.

We always hold hands. If I let go, she shops.

The problem ahead of us is never as great as the Power behind us.

When you get to your wit's end, you'll find God there.

Seven days without laughter makes one weak.

Always proofread carefully to see if you any words out.

There is no distance on this earth as far away as yesterday.

Peace starts with a smile.

Grant me patience, but please hurry.

Freedom does not give us the right to do as we please, but the liberty to do as we ought.

You know you're getting old when 6pm means the end of the day, not the start of the evening.

Boasting of one's strong point is a weakness.

A lie has speed, but truth has endurance.

The most important lesson in life is simply this: never hurry anybody.

You possess self-control if you can listen to another person describe the same ailment that you have, and not mention yours.

Of all the things you wear, your expression is the most important.

Life's greatest tragedy is to lose God and not to miss Him.

The church is like a bank; the more you put into it, the more interest you have in it.

WMF NOTES
(Women's Missionary Federation)

Glyndon Morning

Morning WMF met on Tuesday, May 13th, 2025 with 13 ladies in attendance.

Cris Finstrom opened with prayer and led our Bible Study on "The Light of Righteousness: Born Blind vs Willfully Blind".

President Cris Finstrom opened the business meeting with prayer.

Secretary and Treasurer reports were read and approved.

Old Business:

~ Anne Manderud ordered food items for NET in Alaska with the designated $200.

~ Terrie Enlow thanked the congregation for fiving to the Women's Care Center.

New Business:

~ Anne Manderud made a motion to give $100 to Home Missions.

~ Lila Ebner made a motion to give $100 for the June Conference offering.

Next meeting will be Tuesday, June 3rd.

Meeting concluded with prayer requests and time of prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Karen Urlacher, Secretary

Glyndon Evening

Evening WMF met on Tuesday, May 20th at Pat Palloch's home. There were 6 lovely ladies present.

Pat blessed us with a wonderful spring supper and dessert. Joyce Johnson prayed for and led our Bible study, "The Light of Righteousness: Born Blind vs Willfully Blind".

President Janet Boe prayed over and led our business meeting.

Secretary and Treasure reports were given and accepted.

Old Business:

~ Reports given about May baskets given to church ladies at Serenity and Eventide. Recipients were very grateful and happy with the visits!

New Business:

~ $75 given to Home Missions

~ $75 given to Christian Education for the month of June

Prayer requests were given and prayed over and motion to adjourn by Pat Lewis.

June meeting at Wilderness Camp.

Respectfully submitted by Coco Geray- Secretary

Ulen

Our WMF met Wednesday, May 14th, 2025 at 1:00pm with 5 ladies present. Naomi led our Bible Study.

Following the study, Ellen opened our business meeting with the reading of the Secretary's Report. Debi made a motion to accept as read and MaryAnn S. seconded it. Dianne read the Treasurer's Report and Naomi made a motion to accept and Debi seconded it.

Old Business:

~Just a reminder that the collection basket is our in the back of the church for collecting items for the Women's Care Center ad the "Valley's Largest Baby Shower."

New Business:

~ The May Project of the Month is for Home Missions. We are still waiting to hear where and when the WMF Fall Rally will be held.

~ Our next meeting will be held Wednesday, June 11th at 1:00 at Viking Manor where we also celebrate the June birthdays with gifts.

~ We discussed Jessie's upcoming Mission trip in June/ July and Dianne made a motion to send funds in support of this. MaryAnn S. seconded the motion.

Our meeting was adjourned and we closed with prayer. Debi served a delicious lunch.

Respectfully submitted by Ellen Zillmer, Secretary

WMF DAY 2025

Wednesday, June 11, 2025

Association Retreat Center | Osceola, WI

The Light of the World is Jesus

John 8:12 ESV

Please register for WMF Day through the AFLC.org/women website

WMF Day Registration closes June 6.

JOIN US FOR THE
2025 AFLC
ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Abundant Life

JOHN 10:10

JUNE 11-14 | Association Retreat Center, ARC – Osceola, WI

VIEW THE CONFERENCE SCHEDULE, REGISTER, AND WATCH LIVESTREAMS OF EVENING SERVICES AT

WWW.AFLC.ORG/CONFERENCE

REGISTRATION CLOSES **JUNE 6**

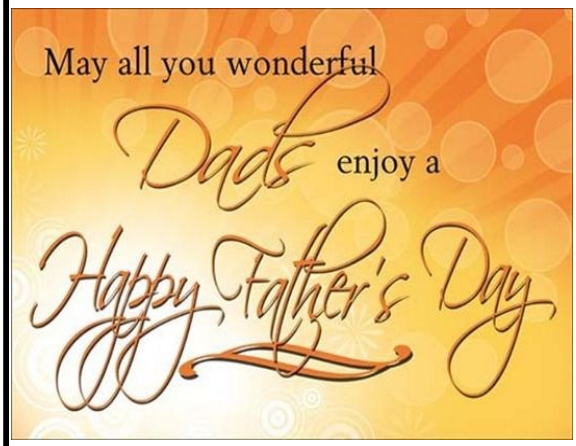
Opening Session Speaker Pastor Lloyd Quanbeck

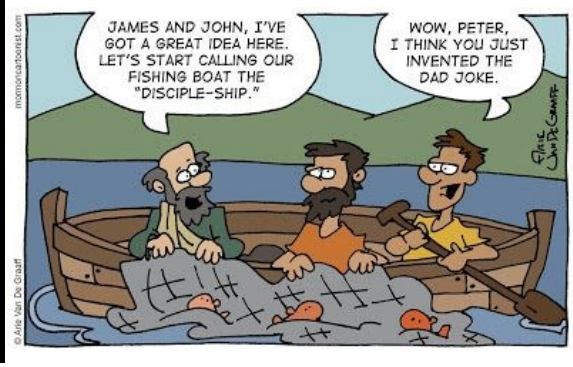
The conference business sessions run from 8:45-4:45 each day, Thursday-Saturday. In addition to the regular business, here are some special events to highlight:

- Evening Services: Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday evening services will be livestreamed and accessible at **www.aflc.org/conference**.
  - Wednesday Opening Service: Rev. Lloyd Quanbeck is our speaker. The service will be followed by refreshments and fellowship.
  - Thursday Missions Festival Service: Rev. Paul Abel will be sharing. This will be followed by a reception hosted by AFLC World Missions welcoming new missionaries Zachariah and Carey Ritland.
  - Friday Communion Service: Mr. Owen Parsley will share at this service, followed by an ice cream reception provided by AFLC Home Missions.
- Special Lecture Series:
  - AFLC President, Rev. Micah Hjermstad will present a lecture titled "*Clothed in Christ: Biblical Traits of Leadership.*"
  - Pastor Jeremy Larson will lead a lecture on "*Discipleship Micro-groups for Congregations.*"

Dad's Hands

Dad's hands were king-size and strong.
With his hands, he built our home and fixed all the broken things.
Dad's hands gave generously, served humbly, and loved mom tenderly, unselfishly, completely, unendingly.
With his hand, Dad held me when I was small, steadied me when I stumbled, and guided me in the right direction.
When I needed help, I could always count on Dad's hands.
Sometimes Dad's hands corrected me, disciplined me, shielded me, rescued me.
Dad's hand protected me.
Dad's hand held mine when he walked me down the aisle. His hand gave Me to my forever love, who, not surprisingly, is very much like Dad.
Dad's hands were the instruments of his great big, rugged-tender heart.
Dad's hands were the strength.
Dad's hands were love,
With his hands he praised God.
And he prayed to the Father with hose big hands.
Dad's hands, They were like Jesus' hands to me.
~ *Mary Fairchild*





COUNCIL MINUTES

Maranatha Free Lutheran Church – Glyndon, MN
Council Meeting
May 14, 2025

Present: Cliff Langerud, Kristine Quanbeck, Pastor Lloyd Quanbeck, Glenn Urlacher, Amanda Larson, and Alyssa Johnson.

Cliff opened the meeting with devotion and prayer.

Secretary's report of April meeting minutes was read by Alyssa. No corrections nor additions to the Secretary's report. Stand approved as read .

Treasurer's report was given by Kristine. Reported April 2025 contributions as $25,795 and expenditures of $24,795. General Fund balance $59,630 (target $60k). Started 2% levy on General Fund to repay Building / Emergency Fund. Lent offering $2,612 to AFLC World Missions in support of Zach & Carey Ritland.

Board Reports:

~ Finance –Amanda
* Updating credit card options
* Deacons to review PTO policy
* Strict Federal/MN state payroll laws, obtaining quotes on outsourcing payroll

~ Trustees –Jeff via Pastor Lloyd
* Handicap bathroom doors shipped
* New furnace contract to be signed this week
* Reviewing exterior handicap door options

~ Worship & Music – Lori via Pastor Lloyd
* Board suggests participation in Glyndon Days parade in August

~ Education – no update

~ Deacons – Glenn
* Encourage attendance for Annual Conference

~ Pastor Report – Pastor Lloyd
* Two Confirmation Sundays, Catechization
* Two Baptisms this month
* High school senior recognition - seven seniors
* Maranatha Wilderness Camp Weekend 8/23-8/24

Old Business: None

New Business:

~ Congregation Meeting set for 6/22 at 11am

Pastor Lloyd closed the meeting in prayer

Motion to adjourn made by Amanda; seconded by Kristine

Respectfully submitted by Alyssa Johnson

St Paul's Free Lutheran in Fargo is organizing regular Sunday morning worship services at **Wilderness Camp** for the summer. *Services will be held at 10:00AM in the chapel building starting June 1st*. Speakers will primarily be pastors, seminary students, and laymen from St Paul's.

The goal is to provide an option with faithful preaching of the Word for people in the lakes area over the summer, especially for those who might not normally attend a church service when they are away from their home congregation.

Looking ahead, we invite you to attend two additional events at Wilderness Bible Camp:

July 15-20 ~ AFLC Wilderness Family Camp

August 23-24 ~ Maranatha Wilderness Camp Weekend

Watch for more details in future newsletters!

Use for directions to Wilderness Bible Camp near Big Cormorant Lake, Lake Park, MN

Maranatha Glyndon will have a

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, June 22nd at 11:00am
(following the service)

Please make plans to attend!

Agenda includes: important call committee update with possible vote and Board of Education election.

Maranatha News

JUNE 2025

From Pastor Peter...

Perhaps more often than most folks appreciate, a congregation, of necessity, finds itself with the task of calling a new pastor. Some approach the process with dread and apprehension. Often the congregation is faced with the task while still adjusting to the news that the previous pastor is gone, either to another congregation or into retirement. Both of our congregations are experiencing these two different scenarios but share the same task of finding another pastor.

Besides many within the congregation are unfamiliar with the process, there is also the added dimension that the AFLC has far more congregations searching for a pastor than there are pastors available. This supply shortage is not unique to the AFLC but exists across most denominations.

It is fair to ask how, within the AFLC, we find ourselves with a shortage of ordained pastors? We have a wonderful seminary staffed with humble men of God capable to disciple and train men to serve the Lord. There are a variety of reasons that might be offered but it is for our well-being as congregations and as a church body to come to understand how this might be rectified. An uncomfortable (actually a two-part question) arises, is God not calling enough men into pastoral ministry or are called men refusing to obey His call? What makes this uncomfortable is, could it be that simple? It is hard to imagine the Lord not providing for His bride for whom He died.

There is a certain degree of mystery and majesty to the whole process of a man entering into pastoral ministry with the requisite seminary training that precedes ordination. In the AFLC we believe in the inner call and the outward call. Briefly this means that before a man is accepted to attend our seminary, he presents himself before the Board of Trustees of AFLC Schools when he is asked to articulate the Lord calling him into ministry. This is the inner call of God upon a man to leave his nets so to speak and begin the process to enter pastoral ministry. For some men, this inner call may happen very early in life as it did for Samuel and Jeremiah, or it can occur later in life as it did for Abraham, Moses, Joshua, Elijah, Elisha or the Apostle Paul to name a few. This is not a process or an enrollment for which a man signs up by his own volition. It is not of any man's own initiation but rather initiates in the throne room of God.

For those who sense the call while being well established in another career, the inner call can be a time of great struggle and spiritual wrestling. Some, like Jonah, refuse to answer the call and flee to Tarshish. Unlike Jonah however, some men refuse to repent and never answer the call. They spend the rest of their lives living outside of God's will for their lives. This impacts their own lives, but also local congregations, the church body and the Kingdom of God here on earth.

As two congregations in need of a pastor, we want to be able to call a new pastor to come serve our congregations. This is the outward call…when a congregation calls a pastor to come serve them. While we elect members to serve in a call committee to seek out a new pastor, establish a list of preferred strengths and qualifications of this man, determine a salary package affordable to our congregations, and many other important temporal details, the element of mystery and majesty still lies at the heart of the process. When a new pastor is called and comes, it is the result of the Lord's working years in advance. It is of the Lord's provision and His working that any congregation (and pastor) are dependent upon. Wise is the congregation that recognizes this reality and commits itself to the matter of prayer. It is to its own spiritual well-being that the congregation sets aside times for prayer specifically for the matter of coming to the Throne of Grace and beseeching the Lord's mercy to send a man of God, an under shepherd of the Lord Jesus Christ to their town.

Glyndon and Ulen have a lot of work to do…on their knees. May the Lord bless both congregations by answering those efforts.

Pastor Peter