

JULY 10, 2022

## CROWN HILL NEWS

PREACHING: DAN  
MESSAGE: "SIGNS OF TRUST IN GOD"  
SCRIPTURE: NUMBERS 13:1-2, 26-33

### PRAYERS

- Remember the unspoken requests for families in our congregation
- Pray for peace between Ukraine & Russia.
- Remember Larry Morrison as he undergoes chemo treatments.
- Pray for Wiley Miller as he heals from surgery and awaits test results
- Remember Ray Galion as he anticipates a biopsy on July 14
- Remember our people in nursing homes: Suzan, Carolyn.
- Pray for our shut-ins: Pete Stauffer, Paul Troyer, Elmer Richard, Mary Nussbaum, Ila Zimmerly, and Fred's mother Doris Hoffman.
- Pray for the Elder selection process. We are currently working on scheduling for a service of selection by lot.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Next Sunday, July 17 we will meet inside for Sunday School from 9 AM to 10 AM. Worship will be at Martins Mennonite, with refreshments at 10:30 AM and worship at 11. The service will feature reporting by the Axis Youth group on their service learning trip to eastern Kentucky. Bring your lawn chairs.
- We will be having our Meet N' Eat on Monday, July 18th at 5:30. This month we will be eating at the Dutch Kitchen on Lincoln Way East, Dalton. All meals will be off the menu because they do not offer their buffet on Monday's. Hope to see you there.
- WSC will meet Tuesday, July 19 9 AM to quilt and knot a comforter. Bring a sack lunch. Offering MCC School Kits
- It's campfire time!!!! Before the dreaded COVID hit, various people at Crown Hill hosted campfires at their homes. This was a great, easy way to get together and fellowship in a fun and relaxed environment. You just choose the date and time to host the campfire. You can decide to provide hot dogs if you'd like, have people bring finger food or basically however you want to handle it. Crown Hill will provide marshmallows, graham crackers and chocolate if you'd like to have s'mores. It's really up to you. So, there are calendars hanging on the bulletin board for June, July and August. If the Spirit moves you to host one of these campfires, simply sign up on the board and there you go.....a Crown Hill event. If you have any questions, please ask Jeannie.
- Remember to bring your coins (and large bills or checks!) for our "My Coins Count" collection. Our donations go to help with water projects around the world through Mennonite Central Committee.
- Thomas will be out of town from June 27 through July 22 for a Schmid family gathering in Montana followed by a Dunn gathering for his parents' 50th anniversary in Canada.
- While Dan continues to wait (sometimes patiently) on phone service repair, to contact him, leave a message on his alternative phone number 330-826-1509 or send an email to [dan@crownhillmennonite.com](mailto:dan@crownhillmennonite.com).
- Ready! Set! Rappel! Join us on September 12 and 13, in downtown Canton, for an epic rappelling fundraiser that will benefit Lighthouse Ministries. The first 100 people to raise a minimum of \$1,000 will earn a spot to go Over the Edge and rappel 150 feet down the Historic Onesto and Bliss Lofts. You can register as an individual or as part of a team. Every dollar raised through each rappel will benefit the Lighthouse and our goals of providing academic support, mentoring, and scholarship opportunities for the children of SE Canton. Visit [cantonlighthouse.org](http://cantonlighthouse.org) to learn more and to register.



In November of 2021 Crown Hill welcomed Dan & Julie into our fellowship and started a new chapter in our history of having co-pastors. This is Dan & Thomas' reflections on co-pastoring.

### From Thomas

Co-pastoring with Dan for the last 7 months has been a gift. Dan & my giftings seem to compliment each other well. It has been great to see Dan invest into the Manor with the experience he has gained from years of working with The Lighthouse in Canton. Coming out of the pandemic it has been great to have someone to collaborate with on various aspects of ministry. Whether it be funerals, sermon planning, visitations or other projects it has been good to have someone to bounce ideas off of and work together on. As we anticipate a season of discernment coming up regarding Ohio Conference and Mennonite Church USA it is an encouragement to me to know that I have a colleague to share the leadership mantle during this time. And of course, I enjoy the flexibility of being half time! This summer I am excited about being with Katrina a little longer on our vacation.

Thus far we have not run into any major co-pastoring conflicts or issues. One challenge is discerning when to work together on something and when to work individually. We are mindful that when we are working together on something the church's dollars are only going half as far--meaning if we are both at a two hour meeting, the church has paid for 4 hours of staff time for that meeting. Another challenge is coordinating schedules. We both have flexibility during the week so it takes communication to know who is going to be where and at what time.

Overall co-pastoring has been a blessing! I only wish this setup could have been established sooner, but I trust that God's timing is right and I'm grateful for the season of ministry we are in now. I'm also grateful that Crown Hill had the willingness to listen to God's leading and be open to this new model of pastoring.

### From Dan

From my perspective, "gift" is a most appropriate word in this case. When the congregation enthusiastically approved (after reasonable questions!) this co-pastor innovation, it met a number of needs that I had been feeling.

But the thing that makes it work (and I do think it is working well) is the "chemistry" of our co-pastor relationship. In our combined fifty years of pastoral ministry, we have each learned the importance of being good listeners. And when we use that experience with each other, good things continue to happen.

Beyond this, to paraphrase a well-known proverb, co-pastors who pray together, stay together and work well together. Our weekly meetings include prayer for the congregation and each other. We depend on God's Holy Spirit providing counsel as we serve.

And yes, I will have a working phone again soon. Meanwhile, keep those emails coming!



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