

Points of Connection

Northwest Mennonite Conference Newsletter
November 2009

Kids Town

Kids Town is the Sunday morning program for the children of the West Zion Mennonite Church in Carstairs, Alberta. Associate Pastor Tyler Braun has been directing and overseeing the program since September, 2008.

The children's meeting room was transformed into a town built by Glen Buschert and painted by his daughter-in-law Dawn Buschert. A puppet stage and television were built into the set.

The program is led by four teams of five junior youth, each with an adult leader. Each team is responsible for leading one Sunday a month.

A typical Sunday program would include music led by the junior youth, a game, skit, a Bible lesson led by the adult, and then breaking into small

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groups for discussion and memory work. They have eight puppets for use in the skits.

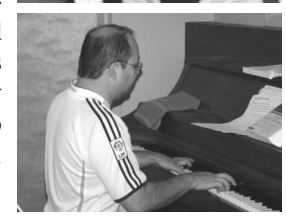
They access their material online from the website *kidology.org* where they purchase a subscription and download their material.

Pastor Tyler Braun grew up in Herbert, Saskatchewan and attended Millar College of the Bible. In his fourth year of College he did an internship in Swift Current at the Church of the Open Bible. He came to West Zion in October, 2007, where he is responsible for directing the youth and children's programs plus preaching once a month.



Pastor/spouse Retreat

Our NWMC annual Pastor/Spouse Retreat was held at Gull Lake Centre on October 23-25th with 30 in attendance. Conference Minister Mal Braun led four sessions on the pastor's Integrity, Identity, Intentionality and Inspiration. There was also plenty of time for rest, walking, fellowship and laughter.



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Did you know...

***Pastor Joe Mrak** of Smith, AB is a Commissioner of Oaths and has signing authority. He has volunteered his services to any of our NWMC Churches free of charge.

***Pastor Nick Dyck's** 65th birthday was on November 6th. Nick and June plan to retire from the Bluesky Mennonite Church at the end of June.



Centennial Celebration!

A centennial celebration of the Salem Mennonite Church near Tofield is being planned for July 24&25, 2010. We welcome everyone to join us in thanks to God for His faithfulness during the past 100 years. If you wish to attend, you must pre-register by contacting Joe and Elaine Kauffman at:
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Please share this information with family members who may be interested.

