

Announcements November 11th, 2018

SAMARITAN'S PURSE: OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

If you'd like to participate in packing a shoe box for children overseas, shoe boxes are available outside the GBC Office. Collection week is THIS WEEK November 12-18. Visit SamaritansPurse.ca/OCC for info on packing suggestions and locating a nearby drop-off location.

ATTENTION INSTRUMENTALISTS

A GBC 'Christmas Ensemble' will be featured at the Seekers/Youth Christmas Program on Sunday, December 16 at 7:00 pm. Do you play an instrument? Is it time to dust off that band or string instrument from Junior High or High School? Does playing a few simple carols in an instrumental group sound like fun to you? If so, please add your name to the sign-up sheet by the church office AS SOON AS POSSIBLE so that your music can be ready for you by Sunday, December 2. Rehearsals will be immediately after church on December 9 and 16 in the sanctuary (about ½ hour) AND on December 16 in the choir loft at 6:15 pm. If you are busy with other Sunday commitments, please do your best to attend two of the three rehearsals. Looking forward to making a 'joyful noise' on December 16.

Fa-la-la-la-la!
Margot

UPDATING GBC PHOTO DIRECTORY

Lauren, Ken Penner and Wilma are working together to update our directory. Lauren will be collecting contact information, so email gbcowfwp@outlook.com with any changed or updated information. If you have an existing photo you would like to use, that can be emailed as well. If you would like a photo taken, Ken will be available to take photos again in early November. Thank you in advance for participating in this venture!

MISSIONFEST 2019

February 1-3, 2019 is Missionfest, being held at Church of the Rock. Plan now to attend. They are looking for attendees, volunteers, financial contributions and prayerful support. Visit www.missionfestmanitoba.org to find out more.

FOR THE HEALING OF THE NATIONS

by Fred Kaan
(CWM RHONDDA)

For the healing of the nations,
Lord, we pray with one accord;
For a just and equal sharing
Of the things that earth affords;
To a life of love in action
Help us rise and pledge our word.

Lead us forward into freedom;
From despair your world release,
That, redeemed from war and hatred,
All may come and go in peace.
Show us how through care and goodness
Fear will die and hope increase.

All that kills abundant living,
Let it from the earth be banned;
Pride of status, race, or schooling,
Dogmas that obscure your plan.
In our common quest for justice
May we hallow life's brief span.

You, Creator God, have written
Your great name on humankind;
For our growing in your likeness
Bring the life of Christ to mind,
That by our response and service
Earth its destiny may find.