



# COVENANT LIFE

## MINISTERIAL ORGANIZATION

### **7 REASONS WE SHOULD TRUST JESUS! Pastor Nancy Peterson**

#### **1. HE KNOWS YOU BY NAME!**

**ISAIAH 43:1**

*"But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, And He who formed you, O Israel: 'Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; You are Mine.'"*

**JOHN 10:27**

*"My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me."*

**EXODUS 33:17**

*"So the LORD said to Moses, "I will also do this thing that you have spoken; for you have found grace in My sight, and I know you by name."*

#### **2. HE WILL FIGHT FOR YOU!**

**ISAIAH 49:25**

*"For I will contend with him who contends with you."*

**PSALMS 20:6**

*"Now I know that the Lord saves His anointed; He will answer him from His holy heaven with the saving strength of His right hand."*

**ISAIAH 43:2**

*"When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overflow you. When you walk through the fire, you shall not be burned, nor shall the flame scorch you."*

**PSALM 34:17**

*"The righteous cry out, and the Lord hears, and delivers them out of all their troubles."*

**PSALMS 46:1**

*"God is our refuge and strength, A very present help in trouble."*

#### **3. HE IS ALWAYS THINKING ABOUT YOU!**

**PSALMS 139:1-6, 17**

*1) You have searched me, LORD, and you know me. 2) You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. 3) You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways.*

*4) Before a word is on my tongue you, LORD, know it completely. 5) You hem me in behind and before, and you lay your hand upon me.*

*6) Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain. 17) How precious also are Your thoughts to me, O God! How great is the sum of them!*

#### **4. HE HAS A PLAN FOR YOU!**

**JEREMIAH 29:11**

*"For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the LORD, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope."*

**JEREMIAH 1:5**

*"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you; Before you were born I sanctified you; I ordained you a prophet to the nations."*

#### **5. HE WILL NEVER LEAVE YOU OR FORSAKE YOU!**

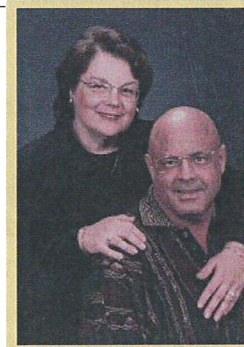
**DEUTERONOMY 31:8**

*8) And the LORD, He is the One who goes before you. He will be with you, He will not leave you nor forsake you; do not fear nor be dismayed."*

**PSALMS 91:9-12, 14-16**

*9) "Because you have made the LORD, who is even the Most High, your dwelling place, 10) No evil shall befall you, Nor shall any plague come near your dwelling; 11) For He shall give His angels charge over you, To keep you in all your ways. 12) In their hands they shall bear you up, Lest you dash your foot against a stone. 14) "Because he has set his love upon Me, therefore I will deliver him; I will set him on high, because he has known My name. 15) He shall call upon Me, and I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble; I will deliver him and honor him. 16) With long life I will satisfy him, And show him My salvation."*

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Pastors Gordon &  
Nancy Peterson

newsletter

## Prophetic Word for 2021 - Pastor Judy Fornara

At the end of each year, Pastor Judy sets aside time to fast and pray and inquire what is the Word of the Lord for the upcoming year. This is the word she gave at the January 1, 2021 New Year's Eve Service.

*"This will be a year of favor for the church and those who have lost property, restaurants, schools, hotels and hospitals, as they will turn and bring to the church those properties. The church will increase as people run to the Lord for answers. Believers will experience favor from God, their employers and those they associate with in unprecedented ways.*



Pastor Judy Fornara

*The Glory of the Lord will come back into the churches. God's favor will be on Christian businesses as they will be willing to take chances, where others are set in fear and will not be able to move into the new things of God. Great change all around but live on a higher level, above all the rattling of sabers and unkind words. This is the day prosperity will come to the churches; new ministries will burst forth on the horizon overnight with My blessing. Put on your Gospel shoes and move for the pace will pick up to a run for the end times.*

*After famine come the rain, new harvest, new crops, and new blessings. This will be a takeover year for many believers. What you could not believe for will open quickly to your opportunities you could not dream of in your life. God is going to be faithful to those who hung in there for America and the Lord during this shutdown season.*

*The bells of hope, opportunity and blessings are ringing as we come into the New Year. The wealth of the world will open up for those who are faithful in the race for the Lord.*

*This is a year of hope and a year of extraordinary faith. Abraham was God's servant who was full of faith. Recognize your opportunities and run this year with God for favor and blessings".*

### **7 REASONS WE SHOULD TRUST JESUS! (Continued from Page 1)**

#### **6. HE IS THE BEST FRIEND YOU CAN HAVE!**

##### **PROVERBS 18:24**

*"A man who has friends must himself be friendly, But there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother."*

##### **I PETER 5:7**

*"Casting all your care upon Him, for He cares for you."*

##### **PHILIPPIANS 4:19**

*"And my God will meet all your needs according to the riches of his glory in Christ Jesus."*

#### **7. HE HAS ALREADY GIVEN UP HIS LIFE FOR YOU!**

##### **JOHN 15:13-14**

13) *"Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.*

14) *You are My friends if you do whatever I command you. (there's a condition)*

##### **JOHN 3:16**

*"For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life."*

## Mission Trip to Democratic Republic of the Congo - March 1 - 13

Pastors Joe and Judy Fornara will be leading a group of 6 people on a missions trip to the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) March 1 - 13. The team will be teaching approximately 1200-1500 Pastors a Spiritual Life Seminary Course entitled, "Building Strong Leaders".

The team will consist of Pastors Joe and Judy Fornara, Pastor McNay Nkashama, Rev. Kristi Kuhns, Kathy Powell Larson and Lisa Prikozchekov.

The conference meetings will be held in a large church (with air conditioning) in the city of Matadi, which is the second largest city in the Congo. The President of the Congo is a Christian and attends this church. The meetings will be televised to a potential audience of two million people. The team will be teaching from morning into the afternoon and will conduct revival meetings in the evening.

Pastor McNay Nkashama was born in the DRC and made the arrangements for the conference. He has a vision of starting a Bible College in the Congo and has already chosen a location to build the school.

A special treat for the group will be an excursion to the place where David Livingstone's heart is buried, which is an hour from where the conference will be held.



Pastors McNay, Nkashama,  
Pastors Joe and Judy



Church where conference  
will be held



Every Pastor who attends  
will receive a certificate.

## 1st Quarter Chaplain's Meeting: Friday, April 9, 2021: 7:00 pm



The next Chaplain's Meeting will be held Friday, April 9th, at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. **You don't have to be a member of Covenant Life Ministerial Organization to attend - everyone is invited!**

This meetings' topic is "Ministering to people during difficult times." There are so many people who feel isolated, lonely, fearful and distraught right now. God's Word has much to teach us about how to minister to hurting people. We will learn principles, from the Word of God, that will help us as we minister God's love to others.

There will be a time of fellowship following the meeting. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Pastor Nancy Peterson (612-281-3644).

*A chaplain's biggest gift is to be present, listen, and pray."*

## Revival is breaking out in the United States!

CLMO Pastor, Charles Karuku, and his wife, Lindsey, have been working with worship leader, Shawn Feucht, bringing revival to cities across America.

Recently, they have been in Florida, where revival broke out in West Palm Beach. Pastor Charles wrote on Facebook, "*FLORIDA REVIVAL HAS BEEN A TURNING POINT IN MY LIFE AND MINISTRY. 59 cities and still going strong. We have been here for 2 weeks of revival. We left it all in the field. We gave it our all. God deserves it all. As I return from West Palm Beach and Miami Florida, we are forever changed. Never to be the same again. Many saved, many baptized in water. Many deaf ears open. Many tumors dissolve. Many filled with the Holy Spirit. Many get right with God. Many anointed for ministry. The stories are so many. Only eternity will accurately report what the Lord has done. I'm bringing this to Minneapolis Feb. 26th 7 pm at Spiritual Life Church Brooklyn Center MN.*"



Pastor Charles and Lindsey Karuku

Pray for Pastor Charles and Lindsey as they work the many facets of the vision that the Lord has given them. They will also be opening up Hope Homes in North Minneapolis! For more information, check out their Facebook page.

### Remembering Rev. Jim Sky - December 27, 1943 to January 23, 2021



February 3, 2021, a memorial service was held for our dear CLMO brother, Rev. Jim Sky. Jim was born in Odanah, Wisconsin, on the Bad River Reservation. He spent his first two years in an orphanage, and then was brought into a lifelong relationship with a wonderful Polish family, as the last of 13 foster children.

As an adult, Jim struggled with alcohol and heroin addiction that led to a life of crime to pay for his habit. As a result, he spent seven years in a federal prison. Jim was picked up 104 times by the St. Paul police and went through 15 different addiction programs without success. In 1982, God spoke to him through a dream, and Jim went to the Union Gospel Mission in St. Paul. He heard the song, "softly and tenderly, Jesus is calling", and responded to the altar call. Jim prayed three days in the chapel, and during that time, he was miraculously delivered from heroin and alcohol addiction.

He stayed on at the Union Gospel Mission and soon they hired him to work with the men. Rev. Jim has served as a pastor, evangelist and a prophet to the nations, however, he never lost his love for winning souls and disciple them.

One of the highlights of his ministry was speaking to 65,000 men at the Promise Keepers Conference in Minneapolis, MN. He has ministered to many different groups of people, including foreign dignitaries and leaders, but always had a great love for the First Nations of our land.

In 2003, Rev. Jim met Nancy Larson, and in 2013, they were married. Jim has two daughters, six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. He will be missed by all of us, however, we know that he is in Heaven, and he is completely healed! *In your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore." Psalms 16:11*