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*Joy Mennonite Church*



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**PASTOR'S  
 CORNER** ?

Dear Friends,

Yes, it is true, another sign of life from Joy Mennonite Church in Oklahoma City. At this writing a full 10% of 1992 has become history - unbelievable. We cannot say Happy New Year, but our wishes are that as 1992 continues to fly by it will continue to improve - be a good year, bringing happiness and peace to body, mind and soul.

Strange? Well, not so strange, that one considers what love has to do with happiness and peace. Birth dates are not the only dates remembered or reminders of those we love. My mother's life flashes by also at the anniversary of her death, and appropriately so when I think of love and peace. The inscription on her grave stone reads "...but the greatest of these is love," and that truly was her life. Fittingly, approaching this "love month" of February, there have been recent references to that scripture as well as that where God's love is characterized by Jesus - the plant and animal kingdoms have been provided for, and are we not better than they? If we are givers of good gifts, how much more will God give us if we only ask?

What better gift can we give than love? Can you take a downscaled analogy? pet owners can attest to how their pets live for their master's love! How much more can humans with intelligent minds respond to our love when given freely and with no strings attached? Time for love?

*Risa Klassen*



After the reshuffle - losing our church home, our pastor, and I am sure confidence in prospects for our survival, circumstances dictated shutting down our Sunday School program temporarily. Moses and Sadie Mast parented us back into a close knit "family unit" once again. Now we are pleased to announce that we are back in service with Sunday School and all.

Our outreach seems to continue to expand, and the maintaining support of those who believe in us and aspire to having a Mennonite church in south Oklahoma City, we will certainly survive. We thank God for all that is happening for us.

**volunteers**

Greetings from the Mennonite Voluntary Service Unit in Oklahoma City. Things are still a bit slow here because the cool weather prevents us from doing much outside work, especially any involving paint or concrete. Still, we managed to paint a house during that warmer spell at the end of January. Some of our other jobs included spreading crushed stone on a driveway for an elderly widow, and widening a bathroom door for a man in a wheelchair.

There are just two of us here now; not enough to keep the bills paid, but Oliver Roeber calls Newton every so often to make sure they keep us in mind. I hope we get at least one other volunteer here before the spring rush of work comes, in March or April. Well, that is it from this end for now.

*Edward Mulcaster*



