



May 27, 2015

Dear friend,

Thank you for praying, serving, and giving so that children might hear the Good News about Jesus Christ! We deeply appreciate the part you play in the exciting work God is doing among the children.

As the chapter board, we would like to tell you about an important staff transition happening later this year.

Over the past two years, our chapter director, Ben Vinje, has served in a dual role, splitting his time between the Northwest Chapter and state CEF office. As the work has grown in both roles, he has discerned that the Lord is leading him to serve full-time with the state office. Ben will complete his work with the chapter on September 1.

Our two other staff members, Heather Deckert and Michelle Ellis, plan to continue serving with the chapter.

Since Ben reached this decision about a year ago, we've been prayerfully seeking a new chapter director. We are trusting Him to provide one in His time. The Lord has faithfully called leaders over the chapter's 45 years—we're confident that He will call another!

During this transition, please pray. First, pray for God's provision of a new director. Second, pray for wisdom for the board and staff as we move through this transition. Lastly, pray that the Lord would be glorified through the decisions made.

As the transition progresses, please stay tuned to our prayer letter, *The Heartbeat*, for updates.

In the meantime, if you have any questions about the transition, please contact Ben Vinje (ben@nwchapter.com, 701-340-4999) or a board member.

Thank you for your on-going commitment to reaching boys and girls for Jesus Christ. As always, we remain dedicated to making Jesus Christ known among the children!

Gratefully,

The Northwest Chapter Board
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