



April 2009 Newsletter

FMC News

New in the library

4 books by Karen Kingsbury:

Fame
Found
Family
Forever

The following was in a bulletin received a while back from Harold Thompson (Stan & Iona's friend). It is from his home congregation, St. John's Episcopal Church in Christiansted, St. Croix, VI.

Be Thoughtful; Be Silent; Be Reverent;
for this is the House of God.

Before the service, Speak to the Lord;
During the service, Let the Lord Speak to you;
After the service, Speak to one another.

Sister-Care seminar -“Effective Lay Caring in the Congregation”

How am I called to care? What resources can the church provide; when do we seek care outside the church? How can women more effectively minister to needs of other women? How do we set boundaries? **Sessions include worship, Bible study, skills training and interactive activities.** Participants will receive a manual of resources that can be shared with others. This workshop will be held in Elkhart IN May 15-16. **FMC Mennonite Women would like to sponsor at least two women from our congregation to attend this event.** Please see Rachel if you are interested.

From Mennonite Media

EASTER RADIO SPECIAL: The Greatest Week in History is back! Older pastors might remember a creative radio Easter series from Mennonite Media called The Greatest Week in History. Originally released in 1965, the Easter series has been re-released on CD due to popular demand. The short radio broadcasts report in mock news style about Easter “as it

might have happened.” The CD includes seven 4 ½ minute programs and an Easter wrap up in two lengths. It is available to listen to on Third Way Café, www.thirdway.com.

From MC USA

The Corinthian Plan is a new health care benefit plan for Mennonite Church USA pastors and church workers. This week information about the plan will be received by every congregation. Ambassadors for The Corinthian Plan have been trained in every conference and will be contacting someone in your church in the next several weeks. Ask your pastor or other congregational leaders about this important new development. Congregations will have until October 1 to enroll with a goal of having 80% of Mennonite Church USA congregations in this new plan. More information is also available at www.TheCorinthianPlan.org.