

**We offer our condolences to Minnie Penney** whose brother-in-law, Frank Pike, passed away on January 1<sup>st</sup>.

**The following donations have been made:**

**\*\*in loving memory of Jean Bowering** from Ian Penney, Vera & Morley Hodder, Janet Prince of Calgary and Susie Smith of St. John's

**\*\*to the Bethany Danielle Pike Memorial Camp Fund** in loving memory of Bethany from Stephen, Susan and Rebecca.

**\*\*to the Memory Tree** in loving memory of parents Sam & Ethel Jenkins and brother Cecil from Dorothy Jenkins.

**\*\*to St. James** from Alison & Ralph Dale of St. John's

**\*\*to the Roof Fund** in recognition of Albert & Vickie Styles' recent 58<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary from William & Renata Styles and family. Happy Anniversary Albert and Vickie!

**Today following the 11am service:** GO project meeting for parents and youth in the Fellowship Room, and a Youth Confirmation Class in the MultiPurpose Room.

**Bible Study begins Monday, January 13th at 10am and Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> at 7pm** for a 6 week session: the Gospel of John.

**U. C. W. monthly meeting will be held Monday evening, January 13th at 7:30.** A warm welcome is extended to any new members who would like to join us.

**Praise-Fit begins Tuesday, January 14th at 10.30am and Friday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 6pm.** The first class is free! After that, cost is \$6 for a drop-in participant or \$20 for 4 classes. Praise-Fit incorporates dance-based moves choreographed to faith-based music. Classes are fun, lively and entertaining, with a musical and lyrical focus on loving God and pursuing a lifestyle of holiness.

**The next dinner meeting of the St. James AOTS Men's Club will be held at 5:30 p.m. on Wednesday, January 15th.** New members will be extended a warm welcome.

**The next Escasoni Service** will take place on Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup>.

**Winter Youth Retreat** for ages 12-19, "In the Beginning", Jan 17-19, Rotary Sunshine Park. Registration \$50. For more information see Susan or Rebecca.

**Theology on Tap continues on Thursday January 23<sup>rd</sup>** at 7.30 at the Guv'nor Pub.

**A big thank you from Bridges To Hope (Karen Moores):** "It with great pleasure the Bridges To Hope Organization thanks the individuals, corporate sponsors and

churches who responded to the needs of those in our community who experience difficulties during the Christmas season. This Christmas the St. John's Rotary Club provided 325 hampers to families who would not otherwise have a Christmas celebration dinner. The generous donations received from individuals, corporations and churches provided for an addition 130 hampers. In 2013 in excess of 8100 hampers were provided and more than 10, 000 meals prepared. We are confident that the Pantry will continue to help with the day to day struggles of feeding families and that our Community Kitchen will be able to assist families in the provision of economical, healthy meal preparation. Although a simple thank you does not seem to be enough, it is a sincere one. We are a generous community, a caring people and people who are more than willing to "give a handup" to someone in need. Thank you for helping Bridges to Hope at Christmas time and throughout the year."

**The Heart and Stroke Foundation** is offering a risk reduction program for women 35-65 with at least one risk factor for heart disease and stroke. The Foundation plans to hold 4 weekly free sessions early in the New Year in Gander, Grand Falls-Windsor and St. John's. Contact Shelly Collins at 753-8521 or [scollins@hsf.nl.ca](mailto:scollins@hsf.nl.ca)

**An account has been set up at the Recycling Depot on O'Leary Avenue for the 'GO Project.'** If you have any refundable cans or bottles for recycling that you wish to donate, please bring them along to the O'Leary Avenue location and let them know they are for the 'GO Project.'

**Some bloopers** of Biblical proportion written by Sunday School students:

**\*\*In the first book of the Bible, Guinness, God got tired of creating the world, so He took the Sabbath off.**

**\*\*Noah's wife was called Joan of Ark.**

**\*\*Lot's wife was a pillar of salt by day, but a ball of fire by night.**

**\*\*The Jews were a proud people and throughout history they had trouble with unsympathetic Genitals.**

**ANNOUNCEMENT: THERE WILL BE A MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION OF ST. JAMES UNITED CHURCH FOLLOWING MORNING WORSHIP ON SUNDAY JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup>. THIS MEETING IS CALLED TO RECEIVE THE REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION REGARDING THE SOUND SYSTEM AND TO MAKE THE NECESSARY DECISIONS IN THIS MATTER.**