

## Missionary Highlight

### Cathy Campobello –

Serve Globally in Columbia

When will it rain? The whole country is in a drought. Since early November of last year and continuing until March according to the weather forecast. We are living in extremely dry conditions with intense heat. It is predicted that February will be even hotter.



Many areas in the country are burning with the fires out of control. I depend on the mountain to supply water for the house, but I do purchase drinking water as the water that comes down from the mountain is not potable. Many of the crops have been lost and the animals are dying as the drought extends.

When I preached at the Shalom Community Christian Church, they had invited those who had aged out of the Peace House for Boys which is a home for boys at risk. The church has an ongoing relationship with those who have graduated from their childhood years in the Peace House and are currently in high school, college, technical schools or working among other things. I thank God for the adults at Shalom Church who follow-up with them in meetings and periodically to accompany them as needed in their teenage years and beyond.

### Prayer Requests:

1. For the government to respond efficiently in the areas where the fires are burning and where the conditions are worsening from the drought.
2. That the water will continue to flow from the mountain.
3. For the annual meeting of the Covenant Church in Columbia in March.

### January 2024

### YTD Giving

### YTD Expenses

General Fund (Calendar Year)	\$ 18,234	\$ ,20,031
Missions Fund (Budget Year)	\$ 53,220	\$ 54,776

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## Weekly Events & Opportunities

- A Parent's Room (back of the sanctuary) and Nursery (downstairs) are available for **families with young children**.
- **Welcome to Owen Luckow!!** Owen is our long-awaited Worship Arts Director.
- **Annual Meeting Election Results**
  - Leadership Team is:
    - Chairman: David Hebig
    - Personnel: Andy Hedlund
    - Properties: Justin Carney
  - Nominating Committee is:
    - Will Davies            Kathy Galusha
    - Lois Lundin            Kimberly Dawn Nyborg
- **Membership Class** – Are you interested in learning more about our church & what it means to be a member? Pastor Seth will be leading a class on Saturday, February 17. Please indicate your interest on a Connect Card & drop it in the offering plate.
- **MN Teen Challenge Choir** – will be here on Sunday, February 25. Please come enjoy the time of music, testimonies and encouragement. Plan to stay, enjoy a provided lunch & visit with the choir. Please bring a sweet treat to share.
- **Seder Meal** – March 28 from 5-7pm; Wes Taber from Life in Messiah will be leading us through a Seder meal. Tickets will be \$20/person and available for purchase in the lobby or during church office hours.
- **Mark your calendars:** Rachel Zupke, from Life in Messiah ministries, will share Feb 18 during Sunday school about her recent trip to Israel. The **2024 Missions Conference** will be Mar 2-10 with Paul Reed, and Todd & Penny Beaudin speaking.

## God's Righteous Wrath

Romans 2.5-8

Therefore you have no excuse, O man, every one of you who judges. For in passing judgment on another you condemn yourself, because you, the judge, practice the very same things. 2 We know that the judgment of God rightly falls on those who practice such things. 3 Do you suppose, O man—you who judge those who practice such things and yet do them yourself—that you will escape the judgment of God? 4 Or do you presume on the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience, not knowing that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?