New Covenant Fellowship

June 25, 2023

"What Does it Mean to Be Free?" by Bob Husband

You were called to freedom, brothers and sisters; only don't let this freedom be an opportunity to indulge your selfish impulses, but serve each other through love.

-Galatians 5:13





ORDER OF SERVICE

Let it Rain

Welcome (Melissa Logsdon)

Hosanna

Your Love, Oh Lord

Galatians 5:1,13-14 (Barbara L.)

Freedom Reigns

"What Does it Mean to Be Free?" (Bob Husband)

You Say

I Can Only Imagine

Benediction (Pastor Renée)

Soon and Very Soon

BENEDICTION

Go now, in the freedom of the gospel,

the good news of Jesus the Anointed.

Encourage one another daily

to lead lives worthy of God

and walk together in service and humility.

Let your words and your lives

be one in Christ.

Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mama Bears screening—The UP Center and Illinois Public Media presents a special screening of the documentary, "Mama Bears," followed by a panel discussion with audience Q &A on Friday, June 30 at 7pm at The Virginia Theatre. New Covenant Fellowship along with others in the faith community in support of LGBTQ+ are invited to attend.

Building Homes—In response to the teaching about providing access to home ownership for Black families as part of Reparations, NCF added Habitat for Humanity of Champaign County to our Missions, Mercy, and Justice budget at \$500 a month, retroactive to January 2023.

Prayer "Wall" If you want to serve on the "prayer wall" following the teaching, contact Paige Weston. Choose a recurring slot or sign up for available slots.

Book Study begins! The Beloved Community book group starts this Thursday 6:30-8pm June 29th, and runs until Nov 17. Pastors Terrance Thomas (of Bethel) and Michael Crosby (of First Mennonite) lead the study starting with "The Politics of Jesus: Rediscovering the True Revolutionary Nature of Jesus' Teachings and How They Have Been Corrupted" by Obery Hendricks, focusing on the social and political contexts for Jesus' life and teachings. Please plan on at least reading the introduction and preface before the first meeting.

Open and Close—please consider serving on rotation to "open" the building Sundays at 8:45am (make coffee, adjust thermostats and lights, restock communion, etc) or the reverse, to "close" the building after the congregation departs. Contact Renée or Paige Weston if interested.

Lobos Greetings—Leo and Renee say **thanks**.

CONTACTS

Leadership: Caroline H, Laurie K, and Jackson C **Reparations:** Jeff, Sharon, Vern, & Gladys **Finance Team:** Joyce, Paco, Tim, Patty, & Walt

Family Fund: Karen H, Barbara P, Judy H, Nancy M, & Lehman W

Pastor: Renée Antrosio

Wednesday: Pastor Renée's Sabbath

May tithes: \$9,640; Family fund: \$225; Reparations: \$1125. Thank you!