

THE RAINBOW CONNECTION

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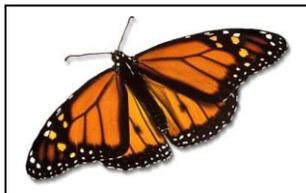
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To my Koinonia family,
Wow.....a word that I couldn't stop using thru the entire K-79 weekend. We serve an awesome God!! I was in awe all weekend at how His hand was working thru all of you! I have no doubts that God was in complete control of the entire weekend and I wouldn't have changed a single thing. Thank you....to my amazing K-79 team! Your dedication and hard work is something I will forever be grateful for. I feel so honored to know all of you! A huge welcome to the newest members of our Koinonia family....the K-79 participants! We were so blessed to get to know a little about each of you and hope God is continuing His work in your lives! A HUGE thank you to the best assistant ever....Ryan Webster! You were not only my assistant but also became a wonderful friend to me!! Please keep Ryan and his assistant, Montina, in your prayers as they prepare for K-80. Pretty sure there couldn't be a better team than the K-79 team but I'm sure it will be close. :) As they say, the best is yet to come!! I hope to see all of you at the Ultreya next Sunday! Again....thank you my dear friends for your love, prayers and encouragement. You all know what a crazy but amazing journey this has been for me and I couldn't have done it without you!! Love you all so much!

Yours Truly,
Iron Butterfly (aka....Bridgitte) :)



Please email us at
koinonia.rainbow.connection@gmail.com to receive
your newsletter online.

ULTREYA

Where: Assembly of God Church – 6 First Street
(Whitehall)

When: Sunday, October 16th @ 2:30 pm - potluck to
follow (Board meeting @ about 5:00 pm)

Why: Because we all need a Koinonia fix:-) Invite
other Fourth Day groups, such as Pathways, Cursillo,
Tres Dias, Walk to Emmaus

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WELCOME NEW PARTICIPANTS OF K-78 INTO OUR KOINONIA FAMILY

Liz Brownlow
Pam Casterline
Karla Church
Dave Harvey
Shiela Harvey
Emily Howard
Michael Howard
Dan Hutchings
Kathy Meyer
Denise Padgett
Glenda Pennington

Deanna Randall
Margie Schmitz
Debbie Smart
Ed Smart
Robyn Smart
Kelsey Stordahl
Tiffany TeBeest
Virginia Tynan
Stephanie Vinson
Heather Wittmer



NEED A QUICK KOINONIA FIX? SEE WHAT IS GOING ON.

Visit our website at: www.koinoniaofmontana.org

It will also have important dates and links to maps of locations we use for Koinonia retreats and K-Kamp (etc.)

Dear Koinonia Family,

I am always in awe of how God is able to work through us to touch each other's lives on these weekends.

K-79 was such an amazing weekend that I am still in awe. It felt like it came too soon and passed too quickly but I am blown away because each weekend gets better and better. I truly believe that the best is yet to come! I would especially like to thank Bridgitte for all of her hard work and listening to God throughout the process. God put an amazing team together through her and it was an absolute pleasure getting to work alongside her and the rest of the team as Assistant Lay Leader. I was truly overwhelmed by God's presence on the weekend.

I would also like to thank God for allowing me the privilege of serving as the Lay Leader for K-80. The weekend will be held at the Urseline Centre in Great Falls March 23-25, 2012. God has chosen the wonderful Montina Kraha as my assistant and we are both excited to see how He will move on this next weekend. God has laid two scriptures on my heart for the weekend Psalm 28:7 "The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and he helps me. My heart leaps for joy, and with my song I praise him." as well as John 3:16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life." The symbol for the weekend will be a shield behind a wooden cross. I hope that you will already be in prayer about if God is calling you to serve on this upcoming weekend. Prayer truly is key to not just these weekends but also our daily lives and walk with God. I look forward to seeing lots of smiling faces at the next Ultreya.



By God's Grace
Ryan Webster

Dear Koinonia,

K-79 is history and was an amazing work of God. It was so amazing that I can't even articulate it.

All I know is that God moved in people's hearts on Friday night and it was so awesome to watch it all weekend.

Bridgitte and Ryan did a fantastic job and were so tuned in to the needs of the participants. They kept things rolling and even with that large group of participants, we were able to get them to bed at a decent hour both nights. Thanks for being so thoughtful and gracious.

The speakers were all great and Brennan's Ideals talk was the opening that caused the openness in the hearts of the participants. There was healing, help, hope, and halleluiahs all weekend.

Every part of the team functioned as well as I have ever seen, and I would personally like to thank them all for their untiring efforts. It was noticed and appreciated.

Thanks also, to the Urseline Centre staff, for their kindness and helpfulness. We love you all.

Ultreya is October 16, at 2:30 PM in Whitehall at the Assembly of God Church. The board meeting will follow about 5:00 PM. Please plan on coming and bring a dish to share. Pot luck about 4:30 PM.

We will keep you posted on some board member changes that are coming soon and ask for your continued prayers as we go forward. The best is still yet to come.

See you all soon and remain,

Together with you in His service,

LaDon



**CHANGE YOUR
CLOCKS**



**Sunday November
6, 2011**



Hi, Koinonia friends,

Laura Bennett here from Bozeman. What a privilege it was to pray for you last Saturday during the weekend. I prayed for people attending the weekend, presenters, teams, sponsors and the folks back home. What joy to remember my Koinonia weekends on teams in the late 90s and early 00s. My husband Richard is now business manager of Yellowstone Alliance Adventures camp in Bozeman, where those weekends were held. God's world is small! I talked to Sally Luke when I had a day in Helena in late August. So good to reconnect...God bless your day and your work to further his kingdom!

L.B.

Laura Bennett

Martin '12/1

Bozeman, MT

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Ryan Webster and Montana Kraha as they prepare for K-80.



DEATHS:

Please pray for families of Wayne Fisher K-2, Al Graesser K-13, Mary Irving K-23, and Ron Davis (Darla Martin's Dad)

If you have any prayer request for the next Rainbow Connection please submit them to

koinonia.rainbow.connection@gmail.com before February 01, 2012.

Matthew 11:28-30

“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light.



Events Coming Up

- * Birthday Party for Jesus
- * Butte Evangelical Free Winter Craft Family Fair
- * 30-60-90 Birthday Party for Travis, Paul and Grandma Fries



We will email information on these 3 things when we have more info on the dates, etc. If you do not receive your rainbow connection by email here are your options to receive more info:

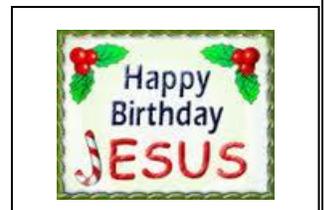
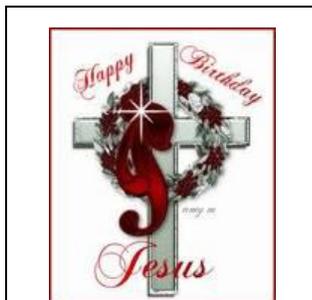
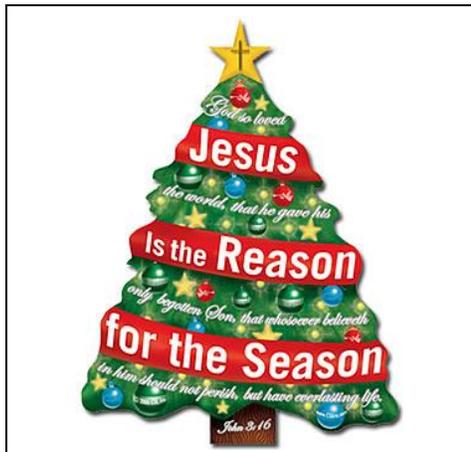
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-get in-touch with a board member

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**Live simply. Love generously.
Care deeply. Speak kindly.**

Leave the rest to God!



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The next newsletter will be sent out in February 2011