

NEBRASKA DISCIPLE NEWS
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TOMORROW IS VALENTINE'S DAY

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. offers these defining words: *"When I speak of love I am not speaking of some sentimental and weak response. I am speaking of that force which all of the great religions have seen as the supreme unifying principle of life. Love is somehow the key that unlocks the door which leads to ultimate reality. This Hindu-Moslem-Christian-Jewish-Buddhist belief about ultimate reality is beautifully summed up in the first epistle of Saint John: 'Let us love one another; for love is of God, and everyone that loveth is born of God and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God, for God is love. If we love one another, God dwelleth in us, and his love is perfected in us.'" Let us hope that this spirit will become the order of the day.*

TEN WAYS TO LOVE

Listen without interrupting. (Proverbs 18)
Speak without accusing. (James 1:19)
Give without sparing. (Proverbs 21:26)
Pray without ceasing. (Colossians 1:9)
Answer without arguing. (Proverbs 17:1)
Share without pretending. (Ephesians 4:15)
Enjoy without complaint. (Philippians 2:14)
Trust without wavering. (Corinthians 13:7)
Forgive without punishing. (Colossians 3:13)
Promise without forgetting. (Proverbs 13:12)

LENT IS COMING

If you need to order materials for new member classes about the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) you may want to order a supply of the booklet "About the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)" from the Channing Bete Company. These inexpensive booklets can be ordered only at www.faithguides.com or by phone 1-800-354-4843 *Classic illus.(TA17376)A*

FELLOWSHIP OF PRAYER

The 2012 Fellowship of Prayer Lenten devotional by MaryAnn McKibben Dana is available today" Print ISBN 9780827210837 List price: \$2.95 from Chalice Press at chalicepress.com. or call 1-800-366-3383.

2012 ECUMENICAL LENTEN CARBON FAST

If you visit www.macucc.org/carbonfast you will find information about the 2012 Ecumenical Lenten Carbon Fast. This began as a project begun by the Massachusetts Conference of the UCC and now other denominations and groups are participating. Persons can sign up and receive daily suggestions during Lent on ways that they can reduce their carbon footprint. There is also a Link for congregational involvement.

KENNON CALLAHAN SEMINAR

The seminar, "Coming Together", will focus on Worship, Children and Family Ministries, and ways of Increasing Participation in our congregations. Sessions will be focused around effective use of media, help for worship planners, fresh ideas for children and family ministries, engaging people in decision making, and leadership development and training. Thousands of congregations and tens of thousands of church leaders and pastors from around the world have benefited from Dr. Callahan's wisdom, insight, and practical advice. This seminar is a unique opportunity to interact with Dr. Callahan and other seminar participants on an intimate basis in a beautiful, relaxing, and inspiring setting. You can visit on the web at www.callahanseminar.org

LOWERY LECTURE ON ABUNDANCE

Old Testament Professor, Dr. Rick Lowery, will be the January 2013 Winter Convocation speaker. The following link will take you to a one-hour lecture that he gave recently on "Abundance":
<http://www.centerforfaithandgiving.org/StudyResources/GenesisandAbundance/tabid/1041/Default.aspx>

PRAY FOR...

Bethany Christian Church in Lincoln and Rev. Daryl Lauber.

Barbara Scucs who serves as a missionary in Hungary.

Your Partner in Ministry,

Kenneth W. Moore
Regional Minister

NEBRASKA MISSION

"To involve individuals and congregations in God's mission in the world."

DISCIPLES IDENTITY STATEMENT

"We are Disciples of Christ, a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world.
As part of the one body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord's Table as God has welcomed us.