

**Middleburgh Reformed Church  
News & Announcements**

**January 2015**

**Ridder Team Presentation:** Saturday January 24th, 10 a.m. Coffee and pastries provided.

**Food Pantry**

Please purchase the following during the month of January:

canned fruit  
peanut butter  
tomato sauce

Thank you for supporting this ministry to the hungry of our community.

If you would like to become a food pantry volunteer, please see Russ or Stan. The food pantry is open on Wednesdays from 4:00 until 6:00. On Saturdays, the hours are 9:00 to 11:00. Full-time and substitute volunteers are needed.



**January Neighbors Eating Together (NET) Dinners**

Wednesdays, 5-6:30 pm.

7th: Here (Middleburgh Reformed) *see the Table to help.*

14th: Our Lady of the Valley R.C.

21st: Middleburgh United Methodist

28th: St. Mark's Lutheran

**Operation Christmas Child**

If you purchased "Follow Your Box" labels for some of the boxes we filled at our packing party last fall, please let me know the country of destination for those gifts. I will mark them on the map in the fellowship hall. It's fun to see where our boxes have gone!

Shoebox gifts are given to children who have experienced hardships of many kinds. Many of the children are living in some of the darkest corners of the world. Please keep the children, their families, and those who are discipling them in your prayers.

Please save Christmas cards with religious or nature pictures for next year's shoeboxes. You may leave them in the basket in the foyer.

Blessings for the New Year!

*Mary Lou*

**SITWAY-** *staying in touch with away youth-* we would like to send out care packages sometime in January-February. Details coming soon. If you have addresses for students or military away from home, please submit them to Sarah Beekman.

**Camp Fowler** - Registration for the 2015 season is open. Check the website for details: [www.campfowler.org](http://www.campfowler.org)

**Got a New Resolution?** It takes doing something 30 times to create a habit. And yes, you can teach old dogs new tricks. Humans can also learn and create new memories- this is a biological fact no matter what a teacher might have led you to believe. If you want to start a new spiritual habit make a plan and stick to it for a month before you count it as a bust. Try praying for others over morning coffee or reading Scripture after lunch or find a good book to work through. Need help with ideas and plans? Check out [www.biblegateway.com](http://www.biblegateway.com) for Scripture reading plans. The Table also has a description of Lectio Divina, a way of reading and M'Cheyne's read-the-Bible-in-a-year reading plan. or come to a Bible study.

***Regular Happenings***

**Bible Study Tuesday:** 1 pm-2:30 at the Spencer's house, studying the Scripture for the coming week in worship.

**Bible Study Thursday:** 3:30-4:30 p.m. at Marian Lynes' house, studying the book of Acts.

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