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Monster Concert in Germany!

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Vancouver Piano Ensemble joins Baynov Piano Ensemble in Anniversary Concert

On September 13, Margarete and I left Vancouver for Germany. This was to be a very special adventure. Family visits, a Mediterranean Cruise around the Greek Islands and a – yes – monster concert in Tuttingen, Germany featuring 10 pianos and twenty professional pianists – all playing at the same time! Let me tell you some of the details.

On Monday, Sept. 28, I arrived in Trossingen, Germany, about 30 minutes from the concert location, where all the rehearsals took place. I received an 83 page score of one of the main works we were to perform that Saturday. My first task – learn this music in time for our first group rehearsal that night. Yes, I had all of about 4 hours to accomplish this task. The rehearsal went on each evening at the Hermann Piano House, which very generously allowed us to use the piano showroom for this incredible undertaking.

Conductors had to be engaged – after all, so many pianists all under one hat, all playing not only together, but musically in tandem – that is just like a piano orchestra.

We rehearsed long and hard. Individual practice in the mornings and afternoons, group practices each evening. Then, on Thurs. we had the first taste of the concert hall in Tuttingen, a new building right beside the Danube River with all the amenities you can think of. And the pianos – wow!! Large Concert Grands, some intermediate sized ones, and two uprights: Sau-



ter, Boesendorfer, Steinway and Yamaha.

The concert was on Sat., October 3. It was not only a sell-out with a good number of disappointed folk not able to get in, but it was also a musical success beyond expectations.

The group from Vancouver that participated in this event were members of the Vancouver Piano Ensemble, who joined the German Baynov

Piano Ensemble and guest pianists. One of the reasons for this extravaganza was the celebration of the 20-year anniversary of the Baynov, and the 10-year anniversary of the Vancouver Piano Ensemble.

A return engagement of this spectacular event is planned for Vancouver – hopefully in early 2011. Watch for it! This will truly be an event not to be missed.



Rehearsing in the Hermann Piano House.



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Each week the announcements and calendar are updated. Be sure to check regularly for weekly events and special events.



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Pumpkin Month



Finding Our New Pastor FAQ—Frequently Asked Questions

Q Who is on Immanuel's Pastor Search Committee (PSC) and how was it formed?

A The PSC was elected by the members of Immanuel at a special membership meeting held on Aug. 9/09. Members selected include Manuel Cardenas, Margarete Rompf, Chin Sun, Siegfried Gursche, Peter Collins, Dorothy Li, George Wang and Pastor Worley. Pastor Worley was initially selected by the PSC members to be the committee leader, but after helping the committee begin the search process, Peter Collins stepped in as the new leader and Chin Sun as the recording secretary. The committee meets approximately 3 times a month.

Q What is the PSC doing to help us find and call a new senior pastor?

A With the coaching and consulting help of Pastor Worley and Dr. Bob Krahn, our Regional Minister, the committee is following the general guidelines found in the North American Baptist Conference pastor search protocol. The committee contacts the denomination evangelical seminaries, pastor placement agencies and also welcomes recommendations from church members and others. Over 35 applications have already been received and reviewed by the committee. From those applicants, the committee has prayerfully identified the top 5 potential candidates using information gleaned from the congregational survey and what

it believes to be the needed qualifications. An application packet is being developed by the committee to help identify the best candidate. Lots of prayer, reference checks and interviews will then go into identifying the one candidate to present to the church board, and then the church during a candidate weekend. The committee is also responsible to give regular reports to the church.

Q Why is Pastor Worley serving on the PSC?

A Pastor Worley was called to Immanuel as an Intentional Interim Senior Pastor for a 2 year term which expires at the end of December 2009. One of the roles of an intentional interim is to assist the church in preparing for and finding the next senior pastor. Pastor Worley serves Immanuel and the PSC in an ex-officio, non-voting capacity by coaching and consulting the committee. A regular senior pastor would not normally serve on a committee to help find his successor, but an intentional interim pastor is in a unique, helper role for the church.

Q Will the members and attendees be able to see the results of the survey that was taken at Immanuel?

A Yes, the survey results are posted on the Fireside Room bulletin board and on the table and bulletin

Baptism

When I attended university, I joined Campus Crusade for Christ, and through CCC, I met God who is a God of love, not of fear. I also personally met Jesus Christ who died on the cross for my sins. I



Rina Jong Yeon Kim

was filled with joy. For one month, I was so overwhelmed that I cried many tears of repentance and thanksgiving. Since then, I could not think of my life without Christ even for a moment. I desire to be the woman that God wants me to be.

board in the foyer.

Q When will we know when a candidate has been chosen?

A A name and dates for our candidate will be announced as soon as the PSC and the church board have approved the top candidate out of all the applicants, and he and his family have agreed to come for the candidate experience. Until that time, all names must be kept confidential by the PSC.

Please be in prayer for the entire process and those who are involved in it. Pray also that God will send His chosen man to Immanuel.

The Romantic Cello

A Concert of Cello and Piano Favourites
Featuring
Elvira Lagji Cello
Winfried Rompf Piano

Program will include:

F. Chopin	Sonata in G minor (Op. 65)
J. S. Bach	Sonata in C
S. Rachmanninoff	Vocalise
	Andante in Eb (Op. 19)
Max Bruch	Kol Nidrei
G. Faure	Pavane
D. Popper	Tarantella

November 14, 2009
Saturday
7:30 PM

Immanuel Church
109 East 40th Avenue
(at Quebec Street)
Vancouver, BC

Admission by Donation
(proceeds for the church's piano fund)

"The Romantic Cello"
Immanuel Piano Benefit Concert
Sat., November 14, 7:30 pm

Coming Events

- Oct. 24 Chinese Fellowship
- Oct. 24 Evergreen Tea & Bake Sale
- Oct. 24 One Voice Conference
- Oct. 29 Reformation Day Celebration
- Oct. 30 Combined Youth & Refresh
- Oct. 31 Men's Breakfast
- Nov. 3 German Women's Fellowship
- Nov. 11 Remembrance Day
- Nov. 14 The Romantic Cello concert
- Nov. 15 Missions Fest Sunday
- Nov. 19 English Women's Fellowship
- Nov. 21 Korean Prayer meeting

White Cross by Iris Naguschewski



The ladies meet once a month to make bandages from old bed linen for missionary hospitals in Cameroon and Nigeria. The



sheets are torn into strips and sewn into lengths of 3 meters and then rolled on a special little gadget we invented.

We are getting low on bed sheets, so could you kindly look through your linen closet to see if you can discard some sheets in our direction? "Reuse and Recycle" has been our motto for ages.