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THE GRINCH THAT ALMOST STOLE CHRISTMAS

Can you imagine this time of year without Christmas and its celebrations? Can you imagine an end of the calendar year with no festivities, no decorations in the home and community, no gift-giving, no special meals, no TV specials, no special music on the radio, no special worship services, and no family gatherings? Can you imagine a Christianity with no Christmas? It almost happened.

The setting of this true story is the pagan Roman Empire as it was slowly, but surely, becoming Christian in the fourth century A.D. Before Christianity became a tolerated religion in 313 A.D., it was persecuted and had no public festivals. Thus the earliest origins of public festivals of the Christian church are from the time when Christianity was tolerated, i.e., from the fourth century A.D. and thereafter.

But which Christianity was this going to be? As soon as Christianity was accepted by the Roman Emperor Constantine the Great, a theological battle was drawn between two religious factions for the soul of the church. One faction, led by Bishop Alexander of Alexandria, upheld the biblical doctrine that Jesus was with the Father eternally, before the creation of anything, and that Jesus was “of the same substance as the Father.” Another faction known as “Arianism,” led by Arius, a pastor in Alexandria, did not believe that Jesus was fully God in the same way as the Father, but was something like what Roman Catholics today venerate as “saints.”

Arius in this story is the “Grinch.” If Jesus was just another “saint” as Arius believed, then his birthday would be no more special than any of the other Christian “saints.” Alban Butler published his *Lives of the Saints* in 1756. The latest revision of this book contains the lives of 2,565 saints. On average, that is enough to celebrate seven saints per day for every day of

the year. If Arius had won his theological battle, Jesus would really be no more important than the rest of the 2,565 saints, and there certainly would be no special day known as “Christmas.” Among Roman Catholics and the Eastern Orthodox, if Arius had prevailed, the merits of Christ would not count for anything more than the merits of any of those 2,565 saints. If Arius had his way, Jesus would not be THE savior of the world in Christendom, just one of many “saviors.”

Emperor Constantine was a smart guy, so he tried to get the Christians together on the “same page.” That page was the words of the Nicene Creed written at the First Ecumenical Council of Nicaea in 325 A.D. That creed, which we still use today, was a short-lived victory for the “Nicene” faction, i.e., the faction that confessed that Jesus was equal to God. The Nicene faction was led by Bishop Athanasius of Alexandria (he became successor to Alexander in 328). The politics soon got ugly. Athanasius was banished from the Empire in 335 A.D., and Constantine and his family became Arian. For a long forty-five years, Arianism had the upper-hand in defining Christianity, though the Nicene faction did not give up. It looked like there never would be a Christmas, thanks to Arius.

Then the imperial power passed out of the family of Constantine, and in 380 A.D., a new Roman Emperor was elected, Theodosius the First, who was fully committed to the Nicene Creed and the belief that Jesus was fully God in every way. In the same year as his accession, 380 A.D., Theodosius issued the Edict of Thessalonica, which guaranteed that Christianity was to be the official church of the Roman Empire—and that it would be defined by the Nicene Creed, just as we know it today. This guaranteed that the official doctrine of the West and East portions of the Roman Empire would

include: Jesus' unique position among all the persons of the Bible, the orthodox doctrine of the Trinity, and the orthodox doctrine of Jesus' eternal-and-coequal divine nature.

The ideas of the Grinch—oops, I mean Arius—have never gone away entirely. In the sixteenth century, there were a group of religious people whose doctrine was essentially Arian. They were known as “New Antitrinitarians,” “New Arians,” or “Socinians,” after their founder Fausto Sozzini (1539-1604). Their doctrine was explicitly rejected by the Lutheran Formula of Concord, Article XII. The Lutheran *Book of Concord* also added an Appendix called a “Catalog of Testimonies” to defend the Nicene position with Scripture passages and citations from the councils and theologians of the early church.

“Socinians” were persecuted in Italy, were not welcome in Protestant lands, and finally found a home in Poland where they were known as the “Polish brethren.” Their official doctrine was summed up in the *Racovian Catechism* (1605). Socinian theology rejected the views of Nicene Christianity regarding the knowledge of God, the doctrines of the Trinity, the divinity of Christ, original sin, and Jesus' suffering and death as punishment for the sins of the world. This was the origin of the Unitarian denomination which still exists today in the United States and other places. Socinian writings were eagerly studied by English and French “free-thinkers” such as Isaac Newton, John Locke, Voltaire, and Pierre Bayle.

Wider-ranging acceptance of Arian/Socinian ideas began with the Deist controversies in the late 17th and 18th century England and France. It continued in Germany in the development of Liberal Protestantism in the 19th century. Today, sad to say, no Liberal Protestant mainline denomination affirms that “Jesus is the only Son of God begotten from eternity.” Thankfully Nicene Christianity is still confessed by The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, other conservative Protestants, the Roman Catholics, the Eastern Orthodox churches, and many other churches founded in the first centuries A.D., such as the Egyptian Coptic and Indian Mar

Thoma churches. That is something worth celebrating this Christmas and every year, until Jesus returns in glory with all the angels, archangels, and all the company of heaven!

Yours in Christ,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Martin R. Nelson".

ADVENT + CHRISTMAS + EPIPHANY SCHEDULE OF SERVICES 2018-2019

First Sunday in Advent – December 2
Divine Service – 9:00 a.m.

Mid-week Advent Services – Wednesday, December 5
Evening Prayer – 7:00 p.m.

Second Sunday in Advent – December 9
Divine Service – 9:00 a.m.

Mid-week Advent Services – Wednesday, December 12
Jr. Kindergarten – Eighth grade will confess their faith through song.
Matins – 8:40 a.m.
Evening Prayer – 7:00 p.m.

Third Sunday in Advent – December 16
Divine Service – 9:00 a.m.

Mid-week Advent Services – Wednesday, December 19
Evening Prayer – 7:00 p.m.

Fourth Sunday in Advent – December 23
Divine Service – 9:00 a.m.

Christmas Eve – Monday, December 24
Lessons and Carols – 7:00 p.m.

Christmas Day – Tuesday, December 25
Divine Services - 10:45 a.m.

First Sunday after Christmas-December 30
Divine Service – 9:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve-Monday, December 31
Evening Prayer - 7:00 p.m.

Epiphany-Sunday, January 6, 2018
Divine Service – 9:00 a.m.

- ❖ Regular worship services are held each Sunday at 9:00 a.m.
- ❖ Mid-week Chapel & Kids of the Kingdom are held Wednesdays at 8:35 a.m. throughout the school year. All are welcome to attend.

**Grace Lutheran Church
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San Mateo, CA
650-345-9068**

November 21, 2018

Dear friends in Christ,

My name is Michael Schempf. I am a LCMS pastor living in Watertown, WI. In June I accepted a call from the LCMS Office of International Mission to serve as a career theological educator at the Lutheran seminary near Jinja, Uganda, East Africa. The Lutheran seminary in Uganda has a current enrollment of 54 students. They recently sent out their first 19 vicars. Each is expected to plant a church and evangelize during their vicarage. The seminary is served by two full time Ugandan professors. The Lutheran Church of Uganda (LCU) is young and growing with 137 congregations served by 21 pastors.

The Holy Spirit's work in these Lutheran churches is evident. There is steady growth in rural villages with about 25 baptisms per week. Those who are hungry for God's Word are outpacing the number of pastors available to lead them. The Lutheran Church Uganda (LCU) has requested that the LCMS send help to train pastors. Like the LCMS, the LCU recognizes the great importance of faithful Biblical teaching. They value Lutheran doctrine and know that the training men receive at the seminary will shape their theology and spiritual care. Their pastoral formation will greatly impact the people they serve as they proclaim the love of Jesus.

My wife Karen has served the Lord for many years as a Lutheran school teacher. She looks forward to the great opportunities awaiting her to equip teachers for Lutheran education and proclaiming Jesus' love to children.

I would like to ask the members of Grace Lutheran to partner with us to accomplish the work of God's kingdom in Uganda. Please consider supporting us as LCMS Together in Mission (TIM) partners through your prayers and financial support. We plan to visit your congregation and make a presentation about LCMS mission work in Uganda on February 7th at 7:00 PM. Rejoice in Jesus!

Serving the Savior,

Pastor Michael Schempf
Theological Educator
LCMS Office of International Missions

AN OPPORTUNITY TO HELP YOUR NEIGHBOR...

THRIVENT'S RESPONSE TO THE CALIFORNIA WILDFIRES

Wildfires continue to burn throughout California, causing unprecedented devastation and destruction. Thousands of homes and buildings have been destroyed, multiple deaths have been confirmed, and mandatory evacuations are in place for many communities.

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Make a donation; Thrivent will match up to \$250,000

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**Thrivent will match up to \$250,000 in personal donations received by Jan. 31, 2019, or when the funding limit is met, whichever comes first. All payment processing fees associated with these personal donations will also be covered.*

Lutheran Women's Missionary League



Grace LWML Mission Statement

“Our mission is to encourage the women of Grace to grow spiritually through Word and Sacraments that they may serve our Triune God with their time, talents and treasures.”

“Serve the Lord with Gladness”

Mission Project Work Day

No Meeting in December, 2018

Tuesday, January 22, 2019 - 1:00pm at
Dolores Keim's House

Upcoming dates:
December 9, 2018 – Grace LWML
Christmas Luncheon

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2018-2020

Mission Grants

7. 1st LCMS Peruvian Pastor
LCMS Mission
Advancement
Zone 9

\$10,000

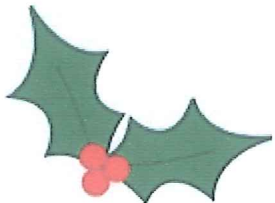


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“For unto you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, which is Christ the Lord.”
 Luke 2:11

GLC LWML Christmas Luncheon

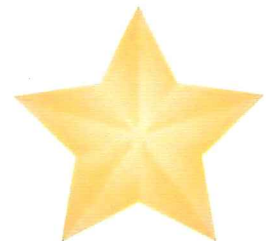


Sunday, December 9, 2018
 12:00 Noon - Parish Hall



Everyone Welcome! Men, Women, Children
 Grace Members Grace School Families - Friends

Potato Bar with all the fixings
 Bring a salad or dessert (beverages provided)



Monetary Love gift for our tree: For Orphan Grain Train (help for hurricane areas)
 (Make checks payable to GLC LWML)

Program: The Symbols of Christmas Through Christian Eyes



Pray for

REV. DR. MICHAEL AND JEN-YI "IRENE" PAUL
THEOLOGICAL EDUCATOR
SERVING THE LORD IN TAIWAN



Rev. Dr. Michael and Jen-Yi "Irene" Paul serve the Lord as career missionaries through The Lutheran Church — Missouri Synod (LCMS) in Taiwan. In this role, Michael serves as a theological educator for the China Evangelical Lutheran Church. He teaches in congregations and at China Lutheran Seminary, Hsinchu. He also writes and translates Lutheran Chinese resources and helps mentor new church workers.

Michael was born in Cotabato City, the Philippines, where his parents were LCMS missionaries. He received a bachelor's degree in linguistics, with a minor in Chinese, from Southern Illinois University, Carbondale. He received his Master of Divinity and a doctorate in doctrinal theology from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis. Michael served six years in Macau and one year in Taiwan as an LCMS missionary. He also served as an associate pastor at his home congregation, St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Evansville, Ind., where he planted and led the Chinese Mission that began at this church in 2011. Michael enjoys music and running.

Jen-Yi "Irene" was born in Chiayi, Taiwan. Her home congregation is also St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Evansville, Ind. She received a bachelor's degree in elementary and special education from Concordia University, Nebraska, Seward. She earned a master's degree in special education from Wayne State University, Detroit. Jen-Yi "Irene" worked as a learning disabilities and special education teacher. She enjoys music and exercising. Michael and Jen-Yi "Irene" have three beautiful children, Rachel, Jonathan and Elizabeth.

Pray for the Paul family as they serve in Taiwan. Ask God to give them wisdom to use their time wisely with the many opportunities to teach God's Word and share His love with the people in Taiwan. Ask God to give strength to Jonathan as he begins college studies in the fall. Pray also for Rachel during her continued college studies, and for Elizabeth, who will continue her homeschooling without her siblings in Taiwan. Let's give God thanks that the Pauls serve His children in this part of the world.

- **BIRTHDAYS:** Michael — Nov. 20, Jen-Yi "Irene" — Aug. 17, Rachel — Oct. 1, Jonathan — Nov. 28, Elizabeth — March 5
- **ANNIVERSARY:** July 16
- **HOME DISTRICT:** Indiana

- **Pray daily for Michael and Jen-Yi "Irene"** — and how you can support and tell others about their ministry. Visit lcms.org/paul
- **Learn about LCMS international work at lcms.org/international**
- **Support and adopt an international worker.** Call 888-930-4438.

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"HERE AM I... SEND ME!" MY SUPPORT OF THE LCMS THROUGH THE WORK OF: Rev. Dr. Michael and Jen-Yi "Irene" Paul

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Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____
 Phone: _____ Email: _____

TYPE OF GIFT:

- A monthly recurring gift of \$ _____ for the duration of Michael and Irene's service. (Please choose a payment method below.)
- A per-year pledge commitment of \$ _____ to be fulfilled:
 - monthly quarterly semi-annually annually
- A special gift of \$ _____

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- Check — Make checks payable to The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod. Write **Paul-Taiwan Support** on memo line.
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The Second of Thirteen

Jonathan Paul

2018 Steinbeck Scholarship Recipients

Hello,

Thank you very much for the opportunity to receive the Steinbeck Memorial Scholarship. As an avid learner who eagerly takes every occasion and resource to enrich his learning, I am sure that I will use this generous gift to empower my studies and achieve my goals.

I was born in 1998 in Macau, China while my father was serving as a missionary and church planter. After five years of serving, my family moved to Hsinchu, Taiwan. After my father taught for a year at China Lutheran Seminary, we moved to St. Louis where my father started studying for his PhD in systematic theology. When I was six, I started learning the violin, which I continue to enjoy playing. While my father was writing his dissertation, we had the opportunity to move back to Taiwan, where he taught and served as a vacancy pastor for a church in Chiayi. After finishing his PhD, he received a call to Evansville, Indiana, where he started a Chinese mission congregation at St. Paul's Lutheran Church. After five years, my father received a call to return to Taiwan. Currently he serves as a theological educator, resource developer, and a mentor to the vicars of our partner church, the CELC.

I am currently a sophomore studying as a Mechanical Engineering major at University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee. The classes that I am currently taking include statics, linear algebra and differential equations, physics, and MatLab (A scripting language). Other activities that I am currently involved in include building a super-mileage racecar with the Society of Automotive Engineers, and learning to use different rapid prototyping machines, like the 3D printer. Over the past year, I have also had the opportunity to participate in a mechanical design project sponsored by Master Lock and an engineering internship at the Industrial Technology Research Institute in Taiwan. Although I have yet to decide which branch of mechanical engineering to pursue, I hope to use the gifts that God has given me to design and fabricate efficient mechanical systems.

Thank you so much for all your kindness and financial support!

In Christ,

Jonathan Paul

Human Care Committee

Scholarship Application for the Steinbeck Memorial Scholarship Fund

<p>Your Name, Birth Date and contact information: Mailing Address, Email Address, Phone/Cell</p> <p>Name: Jonathan Paul Birth Date: November 28, 1998 Mailing Address: No. 98, 12F Lipeng Rd 3038 N Frederick Ave Hsinchu City 30072 Milwaukee, WI 53211 Taiwan R.O.C. Email: jonathan8paul@gmail.com Cell Phone: 4142045408</p>	<p>Name and Address of school you plan to attend: University of Wisconsin – Milwaukee</p> <p>Registrar's Office Mailing Address: UW-Milwaukee Registrar's Office PO Box 729 Milwaukee, WI 53201-0729</p>	
<p>Parent's names and contact information: Mailing Address, Email Address, Phone/Cell</p> <p>Michael and Jen-Yi "Irene" Paul No. 98, 12F Lipeng Rd Hsinchu City 30072 Taiwan R.O.C. paulm9@gmail.com +886 0975705817</p>	<p>Grade Fall 2018 (circle or highlight): Freshman Sophomore Junior Senior 5th year</p> <p>Anticipated year of graduation? 2021</p> <p>How many members of your family are currently in an institution of higher education? 2</p>	<p>How many years of schooling do you anticipate? 4 – 4½</p> <p>Would you like an application in two years? Yes</p>
<p>In what mission field are your parents currently serving?</p> <p>Taiwan, Asia Region</p>	<p>Are you a member of a LCMS congregation? If so, Name and location of your church: St. Paul's Lutheran Church 100 E. Michigan St. Evansville, Indiana 47711 Tel: (812) 422-5414</p>	
<p>Tell us something about the places you have lived and type of missionary work in which your family is involved:</p> <p>I was born in Asia when my parents were missionaries in Macau, China. At the time, our missionary work primarily centered around church planting. I have also lived in Evansville Indiana, where my father started a Lutheran Chinese speaking congregation. Three years ago, my father received a call to serve in Taiwan, where we currently are.</p> <p>Here in Taiwan, my father's work includes serving as a theological educator and Chinese resource developer, in addition to mentoring several vicars that are serving in churches all throughout the island. My family also outreaches to the families in our neighborhood, hosting bible studies, music recitals, and dinner gatherings. In addition to teaching classes at the Lutheran seminary in Hsinchu, Taiwan, my father teaches weekly catechesis at a local congregation.</p>		
<p>What course of study do you plan to pursue in school?</p> <p>I am currently majoring in Mechanical Engineering.</p>		
<p>What are your plans for the future?</p> <p>Upon graduation, I plan to seek employment as mechanical engineer. In the meantime, I plan to study diligently and pursue internships in order to further my technical understanding and expertise.</p>		
<p>Make check payable to <u>who</u> and <u>mailing address</u>? If your school, any special instructions?</p> <p>Michael Paul No. 98, 12F Lipeng Rd Jonathan Paul - Address above Hsinchu City 30072 Taiwan R.O.C.</p>		<p>Date</p> <p>6/5/2018</p>

School News

LOOKING BACK...LOOKING FORWARD

November began with a celebration of All Saints Day, where we joyfully acknowledged our Christian brothers and sisters who have gone to their heavenly home before us. We thank God for His Promise fulfilled and also give thanks for 'Partners in Worship', (GLS student choir), who joined us later in the month to sing praises to our Lord in our divine worship service. How wonderful to serve the Lord and His people in such a fashion!

As though a three-day (Veterans holiday) weekend wasn't enough, a full week of Thanksgiving was celebrated by our students as we remembered the history of our nation on Thanksgiving Day. In an unexpected surprise, our students had an extra day off due to poor air quality as a result of the California fires. Throughout the state, ALL were affected by these horrible fires by some manner or another, and we joined in the surrounding schools and businesses which shut down as a result. These fires devastated the lives of many and we remember to keep the victims in our prayers even today. The teachers of Grace took time for their in-service training which was held on our campus during the week of Thanksgiving. We have MUCH to thank God for each and every day and are encouraged to reflect on our many, many blessings.

December will be filled with preparation for the birth of our Lord and Savior! The church season of Advent is all about preparing for the arrival of the baby Jesus, the Savior of the world! You can hear that faith conveyed in the hymns we sing at school and at church.

Christmas will follow with a flurry of activities and behind it, the new year of 2019! In January we also celebrate Epiphany, the time when the wise men followed the star to see their infant savior!

So much happens during the season of Advent, Christmas and Epiphany. Ask your children to tell you about this wonderful time! I bet they can!

As we prepare for the 'coming of Christ', let us reflect on what it means to be 'Joyful' in the Lord! When your children ask you what they are getting for Christmas, give them a hug and remind them that the true gift was and still is, the sweet gift from God, the Gift of Jesus.

We, at Grace Lutheran School, are filled with the Joy of the Savior always and thank you and your family for being a part of the Grace family. As always, if there is

something we, at Grace Lutheran School can do to make this academic year a more positive experience, let us know! We are always excited to hear new ideas and help shoulder your concerns. If you know of someone looking for an intimate setting for their student, please refer them to Grace Lutheran School. 'Word of mouth' referrals are often the best endorsement for our school.

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it. Proverbs 22:6 (ESV)

DECEMBER 2018

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 4 JK – 8th Grades – Open House
- 7 Mid-Quarter 2
- 9 Partners in Worship – School Choir Sings (Please arrive to the Parish Hall at 8:40a for warm up)
- 12 JK-8 Grades Advent Service 8:40 a & & 7:00 p.m.
- 20 Noon Dismissal for Advent/Christmas break
- 21-31 Advent/Christmas break No School/No Extended Care

JANUARY 2019

DATES TO REMEMBER

- 1-7 Christmas/Epiphany break No School/No Extended Care
- 8 GLS School Resumes from break
- 13 Partners in Worship – School Choir Sings (Please arrive to the Parish Hall at 8:40a for warm up)
- 15 JK/Kindergarten Information Night
- 21 MLK, Jr. holiday No School/No Extended Care
- 25 2nd Quarter ends
- 28-3/3 Lutheran Schools Week (see the PIN for activities of this week)

Watch for the **Parent Information Note**.
It is sent electronically each Tuesday!

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11 (NIV)



Grace Lutheran Church & School

December 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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9:00a-Divine Service 10:15a-Sunday School 10:30a-Adult Bible Study		9:00a-Adult Bible Study 6:00p-JK-8-Open House	8:35a-Chapel 7:00p-Advent Service			10:00a-Organ practice 8
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Prayer Page

“Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.” ~Galatians 6:10

Egon Adam	Robert Doody	Robert Innes	Caroline Nagy	Dimitry Spencer
Bella Archer	Natalie Dubbel	Shirley Innes	Pamela Nelson	Peter Spittler
Marilyn Baillie	Bob Egan	Michael Innes	Rev. Martin Noland	Candice Stahl
Rev. Frank Balgeman	Maria Eggert	Donald Iocco	Karla Noland	Tamaray Starling
Valerie Balgeman	Doris Emery	Heather Iocco	Renee Noland	Darryl Sterner
Chandler Balgeman	Bill Eng	John Iocco	Heidi Noland	Sandra Sterner
Mike Bannister	Sara Eppler	Judy Iocco	Floyd Oatman	Michelle Sterner
Tami Bannister	Carly Eppler	Ko Ishikawa	Doug O'Donnell	Brett Toensing
Nathanael Bannister	Larry Franquez	Mariko Ishikawa	Patty O'Donnell	Anne-Marie Toensing
Mike Beebe	Shelly Franquez	Yuzo Ishikawa	Elizabeth O'Donnell	Brooke Toensing
Jolene Beebe	Nick Franquez	Lance Johnson	Gil Ramirez	Ryan Toensing
Kay Bell, III	Chad Franquez	Doreen Johnson	Kathleen Ramirez	Hans Tuft
Kay Bell, Jr.	Pam Frisella	Katarina Johnson	Fred Robinson	Gina Tuft
Nathanael Bell	Shirley Gangelhoff	Bob Keim	Roberta Robinson	Mark Tuft
Adele Bergstrom	Rev. Glendon Genthner	Dolores Keim	Akram Saber	Sue Tuft
William Bethke	Brooke Genthner	John Kilcullen	Ghada Saber	Martin Udishes
Susan Bethke	Alex Gomez	Stefanie Kilcullen	Daniel Saber	Leann Udishes
Alice Boerschinger	Herlin Gomez	Katie Kilcullen	Michael Saber	Christine Ullrich
John Bordy	Anjanette Gomez	James Kilcullen	Charles Schaefer	Zachary Ullrich
Ellen Bordy	Angelique Gomez	Michael Kilcullen	Donald Schaefer	Octavian Vasilescu
Judy Boyd	James Graziano	Barbara Kilpatrick	Maria Schaefer	Diana Vasilescu
Fred Brauer	Roger Guse	Bill Koester	Martin Semmler	Flora Lisa Vasilescu
Karla Brauer	Dan Hahn	Faye Koester	Michelle Semmler	Joan Weckerle
Jordyn Brauer	Lori Hahn	Ryan Koester	Scott Semmler	Randy Wimmer
Justin Brauer	Abby Hahn	Amanda Koester	Daniel Semmler	Caden Young
Klayton Brauer	Arthur Hayame	Gesine Kruse	Julia Semmler	Rebecca Young
Paul Brownlee	Barbara Hayame	Glenn McEnroe	Sandy Shanks	Chandler Young
Lois Brownlee	Tim Hayame	Alison McEnroe	Jessica Shanks	Logan Young
Marcus Brownlee	Darren Hayame	Alexis McEnroe	Detlef Siarkowski	Rowan Young
Scott Brownlee	Joy Hayame	Fred McKenna	Hannelore Siarkowski	Eugene Zahnow
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