
~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

- June 30-July 3** Grade School 1 (Miracle Camp - Grades 2-4)
June 30-July 12 Adult Missions Trip (France)
July 1-8 Youth Missions Trip (Mexico B2Live) *Please note date change.*
July 7 Dinner Theatre Ticket Sales Begin (8:00 a.m., Missions Center)
July 7-13 Junior High (Miracle Camp - Grades 7&8)
July 19-21 Family Camp (East Harbor State Park Lakeside, Marblehead, Ohio)
Aug. 1-4 Dinner Theatre – **Family Camp** (6:00 p.m., CMC)
Aug. 4-10 Grade School 2 (Miracle Camp - Grades 2-4)
Aug. 11 Baptism Service (6:00 p.m., Stratton Pond)
Oct. 6 Christian Education Appreciation Sunday (10:15 a.m., CMC)
Nov. 10-17 **50th Annual Missions Conference** –
Footprints of the Past–Footsteps Toward the Future

~ PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAYER CHAIN ~

Please call the church office for any names or concerns that you want listed in the Weekly Prayer List or announced during our Worship Services. To start the Prayer Chain, call or text Kathy Brauen at 419-234-7808 or call the church office at 419-358-8588.

Church Office Hours:

Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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June 16, 2013

Ebenezer Emissary



Father's Day is a time for us to show our appreciation to God for our families. As we pray for our fathers and all other members of our families, let us also show kindness toward all who have come to worship. We are very pleased that you are here.

Please take a moment to fill out the green Ebenezer Communications Card in your Emissary. These cards are a vital communication link which helps our Body stay connected. Please feel free to use these cards and place completed ones in the offering plate or the box provided in the Missions Center on the Prayer Counter. Thank you for worshipping with us today!

~ OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY ~

- 9:00 a.m.** Adult Bible Fellowship
Sunday School (*2-year-olds – High School*)
- 10:00 a.m.** The Good News Hour (*2&3 year olds-B10, 4 year olds-K-B11*)
- 10:15 a.m.** Worship Gathering – Pastor Jim
After God's Heart – A Heart for the Lame (CMC)
- 11:30 a.m.** Congregational Meeting (*CMC*)
- 7:00 p.m.** Evening Fellowship Service (*Sanctuary*)

~ BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT ~

Congratulations to Brian & Alexis Ley on the birth of their son Keaton Michael, on Tuesday, June 11, weighing 7 lb. 3 oz.

~ WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT ~

Congratulations to Manford & Betty (Deck) Robinson who were united in marriage yesterday in Mishawaka, Indiana.

You are invited to an open house for: Brittany Good

Sat., June 29 (4-8 p.m.)

304 Main Street, Bloomdale
(Southeast corner of RR tracks)

The annual Swiss Day held by the Swiss Community Historical Society, will be Sunday, June 30, assembling at 12:30 p.m. for the 1:00 p.m. potluck meal in the Crossroads Ministry Center. After the program, the Society's Swiss Homestead, at 8350 Bixel Road, rural Bluffton, will be open. For further information see the bulletin board near the church kitchen window or contact Phil Kingsley at 419-358-2135.



Ebenezer Drama Ensemble presents **Family Camp**. Tickets for this year's Dinner Theatre (August 1-4, at 6:00 p.m.) will be available for \$10.00, beginning Sunday, July 7, at 8:00 a.m. in the Missions Center. After July 7, the tickets will be available Monday-Friday in the church office from 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Please be prepared to pay for your tickets when you pick them up, all sales are final and no refunds.

The Power Team is coming to Ebenezer in February 2014! We are booking schools for them to go to while they are here. The cost is \$500 per school assembly. They provide the students with a motivational talk and then invite the students to the evening crusade. Some schools are unable to finance assemblies. If you, a business, or someone you know would like to sponsor an assembly, please call Gina Burkholder at 419-957-5304.

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on June 7:

VBS Closing Program (6:30 p.m.) 275

Attendance on June 9:

Sunday School (9:00 a.m.) 264

Worship Gathering (10:15 a.m.) 325

Evening Fellowship Service (7:00 p.m.) 43

Giving on June 9:

\$10,211.98

Benevolent 100.00

Building Fund 55.00

Christian Education Fund 241.98

General Fund 6,450.00

Missions Fund 3,335.00

New Building Fund 30.00

~ OUR MISSIONARIES ~

Missionaries of the Week: Gary & Pearl Nussbaum serve with **Transport for Christ** and live in Dalton, Ohio. Gary's time is divided between staffing the Lodi Chapel one day a week and on the road providing leadership and direction to their developing ministry locations as well as existing chapels who need encouragement and focus. A new location to which they may be sent includes Richmond, Virginia, Oklahoma City, El Paso, Texas, and Albuquerque, New Mexico. Pray for their health and God's wisdom as they continue being faithful to that which God has called them, not only to the truck drivers but to all they meet. Please encourage them by sending a note to: 15511 Hackett Road, Dalton, OH 44618 or e-mail at: gpntfc@aol.com.

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Mariah Burkholder, Rachel Moser – *Missions Center*

Al & Carolyn Frysinger – *Crossroads Ministry Center*

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: JUNE 17-23

Tuesday 6:30 a.m. Men's Small Group (*Arby's*)

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Game Time (*FH*)

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study & Prayer (*103*)

Worship Team Rehearsal (*CMC*)

Youth Missions Trip Meeting (*Schoolhouse*)

Thursday 7:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting (*103*)

Saturday 3:00 p.m. Fishing Derby (*Kent Cherry's Pond*)

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Stephen Ministries (*112*)

Sunday School & ABF (*Various classrooms*)

10:00 a.m. The Good News Hour (*2&3 year olds-B10, 4 year olds-K-B11*)

10:15 a.m. Worship Gathering (*CMC*)

5:00 p.m. Trustee Meeting (*103*)

6:00 p.m. Dinner Theatre Rehearsal (*CMC*)

7:00 p.m. Evening Fellowship Service (*Sanctuary*)

~ HELPERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 23 ~

Nursery:

Janet Brauen, Ryan Motter Family, Cheryl Sherwin

Good News Hour:

Gera Bixel, Chelsea Burkholder, Pat King,
Krista Lehman, Milo & Deb Luginbuhl

~ HOW TO CONTACT US ~

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The Deacons and Pastoral Search Committee are recommending that Rev. Dale Seefeldt be approved for the new Pastor/Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries position. A special congregational meeting to vote on this recommendation will be held today immediately following the Morning Worship Gathering. Dale comes to us with the following list of experience, gifts, talents, and training.

- Experience in the Christian Education area as an Adult Bible Fellowship Director.
- Serves as Family Ministry leader (along with wife, Ruth) in their current church.
- Experience in recruiting and motivating volunteers and associates.
- Teaching skills, including leadership classes.
- Excellent verbal, interpersonal, and written communication skills.
- Experience in managing a budget.
- Experience in family counseling.
- Have led classes in Christian marriage and parenting.
- Considerable knowledge of the Bible and experience in preaching.
- Completed advanced degree at Wheaton Graduate School in Illinois.
- In agreement with the Ebenezer Mennonite Church Statement of Faith.

A Fishing Derby will be held on Saturday, June 22, at Kent Cherry's home (2647 Road M, Pandora) from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. Bring your poles (we'll have extra) and lawn chairs. We'll provide food and bait. Please RSVP at wildgame@ebenezermennonite.org or text 419-230-9346 with the number coming.

Hey Ho Family Campers! It's Packet Pick-Up Time! We are only about a month away from camping at East Harbor State Park, so information packets for each group can be picked up on **Sunday June 23, in the Missions Center**. Packets include important information about meal and service times, site locations, campground map, area tourist information, and much more. We're looking forward to a great time! - *The Family Camp Committee*