

Financial Report – May 2013

Giving & Expenses

	General Fund	Missions Fund	C. E. Fund	Building Fund
Budgeted YTD	211,333	93,342	17,938	55,833
Expenses YTD	185,386	74,287	13,695	10,667
Actual Income	171,867	102,090	13,451	12,818

Cash Fund Balances as of 5/31/13:

General.....	\$69,230
Missions.....	* \$120,157
Christian Education	\$27,053
Building/Cemetery Restoration Project.....	\$21,573
New Building/Land Purchase	\$75,837
Benevolent.....	\$14,857

* **Please note:** Second quarter mission agency disbursements in the amount of \$41,300 were distributed in early June.

~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

June 30-July 12 Adult Missions Trip (France)

July 1-8 Youth Missions Trip (Mexico B2Live)

July 7 Worship & Communion Service (10:15 a.m., CMC)

Dinner Theatre Ticket Sales Begin (8:00 a.m., Missions Center)

July 7-13 Junior High (Miracle Camp¹ - 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.

~ HOW TO CONTACT US ~

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June 23, 2013

Ebenezer Emissary

We rejoice in having each of you here for worship. Your presence lifts our spirits. Remembering the love which God has for us, let us extend our hands in love and respect to one another.

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
Stephen Ministries (112)
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 Pure Heart (CMC)
- 5:00 p.m.** Trustee Meeting (103)
- 6:00 p.m.** Dinner Theatre Rehearsal (CMC)
- 6:30 p.m.** France Missions Trip Meeting (Pastor Jim's home)
- 7:00 p.m.** Evening Fellowship Service (Sanctuary)

~ PRAYER CONCERNS ~

In the Hospital: Mark Frysinger, OSU James Cancer Center.

Scheduled procedure: Amanda Reigle, Tuesday, June 25, at UM Mott Children's Hospital.

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on June 16:

Sunday School	(9:00 a.m.)	242
Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	432
Evening Fellowship Service	(7:00 p.m.)	28

Giving on June 16:

\$14,078.78

Benevolent	390.00
Building Fund	330.00
Christian Education Fund	412.78
General Fund	10,015.00
Missions Fund	2,786.00
New Building Fund	145.00

~ OUR MISSIONARIES ~

Missionaries of the Week: David & Marjory Patrick serve with **TEAM in S. Africa**. They have been doing a lot of traveling and have been ministering to multiple youth groups in a musical service. They have served in open air meetings and evening services at Progressive Bible Church, schools, and prisons. Pray for David & Marjory as they prepare their teaching materials, music, and most of all their bodies and spirits as vessels for use by the Lord of the harvest in this season. Please encourage them by sending a note to: Union Bible Institute, P.O. Box 50, Hilton 3245 Kwazulu Natal, South Africa or e-mail at: dave.marj@yahoo.com.

~ WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT ~

Congratulations to Tyler & Jessica (Lehman) Latham who were united in marriage yesterday here at the church.

. ~ CAMP NEWS ~

Senior High to Miracle Camp - June 23-29

Chloe Garmatter	Michaela Garmatter	Brooke Koontz
Mattison Larson	Noah Richard	Jayne Siefer
	Lauren Willow	

Driver to and from camp: Daryl Garmatter

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Mariah Burkholder, Rachel Moser – *Missions Center*
Al & Carolyn Frysinger – *Crossroads Ministry Center*

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: JUNE 24-30

Monday	7:00 p.m.	Dinner Theatre Rehearsal (<i>CMC</i>)
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Small Group (<i>Arby's</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Dinner Theatre Rehearsal (<i>CMC</i>)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Game Time (<i>FH</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study & Prayer (<i>103</i>) Dinner Theatre Rehearsal (<i>CMC</i>) Youth Missions Trip Meeting (<i>Schoolhouse</i>)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School & ABF (<i>Various classrooms</i>)
	10:00 a.m.	Grade School 1 (<i>Miracle Camp - Grades 2-4</i>) The Good News Hour (<i>2&3 year olds-B10, 4 year olds-K-B11</i>)
	10:15 a.m.	Worship Gathering (<i>CMC</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Fellowship Service (<i>Sanctuary</i>)

~ HELPERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, JUNE 30 ~

Nursery: Thomas Eachus Family, Joshua & Heidi Steiner

Good News Hour: Gera Bixel, Chelsea Burkholder, Pat King, Krista Lehman, Milo & Deb Luginbuhl

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.

~ PLEASE NOTE ~

The congregational vote last Sunday for Rev. Dale Seefeldt for the new Pastor/Director of Christian Education and Family Ministries position was approved. Dale has accepted the call of the Ebenezer Mennonite Church congregation to fulfill the new pastoral position. Dale & Ruth feel the high percentage of acceptance further indicates God's hand in their being called to this ministry. They will begin their ministry at Ebenezer on September 1, 2013.

Hey Ho Family Campers! It's Packet Pick-Up Time! We are only a month away from camping at East Harbor State Park, so information packets for each group can be picked up today 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*

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 next 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.

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.