



Though the cover is worn and the pages are torn, and though places bear traces of tears. Yet more precious than gold is this book worn and old, that can shatter and scatter my fears. When I prayerfully look in this precious old book, as my eyes scan the pages I see; many tokens of love from the Father above, who is nearest and dearest to me.

This old book is my guide, 'tis a friend by my side, it will lighten and brighten my way. And each promise I find soothes and gladdens my mind, as I read it and heed it today.

*Poet unknown*

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~ SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:00 A.M. ~

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**Children's Classroom Locations**

Infant & Toddler Nursery - 105-106  
 2 year olds - B16  
 3&4 year olds - B-10  
 5 year olds - B-10b  
 Grade 1 - B-12  
 Grade 2 - B-14  
 Grade 3 - B-18  
 Grade 4 - B-13  
 Grade 5 - Sanctuary 1  
 Grade 6 - B-15  
 Grades 7 & 8 - B-17  
 Grades 9 - 12 - School House

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**Adult Bible Fellowship Classroom Locations**

**Agape** (college & career) - 103-104  
**Genesis** (young adults, singles, & married) - Sanctuary Foyer  
**Marantha** - Sanctuary Overflow  
**Living Faith** - 117 (Crossroads Ministry Center)  
**Berean** - 118-119

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~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

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- Apr. 5** Small Group (7:00 p.m., Lima Rescue Mission)  
**Apr. 9** Paul Windsor/Langham Partnership (7:00 p.m.)  
**Apr. 17** Senior High Man Night (more info to come)  
**Apr. 18** Good Friday/Communion Service (7:00 p.m., CMC)  
**Apr. 20** SonRise Service (7:30 a.m., CMC)  
 SonRise Breakfast (8:30 a.m., CMC)  
 Easter Worship Service (10:15 a.m., CMC)  
**Apr. 27** Disciple Singers' Spring Musical  
*I Can Only Imagine* (7:00 p.m., CMC)  
**Apr. 30** Children's Ministries Skate Night (Grove Skateland)  
**May 3** Senior High (7:00 p.m., Lima Rescue Mission)  
**May 11** Mother's Day Chicken BBQ -  
 Youth Missions Trip Fundraiser (11:30 a.m., CMC)  
**June 1-6** Vacation Bible School (6:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m.)  
**June 15-21** Middle School 1 – Grades 5&6 (Miracle Camp)  
**June 22-28** Senior High 1 – Grades 9-12 (Miracle Camp)  
**June 29-July 6** Youth Missions Trip (BMHC, Black Mountain, NC)  
**July 6-12** Junior High 1 – Grades 7&8 (Miracle Camp)  
**July 18-20** Family Camp (Chain O'Lakes, Albion, Indiana)  
**Aug. 3-6** Grade School 3 – Grades 2-5 (Miracle Camp)  
**Aug. 3-9** Grade School 2 – Grades 2-5 (Miracle Camp)

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March 23, 2014

# Ebenezer Emissary

**Welcome to all worshipers. Let us sing praises to God and proclaim the mighty works God has done. May we be aware of God's presence among us and declare our love for him. Heart to heart, hand touching hand, join in approaching the throne of grace together.**

**We are genuinely glad you have chosen to worship with us! Make yourself at home, you are among friends who would love for you to be part of the family! 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!**

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~ OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY ~

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- 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 year olds-B4, 3 year olds-B10, 4,5&6 year olds-B11)
- 10:15 a.m.** Worship Gathering – Pastor Jim (CMC)  
*Now What? Progress*
- 5:00 p.m.** Wild Game Committee Meeting (FH)
- 6:00 p.m.** Disciple Singers Rehearsal (CMC)
- 6:31 p.m.** Small Groups (King's, Lemley's)
- 7:00 p.m.** Evening Fellowship Service (Sanctuary)  
 Junior & Senior High Small Groups  
 (School house)

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~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

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**Attendance on March 16:**

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| Sunday School & ABF        | (9:00 a.m.)  | 273 |
| Worship Gathering          | (10:15 a.m.) | 405 |
| Evening Fellowship Service | (7:00 p.m.)  | 112 |

**Giving on March 16:**

**\$15,138.34**

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|--------------------------|----------|
| Benevolent Fund          | 245.00   |
| Building Fund            | 210.00   |
| Christian Education Fund | 290.09   |
| General Fund             | 9,642.00 |
| Missions Fund            | 4,621.25 |
| New Building Fund        | 80.00    |
| Youth Fund               | 50.00    |

*Benevolent – Willow Family* \$1,600.00

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~ OUR MISSIONARIES ~

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**Missionaries of the Week:** *Steve & Carol Lehman* serve with **Mission Aviation Fellowship in Nampa, Idaho.** Steve has spent three weeks in Papua, Indonesia, doing a safety audit of MAF's flight and maintenance operations. The highlight of his trip was visiting villages that MAF serves as part of its mission to share the love of Jesus Christ. Steve was privileged to be on another MAF flight that delivered complete Bibles (Old and New Testament) to the Hupla people in a village called Soba. Imagine waiting 50 years before getting the entire Bible in your own language. MAF is blessed to serve alongside dedicated missionaries. They thank us for our part in the amazing opportunities in reaching the world for Jesus. Please e-mail a note to Steve & Carol at: 1911 Sandcrest Drive, Nampa, ID 83686 or e-mail at slehman@maf.org or clehman@maf.org

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~ WILD GAME EVENT NEWS~

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**Volunteers are needed** to help serve food and also to help with clean-up for the Wild Game Event on Saturday, March 29. If you are willing to help in either of these areas, please sign up on the bulletin board in the Missions Center.

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~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

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Steve & Doneta Reigle – *Missions Center*  
Jim & Marty Lemley – *Crossroads Ministry Center*

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**OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: MARCH 24-30**

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| <b>Monday</b>    | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>  | <i>MOPS (FH)</i>                                                                          |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | <b>6:30 a.m.</b>  | Men's Small Group ( <i>Bluffton Arby's</i> )                                              |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>  | Game Time ( <i>FH</i> )                                                                   |
|                  | <b>6:15 p.m.</b>  | Worship Team Rehearsal ( <i>CMC</i> )                                                     |
|                  | <b>7:00 p.m.</b>  | Adult Bible Study & Prayer ( <i>103</i> )                                                 |
|                  |                   | Adult Choir Rehearsal ( <i>115</i> )                                                      |
|                  |                   | Children's Ministries ( <i>age 3-Grade 6</i> )                                            |
|                  |                   | Junior High Meet ( <i>CMC</i> )                                                           |
|                  |                   | Men's Bible Study ( <i>Sanctuary Overflow</i> )                                           |
|                  |                   | Women's Bible Study ( <i>S4</i> )                                                         |
|                  | <b>7:05 p.m.</b>  | Connections ( <i>Bluffton McDonald's</i> )                                                |
|                  | <b>8:30 p.m.</b>  | Bread of Life Ministries ( <i>Church Kitchen</i> )                                        |
|                  |                   | Dodgeball ( <i>CMC</i> )                                                                  |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | <b>7:00 p.m.</b>  | Outreach Ministries Com. Meeting ( <i>103</i> )                                           |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>5:00 p.m.</b>  | <i>Wild Game Event (CMC)</i>                                                              |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>  | Sunday School & ABF ( <i>Various classrooms</i> )                                         |
|                  | <b>10:00 a.m.</b> | The Good News Hour<br>( <i>2 year olds-B4, 3 year olds-B10, 4,5&amp;6 year olds-B11</i> ) |
|                  | <b>10:15 a.m.</b> | Worship Gathering ( <i>CMC</i> )                                                          |
|                  | <b>3:30 p.m.</b>  | Senior High Big Game Hunt ( <i>Meet at church</i> )                                       |
|                  | <b>6:00 p.m.</b>  | Disciple Singers Rehearsal ( <i>CMC</i> )                                                 |
|                  | <b>6:31 p.m.</b>  | Small Groups ( <i>King's, Lemley's</i> )                                                  |
|                  | <b>7:00 p.m.</b>  | Evening Fellowship Service ( <i>Sanctuary</i> )                                           |
|                  |                   | Junior & Senior High Small Groups<br>( <i>Various locations</i> )                         |

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~ HELPERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 30 ~

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**Infant & Toddler Nursery:** Wayne & Susan Bixel,  
Steven & Traci Heinze, John & Jaime Shaw

**Good News Hour:** Deb, Tim, & Daniel Huber,  
Krista Lehman, Joan Steiner

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~ YOUTH NEWS ~

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**Combined Small Groups tonight:** Both the guys' and girls' small groups will be combining forces to talk over Luke 4-8. We will be meeting at the normal time of 7:00 and everyone will meet in the school house. If you have not been a part of small groups in the past, this is a great time to join us!

**The Big Game Hunt:** Senior High students, be ready to take on the world outside of Ebenezer as we go on a photo scavenger hunt. This will be happening on Sunday, March 30, from 3:30 to 8:00 p.m. beginning here at Ebenezer. Students, there will be pizza, funny pictures, and a good time. Parents, there will be an adult driving every vehicle.

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~ WEDDING ANNIVERSARY ~

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**Congratulations** to Don & Joan Anderson. Tomorrow, March 24, will mark their 63rd wedding anniversary!

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~ PLEASE NOTE ~

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**The Trustees** are now accepting bids for the 2014 mowing of the church and cemetery lawns. Please submit your bid to the church office no later than 5:00 p.m., Sunday, April 6.

**There are a number of items** that have been left behind here at the church. Our lost and found cupboards are under the Prayer Counter in the Missions Center.

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~ THANK YOU ~

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**Thank you very much** for the Valentine gifts for the last four years it means a lot to me and shows how much I mean to the church. Thanks! – *Sam Spallinger*

**Dear Ebenezer Family:** Thank you so much for the prayers and thoughts during my recent illness. You are special people. By God's grace we all reach our goals. – *Max Rodabaugh*

**Dear Ebenezer Family:** Thank you for the many acts of kindness you showed at the time of Mom's (Martha) passing. Our family was overwhelmed by your prayers, visits at the funeral home, memorials, and others are true expressions of Christ's love at a difficult time. - *The Shaner Family*