

Ebenezer Communications Card

Please take a moment to complete the information below. Place in the offering plate or the box provided in the Missions Center on the Prayer Counter. Thank you for worshipping with us!

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I am interested in information on:

Ebenezer Mennonite Church Baptism Membership

Child dedication Getting involved in ministry

Joining a small group Prayer requests _____

~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

- July 18-20** *Family Camp* (Chain O'Lakes, Albion, Indiana)
July 23 *Ladies-Where's Dinner* (meet at church at 5:45)
Aug. 3 *Baptism Service* (6:30 p.m., Stratton Pond)
Aug. 3-6 *Grade School 3 – Grades 2-5* (Miracle Camp)
Aug. 3-9 *Grade School 2 – Grades 2-5* (Miracle Camp)
Aug. 13 *Ladies-Where's Dinner* (meet at church at 5:45)

~ EBENEZER ADULT COED SOFTBALL SCHEDULE ~

All games played at Bluffton Village Park Field 2 at 6:00 p.m.

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| Monday, July 7 | Frickers vs Ebenezer |
| Wednesday, July 16 | Sports Warehouse vs. Ebenezer |
| Monday, July 21 | Rusty Onions vs. Ebenezer |
| Wednesday, July 30 | Ebenezer vs. Bluffton Trinity |
| Wednesday, August 6 | Ebenezer vs. Lima First Assembly |

2015 Israel Trip-March 4-15: Bur Shilling is planning the trip and will be the leader. There will be an informational meeting with Bur on Sunday, July 27, 4:30 p.m. in the Conference Room (103).

The Ten Commandments

Exodus 20 And God spoke all these words:

²“I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery.

³“You shall have no other gods before me.

⁴“You shall not make for yourself an image in the form of anything in heaven above or on the earth beneath or in the waters below. ⁵You shall not bow down to them or worship them; for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the parents to the third and fourth generation of those who hate me, ⁶but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love me and keep my commandments.

⁷“You shall not misuse the name of the LORD your God, for the LORD will not hold anyone guiltless who misuses his name.

⁸“Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. ⁹Six days you shall labor and do all your work, ¹⁰but the seventh day is a sabbath to the LORD your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male or female servant, nor your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns. ¹¹For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them, but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.

¹²“Honor your father and your mother, so that you may live long in the land the LORD your God is giving you.

¹³“You shall not murder.

¹⁴“You shall not commit adultery.

¹⁵“You shall not steal.

¹⁶“You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.

¹⁷“You shall not covet your neighbor’s house. You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife, or his male or female servant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.”



July 6, 2014

Ebenezer Emissary

Welcome friends! We invite everyone to join in worshipping the Creator of us all. Let us sing for joy, pray with confidence, share with enthusiasm, and witness with love. In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth.

~ OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY ~

- 9:00 a.m.** Adult Bible Fellowship
 Kelly & Anissa Essinger (CMC)
 Sunday School (2-year-olds – High School)
- 10:00 a.m.** Junior High Students (Leave for Miracle Camp)
 The Good News Hour
 (2 year olds-B4, 3 year olds-B10, 4,5&6 year olds-B11)
- 10:15 a.m.** Worship & Communion Service – Pastor Jim (CMC)
 The Ninth Command –
 From Deception to Truth Telling
- 11:30 a.m.** FaithFull Singles Luncheon (FH)
- 6:31 p.m.** Small Group (Pastor Jim & Pat’s home)
- 7:00 p.m.** Truth Project (FH)

Special guests will be speaking during Adult Bible Fellowship this morning at 9:00 in the Crossroads Ministry Center. Kelly & Anissa Essinger will share about their work as English teachers in China. All ABF classes are invited to this great opportunity.

FaithFull Singles: The deacons and pastors invite our widows, widowers, and *all* singles age 50 and older to a luncheon today following the Worship & Communion Service. Nothing to bring, just hope to see you there!

Please pray for our Senior High students and leaders who are traveling home today from Black Mountain Home for Children in Black Mountain, North Carolina.

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on June 29:

Sunday School & ABF	(9:00 a.m.)	233
Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	355
Evening Fellowship Service	(7:00 p.m.)	31

Giving on June 29:

\$8,256.08

Benevolent Fund	50.00
Building Fund	335.00
Christian Education Fund	293.08
General Fund	4,256.00
Missions Fund	3,102.00
New Building Fund	70.00
Youth Fund	150.00

~ OUR MISSIONARIES ~

Missionary of the Week: *Bonnie Spallinger* serves with **Avant Ministries** at **Bryan College** in **Tennessee**. *God has placed many students under my care, and I have seen the Lord work and move in mighty ways in their lives. Some of these students are contemplating missions in the future, others are working through depression and heart break, and there are quite a few that I have built a positive mentoring and disciplining relationship. I praise the Lord for His faithfulness in their lives.* Please send a note to Bonnie at Bryan College #7658, 721 Bryan Drive, Dayton, TN 37321 or e-mail at: bonnie.spallinger@gmail.com

White Christmas in July: The month of July is time to remember and honor our Ebenezer Member Missionaries (inserts from last Sunday are available in the Missions Center and the Crossroads Ministry Center Foyer) with our White Christmas giving. This annual offering is to help make Christmas a little more special for our missionaries. Please use the small envelope marked with White Christmas for your gift and place in the offering plate. (Since Christmas gifts are considered personal by the IRS, no tax-deductible receipts will be issued.) - *The Missions Committee*

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Wayne & Susan Bixel - *Missions Center*

Barb Steiner & Rhody Hartman - *Crossroads Ministry Center*

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: JULY 7-13

Monday	6:00 p.m.	Adult Coed Softball (<i>Bluffton Village Park</i>)
	7:05 p.m.	Small Group (<i>173 Albert St., Bluffton</i>)
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Small Group (<i>Bluffton Arby's</i>)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Game Time (<i>FH</i>)
	6:15 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal (<i>CMC</i>)
	6:30 p.m.	Gym Night (<i>Grades 1-6, FH/CMC</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study & Prayer (<i>103</i>)
	7:05 p.m.	Connections (<i>Bluffton McDonald's</i>)
	7:30 p.m.	Senior High Navigators 2:7 (<i>B17</i>)
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Truth Project Small Group (<i>Tim & Diana Diller's home</i>)
Saturday	2:45 p.m.	Fishing Derby (<i>Meet at the church</i>)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School & ABF (<i>Various Classrooms</i>)
	10:00 a.m.	The Good News Hour (<i>2 year olds-B4, 3 year olds-B10, 4,5&6 year olds-B11</i>)
	10:15 a.m.	Worship Gathering (<i>CMC</i>)
	11:30 a.m.	Trustee Meeting (<i>FH</i>)
	12:00 p.m.	Baptism Class (<i>Bluffton Campus Life Room</i>)
	6:31 p.m.	Small Group (<i>Pastor Jim & Pat's home</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Fellowship Service (<i>Sanctuary</i>) Truth Project (<i>FH</i>)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 13 ~

Nursery: Aaron & Emily Koogler, Jeremy & Christina Lemley
Good News Hour: Allison & Madeline Burghaze, Hannah Conley
Julie McKanna, Marty & Melina Meza

~ CAMP NEWS ~

Junior High Students to Miracle Camp, July 6-12

Zack Basinger	Madeline Burghaze	Kaitlyn Clymer
Ashley Eachus	Grace Hansen	Erin Hotmire
Joseph Jones	Emma Klinger	Darrien Lim
Joscelin Reineke	Luke Richard	Sarah Schutz
Lily Shadle	Maria Spallinger	Kylee Staley
Hannah Willow	Hannah Yost	Luke Young

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Driving to: Brent & Renea Zimmerman, Wes & Mandy Klinger

Driving home: Ben Richard & Tom Willow, Marcine Geiger,
Megan Jones

~ YOUTH NEWS ~

Attention all Grades 1-6 are invited to a Gym Night this Wednesday, July 9, from 6:30 - 8:00 at the church. We will meet first in the Fellowship Hall where there will be a Bible focus and snack followed by organized games in the Crossroads Ministry Center. All helpers from the Wednesday Night Children's Ministries are welcome to come and participate. Any questions, please call 419-296-9574 or e-mail m.m.meza@juno.com - *Marti Meza*

~ PLEASE NOTE ~

Open House Invitation: This afternoon from 2:00 – 4:00 there will be an open house at 160 S. Bentley Road (near the I-75 overpass) in Bluffton at the Youth For Christ House Project. This is not only a way to let potential buyers see this amazing property, but to thank those who have helped in the project (many from Ebenezer) and to let people know more about the ministry of Youth For Christ in the Bluffton/Pandora area. For more information please see the bulletin board next to the kitchen.

Special Invitation: Ron & Sue Epp are extending an open invitation to our church family to help Chris & Jessica (Epp) Most celebrate their marriage which took place July 11, 2013 in the Bahamas. This celebration will begin at 6:30 p.m. this Friday, July 11, in the Crossroads Ministry Center.

Fishing Derby Saturday, July 12, from 3-6 p.m. Bring a friend and join us for an afternoon of family fishing fun. Meet at the church at 2:45 and we will caravan to the fishing site. For more information call Jared Lehman at 419-957-3611 or e-mail him at lehman.jared@gmail.com. - *Sponsored by Wild Game Committee*

John & Rosemary Good invite Ebenezer families for Wednesday afternoon swim from 12:00-4:00 at their home at: 401 County Road 33, Bluffton. All Wednesdays, weather permitting, until school starts. Any questions please call 419-358-0384.

~ BAPTISM SMALL GROUP ~

Interested in baptism? A baptism service will be held Sunday, August 3, at 6:30 p.m. In preparation, a three week baptism small group series will be held on Sundays July 13, 20, and 27 from noon to 1:00 p.m. at the Bluffton Campus Life Room. Lunch included. Please contact Pastor Jim if you have any questions at 419-358-8588 or e-mail at jim.king@ebenezermennonite.org.