

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.

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 _____

~ CHILD DEDICATION SERVICE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 ~

At our Child Dedication Service, parents commit to raise their child to know Jesus Christ for the glory of God. The church family pledges to support the family with love and encouragement, plus provide opportunities for spiritual development of the family. Parents, if you would like to take part in this service, we need you to register your child or children in the following ways:

- * Call the church office at 419-358-8588 or contact Pastor Jim.
- * Provide a digital photo of you with the child or children to be dedicated. Send to: info@ebenezymennonite.org.
- * Please register and have photo turned by early this week.
- * There will be a time in the dedication where your child will specifically be prayed for. This prayer can be offered by you, a family member, friend, or pastor. Please let us know who will be praying.

Any parents who attend Ebenezer are welcome to dedicate their child. The requirement is membership in the family of God, not Ebenezer Mennonite Church. All parents who know Christ as Savior are welcome to participate in this child dedication.

Manager for Ten Thousand Villages Store: The Et Cetera Shop Board, Inc. is seeking qualified applicants for the vacancy of the store manager of the Ten Thousand Villages Store in Bluffton. Please see the bulletin board across from the church kitchen for more information.

Counselors Needed: Echo Ranch Bible Camp is looking for camp counselors for the summer of 2016. Please see the bulletin board near the church kitchen for more information.

~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

- Nov. 16-23** Operation Christmas Child Shoebox Collection Week
Nov. 23 **MOPS** (9:00 a.m., FH)
Dec. 4 Ladies' Christmas Tea-**Memories of Christmas Past**
(6:30 p.m., Crossroads Ministry Center)
Dec. 5 High School Students (7:00 p.m., Lima Rescue Home)
Dec. 6 **Messiah** (4:00 p.m., Bluffton University)
Dec. 13 Children's Christmas Program (6:30 p.m., CMC)
Dec. 20 Christmas Worship Service (10:15 a.m., CMC)
Jan. 2 Living Faith Adult Bible Fellowship Class
(7:00 p.m., Lima Rescue Home)
Feb. 6 Maranatha Adult Bible Fellowship Class
(7:00 p.m., Lima Rescue Home)

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November 15, 2015

Ebenezer Emissary

52ND ANNUAL FESTIVAL OF MISSIONS



*He is the atoning sacrifice
for our sins, and not only
for ours but also for the
sins of the whole world.*

~ OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY ~

- 9:00 a.m.** Junior High-Adult Bible Fellowship Classes
with Paul Watson (CMC)
Children Grades 1-6 with YFC Ministry Staff
(Sanctuary Foyer)
- 10:00 a.m.** The Good News Hour
(2 year olds-B16, 3 year olds-B10, 4,5&6 year olds-B11)
- 10:15 a.m.** Festival of Missions – Paul Watson (CMC)
Disciple-Making Movements
- 5:00 p.m.** Disciple Singers' Choir (118&119)
- 6:00 p.m.** Festival of Missions Banquet (CMC)
- 7:00 p.m.** Children's Missionary Adventure with
Sarah Elsea (Sanctuary Foyer)
Missionary Message – Paul Watson (CMC)
Faith Promise Report

A special welcome to Paul Watson, our guest speaker today. Paul grew up in Hong Kong, Malaysia, India, and Singapore. As a child, he saw his father, David, the Vice President for Global Disciple-Making, develop the principles that led to disciple-making movements. As an adult, Paul has trained 1,500 disciple-makers in 14 countries. Currently, Paul lives in Portland, Oregon and is working to catalyze disciple-making movements in the Pacific Northwest.

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on November 8:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	(9:00 a.m.)	336
Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	481
Missions Conference	(7:00 p.m.)	224

Attendance on November 9:

Missions Conference	(7:00 p.m.)	157
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Attendance on November 10:

Missions Conference	(7:00 p.m.)	162
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Attendance on November 11:

Missions Conference	(7:00 p.m.)	227
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Giving on November 8:

\$15,788.22

Benevolent	20.00
Building Fund	435.00
Christian Education Fund	913.22
General Fund	9,521.00
Missions Fund	4,899.00

Missions Giving:

- \$50 The Gideons International, memory of Ron Sonius, father of missionary Lee Sonius.
- \$1,000 Reach Beyond to assist Lee Sonius to attend his father's funeral.

~YOUTH NEWS~

Tuesday, November 24: High school students, please meet at the church at 5:00 p.m. to leave for bowling at Westgate, Lima. Please bring \$15 for pizza and two games.

~NATIONAL SHOEBOX COLLECTION WEEK: 11/16-23~

Once again, we are in need of volunteers to welcome those bringing shoeboxes to Ebenezer's relay center. If you are interested in helping in this way, there is a sign-up sheet with available dates and time posted in the Missions Center.

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Crossroads Ministry Center: Frank & Patty Boehm
Missions Center: Paul & Cheryl Burkholder

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: NOVEMBER 16-22

Monday	7:00 p.m.	Beth Moore Study Group (115) Church Council Meeting (103)
	7:05 p.m.	Small Group (173 Albert Street, Bluffton)
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Small Group (Arby's)
	7:00 p.m.	Christian Education Com. Meeting (103)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Game Time (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 p.m.	Family Supper (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 p.m.	Women's Prayer Group (Fellowship Hall)
	6:15 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal (115)
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study & Prayer (103) Children's Ministries (age 3-Grade 6) Junior High Meet (B17)
	8:30 p.m.	Bread of Life Ministries (Church Kitchen) Junior High and High School Dodgeball (Crossroads Ministry Center)
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Deacons (103) Prayer Action Team (Church Library)
	8:30 p.m.	Young Adult Basketball (Crossroads Ministry Center)
Friday	7:00 a.m.	Youth Prayer Group (Bluffton McDonald's)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Stephen Ministries (112) Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship (Various Classrooms)
	10:00 a.m.	The Good News Hour (2 year olds-B16, 3 year olds-B10, 4,5&6 year olds-B11)
	10:15 a.m.	Worship Gathering (Crossroads Ministry Center) Child Dedication Service
	6:00 p.m.	Disciple Singers' Actors (CMC Stage)
	6:30 p.m.	Small Groups (Kings and Niswandars) Disciple Singers' Choir (118-119)
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Fellowship Service (Sanctuary) Junior High & High School Small Groups (Schoolhouse)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22 ~

Nurseries: Kevin & Melissa Hilty, Denise Rex, Tammy Whitlow

The Good News Hour: Madeline & Allison Burghaze,
Julie McKanna, Bruce, Cindy, & Rachel Moser,
Renea & Caity Zimmerman

~PLEASE NOTE~

Mennonite Home Communities of Ohio provides an Alzheimer's support group for caregivers. Meetings are the third Monday of each month, except December, from 3:30-4:30 p.m. The group meets at Mennonite Memorial Home tomorrow, 410 W. Elm St., Bluffton. The focus is on mutual support, education, and community resourcing. Call 419-358-1015 for more information and questions.

Snow removal bids will be accepted in the church office until Friday, November 20.

Thanksgiving Bake Sale! The Service Group of the Mennonite Home Communities of Ohio will be holding their annual Thanksgiving Bake Sale this Friday, November 20. The bake sale will feature a variety of home-baked goods including delicious cinnamon rolls, cakes, pies, noodles, and breads. This annual event will be held in the Mennonite Memorial Home lobby on Friday, November 20, from 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Be sure to come early for your Thanksgiving baked goods! Donated items may be brought to the Ebenezer church kitchen before 8:30 a.m. Friday, November 20. Please label the items for MMH. Thank you for supporting the Service Group and their mission of serving the residents of MMH.

Ladies' Christmas Tea: This year's Christmas Tea, *Memories of Christmas Past*, will be Friday evening, December 4, at 6:30. Come join us for a fun evening of fellowship, yummy Christmas treats, and of course tea! Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased in the Missions Center beginning today, for three weeks only. Haven't been to a Christmas Tea? Grab some friends and make this a new holiday tradition!

If you are interested in decorating a table this year for the tea, please come sign up in the Missions Center, or contact Christy Garmatter at garmatterc@gmail.com. We usually need 12-14 tables, so this is a great opportunity to get out the china that you love, or that was passed on to you. Not sure what you need? Check us out in the Missions Center!

If you have a deer or any type of wild game you are willing to donate for the Wild Game Event (April 9, 2016), please contact Joe Alt at 419-234-1247. Thank you.

An outdoor wooden wheel chair ramp (28'-34') in good condition is available for anyone who may have need of one. Please contact the church office at 419-358-8588 if interested.