

April 3, 2016

Ebenezer Emissary



We welcome you to worship this Sunday with sincere joy! 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 Ebenezer Communications Card which is part of the Emissary. This communication is a vital link which helps our Body stay connected. Please feel free to place completed ones in the offering plate or in the box provided in the Missions Center on the Prayer Counter.

~ OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY ~

- 9:00 a.m.** 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-Pastor Jim *(Crossroads Ministry Center)*
Be Like Jesus: Peace
Scripture Reading: Pastor David
Special Music: Janie Wireman
- 11:30 a.m.** Wild Game Committee Meeting *(103)*
- 12:00 p.m.** Stephen Ministries *(Fellowship Hall)*
- 5:00 p.m.** Trustee Meeting *(103)*
- 6:00 p.m.** Disciple Singers' Choir and Actors
(118-119, Crossroads Ministry Center)
- 6:30 p.m.** Small Groups *(Kings, Niswanders)*
- 7:00 p.m.** Evening Fellowship Service-Pastor Dick *(Sanctuary)*
God's Refugees
Junior High and High School Small Groups
(Schoolhouse)

~ BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT ~

Congratulations to Christopher & Sara (Burkholder) Sullivan on the birth of their daughter, Joanna Charlotte, on Tuesday, March 29, weighing 6 lb. 3 oz.

~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

- Apr. 24** Disciple Singers' Spring Musical *(10:15 a.m., CMC)*
- Apr. 27** Wednesday Children's Ministries Skate Night
(6:00 p.m., Grove Skateland)
- Apr. 30** Wild Game Trap Shoot *(8:30 a.m., outside field)*
- May 5** National Day of Prayer Event *(7:00 p.m., CMC)*
- May 7** High School Students *(7:00 p.m., Lima Rescue Home)*
- May 8** Mother's Day Chicken BBQ *(11:30 a.m., CMC)*
- June 19-25** Middle School 1 *(Grades 5&6, Miracle Camp)*
- July 17-23** Senior High 2 *(Grades 9-12, Miracle Camp)*
- July 24-30** Junior High 2 *(Grades 7&8, Miracle Camp)*
- Aug 7-13** Grade School 2 *(Grades 2-4, Miracle Camp)*
- Aug 7-10** Grade School 3 *(Grades 2-4, Miracle Camp)*
- Aug 10-13** Grade School 4 *(Grades 2-4, Miracle Camp)*

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

Infant Nursery - 111

Toddler Nursery - 106

~ Sunday School for Children ~

Age 2 - B16

Age 3 - B-10

Ages 4&5 - B-11

Grade 1 - B-12

Grade 2 - B-14

Grade 3 - B-18

Grade 4 - B-13

Grade 5 - Sanctuary 4

Grade 6 - B-15

Grades 7 & 8 (Junior High) - B-17

Grades 9 - 12 (Senior High) - Schoolhouse

~ Adult Bible Fellowship (ABF) ~

Agape (college & career) - 116

Young Married/Single - 115

Genesis - Sanctuary Foyer

Maranantha - Sanctuary Overflow

Living Faith - 112-114 (Fellowship Hall)

Old Testament in a Year - 103

Berean - 118-119

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 _____

~ GRADUATION INFORMATION ~

Please fill in the information needed below or e-mail the church office at: info@ebenezymennonite.org. Thank you!

Student Name: _____

Date/Time: _____

High School/College: _____

Degree (if applicable): _____

To Ebenezer Mennonite Church Family: Thank you for all your prayers, cards, and visits while I was in the hospital. God is great! - *Mike Powell*

Please remove items from the church refrigerators, so that there will be room to store food for the Wild Game Event, next weekend. Thank you!

~ PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAYER LIST ~

Please call the church office for any names or concerns that you want listed in the Weekly Prayer List or prayed for during our Worship Services. To have a prayer e-mail sent, 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.

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on March 25:

Good Friday Service (7:00 p.m.) 112

Attendance on March 27:

Easter SonRise Service (7:30 a.m.) 253

Easter Worship Service (10:15 a.m.) 476

Giving on March 27:

\$13,987.26

Benevolent Fund 516.00

Building Fund 770.00

Christian Education Fund 760.00

General Fund 8,716.26

Missions Fund 3,205.00

New Building Fund 20.00

~ MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK ~

Mark & Liz Sisler

Naomi's Village - Kenya

116 Cascade Drive

Indiana Head Park, IL 60525

sislersinkenya@gmail.com

Missionary newsletters are located in the Missions Center under the large world map. The letters give us the opportunity to partner with our missionaries through prayer.

~ PRAYER CONCERNS ~

In Rehab: Emily Crawfis, Leesburg Regional Acute Rehabilitation Hospital in Florida.

In the Hospital: Dwaine Burkholder, St. Rita's Medical Center.

Our sympathy to the family of Julia Luginbill. Julia, mother of Greg, Gary, Don, Sandy Dulebohn, and Dwight, passed away on Thursday, March 31. Visitation will be at Chiles Laman-Bluffton this afternoon from 2:00-6:00. Funeral service will be held here at the church tomorrow at 11:00 a.m. with one hour visitation before.

~ MOTHER'S DAY CHICKEN BBQ ~

The youth missions team will have a Chicken BBQ on Mother's Day, Sunday, May 8, to raise support for their trip to New York this summer. You may reserve your chicken dinners in the Missions Center today.

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: APRIL 3-10

Monday 7:00 p.m. Beth Moore Study Group (*Sanctuary Foyer*)

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

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*)

7:05 p.m. Connections Small Group

(*Bluffton McDonald's*)

Putting God First (*Bible Study, Schoolhouse*)

8:30 p.m. Bread of Life Ministries (*Church Kitchen*)

Junior High and High School Dodgeball

(*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

Friday 7:00 a.m. Youth Prayer Group (*Bluffton McDonald's*)

Saturday 3:30 p.m. Wild Game Seminar (*Sanctuary*)

5:00 p.m. Wild Game Exhibits & Appetizers (*CMC*)

7:00 p.m. Wild Game Event (*Charles Alsheimer, CMC*)

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible

Fellowship (*Various Classrooms*)

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(*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

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

Junior High and High School

Small Groups (*Schoolhouse*)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 10 ~

Infant & Toddler Nursery:

Janet Brauen, Arlene Garmatter, Josh & Heidi Steiner

Good News Hour:

Benji & Sarah Bergstrand, Krista Lehman,

Marti & Melina Meza, Jeremy & Stephanie Scoles

~ WEDDING ANNIVERSARY ~

Congratulations to Jim & Nancy Diller. Today marks their 50th wedding anniversary! If you would like to send a card, their address is 12423 Colliers Reserve Drive, Naples, FL 34110.

~ PLEASE NOTE ~

PrimeTimers will take place at noon this Tuesday, April 5, at St. John Mennonite Church. Following a free luncheon, sacred music on piano will be performed. PrimeTimers is a monthly lunch gathering for persons age 55 or older. For more information including the menu, please see the church bulletin boards.

Disciple Singers' Choir will present a spring musical called, *The Agape League*, Sunday morning April 24, at 10:15 in the Crossroads Ministry Center. This story unfolds in the impenetrable Agape Fortress, where General Agape has called the mighty Agape League together to solve a crisis in Suburbia City! Calling on the super-powered Fruits of the Spirit available to every follower of Christ, these superheroes soon find themselves facing a problem within their own ranks when Ironblade forgets his superhero identity (self-control) and becomes entangled in the pervasive worldly culture. Things worsen when they learn that unless each member continues to exhibit their gifts, the entire group faces the same fate! Will the League recover their powers? Will the citizens of Suburbia City be saved? Will the source of true power – God's Word – finally be utilized before time runs out? Come to the musical and find out! Everyone is welcome, please invite your family and friends!

NDP Bite: *The National Day of Prayer is an annual observance held on the first Thursday of May, inviting people of all faiths to pray for our nation. It was created in 1952 by a joint resolution of the United States Congress and signed into law by President Harry S. Truman. Since its inception, this day has continually united Americans from all socio-economic, political, and ethnic backgrounds in prayer while also encouraging personal repentance and righteousness in the culture. The National Day of Prayer belongs to all Americans and is a day that transcends differences, bringing together citizens to celebrate our most beloved freedom; the freedom to humbly come before God and seek His guidance in prayer. Let us celebrate and pray together on Thursday, May 5, at 7:00 p.m. in the Crossroads Ministry Center.*